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#### PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

#### **DAILY SITUATION REPORT** 08:00 16 April 2010 – 08:00 17 April 2010

#### **SUMMARY OF EVENTS**

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Death	1		1	Political prisoner of medical negligence
Physical Assault	1	—	1	A security officer severely beaten
Injuries	2	—	2	2 children in Beit Ummar, Hebron
Attacks	5	—	5	1 in a raid and 4 in confrontations
Raids	18	—	18	Incl. 4 in Qalqiliya and 5 in Hebron
Arrest (per person)	1	—	1	A civilian at 'Einav checkpoint, Tulkarem
Detentions	17	—	17	Incl. a child and 2 Pal. security officers
Wall Construction	22		22	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Salfit, & Qalqiliya
Destruction of Property	1		1	A vehicle's windshield broken, Nablus
House Occupations	3		3	Converted into military posts, Hebron
Curfew	1		1	Over 'Izbat at Tabib village, Qalqiliya
Closure of Checkpoints	11		11	Incl. access impeded at 7 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	17		17	Incl. 3 in Jerusalem and 6 in Qalqiliya
Closure (per District)	9		9	Incl. Ni'lin and Bil'in in Ramallah
Closure of Main Roads	40		40	Incl. 4 in Bethlehem and 14 in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points		5	5	Incl. medical equipment allowed in
Settler Violence	3		3	Incl. civilian vehicles stoned in Nablus
Demonstrations	5		5	Against Wall construction
TOTAL	157	5	162	

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# **EVENTS**

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JERUSALEM	<ul> <li><u>Closure:</u> <ul> <li>On 16 April 2010, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem and set up several flying checkpoints in the old city of Jerusalem and around Al Aqsa Mosque compound. Excluding those holding Israeli-issued ID cards, the Israeli army denied access to civilians to perform Friday prayers at the mosque.</li> <li>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).</li> </ul> </li> <li>(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.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and dirt barricades the entrance to the village of Jaba'.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army continues to close the iron gate along the Wall section,</li> </ul>
	separating the area of Dahiyat al Bareed from the town of Ar Ram.
	<ul> <li><u>Checkpoints</u>:</li> <li>(i) The Israeli army continues to consider Qalandiya checkpoint</li> </ul>
	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.
	<ul> <li>(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.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li><u>Wall Gates</u>:</li> <li>(i) The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu</li> </ul>
	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.

	• <u>Wall Construction</u> : 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	<ul> <li>Closure of Main Roads:         <ul> <li>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.</li> <li>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.</li> <li>Settler Violence: At 15:00, a group of Israeli settlers gained access into At Tira neighbourhood in the city of Ramallah and withdrew at 15:30.</li> <li>Demonstrations/Attacks/Injuries:</li> <li>At 13:00, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in the village of Bil'in against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which the Israeli army injured a number of participants as a result of tear gas inhalation.</li> <li>At 13:00, a mass demonstration took place in the villages of Deir Nidham and An Nabi Salih against settler violence and confiscation of civilian land for expansion of the settlement of Halamish. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which the Israeli army injured a number of Halamish. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which the Israeli army index of flamish.</li> <li>Math 13:50, a mass demonstration took place in the villages of Deir Nidham and An Nabi Salih against settler violence and confiscation of civilian land for expansion of the settlement of Halamish. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which the Israeli army injured a number of protestors, during which t</li></ul></li></ul>
JENIN	<ul> <li><u>Closure of Main Road</u>: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan.</li> <li><u>Wall Gates</u>: 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.</li> </ul>

