

مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT
08:00 20 May 2004 – 08:00 21 May 2004

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Assassination	1	—	1	Qalqiliya
Deaths	1	3	4	Incl. 1 child
Injuries	8	2	10	Incl. 6 children & 1 critical
Air Attack	—	1	1	Al Salaam, Gaza
Attacks	10	2	12	Incl. 1 tank shell
Raids	18	3	21	
Air Patrols	2	1	3	1 recon. & 2 helicopters
Arrests (per person)	20	5	25	Incl. 1 child & 2 officers
Detentions	1	2	3	
House Demolitions	1	3	4	1 Qalqiliya, 3 Al Barazil
Land Levelling	—	2	2	Incl. 10 <i>dunums</i> near Sufa
Wall Construction	14	—	14	Jer'lm, Ramallah, Jenin, Beth.
Destruction of Property	1	2	3	Incl. crops & cars in Rafah
House Occupations	1	1	2	
Curfews	1	3	4	
Checkpoints	(All)	—	(All)	
Flying Checkpoints	(Dozens)	(Dozens)	—	Closing all districts
Closures (per District)	(All)	(All)	(All)	
Closure of Main Roads	Most	(5)	Most	Esp. connecting governorates
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)	—	(All)	Permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points	—	5	5	
Provocation of Pal. Forces	2	—	2	
Palestinian Attacks	—	5	5	8 Mortars towards Green Line
Demonstrations	2	1	3	
TOTAL	83	41	124	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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<p style="text-align: center;">ALL DISTRICTS</p>	<p>Since 22 March 2004, the Israeli army has imposed a total closure over the West Bank and Gaza Strip. The Israeli army prevented civilians from crossing the Green Line and entering Jerusalem, closed crossing points to workers, and restricted movement between cities in the West Bank.</p>
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WEST BANK

<p style="text-align: center;">JERUSALEM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the city, closing all roads connecting towns and villages and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Al Eizariya, Abu Dis, Al Sawahira al Sharqiya, Sur Bahir, Qatanna, Biddu, and along the main road between Dahiyat Al Bareed checkpoint and Qalandiya checkpoint.
<p style="text-align: center;">RAMALLAH & EL BIREH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all roads connecting towns and villages and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. • Wall Construction: Construction of the western portion of the Wall continues in Budrus, Deir Qaddis, Rantis, Ni'lin, Beit Liqya, Beituniya and near the village of Midya. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:50, the Israeli army raided the town of Beituniya. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. The Israeli army confiscated keys to public vehicles after using the vehicles as a barrier between it and protestors. (ii) At 11:55, the Israeli army raided the cities of Ramallah and El Bireh, set up a checkpoint, and searched vehicles. At 19:45, the Israeli army raided the area again and patrolled the area near Al Muqata'a. At 00:10, the Israeli army raided the area again and opened indiscriminate fire. • Demonstration: At 11:50, a mass demonstration took place in the town of Beituniya and marched towards the Israeli settler by pass road near the Wall. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians.

