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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT 08:00 11 May 2007 – 08:00 12 May 2007

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assault	1		1	1 child beaten in the district of Nablus
Injuries	2		2	2 civilian protestors in Bil'in, Ramallah
Attacks	9	8	17	Incl. 5 in raids & 7 from military posts
Raids	28	5	33	Incl. 4 in Ramallah & 6 in Hebron
Air Patrol	1		1	Israeli troops dispatched by a helicopter
Arrests (per person)	7		7	Incl. 2 in Tulkarem and 2 in Hebron
Detentions	17		17	Incl. several international peace activists
Land Levelling		2	2	Near Green Line, Central Gaza & Rafah
Destruction of Property	1	1	2	Incl. a water pipe damaged in Nablus
Confiscation of Property	1		1	A Police officer's ID card in Nablus
Closure of Checkpoints	15		15	Incl. access impeded at 8 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	17		17	Incl. 3 in Jerusalem and 6 in Jenin
Closure (per District)	6		6	Incl. Jerusalem and Tulkarem partially
Closure of Main Roads	36		36	Incl. 3 in Jerusalem & 4 in Nablus
Closure of Crossing Points		6	6	Incl. Beit Hanun (Erez) partially
Palestinian Attacks		2	2	2 mortars fired towards the Green Line
Demonstrations	3		3	Against the Wall and land confiscation
TOTAL	144	24	168	

DISTRICT

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ALL DISTRICTS	• The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints set up on the main roads connecting the West Bank districts, thereby isolating the northern districts from the southern districts as well as the Jericho district and the Jordan Valley from the remainder of the West Bank.
JERUSALEM	 <u>Closure</u>: The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem, set up several checkpoints in the old city of Jerusalem and around Al Aqsa Mosque compound, and prevented civilians from accessing the mosque to perform Friday prayers. As a result, civilians were forced to perform Friday prayers along main streets, roads, and in the area surrounding the old city of Jerusalem. <u>Closure of Main Roads</u>: (i) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance opposite the junction to Dahiyat al Bareed in the city of Jerusalem with a barbed wire gate and to deny civilian access. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting Dahiyat al Bareed to the town of Ar Ram in order to complete Wall construction in the area. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to the village of Jaba', which connects the village to the cities of Jerusalem, Ramallah, and Jericho. <u>Checkpoint</u>: The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of As Sawahira ab Sharqiya and As Sawahira al Gharbiya, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem IDs to cross, after subjecting them to thorough searches using electronic de

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RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	 <u>Closure of Main Roads</u>: (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil as well as the road to the village of Ras Karkar. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the western entrance to the village of Saffa. <u>Checkpoint</u>: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the overpass to the town of 'Atara and to impede civilian access. <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the area west of the town of 'Abud as well as in the areas of Al Midya to Ni'lin and Ni'lin to Deir Qaddis. <u>Flving Checkpoint</u>: At 15:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of 'Abud and searched civilians and vehicles until 16:30. <u>Attacks</u>: At 21:30, and again at 23:40, the Israeli army opened fire and fired flares from the area surrounding the settlement of Psagot towards civilian houses in the city of El Bireh. <u>Raids</u>: (i) At 21:40, the Israeli army raided the city of Ramallah, set up a checkpoint at its northern entrance, and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 21:40, the Israeli army raided the city of El Bireh and searched a number of houses. At 02:20, the Israeli army raided the city again and patrolled the area. (iii) At 01:40, the Israeli army raided Al Jalazun refugee camp and arrested 1 civilian. <u>Arrest</u>: The Israeli army arrested Ahmed Yousef al Bayedh in Al Jalazun refugee camp. <u>Demonstration/Attack/Injuries/Detentions</u>: A mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in the village of Bil'in in protest against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which the Israeli army injured 2 civilian protests. In addition, a number of protestors sustained injuries as a result of tear gas inhalation. The Israeli army also detained 2 civilians as well as
JENIN	 <u>Closure of Roads</u>: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the unpaved detour roads leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan. <u>Checkpoint</u>: The Israeli army continues to close Tayasir checkpoint east of the town of Tubas, denying civilian access to the Northern Jordan Valley, except for civilians whose IDs indicate that their place of residence is the Northern Jordan Valley. <u>Wall Gates</u>: (i) Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.

