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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT 08:00 14 April 2010 – 08:00 15 April 2010

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assaults	2	_	2	Incl. a female civilian severely beaten
Injuries	2	3	5	Incl. a 10-year-old child in Hebron
Attacks	9	4	13	Incl. 5 in raids and 3 from mil. posts
Raids	28	1	29	Incl. 7 in Bethlehem and 5 in Hebron
Air Patrol		1	1	Reconnaissance aircraft over Central Gaza
Arrests (per person)	21	_	21	Incl. 4 children and an injured civilian
Detentions	15	_	15	Incl. 3 children and 2 security officers
House Demolitions	3*	_	3	1 house in Salfit & 2 others in Bethlehem
Land Levelling		1	1	Agricultural land in Central Gaza
Wall Construction	22	_	22	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Salfit, & Qalqiliya
Destruction of Property	2*	1	3	Barracks demolished & crops damaged
House Occupation	1	_	1	Converted into a military post, Hebron
Closure of Checkpoints	12	_	12	Incl. access impeded at 8 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	18	_	18	Incl. 4 in Qalqiliya and 5 in Hebron
Closure (per District)	7	_	7	Incl. the city of Jerusalem
Closure of Main Roads	40	_	40	Incl. 4 in Bethlehem and 14 in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points	_	4	4	3 crossing points partially open
Settler Violence	1	_	1	Civilian vehicles stoned in Qalqiliya
Demonstrations	2	1	3	Against settlers & land confiscation
TOTAL	185	16	201	

DISTRICT EVENTS

WEST BANK

• Closure:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem and to set up flying checkpoints in the old city of Jerusalem and around Al Aqsa Mosque compound.
- (i) On 05 January 2009, the Israeli authorities issued Military Order # S/02/09 on the closure of and denial of civilian access to the "demarcation area" along the Wall in the area surrounding the city of Jerusalem. Accordingly, local residents and civilians holding permits can access this area through crossings and gates set up at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem. (The demarcation area is defined by a set of military orders relating to land confiscation for Wall construction).
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to impose a blockade and deny civilian access to a hill located in an area between the village of Biddu and Beit Iksa due to its geographical significance as it overlooks the city of Jerusalem

• Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and dirt barricades the entrance to the village of Jaba'.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the iron gate along the Wall section, separating the area of Dahiyat al Bareed from the town of Ar Ram.

• Checkpoints:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to consider Qalandiya checkpoint a "border crossing point" and has designated a special crossing for holders of Jerusalem IDs and those possessing permits to access the city of Jerusalem.
- (ii) Beginning on 11 April 2010, the Israeli army has continued to close the checkpoint set up near the entrance to Shu'fat refugee camp in the city of Jerusalem and to deny civilian access between 23:00 and 05:00. Claiming to be carrying out infrastructure works between the checkpoint and the road leading to Shu'fat refugee camp, the checkpoint will be closed for two and a half weeks.
- Raid: At 10:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Biddu.
- <u>House Demolition</u>: On 14 April 2010, the Israeli army delivered a notice for the demolition of a house belonging to Hussein al Kiswani in the town of Beit Hanina, claiming that it had been built without a construction licence.

• Wall Gates:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to deny civilian access through the Wall gate on Ash Shayyah road in the area between the villages of As Sawahira ash Sharqiya and As Sawahira al Gharbiya, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem IDs to cross, after subjecting them to thorough searches using electronic devices.

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	• Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area of Al 'Eizariya to Ash Shayyah, from Beit Surik village to Biddu; in the areas of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina; west of the village of Al Jib; in the vicinity of the village of Qatanna; south of the village of Beit Hanina; and in the area surrounding the checkpoint set up at the entrance to Shu'fat refugee camp.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades and cement blocks the entrances to the town of Sinjil, the village of Saffa; and the junction to the villages of Kafr Malik – 'Ein Samiya. On 15 March 2010, the Israeli army issued a military order, providing that the area located between civilian houses and the Wall in the town of Ni'lin and the village of Bil'in would be a closed military zone between 08:00 and 20:00 on Fridays for a period of 6 months. To prevent weekly demonstrations against Wall construction, civilian access to the area will be denied except with a special permit. Raids/Attack: At 10:55, the Israeli army raided the city of El Bireh and patrolled the area until 13:00. At 01:15, the Israeli army raided the village of Kobar, arrested 1 civilian, and withdrew at 02:20. At 02:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Bir Zeit and opened indiscriminate fire, while patrolling the area. Arrests: At 01:55 on 14 April 2010, the Israeli army arrested Mohammed Jamal Barhoum during its raid into the city of Ramallah, in addition to those reported yesterday. The Israeli army arrested Khaldoun Rawhi al Barghouthi in the village of Kobar. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues west of the town of 'Abud; in the village of Bil'in; and in the areas of Al Midya to Ni'lin and Ni'lin to Deir Qaddis.
JENIN	 Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan. Flying Checkpoint: At 18:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the town of 'Arraba and searched civilians and vehicles until 19:20. Raids: At 14:50, the Israeli army raided the evacuated settlement of Homesh and patrolled the area until 19:00. At 19:00, the Israeli army raided the town of 'Arraba. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. The Israeli army also searched 3 houses and withdrew at 22:00.