<p style="text-align: center;">JENIN</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact education, economic and livelihood activities and impede access to health facilities. • Wall Construction: Construction of the Wall continues south of Jalbun towards Al Mutilla, Raba, Al Mughayyir, Bardala and 'Ein al Beida and towards the Jordan River.
<p style="text-align: center;">JERICHO</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up dozens of checkpoints throughout the city, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages and prevented civilians from crossing.
<p style="text-align: center;">BETHLEHEM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages and preventing civilians from crossing. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the only road leading to the village of Al Nu'man, northeast of the Bethlehem district, isolating the village completely and placing the villages of Nu'man and Al Khas under the jurisdiction of the Jerusalem municipality, making its inhabitants illegal residents in Jerusalem because they carry West Bank ID cards. • Wall Construction: Construction of the Wall continues north of the district of Bethlehem, west of Wadi Hilwa, near the Armenian monastery, on the Jerusalem-Bethlehem road and along the tunnel road (Gilo). • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Bethlehem and its suburbs, set up a checkpoint in the city centre and searched vehicles. (ii) At 03:15, the Israeli army raided the town of Al Doha, surrounded 1 house, opened fire, and arrested 1 civilian. • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Ahmad Towfiq Tayeh in the town of Al Doha.
<p style="text-align: center;">TULKAREM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact education, economic and livelihood activities and impede access to health facilities.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:00, an Israeli army jeep raided the town of Bal'a and patrolled the area. (ii) At 19:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Tulkarem and its suburbs and patrolled the area. At 21:15, the Israeli army raided the area again, opened indiscriminate fire, set up several checkpoints throughout the city, searched vehicles and examined passenger IDs. At 22:40, the Israeli army opened fire, injuring 2 civilians, including 1 child. (iii) At 20:40, and again at 22:15, the Israeli army raided Tulkarem refugee camp and took position in the area. (iv) At 22:55, the Israeli army raided the town of Anabta. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. • <u>Air Patrol:</u> At 17:30, Israeli reconnaissance aircraft patrolled the skies over the district of Tulkarem and its suburbs. • <u>Demonstration:</u> At 11:20, a mass demonstration took place in Tulkarem refugee camp in solidarity with civilians in Rafah and in condemnation of continued Israeli army attacks and house demolitions in Rafah.
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. • <u>Raid:</u> At 03:00, the Israeli army raided Balata refugee camp and arrested 2 civilians. • <u>Arrests:</u> (i) At 11:00, the Israeli army arrested Jasir Muhammad Abu Bakir, a Palestinian National Security officer, at a checkpoint set up at the entrance to the village of Qusin. <p>The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in Balata refugee camp:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) Ahmad Al Qeisi; and (iii) Ala Sanaqra. <p>On 19 May 2004, the Israeli army arrested 3 civilians at Huwwara checkpoint:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (iv) Muhammad Jamal Jum'a; (v) Iyad Jum'a; and (vi) Ihab Zeid Al Kilani.
HEBRON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. • <u>Attack:</u> At 11:00, the Israeli army opened fire towards civilians in Al Fawwar Square, south of Hebron, killing 1 child. The Israeli army claimed that civilians were throwing stones. • <u>Raid:</u> At 11:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron and opened fire towards civilians in the neighbourhood of Bab al Zawiya, injuring 1 child, claiming that stones had been thrown from the area. At 18:00, the Israeli

	<p>army raided the city again, set up a checkpoint, searched vehicles and examined passenger IDs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Killing: The Israeli army killed Islam Muhammad Husniya, 13 years old, in the neighbourhood of Bab al Zawiya.
<p>QALQILYA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact education, economic and livelihood activities and impede access to health facilities. • Raid/Curfew: At 12:00, the Israeli army, including a large number of tanks and jeeps and supported by helicopters, raided the city of Qalqiliya, occupied several buildings overlooking Palestinian National Security posts, imposed curfew, opened intensive fire, targeted and extra-judicially killed 1 civilian and detained the corpse for several hours. The Israeli army injured 5 civilians, including 4 children, and arrested 10 others, including 1 child. The Israeli army demolished the Veteran's Union building, damaging neighbouring buildings. The Israeli army withdrew at 16:00. At 02:15, the Israeli army raided the area again, searched several houses and arrested 3 civilians before withdrawing at 04:00. • Assassination: The Israeli army assassinated Mazin Mahmoud Yasin in the city of Qalqiliya. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 13 civilians in the city of Qalqiliya: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Samman Hsan Zeid, 13 years old; (ii) Na'el Muhammad Nofal; (iii) Wa'el Nofal; (iv) Bahjat Fathi Yamin; (v) Asid Othman Nassar; (vi) Hasan Ahmad Atiya; (vii) Muhammad Ahmad Atiya; (viii) Omar Hammad; (ix) Adnan Ahmad Yasin; (x) Muhammad Ghazi Haniya; (xi) Muhammad Hashim Khadr; (xii) Bashir Nofal; and (xiii) Mahmoud Muhammad Juedi. • House Demolition: The Israeli army demolished the Veteran's Union building and damaged neighbouring buildings in the city of Qalqiliya.
<p>SALFIT</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing dozens of entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing.

