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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT
 08:00 31 March 2007 – 08:00 01 April 2007

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assaults	5	—	5	Several civilians beaten in Jenin district
Attacks	5	3	8	Incl. 4 in raids & 3 from military posts
Raids	27	2	29	Incl. 4 in Ramallah and 5 in Qalqiliya
Arrests	7	—	7	Incl. 2 Pal. officers & 1 female civilian
Detentions	23	—	23	Incl. 1 female civilian in Jerusalem
Wall Construction	25	—	25	Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Hebron, Beth.
Destruction of Property	1	—	1	A road levelled near Al Aqsa Mosque
Closure of Checkpoints	17	—	17	Incl. access impeded at 8 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	16	—	16	Incl. 5 in Jenin and 3 in Bethlehem
Closure (per District)	6	—	6	Incl. 3 areas in the district of Hebron
Closure of Main Roads	34	—	34	Incl. 4 in Jerusalem & 2 in Bethlehem
Closure of Crossing Points	—	7	7	Incl. Beit Hanun (Erez) partially
Pal. Security Measure	—	1	1	2 children evacuated, east of Gaza city
TOTAL	166	13	179	

DISTRICT	EVENT
WEST BANK	
ALL DISTRICTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem. The Israeli army also continues to close the entrances to the Al Aqsa Mosque compound in the old city of Jerusalem and impede civilian access to the mosque. This Israeli measure aims to prevent civilian demonstrations against the Israeli army's levelling of Bab al Maghariba old road, which leads to Al Aqsa Mosque compound. • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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. • Checkpoint: 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. • Wall Gates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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. • Wall Construction: Wall construction was resumed in Dahiyat al Bareed, Dahiyat al Aqbat, from the village of Hizma to 'Anata, along the Hizma-Jaba' road, the area of Al 'Eizariya to Ash Shayyah, from the village of Beit Surik to Biddu, in the areas of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina, west of the village of Al Jib, and in the vicinity of the village of Qatanna. • Raid: The Israeli army raided the village of Beit Duqqu. While patrolling the area, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. • Detention: At 14:30, Israeli troops positioned at Ar Ram checkpoint detained Nadirah Jamil 'Amer, a female civilian resident of the village of Kafr Qalil in the district of Nablus, after she had treated her son in the city of Jerusalem. At 18:00, Israeli troops released Nadirah.

<p style="text-align: center;">RAMALLAH & EL BIREH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil. (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 resumed 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>Raids/Attack/Detentions:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 16:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Mazari’ an Nubani, searched 1 house, and arrested 1 Palestinian Preventive Security officer. (ii) At 16:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Beituniya. (iii) At 22:20, the Israeli army raided the town of Deir Ghassana and fired sound grenades, while searching 3 houses. The Israeli army also served summons to 3 civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. At 23:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. (iv) At 01:00, the Israeli army raided the city of El Bireh, raided an Internet café, and detained a number of civilians. • <u>Arrest:</u> The Israeli army arrested Omar Khaled Thyab, a Palestinian Preventive Security officer, in the village of Mazari’ an Nubani.
<p style="text-align: center;">JENIN</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Roads:</u> The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the unpaved detour road leading to the town of ‘Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan as well as the road connecting the town of Qabatiya to the village of Misliya. • <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> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. (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. • <u>Flying Checkpoints/Detentions/Physical Assaults:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints, one on the junction to the town of ‘Arraba and the other along As Suweitat road, searched civilians and vehicles, and impeded civilian access. Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up on the junction to the town of ‘Arraba also beat a number of civilians. (ii) At 10:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Al Kufair, searched civilians and vehicles, detained 3 civilians, and severely beat them. At 12:00, Israeli troops released the detained civilians.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (iii) At 10:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Al Jarba, searched civilians and vehicles, and arrested 1 Palestinian National Security officer. (iv) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the village of ‘Ajja and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raids/Attack:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 16:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Jalbun. (ii) At 03:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Jenin and Jenin refugee camp. While patrolling the area surrounding the refugee camp, the Israeli army opened fire and fired sound grenades. At 06:20, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. • <u>Arrest:</u> Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up at the entrance to the village of Al Jarba arrested Muntasser Rif’at N’eirat, a Palestinian National Security officer.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <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. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> 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 connecting the town of Deir al Ghusun to the village of Al Jarushiya. • <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 ‘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. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the town of Deir al Ghusun and denied civilian access in both directions until 10:00. (ii) At 10:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Al Jarushiya and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At dawn on 29 March 2007, the Israeli army raided the city of Tulkarem, searched 2 houses, and arrested 1 civilian. (ii) At dawn on 31 March 2007, the Israeli army raided the town of ‘Illar, searched 1 house, and arrested 1 civilian. (iii) At 09:25, the Israeli army raided the town of ‘Attil, searched 1 house, and arrested 1 civilian. • <u>Arrests:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army arrested Mohammed Amin Abu Haseeb in the city of Tulkarem. (ii) The Israeli army arrested ‘Arafat Nizar Taqatqah in the town of ‘Illar. (iii) The Israeli army arrested Wajdi Saleh Abu Khalil in the town of ‘Attil.
QALQILIYA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Roads:</u> The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the agricultural roads east of the town of ‘Azzun.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Wall Gates:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. (ii) 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 resumed in the villages of Immatin and Kafr Laqif as well as east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and ‘Azzun. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 13:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of ‘Izbat at Tabib, searched civilians and vehicles, and prevented from other areas from accessing the village. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:20, and again at 15:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Habla. (ii) At 15:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the villages of An Nabi Elyas and ‘Izbat at Tabib. (iii) At 00:30, the Israeli army, including 10 jeeps, raided the city of Qalqiliya and patrolled the area until 01:30.
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) 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. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the southern entrance to the village of Qaryut and the settler bypass road connecting the village of Deir al Hatab to the settlement of Alon Moreh. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) 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. (ii) 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. (iii) Beit Furik checkpoint is open to civilian residents of the town of Beit Furik and the village of Beit Dajan until 17:30. (iv) Beginning on 23 November 2006, the Israeli army continues to close the checkpoint set up in the area between the city of Nablus and the town of ‘Asira ash Shamaliya and to prevent civilians from crossing, only allowing access to humanitarian cases. (v) At 08:00, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus and denied access to civilians between 16 and 30 years of age. (vi) At 10:40, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Al Badhan checkpoint and impeded civilian access.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 10:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Jamma'in and searched civilians and vehicles until 12:00. • <u>Raids/Attack:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:30, the Israeli army, including 7 jeeps, raided and patrolled the city of Nablus. (ii) At 23:55, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus as well as the refugee camps of Balata and 'Ein Beit el Ma'. The Israeli army also opened intensive fire in the refugee camps. In addition, the Israeli army searched 4 houses in Balata refugee camp. At 04:45, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the western entrance to the town of Deir Istiya. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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 resumed 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> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:50, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Salfit and patrolled the area. (ii) At 13:30, the Israeli army, including 7 jeeps, raided the town of Kafr ad Dik, searched 1 house, and withdrew at 14:30.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <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>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 11:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint along Al Mu'arrajat road connecting the districts of Jericho and Ramallah and searched civilians and vehicles.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raid:</u> At 01:45, the Israeli army, including 15 jeeps, raided ‘Ein as Sultan refugee camp in the city of Jericho, searched 1 house, arrested 1 civilian, and withdrew at 02:15. • <u>Arrest:</u> The Israeli army arrested Tareq Ziyad ash Sheikh Hasan in ‘Ein as Sultan refugee camp in the city of Jericho.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> The Israeli army continues to close the roads to the village of An Nu’mān, with the exception of the road leading to the Wall gate in the south-eastern area of the village. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> 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. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction was resumed 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. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> The Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints, one along the Beit Sahur-Za’tara main road and the other near the village of Al ‘Asakira, and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:25, the Israeli army raided the city of Bethlehem, set up a checkpoint, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area. (ii) At 12:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Al Khadr.
HEBRON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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. 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> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the following locales: the area of Al Hawawir leading to the town of Halhul; the area of Al Fahs south of the city of Hebron; the junction to the area of Farsh al Hawa leading to Road # 35 northwest of the city of Hebron; the road connecting the town of Surif 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.