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	 Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits, which affects the educational and health conditions of civilians living behind the Wall.
TUBAS	 Checkpoint: Though allowing civilian access to the Northern Jordan Valley between 06:00 and 22:00, the Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint east of the town of Tubas. Flving Checkpoint: At 20:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the village of Al Malih in the area of the Northern Jordan Valley and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids/Attack/Injury/Physical Assault: At 20:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of 'Aqqaba. At 02:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Tubas. At 03:30, the Israeli army raided Al Far'a refugee camp. While searching a number of houses, the Israeli army opened intensive fire and arrested 8 civilians, including an injured civilian. The Israeli army also severely beat Wafa' Akram 'Ilayyat, a female civilian, leaving her with contusions. Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 8 civilians in Al Far'a refugee camp: Jalal Jamal Mubarak; Murad Riyadh Kharbash; Omar Riyadh Kharbash; Hamzeh Abdullah 'Odeh; 'Uday Hasan Tayeh; Isma'il Jamil Fahmawi; Sameer Mohammed Raja Subh; and
TULKAREM	 (viii) Nabeel Mohammed Raja Subh. Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road connecting the town of Kafr al Labad to the village of Shufa as well as the road connecting the villages of Shufa and 'Izbat Shufa. Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at 'Einav checkpoint set up on Tulkarem-Nablus main road. Raids/Detentions: At 15:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of 'Illar. At 21:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Zeita, detained 3 children, and released them at a later time. Wall Gates: Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
QALQILYA	 Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun. Flying Checkpoints: At 08:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the entrance to the village of 'Izbat at Tabib and searched civilians and vehicles. At 10:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the entrance to the village of Jinsafut and searched civilians and vehicles. At 19:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Jit and searched civilians and vehicles.

(iv) At 22:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the junction to the village of Sir and searched civilians and vehicles.

• Raids:

- (i) At 21:50, the Israeli army raided the town of 'Azzun, searched a number of houses, and combed the area surrounding the town, allegedly because an unidentified person had opened fire from a hunting rifle towards an Israeli settler vehicle. The Israeli army also arrested 4 civilians, including 2 children, and served summonses to 2 others to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency.
- (ii) At 23:05, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of 'Asla.
- Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 4 civilians in the town of 'Azzun:
- (i) Jihad Ahmed Rashad Saleem, 16 years old;
- (ii) Ahmed Saleem Dhirar Radhwan, 17 years old;
- (iii) Qussay Hamdi Abdul Hameed Hussein; and
- (iv) Ahmed Basem Mohammed Mousa.
- <u>Settler Violence</u>: At 22:10, Israeli settlers threw stones at vehicles travelling near the village of An Nabi Elyas along the Qalqiliya-Nablus main road.

• Wall Gates:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a detector.
- (ii) At 08:30, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at the Wall gate to the village of Ras 'Atiya and thoroughly searched female civilians.
- Wall Construction: Wall construction continues south of the town of Jayyus as well as near the settlement of Alfei Menashe in the villages of Ras Tira, Magharet ad Dab'a, and Wadi ar Rasha south of the city of Qalqiliya.

• Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close the roads of Till-Burin and Beit Furik-Salem; the settler bypass road connecting the village of Deir al Hatab to the settlement of Alon Moreh; the southern entrance to the village of Duma; and the northern entrance to the town of Qabalan.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with an iron gate the western entrance to An Naqura village opposite Shavei Shomron settlement.
- (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the southern entrance to the village of Qaryut and the road connecting the town of 'Aqraba to the village of Osarin.

• <u>Checkpoints</u>: The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus:

- (i) At Tur neighbourhood checkpoint (set up on Jerzim 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 between 07:00 and 02:00.
- (ii) At 'Awarta commercial checkpoint, civilians are allowed to cross between 05:00 and 20:00, but between 05:00 and 15:00 on Fridays. All civilian vehicles are allowed to access the city of Nablus, but only commercial vehicles and ambulances can leave the city through the checkpoint.

