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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 02 April 2006 – 08:00 03 April 2006

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Death	1	—	1	1 individual in the city of Beit Sahur
Injuries	3	2	5	Incl. 1 child in Northern Gaza district
Attacks	4	6	10	Incl. 139 artillery shells fired
Raids	24	—	24	Incl. 7 in Nablus & 7 in Bethlehem
Air Patrol	1	—	1	Helicopters over the city of Salfit
Arrests	18	—	18	Incl. 1 Palestinian security officer
Detentions	9	—	9	At checkpoints & in residential areas
Wall Construction	31	—	31	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Beth.
Destruction of Property	1	—	1	Wastewater discharged into water pump
Confiscation of Property	1	—	1	An M1 rifle & live ammunition, Salim
Closure of Checkpoints	7	—	7	Incl. Tayasir & Al Hamra checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	9	—	9	Incl. 4 in Qalqiliya & 2 in Jericho
Closure (per District)	6	1	7	Incl. An Nu'man village, Bethlehem
Closure of Main Roads	33	—	33	Incl. north-western entrance to Salfit
Closure of Wall Gates	1	—	1	Incl. gates to agricultural land, Jenin
Closure of Crossing Points	—	4	4	Incl. Beit Hanun and Rafah partially
Settler Violence	1	—	1	Wastewater discharged into water pump
Provocation of Pal. Forces	—	2	2	Shelling near Pal. security locations
Palestinian Attacks	1	6	7	Incl. 7 unidentified mortars fired
TOTAL	151	21	172	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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<p style="text-align: center;">ALL DISTRICTS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beginning on 11 March 2006, the Israeli army has continued to impose a complete closure over the West Bank and Gaza Strip districts. The Israeli army has prevented civilians with permits, including workers, from crossing into areas inside the Green Line or into the city of Jerusalem, only allowing VIPs and humanitarian cases to cross after prior coordination.
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WEST BANK

<p style="text-align: center;">JERUSALEM</p>	<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 and has set up checkpoints in the old city of Jerusalem and around Al Aqsa Mosque compound. • Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close the eastern entrance to Dahiyat Bir Nabala northwest of the city of Jerusalem with cement blocks. • Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Qalandiya checkpoint, after having announced that it would be converted into a border crossing point beginning on 27 March 2006. The Israeli army, however, postponed the conversion of the checkpoint until a later time. (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Beit Iksa checkpoint and to impede civilian access. • Wall Gates: The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Dahiyat al Aqbat, from the village of Hizma to 'Anata, along the Hizma-Jaba' road, the area of Al 'Eizariya to Ash Shayyah, near Al Quds University, in the town of As Sawahira ash Sharqiya, from the village of Beit Surik to Biddu, in the areas of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina, and west of the village of Al Jib. • Flying Checkpoint: The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to 'Atarot Industrial Zone in the town of Ar Ram and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army raided the village of Hizma and arrested 2 civilians. (ii) The Israeli army raided the town of Abu Dis and searched 1 building used as a dormitory for female students from <i>Al Quds</i> University. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the village of Hizma: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Raed Mohammed Mas'oud; and (ii) Mohammed Suleiman al Khatib.
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<p style="text-align: center;">RAMALLAH & EL BIREH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil with dirt barricades. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the village of Al Lubban al Gharbi with dirt barricades. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the areas of Al Midya to Budrus, Al Midya to Ni'lin, Bil'in to Saffa, in the village of Beit Liqya, in the town of Beituniya, and west of the town of 'Abud and the village of Beit Sira. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 23:15, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided and patrolled the city of El Bireh. (ii) At 04:00, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided and patrolled the village of Kafr 'Ein until 05:30. (iii) At 04:30, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided and patrolled the city of Ramallah.
<p style="text-align: center;">JENIN</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the detour road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the village of Fahma with dirt barricades. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to close Tayasir checkpoint east of the town of Tubas with dirt barricades. • Wall Gates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. (ii) The Israeli army closed the Wall gates leading to civilians' agricultural land. • Raid: At 02:00, the Israeli army, including 10 jeeps, raided the village of Bir al Basha, searched a number of houses, and arrested 3 high school ("<i>Tawjihi</i>") students. At 03:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 3 high school students in the village of Bir al Basha: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Walid Tawfeeq Ghawadreh; (ii) Mohammed Fareed Yousef; and (iii) Abdul Ra'ouf 'Ayyadh Yousef. (iv) On 01 April 2006, Mohammed Taleb Nazzal disappeared. However, Nazzal was later reported to have been held by the Israeli army at Salim Detention and Interrogation Centre.
<p style="text-align: center;">TULKAREM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army continues to impose a complete closure on the district of Tulkarem and to declare it a closed military zone following a suicide attack carried out on the junction to the village of Far'un. The Israeli army continues 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 roads connecting the following locales: the town of Bal'a and Dahiyat Iktaba; Dahiyat Dhinnaba in the city of Tulkarem and the town of Kafr al Labad; Dahiyat Dhinnaba and the village of 'Izbat Abu Khamish; the town of Kafr al Labad and the village of Shufa; the towns of Deir al Ghusun and 'Attil; and the towns of Deir al Ghusun and Bal'a. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting the town of Beit Lid to the village of Kur with cement blocks. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the eastern entrance to the city of Tulkarem ('Einav checkpoint) on the road connecting the districts of Tulkarem and Nablus. (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the southern entrance to the city of Tulkarem (Jubara checkpoint) and to impede civilian access. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • <u>Arrest:</u> At 18:00, Israeli troops positioned at Jubara checkpoint arrested Msharraf Mahmoud Qar'ani.
QALQILIYA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Road:</u> At 08:40, the Israeli army closed the road connecting the villages of Jit and Immatin with dirt barricades. • <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 continues in the village of Immatin and east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and 'Azzun. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:30, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints on the junctions to the villages of Jit and Immatin and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 23:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the towns of Kafr Thulth and 'Azzun and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 02:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the eastern entrance to the city of Qalqiliya and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raids/Detention:</u> At 15:00, Israeli Special Forces raided the city of Qalqiliya and arrested 1 civilian. At 16:50, the Israeli army, including 14 jeeps, raided the city again, opened fire, and fired tear gas grenades, while surrounding and searching a number of houses, injuring 7 civilians as a result of tear gas inhalation. The Israeli army also detained 3 civilians and arrested 1 Palestinian Preventive Security officer. • <u>Arrests:</u> The Israeli army arrested 2 individuals in the city of Qalqiliya: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Mohammed Taha Nazzal, a Palestinian Preventive Security officer; and

	<p>(ii) Mohammed Taleb al J'eedi.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Palestinian Attack:</u> At 20:50, armed Palestinian individuals opened fire towards the settlement of Ma'ale Shomron east of the town of 'Azzun. Consequently, the Israeli army opened intensive fire.
<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 the main road leading to the district of Jenin between the junction to the village of Deir Sharaf and the settlement of Shavei Shomron. Instead, the Israeli army has forced civilians to travel along an unpaved 1.5-km-long road, which branches off from the Nablus-Tulkarem road and intersects with the Nablus-Jenin road opposite the village of Sabastiya. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades Al Badhan road, which is the north-eastern entrance to the city of Nablus and connects the city to the district of Jenin. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing Huwwara, Beit Iba, At Tur Mountain, and Beit Furik checkpoints around the city of Nablus. The Israeli army closes the checkpoints overnight and reopens them at various morning hours. (ii) At 07:35, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Huwwara checkpoint and denied access to taxis and civilians between 15 and 30 years of age. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 07:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Beita and prevented civilians from entering or exiting the village. • <u>Raids/Confiscation of Property:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 21:45, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus, the town of Huwwara, and the village of Beita and searched a number of houses. (ii) At 03:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Furik and arrested 3 civilians. (iii) At 03:45, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus and Balata refugee camp. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians in Balata refugee camp, during which Israeli army injured 2 civilians. The Israeli army also arrested 1 civilian and withdrew at 05:15. (iv) At 05:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Salim, confiscated an M1 rifle and a quantity of live ammunition from one of the houses, and arrested 3 civilians, including 2 female civilians. • <u>Arrests:</u> The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in the town of Beit Furik: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Mohammed Yihya Thaher; (ii) Lu'ay Yihya Ghaleb; and (iii) Dhiya' Ihsan Mleitat. <p>The Israeli army arrested Tawfeeq Moahmmmed Ibrahim at Teerawi in Balata refugee camp.</p> <p>The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in the village of Salim:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (v) Khitam Qasem Ishtayyeh, a female civilian; (vi) Marwa Ahmed Ishtayyeh, a female civilian; and

