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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 01 April 2009 – 08:00 02 April 2009

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injury	1	—	1	Civilian bitten and injured by Police dog
Attacks	2	4	6	Incl. 4 in raids and 1 by navy boats
Raids	38	2	40	Incl. 6 in Hebron and 1 in Northern Gaza
Air Patrols	—	2	2	By helicopters and UAVs, Northern Gaza
Arrests (per person)	43	—	43	Incl. 5 children and 1 Pal. security officer
Detentions	19	—	19	At checkpoints and in residential areas
Land Levelling	—	1	1	Agricultural land in the district of Rafah
Wall Construction	25	—	25	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Salfit, & Qalqiliya
Destruction of Property	—	1	1	Fruit-bearing trees in Rafah
House Occupations	1	1	2	In Nablus and Northern Gaza
Curfew	1	—	1	Over the village of Haris in Salfit
Closure of Checkpoints	13	—	13	Incl. access impeded at 7 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	9	—	9	Incl. 2 in Jerusalem and 4 in Hebron
Closure (per District)	7	—	7	Incl. over the city of Jerusalem
Closure of Main Roads	53	—	53	Incl. 7 in Bethlehem and 16 in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points	—	4	4	3 crossing points partially open
Settler Violence	1	—	1	A civilian severely beaten in Hebron
Demonstration	1	—	1	In solidarity with prisoners in Nablus
TOTAL	214	15	229	

DISTRICT	EVENTS
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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.
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JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Closure: (i) The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem, set up several checkpoints in the old city of Jerusalem and around Al Aqsa Mosque compound, and denied access to civilians above 45 years of age to perform Friday prayers at the Al Aqsa Mosque. (ii) 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). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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) Beginning on 16 February 2009, the Israeli army has continued to close the iron gate along the Wall section, separating the area of Dahiyat al Bared from the town of Ar Ram. 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. Attack: At 18:00, Israeli troops guarding the Wall section near Qalandiya Airport opened fire towards a number of children in the area of Samir Amis, allegedly for throwing stones. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Raids: (i) At dawn on 01 April 2009, the Israeli army raided the town of 'Anata, searched a number of houses, and arrested 3 civilians. (ii) On 01 April 2009, the Israeli army raided the village of Beit 'Anan and arrested 1 civilian. (iii) On 01 April 2009, the Israeli army raided the village of Beit Duqqu and arrested 2 civilians. (iv) At 03:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Al 'Eizariya, searched a number of houses, arrested 3 civilians, and withdrew at 03:50. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in the town of 'Anata: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Mohammed Khalil Abdul Latif; (ii) Abdul Haleem Ibrahim; and (iii) Sa'd al 'Ijlein.
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	<p>(iv) The Israeli army arrested Mohammed Ibrahim 'Orabi in village of Beit 'Anan.</p> <p>The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the village of Beit Duquq:</p> <p>(v) Shukri Hussein Hasan; and</p> <p>(vi) Khaled Bassam Naji.</p> <p>The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in the town of Al 'Eizariya:</p> <p>(vii) Mahdi Ali Tumeira;</p> <p>(viii) 'Isa Hasan al Khatib; and</p> <p>(ix) Ahmed Tareq Shahin.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 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.
<p>RAMALLAH & EL BIREH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades and cement blocks the road connecting the villages of Ras Karkar and Kharbatha Bani Harith; the entrances to the villages of Sinjil, Saffa, and 'Ein Yabrud; and the junction to the villages of Kafr Malik – 'Ein Samiya. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at the checkpoint on the overpass to 'Atara town and impede civilian access. At 08:30, the Israeli army closed the checkpoint and denied access until 10:00. • Flying Checkpoint: At 11:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles on the junction to the town of At Tayba along the Ramallah-Jericho road. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 23:40, the Israeli army raided the town of Bri Zeit and patrolled the area until 00:15. (ii) At 01:55, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Turmus'ayya and the village of Khirbet Abu Falah. (iii) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Silwad. (iv) The Israeli army raided the town of Beit Liqya and arrested 1 civilian. • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Mohammed Ibrahim Hussein in the town of Beit Liqya. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues west of 'Abud town and in the areas of Al Midya to Ni'lin and Ni'lin to Deir Qaddis.