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- (iii) At 09:50, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Huwwara and Beit Furik checkpoints and impeded civilian access.
- Flying Checkpoint: At 09:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Beita and searched civilians and vehicles.
- Raid: At 03:45, the Israeli army raided 'Askar refugee camp in the city of Nablus. While searching a number of houses, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians.
- **Arrests:** The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in 'Askar refugee camp in the city of Nablus:
- (i) Munjed Omar ash Shantir;
- (ii) Jihad Mohammed Turbas: and
- (iii) Hamadeh Faroug Bahr ad Dam.

Closure of Main Roads:

- The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the northern (i) entrance to the city of Salfit.
- The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and iron gates (ii) the northern entrance to the town of Bruqin and the western entrance to the town of Kafr Ad Dik.
- Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions and impede civilian access at the Za'tara junction checkpoint.

Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 09:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Haris and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 23:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the town of Kifl Haris and the village of Haris and searched civilians and vehicles until 24:00.

Raids/Destruction of Property:

- (i) At 09:15, the Israeli army raided the village of Haris and demolished a civilian house under construction as well as a car wash station, claiming that they had been built without the required construction licences. Under the same pretext, the Israeli army delivered a notice for the demolition of a barracks used for raising chicken.
- At 22:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Deir Istiya. (ii)
- House Demolition: The Israeli army demolished a house belonging to Mahir Hsan 'Odeh Sultan in the village of Haris.
- **Detention/Physical Assault/Destruction of Property:** At 08:00, Israeli troops positioned at the Za'tara junction checkpoint detained and severely beat Ibrahim Mohammed Dawwas, a Palestinian National Security officer, leaving him with contusions. Israeli troops also damaged Dawwas' ID card and permit to cross checkpoints and released him at 11:00.
- **Demonstration:** At 10:00, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place on civilian land in the town of Deir Istiya near the settlement of Yakir in protest against Israeli settler violence and land confiscation.

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	• <u>Wall Construction</u> : Wall construction continues 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 Ariel.
JERICHO	 Closure: 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. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Al Hamra checkpoint set up along Al Badhan road connecting the districts of Jericho and Nablus. However, the Israeli army allows civilian access between 06:00 and 22:00. The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the junction to the village of Al 'Auja along Al-Mu'arrajat road that connects the districts of Jericho and Ramallah, only allowing access to civilians whose IDs indicate that their place of residence of the district of Jericho as well as to others holding access permits. Flying Checkpoints: At 13:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to the city of Jericho and searched civilian vehicles. At 05:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of 'Ein ad Duyuk and searched civilians and vehicles. Detention: At 09:50, Israeli troops positioned at Al Hamra checkpoint detained Isma'il Ibrahim 'Afaneh, a Palestinian National Security officer.
BETHLEHEM	 Closure: (i) 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. (ii) According to Military Order # 07/02/S, the Israeli army has continued since 15 September 2007 to deny civilian access to an area measuring 22 dunums (5.436 acres) of land in the area of Mazmuriya in the cities of Beit Sahur and Bethlehem. The land was confiscated pursuant to Military Order # 07/31/T. Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road of Beit Jala-Wadi Ahmad; a road east of the town of Beit Fajjar; and an agricultural road connecting the town of Tuqu' to the village of Khirbet al Baq'a. Raids/Attack: (i) At 09:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Al 'Ubeidiya and patrolled the area until 13:00. (ii) At 09:25, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Fajjar and patrolled the area until 09:45. (iii) At 11:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Al Khadr and demolished a civilian house, claiming that it had been built without the required construction licence.

- (iv) At 12:50, the Israeli army raided the village of Ar Rashayida and searched 1 house.
- (v) At 14:40, the Israeli army raided the city of Beit Sahur and demolished a house under construction, ostensibly because it was being built without the required construction licence.
- (vi) At 00:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Husan.
- (vii) At 01:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Tuqu' and opened indiscriminate fire, while searching a number of houses. The Israeli army also arrested 2 children and withdrew at 01:50.
- Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 children in the town of Tuqu':
- (i) Mu'ath Ali as Sabbah, 17 years old; and
- (ii) Fahdi Hashem as Sabbah, 17 years old.

• House Demolitions:

- (i) The Israeli army demolished a house belonging to Ali Saleem Mousa in the town of Al Khadr.
- (ii) The Israeli army demolished a house belonging to Omar Ribhi Barhoum Ayyoub in the city of Beit Sahur.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the town of Al Khadr; northwest of the city of Beit Jala; in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of Efrat settlement; and in the area surrounding Al Walaja.

Closure

- (i) 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. In addition to closing the entrance to Al Laban Market with iron plates, the Israeli army 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, controlling civilian access in the area.
- (ii) Having evacuated civilian residents and denied civilian access, the Israeli army continues to close the area located along the Green Line south of the town of Yatta.

Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to the town of As Samoa'; the road connecting the town of Surif to the village of Al Jab'a; the eastern entrance to the village of Kharsa; the entrance to the Al Qeisi neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron; as well as the entrances to Al 'Arrub refugee camp, the area of Al Hawawir, the village of At Tuwani, and the town of Adh Dhahiriya.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from travelling along Ash Shalala Old Street in the old city of Hebron.
- (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road between the villages of Al Karmil and At Tuwani and all roads leading to Road # 60.

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• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 10:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the area of Al Hawawir (the northern entrance to the town of Halhul) and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 12:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to the town of Halhul and searched civilians and vehicles.

• Raids/Attacks:

- (i) At 10:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, set up a number of checkpoints, searched civilians and vehicles, and served summonses to several civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. At 00:10, the Israeli army raided the city again and patrolled the area until 01:00.
- (ii) At 19:35, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Al 'Arrub refugee camp. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. At 20:50, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
- (iii) At 00:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Dura. Confrontations took place between civilians and the Israeli army, while it was searching 2 houses. The Israeli army also arrested 1 civilian and withdrew at 03:00.
- (iv) At 01:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Ash Shuyukh. While searching a number of houses, the Israeli army opened fire and fired sound grenades. Additionally, the Israeli army arrested 1 civilian and withdrew at 03:00.

• Arrests:

- (i) The Israeli army arrested Ahmed Rizq ar Rujoub in the town of Dura.
- (ii) The Israeli army arrested Hamzeh 'Adnan Halayqah in the town of Ash Shuvukh.
- <u>House Occupation</u>: At 14:50, the Israeli army occupied the roof of a civilian house belonging to Wael Mohammed ash Sharabati in the Tal Rumeida neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron, converted it into a military post, and withdrew at 19:00.
- Demonstration/Attack/Injuries: At 15:30, a mass demonstration, including Israeli peace activists, took place on civilian land south of the town of Beit Ummar near the settlement of Karmei Tzur in protest against Israeli settler violence. Participants demanded that civilians be allowed to cultivate and tend their land. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which the Israeli army injured 10-year-old Qussay Ahmed Khalil Abu Hashem. A number of participants also sustained wounds as a result of tear gas inhalation.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction continues in the section of Tarqumiya checkpoint terminal; in the area surrounding the settlement of Eshkolot near the town of Adh Dhahiriya; and in the area between the villages of 'Arab ar Ramadin and Imneizil.

GAZA STRIP

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At 02:00 on 18 January 2009, the unilateral ceasefire declared by the Israeli authorities came into effect. At a later time on the same day, armed Palestinian groups announced an agreement to cease fire for a week. Later, armed Palestinian groups extended the ceasefire until 05 February 2009. Despite the fact that the extension period expired, the ALL ceasefire continues to hold pending negotiations carried out by Egypt. **DISTRICTS** Violation of the Ceasefire: The Israeli army raided Palestinian territory and opened intensive fire towards civilian houses and property in the district of Central Gaza. The Israeli army also opened intensive fire from its location on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory in the districts of Northern Gaza, Gaza, and Rafah. Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open for previously-coordinated humanitarian cases and foreign nationals. **NORTHERN** Attack: In the morning of 14 April 2010, the Israeli army opened intensive **GAZA** fire from its location on the Green Line towards agricultural land east of the town of Jabalya. **Closure of Crossing Points**: (i) Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed. (ii) Ash Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 04 January 2010, the Crossing has been closed upon an Israeli unilateral decision. Attack/Injuries: In the morning of 14 April 2010, the Israeli army opened **GAZA** intensive fire from its location on the Green Line east of Ash Shuja'iya neighbourhood east of Gaza city towards participants in a mass demonstration against the seam zone along the Border Fence, injuring 3 civilians. The Israeli army prohibit farmers and landlords from accessing and tending their land in the area. Raid/Air Patrol/Attack/Land Levelling: In the morning of 14 April 2010, the Israeli army, including several tanks, armoured vehicles, and bulldozers **CENTRAL** covered by reconnaissance aircraft, raided 300 metres into Palestinian territory east of Al Bureij refugee camp. While levelling agricultural land, GAZA the Israeli army also opened intensive fire towards civilian houses and property.

Activities not reported.

Closure of Crossing Points: Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. (i) Rafah (Al 'Awdah) Crossing is open on an exceptional basis to allow (ii) access civilians and patients, who had received medical treatment at Egyptian hospitals. Sufa Crossing is closed. (iii) **RAFAH** Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is partially open for (iv) transportation of food supplies, humanitarian aid, diesel allocated to the Gaza Electricity Generation Station, and cooking gas. Attack: In the morning of 14 April 2010, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location on the Green Line towards agricultural land and civilian houses in the area surrounding Yasser Arafat International Airport.