TUBAS	• <u>Checkpoint</u> : 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.
TULKAREM	<ul> <li><u>Closure of Main Roads</u>: 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.</li> <li><u>Checkpoint</u>: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at 'Einav checkpoint set up on Tulkarem-Nablus main road.</li> <li><u>Raid</u>: At 16:05, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of 'Anabta.</li> <li><u>Arrest</u>: At 19:30, Israeli troops positioned at 'Einav checkpoint arrested Raed Mustafa Raja Zamlat.</li> <li><u>Wall Gates</u>: Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> </ul>
QALQILYA	<ul> <li>Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun.</li> <li>Flving Checkpoints: <ul> <li>At 12:40, and again at 19:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of 'Azzun and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>At 14:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the village of An Nabi Elyas on the Qalqiliya-Nablus main road and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>At 22:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the town of 'Azzun and the village of 'Izbat at Tabib and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> </ul> </li> <li>(ii) At 22:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the town of 'Azzun and the village of 'Izbat at Tabib and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>(iv) At 22:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the villages of 'Izbat at Tabib and 'Asla and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>(v) At 00:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the village of Sanniriya and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>(v) At 00:50, the Israeli army raided the village of Jinsafut and inspected the area where 2 civilian vehicles had been set on fire by Israeli settlers, as was reported yesterday.</li> <li>(ii) At 13:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of An Nabi Elyas.</li> <li>(iii) At 22:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Sanniriya.</li> <li>(iv) At 22:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Sanniriya.</li> <li>(iv) At 22:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Sanniriya.</li> <li>(iv) At 22:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Sanniriya.</li> <li>(iv) At 22:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Sanniriya.</li> <li>(iv) At 22:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Sanniriya.</li> <li>(iv) At 22:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Sanniriya</li></ul>

	<ul> <li><u>Wall Gates</u>:         <ul> <li>The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a detector.</li> <li>At 08:30, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at the Wall gate to the village of Ras 'Atiya and thoroughly searched female civilians.</li> </ul> </li> <li><u>Wall Construction</u>: 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.</li> </ul>
NABLUS	<ul> <li>Closure of Main Roads:         <ul> <li>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.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to close with an iron gate the western entrance to An Naqura village opposite Shavei Shomron settlement.</li> <li>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.</li> <li>Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus:</li> <li>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.</li> <li>At 'Awarta commercial checkpoint, civilians are allowed to cross between 05:00 and 20:00.</li> <li>At 'Awarta commercial checkpoint, civilians are allowed to cross between 05:00 and 20:00.</li> <li>At 'Awarta commercial webicles and ambulances can leave the city through the checkpoint.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Flving Checkpoint: At 18:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Badhan road (the eastern entrance to the city of Nablus) and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> </ul> <li>Physical Assault: At 15:00, Israeli troops positioned at Huwwara checkpoint detained and severely beat Thaer Musleh Ibrahim, a Palestinian National Security officer, leaving him with a bleeding nose. At 16:30, Israeli troops released Ibrahim.</li> <ul> <li>Raids:</li> <li>At 19:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of 'Linabus.</li> <li></li></ul>

SALFIT	<ul> <li><u>Closure of Main Roads</u>: <ul> <li>The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the northern entrance to the city of Salfit.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and iron gates the northern entrance to the town of Bruqin and the western entrance to the town of Kafr Ad Dik.</li> <li><u>Checkpoint</u>: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions and impede civilian access at the Za'tara junction checkpoint.</li> <li><u>Flving Checkpoints</u>: <ul> <li>At 18:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Marda and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>At 01:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the city of Salfit and the town of Bruqin and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> </ul> </li> <li><u>Raids</u>: <ul> <li>At 09:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Kifl Haris.</li> <li>At 10:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Marda.</li> </ul> </li> <li>At 20:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Biddya and served summonses to 2 civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency.</li> </ul> </li> <li><u>Detention</u>: At 16:30, Israeli troops detained 13-year-old Mahmoud Zuheir Ibrahim ad Dik, while was present near the settler bypass road in the vicinity of the town of Kafr ad Dik. Following coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO), Israeli settlers gained access to agricultural land west of the village of Marda and provoked farmers. At 10:30, the Israeli army evacuated settlers from the area.</li> <li><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.</li> </ul>
JERICHO	<ul> <li><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.</li> <li><u>Checkpoints</u>:         <ul> <li>(i) 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.</li> <li>(ii) 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.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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	• <u>Flying Checkpoint</u> : At 16:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to the city of Jericho and searched civilian vehicles until 17:30.
BETHLEHEM	<ul> <li>Closure: <ul> <li>(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.</li> <li>(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 <i>dunums</i> (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 # 07/01/1.</li> <li>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.</li> <li>Checkpoint: At 22:30, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the 'Container') checkpoint and impeded civilian access.</li> <li>Demonstrations/Raid/Detentions: <ul> <li>(i) At 13:30, a mass demonstration took place in the village of Al Ma'sara in protest against Wall destruction. Israeli troops denied access to participants the Wall construction site.</li> <li>(ii) At 13:35, a mass demonstration took place in the village of Al Walaja in protest against Wall destruction. Consequently, the Israeli army raided the village, set up a checkpoint at its entrance, and searched civilians and vehicles. The Israeli army also detained 2 civilians and released them at a later time.</li> </ul> </li> </ul></li></ul>
HEBRON	<ul> <li><u>Closure</u>: <ul> <li>(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.</li> <li>(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.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