<p style="text-align: center;">JENIN</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 10:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Ti’innik and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids/Detentions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 18:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Misliya. (ii) At 02:40, the Israeli army raided the village of Al ‘Araqa and searched a number of houses, after having detained residents outside. During interrogation, the Israeli army also took photographs of detained civilians. In addition, the Israeli arrested 17 civilians, including 3 children. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 17 civilians in the village of Al ‘Araqa: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) ‘Imad Hussein Jamal Yihya, 15 years old; (ii) Ahmed Mohammed Hussein Yihya, 15 years old; (iii) Yousef Ridha Wakid, 14 years old; (iv) Ihab Hussein Jamal Yihya; (v) Mahmoud Qasem Mohammed Hammad; (vi) Fadi Mahmoud Qasem Hammad; (vii) Rabee’ Sameer Abdul Rahman Yihya; (viii) ‘Iz ad Din Sameer Yihya; (ix) Nafe’ Shafe’ Yihya; (x) Shadi Omar Yihya; (xi) Saleh Qabel Wakid; (xii) Mu’tassem Tawfeeq Mustafa Yihya; (xiii) Yousef Tawfeeq Mustafa Yihya; (xiv) Rami Mohammed Yihya; (xv) Omar Mahmoud Yihya; (xvi) Sa’d Ridha Wakid; and (xvii) Raja ‘Abed Raja Wakid. • 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.
<p style="text-align: center;">TUBAS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to close Tayasir checkpoint in the eastern Tubas district, denying civilian access to the Northern Jordan Valley, except for civilians whose IDs indicate that their place of residence is the Northern Jordan Valley. • Raid: At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Tubas and arrested 2 civilians (brothers, including a child). • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the city of Tubas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Mahmoud Hani Abu Dawwas, 17 years old; and (ii) Tawfeeq Hani Abu Dawwas.
<p style="text-align: center;">TULKAREM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army continues to declare the district of Tulkarm a closed military zone and to impede civilian access to and from the district.

	<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 western entrance to the village of Shufa. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road connecting the town of Kafr al Labad to the village of Shufa. • <u>Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at 'Einav checkpoint set up on Tulkarem-Nablus main road. • <u>Raids/Detentions:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:50, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Lid, searched 1 house and 1 commercial shop, detained 9 civilians, and released them after interrogation. (ii) At 04:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Tulkarem, searched 1 house, and arrested 1 Palestinian National Security officer. • <u>Arrests:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:00, the Israeli army arrested Mohammed Abdul Nasser Abu Zeineh, a resident of the city of Tulkarem, while he was travelling to his workplace inside the Green Line. (ii) The Israeli army arrested Raed Wassfi Mohammed Zahran in the city of Tulkarem. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
QALQILYA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Roads:</u> The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun. • <u>Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at the checkpoint set up at the eastern entrance to the city of Qalqiliya and to impede civilian access. At 09:40, the Israeli army closed the checkpoint, denied civilian access, and reopened it at a later time. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Qalqiliya. At 01:25, the Israeli army raided the city again, arrested 2 civilians, and withdrew at 02:30. (ii) At 14:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Sanniriya and searched an internet cafe. • <u>Arrests:</u> The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the city of Qalqiliya: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Abdul Karim al 'Attar; and (ii) Ibrahim Ahmed Hashem 'Irbas. • <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> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Having completed the Wall-related infrastructure, land levelling for Wall construction ceased in the towns of 'Azzun and Kafr Thulth as well as in the villages of Immatin and Kafr Laqif.

	<p>(ii) Wall construction continues south of the town of Jayyus as well as near the settlement of Alfe Menashe in the villages of Ras Tira, Magharet ad Dab'a, and Wadi ar Rasha south of the city of Qalqiliya.</p>
<p>NABLUS</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 cement blocks the roads of Sarra-Jit; Til-Burin; Beit Furik-Salem; the road between the town of 'Aqraba and the main road; and the eastern entrance to the village of Al Lubban Ash Sharqiya. The Israeli army also continues to close with dirt barricades the road between the villages of Til and Madama; the southern entrance to the village of Qaryut; the eastern entrance to the village of Al Lubban Ash Sharqiya; the western entrance to the town of 'Aqraba; the southern entrance to the village of Duma; the northern entrance to the town of Qabalan; the western entrance to the village of Majdal Bani Fadil; and the settler bypass road connecting the village of Deir al Hatab to the settlement of Alon Moreh. (ii) The Israeli army continues to restrict civilian daily passage along the Jenin-Nablus road between the junction to Deir Sharaf village and the settlement of Shavei Shomron between 06:00 and 21:00. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the eastern entrance to the village of Madama. • <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) 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 neighborhood only. (ii) The Israeli army continues to allow Palestinians holding Israeli-issued IDs to access the city of Nablus by their private vehicles through Beit Furik checkpoint and Biet Iba iron gate. Additionally, the Israeli army allows free access to physicians, who are residents of the city of Nablus. (iii) Beginning on 15 February 2009, the Israeli army has allowed free access by private vehicles to all residents of the city of Nablus, who are above 50 years of age and in company with their families, through checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus. (iv) Having removed Beit Iba checkpoint, the Israeli army installed an iron gate near the junction to the village of Deir Sharaf along the Nablus-Tulkarem main road. The iron gate is open everyday between 05:00 and 24:00 to allow civilian access without permits. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 17:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the city of Nablus and the town of 'Asira ash Shamaliya, denied civilian access in both directions, and removed it at a later time. • <u>Raids/House Occupation:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:00, the Israeli army raided the village of 'Iraq at Tayih and patrolled the area until 09:50.

	<p>(ii) At 11:30, the Israeli army raided 'Askar refugee camp in the city of Nablus, occupied the roof of a building, converted it into a military post, and arrested 1 child.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Arrest:</u> The Israeli army arrested Hasan Abdul Latif Sweilem, 16 years old, in 'Askar refugee camp in the city of Nablus. • <u>Demonstration:</u> At 10:00, families of political prisoners held a sit-in demonstration in front of offices of the International Committee of the Red Cross in the city of Nablus in solidarity with their relative prisoners and demanding that they be released from Israeli prisons.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <p>(i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the northern entrance to Salfit city and the eastern entrance to the village of Yasuf.</p> <p>(ii) 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.</p> • <u>Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions and impede civilian access at the Za'tara junction checkpoint. • <u>Raids/Curfew/Attack:</u> <p>(i) At 17:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the towns of Bruqin and Kafr ad Dik.</p> <p>(ii) At 20:45, the Israeli army raided the village of Haris, patrolled the area, imposed curfew, and withdrew at 23:50.</p> <p>(iii) At 22:45, the Israeli army raided the village of Yasuf and patrolled the area until 23:30.</p> <p>(iv) At 01:15, the Israeli army raided the city of Salfit, patrolled the area, opened fire, fired sound grenades, and withdrew at 01:45.</p> • <u>Arrest:</u> At 10:00, Israeli troops positioned at the Za'tara junction checkpoint arrested Mahmoud Nabil Jawabreh. • <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 Kafr Hares north of the settlement of Ariel.
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 that connects the districts of Jericho and Ramallah. At 15:20, Israeli troops positioned at the Al 'Auja junction checkpoint prevented vehicles not registered on the names of their respective owners from crossing.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raids/Injury:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 01:35, the Israeli army raided the village of Fasayil and arrested 1 civilian. (ii) At 02:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Marj Na'ja and used Police dogs to search a house. A dog bit a civilian, leaving him with injuries. Consequently, he was transported to hospital for medical treatment. The Israeli army also arrested 3 civilians (brothers). (iii) At 02:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Az Zubeidat and arrested 1 civilian. • <u>Arrests:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army arrested Dawoud Ghawanmeh in the village of Fasayil. The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in the villages of Marj Na'ja: (ii) Jadallah Nimer Sawarkeh; (iii) Ibrahim Nimer Sawarkeh; and (iv) Subhi Nimer Sawarkeh. (v) The Israeli army arrested Mohammed Mahmoud Zubeidat in the village of Az Zubeidat.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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 <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 # 07/31/T. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> In addition to 2 side roads east and south of the village of Al Walaja, the Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the roads of Beit Jala-Wadi Ahmad; Talita-Nazlet as Sidr in the city of Beit Jala; Al Khadr -Road # 60; Al Khadr -Beit Jala Housing Project; Wadi Rahal-Efrat; and the side road east of the town of Beit Fajjar. • <u>Checkpoint:</u> At 11:00, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the 'Container') checkpoint and impeded civilian access in both directions. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 15:20, and again at 19:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Al Khadr. (ii) At 18:10, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Fajjar and arrested 1 civilian. (iii) At 01:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Beit Jala. • <u>Arrests:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 02:35 on 01 April 2009, the Israeli army arrested Abdullah Isa Shu'eibat during its raid into the city of Beit Sahur, as was reported yesterday.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) At 02:40, the Israeli army arrested Mohammed Fu'ad Zabboun during its raid into the city of Bethlehem, in addition to those reported yesterday. (iii) The Israeli army arrested Taher Saber Diriyeh in the town of Beit Fajjar. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: 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 Ifrat settlement; and in the area surrounding the village of Al Walaja.
HEBRON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <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 in the area. (ii) The Israeli army continues to prevent civilian vehicles from travelling along the road connecting the settlement of Kiryat Arba' to the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron. (iii) On 05 January 2009, the Israeli army issued Military Order # 09/06/S for closure of the area located along the Green Line south of the town of Yatta, evacuation of civilian residents, and prevention of civilian access to the area. According to Military Orders # 05/03/T and 05/04/T, land in this area was confiscated for Wall construction. • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to the town of As Samoa'; the area of Al Hawawir leading to the town of Halhul; 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 Al Qeisi neighborhood in the old city of Hebron; as well as the entrances to Al 'Arrub refugee camp and the village of At Tuwani. (ii) The Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from travelling along Ash Shalala Old Street leading to 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 bypass Road # 60. (iv) The Israeli army continues to open the iron gate on the junction of Farsh Al Hawa, which leads to Road # 35 that leads to Tarqumiya Crossing, from 05:00 until 07:00 and from 09:00 until 13:00. (v) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the entrances to the villages of Wadi ash Shajina and Khirbet Basam.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to the town of Halhul and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 08:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to the town of Beit Kahil and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 16:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the town of Beit 'Einun and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Bani Na'im and patrolled the area until 09:00. (ii) At 10:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, set up a checkpoint in the area of Ras al Jora, and searched civilians and vehicles. At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the city again and patrolled the area. (iii) At 24:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the area of Sinjir between the city of Hebron and the town of Dura. (iv) At 01:20, the Israeli army raided the village of Deir Samit and searched offices of the village's council. (v) At 03:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Dura and patrolled the area until 04:30. • <u>Settler Violence:</u> On 01 April 2009, a group of Israeli settlers severely beat Abdul Razzaq 'Azzam Da'na in the area of Wadi an Nassara in the old city of Hebron, leaving him with contusions. As a result, Da'na was transported to hospital for medical treatment. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues in the section of Tarqumiya checkpoint terminal; in the area between the settlement of Eshkolot and the village of Imneizil southeast of the town of Yatta; and in the village of 'Arab ar Ramadin.
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GAZA STRIP