	<p>(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.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Wall construction was resumed in the section of Tarqumiya checkpoint terminal, the remaining section of the Wall route that separates the settlement of Eshkolot from the village of Ar Ramadin, and near the village of Imneizil southeast of the town of Yatta. • Flying Checkpoint: At 01:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to the town of Halhul and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids/Detentions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:30, the Israeli army raided Abu Sneina neighbourhood in the city of Hebron, searched 1 house, and arrested 1 female civilian, after having detained her husband and son. (ii) At 19:20, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron and patrolled the area until 21:30. • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Nahlah Khalil Abu Hasan in Abu Sneina neighbourhood in the city of Hebron. • Detention: The Israeli army prevented the Palestinian Minister of Religious Endowments from accessing the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron in order to sponsor a religious celebration on the occasion of Prophet Mohammed's Birthday.
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GAZA STRIP

<p style="text-align: center;">ALL DISTRICTS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 3 occasions. The Israeli army also carried out 2 raids into Palestinian territory.
<p style="text-align: center;">NORTHERN GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open to foreign nationals, humanitarian cases, and VIPs. At 19:05, the Israeli army closed the Crossing until further notice due to Jewish holidays. However, access would only be allowed to foreign nationals, humanitarian cases, and vehicles transporting newspapers, mail, and money due to religious holiday.
<p style="text-align: center;">GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Points: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Al Muntar (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. (ii) Ash Shuja'iyah (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. • Attack: At 17:50, the Israeli army opened fire from the area near Point 83 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory east of Gaza city, thereby violating the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement. • Palestinian Security Measure: At 16:40, and after coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO), a Palestinian security patrol evacuated 2 children from the area near Point 83 on the Green Line east of Gaza city.

<p style="text-align: center;">CENTRAL GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raids:</u> In violation of the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement, the Israeli army carried out 2 raids into Palestinian territory, as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:50, the Israeli army, including 2 armoured vehicles and 2 bulldozers, raided 150 metres into Palestinian territory near Point 140 on the Green Line east of the city of Deir al Balah and withdrew at 11:00. (ii) At 11:05, Israeli army infantry forces, including 10 soldiers, raided 150 metres into Palestinian territory near Point 125 on the Green Line east Al Maghazi refugee camp and withdrew at 13:55.
<p style="text-align: center;">KHAN YUNIS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Attacks:</u> In violation of the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement, the Israeli army opened fire towards Palestinian territory, as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:50, the Israeli army opened fire from the area near Point 152 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory east of the area Al Qarara. (ii) At 09:40, the Israeli army opened fire from the area near Point 158 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory east of the area Al Qarara.
<p style="text-align: center;">RAFAH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Points:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah Crossing is closed. (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed. (iv) Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed.