

## مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



## PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

## DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 31 March 2005 – 08:00 01 April 2005

## SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assaults	3	—	<b>3</b>	Incl. 1 officer severely beaten
Attacks	3	5	<b>8</b>	Incl. 1 during a raid and 5 from posts
Raids	17	—	<b>17</b>	Incl. 6 in Ramallah & 5 in Tulkarem
Air Patrol	1	—	<b>1</b>	Over the area between Qusin & Jnaid
Arrests (per person)	9	5	<b>14</b>	Incl. 5 in Hebron & 5 in N. Gaza
Detentions	7	—	<b>7</b>	Incl. 1 bus transporting students
House Demolitions	6	—	<b>6</b>	In Wadi Rahhal west of Al Khadr
Wall Construction	22	—	<b>22</b>	Incl. Jer., Jenin, Ram'lah, Beth., Salfit
Destruction of Property	1	—	<b>1</b>	1 barracks demolished
Checkpoints	(All)	—	<b>(All)</b>	
Flying Checkpoints	15	—	<b>15</b>	Incl. 2 in Ramallah & 3 in Nablus
Closure (per District)	4	—	<b>4</b>	Incl. Jerusalem and Jericho (partially)
Closure of Main Roads	(Unidentified)	(9)	—	Incl. 2 partially
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)	—	<b>(All)</b>	Access permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points	—	3	<b>3</b>	Incl. 2 partially open
Settler Violence	1	—	<b>1</b>	Civilians threatened in 'Ein Duyuk
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	—	<b>1</b>	3 Police officers detained in Hebron
Palestinian Attacks	—	3	<b>3</b>	4 unidentified mortars fired
Pal. Security Measures	1	—	<b>1</b>	10 illegal vehicles handed to Israelis
Demonstration	1	—	<b>1</b>	In the town of 'Asira Ash Shamaliya
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>108</b>	

DISTRICT	EVENT
ALL DISTRICTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Beginning on 11 November 2004, following the official announcement of the death of President Yasser Arafat, the Israeli army continues to impose a closure on the West Bank, preventing civilians and workers from crossing the Green Line.</li> </ul>

## WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Closure:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Israeli army continues to impose strict restrictions at checkpoints set up at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem and dispatched patrols to prevent civilians from other districts from entering the city.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to close Ar Ram junction leading to the town of Bir Nabala.</li> </ol> </li> <li><b>Checkpoints:</b> The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Qalandiya and An Nabi Samwil checkpoints and obstructed civilian movement, allegedly to conduct thorough searches.</li> <li><b>Wall Construction:</b> Wall construction continues in Dahiyat Al Aqbat, the villages of Hizma and 'Anata, the Hizma-Jaba' road, the area of Al 'Eizariya, near Al Quds University, the area of Ash Shayyah, in the town of As Sawahira Ash Sharqiya, the village of Beit Surik, and in the section of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina.</li> <li><b>Wall Gates:</b> The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks, completely preventing civilians from crossing.</li> </ul>
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Wall Construction:</b> Wall construction continues in Budrus, Midya, Ni'lin, Deir Qaddis, Bil'in, Saffa, Beit Liqya, and Beituniya.</li> <li><b>Flying Checkpoints/Detention:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>At 17:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Abu Shukheidim and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>At 20:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Surda along the Ramallah-Bir Zeit road, searched civilian vehicles, and examined civilians' IDs.</li> </ol> </li> <li><b>Physical Assault:</b> At 05:50 on 31 March 2005, the individual reported to have been detained in the village of Kafr 'Ein by the Israeli army yesterday was identified as Kafi Abdul Fattah Daghrah, a Palestinian National Security officer. Israeli troops led Daghrah into the woods adjacent to the settlement of Halamish, forced him to remove his clothing and shoes, severely beat him, and forced him to return to the village partially naked, after which he was transported to hospital.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Raids:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 03:00 on 31 March 2005, the Israeli army raided the town of Silwad and arrested 2 civilians.</li> <li>(ii) At 13:45, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the town of Beituniya and patrolled the area.</li> <li>(iii) At 21:00, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the village of Kafr Ni'ma. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians.</li> <li>(iv) At 22:45, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the city of Ramallah. At 01:15, the Israeli army raided the city again and patrolled the area until 01:45.</li> <li>(v) The Israeli army raided the village of Beit 'Ur at Tahta and searched several houses after detaining residents outside.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Arrests:</u></b> On 31 March 2003, the Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the town of Silwad: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Anwar Habash Hammad; and</li> <li>(ii) Harbi Nasser Hammad.</li> <li>(iii) At 21:00, Mazen Baraghith, a resident of the city of Ramallah, was reported to have been arrested by the Israeli army and held at Al Muscobiya (the Russian Compound) Interrogation Center since 29 March 2005. The place and conditions surrounding his arrest are unknown.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>JENIN</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Wall Gates:</u></b> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> <li>• <b><u>Wall Construction:</u></b> Land levelling for Wall construction continues in Jalbun towards Al Mutilla, Raba, Al Mughayyir, Bardala and 'Ein al Beida, and towards the Jordan River.</li> <li>• <b><u>Flying Checkpoints:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 12:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of 'Arraba, searched civilian vehicles, and examined civilians' IDs until 17:00.</li> <li>(ii) At 13:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Tubas and searched civilians and vehicles until 17:00.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>TULKAREM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Wall Gates:</u></b> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> <li>• <b><u>Checkpoint/Physical Assault:</u></b> At 13:25, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Al Kafriyat checkpoint, detaining hundreds of civilians on both sides of the checkpoint, allegedly to conduct thorough searches. Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint also assaulted a number of civilians as they were attempting to take detour roads.</li> <li>• <b><u>Flying Checkpoint:</u></b> At 24:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the town of Bal'a and searched civilians and vehicles until 00:45.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Raid:</u></b> At 23:30, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Beit Lid and served a summons to 1 Palestinian National Security officer to report to the Israeli Intelligence Service.</li> <li>• <b><u>Detention:</u></b> At 20:20, Israeli troops positioned at Jubara checkpoint set up south of the city of Tulkarem detained 1 bus transporting students returning home from a school trip.</li> </ul>
QALQILYA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Wall Gates:</u></b> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> </ul>
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Checkpoints:</u></b> At 17:30, the Israeli army informed civilians of new restrictions leaving the city of Nablus through Beit Iba checkpoint. Palestinian civilians will be prohibited from leaving the city after 18:00 and entering after 23:00. Civilians will also be prohibited from exiting from the remaining checkpoints set up around the city after 23:00, but may enter the city at any time through these checkpoints. According to the Israeli army, these restrictions are due to repeated Palestinian attacks on checkpoints.</li> <li>• <b><u>Flying Checkpoints:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 16:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint between the city of Nablus and the village of Till and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>(ii) At 16:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Deir Sharaf, searched civilian vehicles, and examined civilians' IDs.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Raids/Air Patrol:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 15:00, the Israeli army, including 1 tank and 1 jeep, raided the village of Zawata, opened indiscriminate fire, set up a checkpoint at its entrance, and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>(ii) At 16:10, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus. At 01:30, the Israeli army raided the city again and patrolled the area until 04:30.</li> <li>(iii) At 21:15, Israeli army infantry troops raided the area between the village of Qusin and Jneid, after an Israeli army helicopter dispatched the troops, and patrolled the area.</li> <li>(iv) At 22:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Beit Wazan and patrolled the area.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Arrest:</u></b> At 09:00, Israeli troops positioned at a checkpoint set up between the cities of Nablus and Ramallah arrested Faysal 'Aziz Qawariq, a resident of the village of 'Awarta.</li> <li>• <b><u>Demonstration:</u></b> At 10:00, a students' rally, including school students affiliated with the Israeli Peace Movement, took place in the town of 'Asira Ash Shamaliya in protest against closing the western entrance to the town. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians.</li> </ul>

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SALFIT</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Wall Construction:</b> Land levelling for Wall construction continues in the town of Deir Ballut and the village of Az Zawiya near the Green Line.</li> <li>• <b>Flying Checkpoint:</b> At 11:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to the village of Iskaka and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>JERICHO</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> The Israeli army set up dozens of checkpoints at entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages. The Israeli army only permitted Jerusalem and Jericho ID card holders to enter the city.</li> <li>• <b>Flying Checkpoints:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 13:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area of Al Khan al Ahmar between the cities of Jericho and Jerusalem, searched civilian vehicles, and examined civilians' IDs.</li> <li>(ii) At 13:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the western entrance to the village of Al 'Auja near the settlement of Yitav (the only entrance connecting Area (A) between the city of Jericho and the village of Al 'Auja), searched civilian vehicles, obstructed civilian movement, and prevented 1 vehicle from the district of Jenin from entering the city of Jericho, thereby violating an agreement by which security control was transferred to the Palestinian Authority. According to the agreement, the Israeli army is may not set up a checkpoint or prevent civilians from entering; it is only allowed to erect a surveillance point to search civilian vehicles on a selective basis.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Settler Violence:</b> At 14:30, an Israeli settler aimed his gun towards, and threatened, civilians north of the village of 'Ein ad Duyuk at the northern entrance of the city of Jericho, as he obstructed civilian vehicles travelling to and from the city of Jericho.</li> <li>• <b>Palestinian Security Measures:</b> On 31 March 2005, Palestinian security forces confiscated 10 illegal vehicles in the city of Jericho and handed them over to the Israeli authorities (through the DCO).</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>BETHLEHEM</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> 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 and placing it, together with the adjacent village of Al Khas, under the jurisdiction of the Jerusalem municipality. The Israeli army considers the civilian presence in the villages illegal.</li> <li>• <b>Wall Construction:</b> Construction of the Wall continues north of the district of Bethlehem, along 'Ayda refugee camp, along the tunnel road (Gilo) north of the city of Beit Jala, and west of the village of Husan.</li> <li>• <b>Raids:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 11:20, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Beit Sahur and patrolled the area.</li> <li>(ii) At 20:15, an Israeli army patrol the town of Al Khadr, set up 2 checkpoints in the centre and at the entrance to the town, and searched civilians and vehicles until 21:10.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>House Demolitions:</u></b> At 09:50, the Israeli army demolished 6 houses, including 1 house under construction, along with 1 barracks, in the village of Wadi Rahhal southwest of the town of Al Khadr, claiming that they are located on the projected Wall route. The houses and barracks belong to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) As'ad Mohammed Fawaghreh;</li> <li>(ii) Walid Mohammed Fawaghreh;</li> <li>(iii) Issa Ali Ziyadeh;</li> <li>(iv) Ahmed Al Hajj Ziyadeh;</li> <li>(v) Ghaleb Abdullah Ziyadeh; and</li> <li>(vi) As'ad Abdullah Fawaghreh.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>HEBRON</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure:</u></b> The Israeli army continues to close Al Shuhada' Street and the area of As Sahleh in the area of H2 in the city of Hebron with cement blocks and barbed wire, denying civilians and vehicles access.</li> <li>• <b><u>Wall Construction:</u></b> Land levelling for Wall construction continues west of the towns of Surif, Beit Ula, Idhna and Beit 'Awwa, in the area extending from the village of Deir Samit, the town of Beit 'Awwa, and towards the village of Al Burj.</li> <li>• <b><u>Flying Checkpoint/Physical Assault/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:</u></b> At 16:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Fawwar Junction south of the city of Hebron, detained 1 public vehicle, severely beat 1 Palestinian Police officer in the vehicle, and arrested 1 civilian.</li> <li>• <b><u>Raids/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 20:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron and detained 3 Palestinian Police officers until 20:30.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army raided the towns of Halhul and Beit Ummar and arrested 4 civilians.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Arrests:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up on Al Fawwar junction arrested Samih Al Qassas.</li> </ul> <p>The Israeli army arrested 4 civilians in the towns of Halhul and Beit Ummar:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(ii) Shihdeh Mahmoud 'Aql;</li> <li>(iii) Ibrahim Mohammed 'Awadh;</li> <li>(iv) Ahmed Nawwaf Sabarneh; and</li> <li>(v) Another civilian from the Ikhlayyel family.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

**GAZA STRIP**

<b>NORTHERN GAZA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure:</u></b> Beit Hanun Crossing is partially open.</li> <li>• <b><u>Arrests:</u></b> At 10:35, the Israeli army arrested 5 unidentified civilians as they were attempting to infiltrate into the Green Line near Points 52, 54, 93, and 110 east of the town of Beit Hanun and southeast of Gaza city.</li> </ul>
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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>GAZA</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Nitsareem junction remains closed.</li> <li>(ii) Al Shuhada Junction-Al Muntar Crossing road is closed.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Attack:</b> At 09:10, the Israeli army opened fire from its location at Point 65 on the Green Line towards the area of Al Hajj Fadhl.</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>CENTRAL GAZA</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Attack:</b> At 20:20, the Israeli army opened fire from its location in the settlement of Kfar Darom towards Palestinian territory southwest of the city of Deir Al Balah.</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>KHAN YUNIS</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Abu al 'Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) is closed.</li> <li>(ii) Western road (Khan Yunis) remains closed.</li> <li>(iii) Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis road (Al Tuffah checkpoint) is partially open.</li> <li>(iv) Alon checkpoint (entrance to Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis) south of Deir al Balah is closed.</li> <li>(v) Deir al Balah junction to Abu Holi checkpoint (Kfar Darom road) is closed.</li> <li>(vi) Morag road connecting Khan Yunis' eastern and western roads is closed.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Palestinian Attacks:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 02:20 on 31 March 2005, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the settlement of Ganei Tal. The Israeli army responded by firing flares in the area surrounding Al Amal neighbourhood.</li> <li>(ii) At 02:40 on 31 March 2005, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the settlement of Ganei Tal.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>RAFAH</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Yasser Arafat International Airport remains closed.</li> <li>(ii) Al Mawasi/Rafah road is partially open.</li> <li>(iii) Sufa Crossing is partially open to construction cargo only.</li> <li>(iv) Rafah Crossing is open. The Israeli army restricted opening hours of the crossing to 4 hours daily.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Attacks:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 09:45, the Israeli army opened fire from its location at Point 6 along the Egyptian border towards Palestinian territory in Al Barazil neighbourhood in Rafah refugee camp.</li> <li>(ii) At 10:20, the Israeli army opened fire from its location at Point 8 along the Egyptian border towards Palestinian territory in the neighbourhood of Yabna in Rafah refugee camp. The Israeli army also opened fire from its location in Tall Zu'rub towards Palestinian territory to the east.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Palestinian Attack:</b> At 03:00 on 31 March 2005, 2 unidentified mortars were fired towards the settlement of Rafiah Yam.</li> </ul>