<p style="text-align: center;">ALL DISTRICTS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 ceasefire continues to hold pending negotiations carried out by Egypt. • <u>Violation of the Ceasefire:</u> The Israeli army raided Palestinian territory. Israeli armoured vehicles and navy boats also opened fire towards civilians and property.
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NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is closed. • Raid/Air Patrol/Attack/House Occupation: In the evening of 01 April 2009, the Israeli army, including several armoured vehicles and covered by combat helicopters and UAVs, raided the debris of the evacuated settlement of Dogit north of the town of Beit Lahiya, opened intensive fire, occupied a house roof, and converted it into a military post.
GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Points: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is partially open for transportation of wheat and animal feed. (ii) Ash Shuja'iyah (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is partially open for transportation of fuel.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Points: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah (Al 'Awdah) Crossing is closed. (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed. (iv) Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is partially open for transportation of food supplies and humanitarian aid. • Attack: In the morning of 01 April 2009, Israeli navy boats opened intensive fire towards Palestinian fishing boats at sea opposite the city of Rafah's beach. • Raid/Attack/Land Levelling: In the evening of 31 March 2009, the Israeli army, including several tanks, armoured vehicles, and 1 bulldozer, raided Palestinian territory northeast of the town of Ash Shuka east of the city of Rafah. The Israeli army also opened intensive fire, fired flares, and levelled land cultivated with fruit-bearing trees.

GENERAL

POLITICAL PRISONERS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sentences: The Israeli military court at 'Ofar Military Detention and Interrogation Centre issued sentences against the following political prisoners: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Hasan Mohammed Hasan Sabatin, a resident of the village of Husan in the district of Bethlehem, for 4 months in prison as well as fine of ILS 1,000 (approximately USD 425). (ii) Mohammed Hani Hasan Hamamreh, a resident of the village of Husan in the district of Bethlehem, for 4 months in prison as well as fine of ILS 500 (approximately USD 122). • Postponement of Sentence: The Israeli military court at 'Ofar Military Detention and Interrogation Centre adjourned sentencing Ibrahim Mousa Sabatin until 08 May 2009.
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