GAZA STRIP

<p style="text-align: center;">NORTHERN GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: Beit Hanoun crossing is closed. • Demonstration: At 20:40, a mass demonstration took place in the town of Beit Lahiya in solidarity with civilians in Rafah and in condemnations of ongoing Israeli army attacks and house demolitions. • Palestinian Attacks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 18:00, 4 Qassam mortars were fired towards the Green Line. (ii) At 19:10, 1 Qassam mortar was fired from the area of Abu Safiya towards the Green Line. (iii) At 22:30 1 Qassam mortar was fired from the area of Al Sudaniya towards the settlement of Dokeet. (iv) At 23:20, 1 Qassam mortar was fired from the area of Al Atatra towards the Beit Hanoun crossing. (v) At 04:20, 1 Qassam mortar was fired towards the settlement of Nisaneet.
<p style="text-align: center;">GAZA CITY</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The junction of Nitsareem remains closed. (ii) Al Muntar crossing (Karni) is closed. • Attack: At 21:00, an Israeli army tank fired 1 shell towards Al Ja'al gas station, located on the coastal road of Sheikh Ajlein, south of Gaza city.
<p style="text-align: center;">CENTRAL GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported as yet.
<p style="text-align: center;">KHAN YUNIS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Abu al Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) remains closed. (ii) Western road (Khan Yunis) remains closed. (iii) Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis road (Al Tuffah checkpoint) is closed. (iv) Abu Holi road is partially open. • Raid: At 21:00, the Israeli army raided 800 meters into the area of Al Qarara, detained several civilians as they were returning from the mosque, an arrested 2 civilians, including 1 Palestinian National Security officer. • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Jabir Al Imawi, a Palestinian National Security officer, and his son.
<p style="text-align: center;">RAFAH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Gaza International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah crossing is closed. (iii) The Sufa crossing is closed.

- **Raids:**

- (i) Beginning at 14:45 on 17 May 2004, the Israeli army continues to isolate the district of Rafah from other districts and impose curfew in the neighbourhoods of Tall as Sultan, Al Barazil and Al Salam in the city of Rafah. The Israeli army opened intensive fire towards civilians, killing 3 civilians, and raided civilian houses, including 2 in the neighbourhood of Tall as Sultan and another in the neighbourhood of Al Salam. The Israeli army injured 2 civilians, 1 of whom is in critical condition. An Israeli army helicopter fired 1 missile at a civilian house. The Israeli army levelled vast areas of cultivated land, raided several houses and ordered civilians in the neighbourhood of Al Barazil to gather in the Taha Hussein School playground. The Israeli army demolished 3 houses, destroyed 1 civilian vehicle, and arrested an unknown number of civilians.
- (ii) At 21:40, the Israeli army, including 17 tanks and bulldozers, raided 400 meters into Palestinian Territory west of the Sufa crossing, positioned itself near the Palestinian General Intelligence headquarters, occupied 1 house and converted it into a military post, and levelled 10 *dunums* (2.5 acres) of cultivated land.

- **Killings:**

The Israeli army killed 2 civilians in the neighbourhood of Tall as Sultan:

- (i) Jamal Al Assar; and
- (ii) Muhammad Ibrahim Jabr.

The Israeli army killed 1 civilian in the neighbourhood of Al Salam:

- (iii) Khaled Abu Anza.

- **Arrests:** The Israeli army arrested an unknown number of civilians in the neighbourhoods of Tall as Sultan, Al Salam and Al Barazil. Only a few of those arrested were identified, including:

- (i) Abdul Fattah Azzam;
- (ii) Jamal Husni Al Bayumi; and
- (iii) Mahmoud Husni Al Bayumi.

- **House Demolitions:** The Israeli army demolished 3 houses in Al Barazil neighbourhood belonging to:

- (i) Hasan Mikawi, a 2-storey house;
- (ii) Abdul Rahman Mikawi, a 3-storey house; and
- (iii) Ahmad Al Akhras.