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	 (ii) Beginning on 29 March 2007, the Israeli army has continued to regulate times to open Al Jalama and Salim Wall gates between 06:30 until 10:00 and 17:00 until 21:00 respectively.
	Flying Checkpoints:
	(i) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up 5 flying checkpoints: 4 on the junctions to the towns of 'Arraba and Az Zababida as well as the
	villages of Al Kufeir and Fahma and 1 in the area between the villages of Zabda and Dhahr al 'Abed. Israeli troops positioned at these flying checkpoints searched civilians and vehicles.
	(ii) At 19:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area of As Suweitat, searched civilians and vehicles, and arrested 1 civilian.
	• <u>Raids</u> :
	(i) At 09:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the villages of Al Jarba and 'Anza.
	(ii) At 10:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Ash Shuhada'.
	• <u>Arrest</u> : Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up in the area of As Suweitat arrested Jihad Hasan Abu al Leil.
	• <u>Closure</u> : The Israeli army continues to declare the district of Tulkarem a
	closed military zone and to impede civilian access to and from the district.
	• Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt
	barricades the Dahiyat Iktaba-Bal'a road, the entrance to the village of
	Saffarin, the road connecting the town of Deir al Ghusun to 'Attil plain, the
	road connecting the town of Kafr al Labad to the village of Shufa, and the
	road to the town of Deir al Ghusun's plain.
	• <u>Checkpoints</u> : The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Jubara checkpoint (the southern entrance to the city of Tulkarem) as well as at (Einer checkpoint (the costern entrance to the city)
	 at 'Einav checkpoint (the eastern entrance to the city). <u>Wall Gates</u>: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted
	special Israeli permits.
	• Flying Checkpoints:
	(i) At 08:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to
TULKAREM	the village of Far'un and searched civilians and vehicles until 09:30.
	(ii) At 10:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern
	entrance to the town of 'Attil and searched civilians and vehicles until
	15:15. Paide/Air Patrol/Attacks:
	Raids/Air Patrol/Attacks: (i) At 12:30, Israeli troops, dispatched by a combat helicopter, raided and
	combed an area west of the town of Kafr al Labad.
	(ii) At 15:40, the Israeli army, including 4 jeeps, raided Dahiyat Shuweika
	in the city of Tulkarem. While patrolling the area, confrontations took
	place between the Israeli army and civilians.
	(iii) At 00:35, the Israeli army, including 4 jeeps, raided the city of
	Tulkarem and Tulkarem refugee camp. The Israeli army also opened
	fire in the refugee camp and searched 1 building in the city.
	(iv) At 02:05, the Israeli army, including 6 jeeps, raided the town of 'Attil, searched 2 houses, and arrested 2 civilians.
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	• <u>Arrests</u> : The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the town of 'Attil:
	(i) Theer Ghassan Sadeq; and
	(ii) Samer Jalal Abu Khalil.
QALQILIYA	 <u>Closure of Roads</u>: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun. <u>Wall Gates</u>: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal detector. <u>Wall Construction</u>: Land levelling for Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the villages of Immatin and Kafr Laqif as well as east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and 'Azzun. <u>Raid</u>: At 24:00, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided the city of Qalqiliya and patrolled the area until 00:50.
NABLUS	 Closure of Main Roads/Destruction of Property: The Israeli army continues to close the Jenin-Nablus road between the junction to the village of Deir Sharaf and the settlement of Shavei Shomron. The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the settler bypass road connecting the village of Deir al Hatab to the settlement of Alon Moreh as well as the southern entrance to the village of Qaryut. At 20:45, the Israeli army closed the entrance to the village of Al Lubban ash Sharqiya with dirt barricades and cement blocks, thereby damaging the water pipe which supplies the village. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus: Huwwara and Beit Iba checkpoints (set up at the southern and western entrances to the city of Nablus respectively) are closed at 23:00. The Israeli army only allows civilian vehicles possessing access permits to cross these checkpoints. The Israeli army also searches civilians using metal detectors at Beit Iba checkpoint, impeding their access. At Tur neighbourhood checkpoint (set up on Jirzim Mount) is closed on Fridays and Saturdays as well as during Jewish holidays. On all other days, it is open for civilian residents of the neighbourhood only. Beit Furik checkpoint is open to civilian residents of the town of Beit Furik and the village of Beit Dajan until 17:30. Beginning on 23 November 2006, the Israeli army continues to close the checkpoint set up in the area between the civy of Nablus and the town of 'Asira ash Shamaliya and to prevent civilians from crossing, only allowing access to humanitarian cases. At 09:20, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Al Badhan checkpoint and used Police dogs to search civilians, thereby impeding civilian access.

	 <u>Raids/Detention/Physical Assault</u>: (i) At 13:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Al Lubban ash Sharqiya. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. The Israeli army also detained and beat 1 child. At 20:45, the Israeli army released the child. (ii) At 16:05, the Israeli army raided 'Askar refugee camp and patrolled the area until 16:20. (iii) At 18:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Deir al Hatab. (iv) At 03:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus, searched 1 building, and withdrew at 04:30. <u>Arrest/Confiscation of Property</u>: At 17:00, Israeli troops positioned at Al Badhan checkpoint arrested Mohammed Ghaleb Rabay'ah. Israeli troops also confiscated the ID card of 'Ameed Ibrahim Rabay'ah, a Palestinian
SALFIT	 Police officer. <u>Closure of Main Roads</u>: (i) The Israeli army has continued to close the main north-western entrance to the city of Salfit with dirt barricades since the beginning of the current <i>Intifada</i> (Uprising). (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western entrance to the village of Marda and, with cement blocks, the western entrance to the town of Kafr ad Dik. <u>Checkpoints</u>: (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Deir Ballut checkpoint and to deny civilian access to the town of Kafr ad Dik. (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the Za'tara junction checkpoint and to impede civilian access. <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the area northwest of the city of Salfit, and in the village of Marda and the town of Kifl Haris north of the settlement of Ari'el. <u>Raids</u>: At 14:20, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided and patrolled the village of Yasuf. At 17:10, the Israeli army raided the village again, set up a checkpoint in the village's centre, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area.
JERICHO	 <u>Closure</u>: The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between the city of Jericho and the village of Al 'Auja with cement blocks and to prevent farmers not holding Jericho Governorate IDs from reaching their land, forcing them to apply for access permits. The Israeli army also continues to deny access to the city to holders of Israeli IDs. <u>Checkpoints</u>: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions and impede civilian access at Al Hamra checkpoint set up along Al Badhan road connecting the districts of Jericho and Nablus as well as on the checkpoint set up on the junction to the village of Al 'Auja along Al Mu'arrajat road connecting the districts of Jericho and Ramallah.

	• <u>Raid</u> : At 05:00, the Israeli army, including 3 armoured vehicles and 9 jeeps, raided 'Aqbat Jaber refugee camp in the city of Jericho. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. At 07:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
BETHLEHEM	 Closure: The Israeli army continues to close the roads to the village of An Nu'man, with the exception of the road leading to the Wall gate in the south-eastern area of the village. Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close all roads to Road # 60 leading to the city of Jerusalem, thereby isolating the city of Bethlehem from its towns and villages located west of Road # 60. The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the detour roads leading to the town of Tuqu'. Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the area northwest of the town of Al Khadr, northwest of the city of Beit Jala, and in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of the settlement of Efrat. Flving Checkpoint: At 08:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the village of Jannata and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids: At 22:00, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided and patrolled the city of Bethlehem and 'Ayda refugee camp. Demonstration: A mass demonstration took place on land belonging to the villages of Artas and Um Salamuna. Protestors performed Friday prayers on the land which the Israeli army threatens to confiscate for Wall construction.
HEBRON	 <u>Closure</u>: The Israeli army continues to close the following locales in the old city of Hebron: Ash Shuhada' Street and the area of As Sahleh with cement blocks and barbed wire; the old gold market with an iron gate; the area of Khuzq al Far near the settlement of Abraham Avino with a dirt barricade and an iron gate; and the entrance to the area of Al Khan with an electronic gate, isolating the area from Al Laban Market and the area of As Sahleh. The Israeli army also continues to install an iron gate at the entrance to the area of Al Hisba (the fruits and vegetables market) in the old city of Hebron, thereby controlling civilian access to and from the area. (ii) Although it expired on 07 May 2006, the Israeli army continues to implement a military order stipulating the prohibition of civilian vehicles from travelling along the road connecting the settlement of Kiryat Arba' to the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron unless they possess access permits. <u>Closure of Main Roads</u>:

	to the village of Al Jab'a; the entrance to the village of Beit 'Einun; and the eastern entrance to the village of Kharsa. The Israeli army also continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to Al Qeisi neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron as well as the main entrance to Al 'Arrub refugee camp.
(ii)	In accordance with Military Order # 378, the Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from travelling along Shalala Old Street that leads to the old city of Hebron, only allowing Israeli vehicles as
	well as Israeli army vehicles to travel along this street.
	Vall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in
W	the section of Tarqumiya checkpoint terminal, the remaining section of the Vall route that separates the settlement of Eshkolot from the village of Ar
	amadin, and near the village of Imneizil southeast of the town of Yatta.
	lying Checkpoints:
(i)	At 16:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to the town of Halhul and searched civilians and vehicles.
(ii)	At 17:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area of Jabal Johar in the old city of Hebron and searched civilians and vehicles.
• <u>R</u>	<u>aids</u> :
(i)	At 09:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Hebron.
(ii)	At 10:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Dura and the village of Kharsa.
(iii)	At 11:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Khirbet as Salama and served summons to a number of civilians to report to the Israeli Civil Administration in the settlement of Beit II, ostensibly because their houses were built without the required constructions licences.
(iv)	At 22:30, the Israeli army raided Ash Sheikh neighbourhood in the city of Hebron and arrested 2 civilians (brothers).
(v)	At 01:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron and searched a number of houses.
	<u>rrests</u> : The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in Ash Sheikh neighbourhood the city of Hebron:
(i)	Mu'taz ash Shareef; and
(ii)	Muntasser ash Shareef.
• <u>D</u> p Is	emonstration: At 12:30, a mass demonstration, including international eace activists, took place in the town of Bani Na'im in protest against the traeli army's land confiscation. Protestors marched towards the settlement
	f Avnei Hever. Confrontations also took place between the Israeli army and protestors.