• <u>C</u>	losure 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.
• <u>F</u>	ying Checkpoints:
(i)	At 15:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to
	Al 'Arrub refugee camp and searched civilians and vehicles.
(ii)	At 18:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to
	the town of Beit Kahil and searched civilians and vehicles.
	aids/House Occupations/Attack/Injuries:
(i)	At 10:00, and again at 18:55, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron.
(ii)	At 11:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Idhna, searched a number
	of houses, and withdrew at 14:00.
(iii)	At 14:20, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Ummar, set up a
	checkpoint at its entrance, denied civilian access to and from the town,
	and occupied the roofs of a number of civilian houses. Having raided a
	festival held in solidarity with Palestinian political prisoners,
	confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during
	which the Israeli army injured 2 children.
(iv)	At 02:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Sa'ir.
• <u>w</u>	Vall Construction:         Wall construction continues in the section of Tarqumiya
	neckpoint terminal; in the area surrounding the settlement of Eshkolot
	ear the town of Adh Dhahiriya; and in the area between the villages of
· · ·	Arab ar Ramadin and Imneizil.

### GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA	• <u>Closure of Crossing Point</u> : Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open for previously-coordinated humanitarian cases and foreign nationals.		
GAZA	<ul> <li><u>Closure of Crossing Points</u>:         <ul> <li>Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed.</li> <li>Ash Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 04 January 2010, the Crossing has been closed upon an Israeli unilateral decision.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		
CENTRAL GAZA	Activities not reported.		
KHAN YUNIS	Activities not reported.		
RAFAH	<ul> <li><u>Closure of Crossing Points</u>:         <ul> <li>Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed.</li> <li>Rafah (Al 'Awdah) Crossing is open on an exceptional basis to allow access to medicine and medical equipment donated by the Arab Medical Union.</li> <li>Sufa Crossing is closed.</li> <li>Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		

## GENERAL

POLITICAL PRISONERS	<ul> <li><u>Death</u>: On 16 April 2010, Raed Mohammed Ahmed Abu Hammad, a political prisoner from the town of Al 'Eizariya in the district of Jerusalem, died inside a solitary confinement cell, in which he had been held over the past one and a half years, in the Eshel Prison. Abu Hammad suffered from a nervous illness, but did not receive proper medical treatment as a result of deliberate medical negligence. Having spent 5 years, Abu Hammad was sentenced to 10 years in prison. In a press statement, the Palestinian Minister of Detainees' and Released Detainees' Affairs demanded that the United Nations and international organisations expedite to save lives of ill and secluded prisoners as well as establish a fact-finding committee to uncover the real reasons behind Abu Hammad's death.</li> <li><u>Sentence</u>: The Israeli military court at 'Ofar Detention and Interrogation Centre sentenced Tareq Khalaf, a resident of the town of Beituniya in the district of Ramallah, to 50 months in prison as well as a fine of NIS 10,000 (approximately USD 2,700).</li> </ul>
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