GAZA STRIP

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ALL DISTRICTS	• The ceasefire agreement that entered into force at 06:00 on 26 November 2006 remains effective. However, the Israeli army opened fire towards Palestinian territory on 8 occasions, one of which resulted in setting fire to civilian agricultural land. The Israeli army also carried out 5 raids into Palestinian territory, during 2 of which the Israeli army levelled land. In addition, armed Palestinian individuals fired 2 mortars towards the Green Line.
NORTHERN GAZA	 <u>Closure of Crossing Point</u>: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open to foreign nationals, humanitarian cases, and VIPs. <u>Raid</u>: At 21:00, in violation of the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement, Israeli Special Forces raided 200 metres into Palestinian territory near Point 14 on the Green Line north of the town of Beit Lahiya and withdrew at 05:30. <u>Palestinian Attacks</u>: In violation of the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement, armed Palestinian individuals fired 2 mortars towards the Green Line, as follows: (i) At 09:50, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line. (ii) At 10:05, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.
GAZA	• <u>Closure of Crossing Point</u> : Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed.
CENTRAL GAZA	 <u>Attack</u>: At 19:30, the Israeli army opened fire from the area near Point 102 on the Green Line towards a number of farmers in the area of Wadi Gaza, thereby violating the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement. <u>Raids/Attack/Land Levelling</u>: In violation of the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement, the Israeli army carried out 2 raids into Palestinian territory, as follows: (i) At 09:50, the Israeli army, including 2 armoured vehicles and 2 bulldozers, raided 100 metres into Palestinian territory near Point 117 and 119 on the Green Line east of Al Maghazi refugee camp, opened indiscriminate fire, and levelled land. At 11:20, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. (ii) At 11:25, an Israeli army armoured vehicle raided 50 metres into Palestinian territory near Point 124 on the Green Line east of Al Maghazi refugee camp.
KHAN YUNIS	 <u>Attacks</u>: In violation of the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement, the Israeli army opened fire towards Palestinian territory, as follows: (i) At 17:30, and again at 06:30, the Israeli army opened fire from the area near Point 164 on the Green Line towards a number of farmers east of the village of 'Abasan as Saghira.

	 (ii) At 17:30, the Israeli army opened fire from the area near Point 175 on the Green Line towards a number of farmers east of the town of 'Abasan al Kabira. <u>Raid/Attack</u>: At 17:00, in violation of the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided 20 metres into Palestinian territory near Point 147 on the Green Line east of the area of Al Qarara and opened fire towards the area. <u>Destruction of Property/Attack</u>: At 17:30, as a result of Israeli army attacks, fire was set to civilian agricultural land near Point 190 on the Green Line east of the area of Khuza'a.
RAFAH	 <u>Closure of Crossing Points</u>: Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. Rafah Crossing is closed. Sufa Crossing is closed. Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed. <u>Attack</u>: At 14:20, Israeli troops positioned on a military watchtower on the Green Lien east of Yasser 'Arafat International Airport opened fire towards Palestinian territory east of the city of Rafah, thereby violating the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement. <u>Raid/Land Levelling</u>: At 17:00, in violation of the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement, the Israeli army, including 5 armoured vehicles and 2 bulldozers, raided 40 metres into Palestinian territory near Point 195 on the Green Line north of Sufa Crossing east of the city of Rafah and levelled land.

GENERAL

POLITICAL PRISONERSAbuse of Political Prisoners: Israeli troops raided detainees' cells at 'Ofa Detention and Interrogation Centre, using Police dogs. Israeli troops als fired tear gas grenades towards detainees and beat detainees with clubs. I addition, Israeli troops damaged detainees' personal belongings and detained them outside their cells.
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