	(vii) Fadi Zayed Jabr.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the main north-western entrance to the city of Salfit with dirt barricades. The road has been closed since the beginning of the current <i>Intifada</i> (Uprising). (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western entrances to the town of Bruqin and the village of Marda and the road connecting the town of Deir Istiya to the village of Haris. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close the western entrance to the town of Kafr ad Dik with cement blocks. • Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close Deir Ballut checkpoint overnight and open it at various morning hours. The Israeli army also prevents civilians from crossing eastwards towards the town of Kafr ad Dik. (ii) At 18:00, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at the Za'tara junction checkpoint and impeded civilian access. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues near the Green Line in the town of Deir Ballut and the villages of Az Zawiya and Rafat, 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. • Air Patrol: At 20:50, Israeli army combat helicopters patrolled the skies over the city of Salfit until 21:00. • Settler Violence: The settlement of Ari'el's authorities discharged wastewater into the water pump that supplies water to the city of Salfit, forcing the Salfit Municipality to cut water off in the city for a period of 24 hours in order to clean the pump and the area surrounding it.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army intensified the closure imposed over the district of Jericho. Road # 90 between the city of Jericho and the village of Al 'Auja continues to be closed with cement blocks. The Israeli army prevents farmers not holding Jericho ID cards from reaching their land, forcing them to apply for access permits. The Israeli army also impedes civilian movement into the city of Jericho, except for Jerusalem ID holders. • Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close Al Hamra checkpoint set up on the road connecting the districts of Jericho and Nablus with dirt barricades. (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the checkpoint set up at the entrance to the village of 'Ein Ad Duyuk (the northern entrance to the city of Jericho) on the road connecting the districts of Jericho and Ramallah, to search civilians and vehicles, and to deny civilian access in both directions between 20:00 and 05:00 on a daily basis. (iii) At 06:00, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at the DCO checkpoint set up at the southern entrance to the city of Jericho and prevented civilians between 16 and 30 years of age from leaving the city.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 19:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the settlement of Vered Yericho and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 06:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of 'Ein ad Duyuk, searched civilian vehicles, and prevented civilians between 16 and 30 years of age from leaving the district 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'man, with the exception of the road leading to the Wall gate in the south-eastern area of the village. The Israeli army considers the civilians' residence in the village illegal because they hold West Bank identity cards while their village is located within the Israeli-defined municipal boundaries of Jerusalem. • <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 continues north of 'Ayda refugee camp and in the Everest area, northwest of the city of Beit Jala. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 18:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the towns of Za'tara and Al 'Ubeidiya and the village of Dar Salah until 19:20. (ii) At 22:30, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided and patrolled the cities of Bethlehem, Beit Jala, and Beit Sahur. (iii) At 03:10, Israeli Special Forces, accompanied by 2 armoured vehicles and 12 jeeps, raided the city of Beit Sahur, surrounded 1 building in which wanted Palestinian individuals were hiding, and opened fire towards the building's entrance, killing 1 individual and injuring another. The Israeli army also arrested the injured individual and withdrew at 03:55. • <u>Killing:</u> The Israeli army killed Raed Mohammed 'Ubayyat in the city of Beit Sahur. • <u>Arrest:</u> The Israeli army arrested Raed Suleiman Khalil, an injured individual, in the city of Beit Sahur.
HEBRON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and barbed wire Ash Shuhada' Street and the area of As Sahleh and with an iron gate the old gold market, all in the H2 section of the city of Hebron, denying access to civilians and vehicles. (ii) The Israeli army continues to implement a military order to close civilian commercial shops on both sides of the road connecting the settlement of Kiryat Arba' to the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron from 06 November 2005 until 07 May 2006. Civilian vehicles are prohibited from travelling along the road unless they possess access permits. Only Israeli settler vehicles are allowed unrestricted access on the road.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with a dirt barricade the area of Khuzq al Far near the settlement of Abraham Avino in the old city of Hebron, in addition to the iron gate that has been set up in the area. (iv) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the area of Al Khan in the old city of Hebron with an electronic gate, isolating the area from Al Laban Market and the area of As Sahleh. • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades 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, and the entrance to the village of ‘Arab ar Ramadin. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the main entrance to Al ‘Arrub refugee camp with cement blocks. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues west of the towns of Surif and Beit Ula, south of the towns of Adh Dhahiriya and As Samoa’, and southeast of the town of Yatta. The Israeli army has also completed construction of most sections of the Wall in the town of Idhna, from the village of Deir Samit to the town of Beit ‘Awwa, from Beit ‘Awwa to the village of Al Burj, and in the village of Ar Ramadin. • Flying Checkpoint: The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Idhna and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 01:00, the Israeli army, including 14 jeeps, raided the town of Dura and arrested 1 civilian. (ii) At 01:00, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided and patrolled the town of Halhul. • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested ‘Isa Mohammed ad Darabee’ in the town of Dura.
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GAZA STRIP

ALL DISTRICTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beginning on 16 December 2005, the Israeli army has continued to impose a complete closure on the Gaza Strip ostensibly due to Palestinian individuals’ firing of mortars towards the Green Line.
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NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: Beginning at 18:00 on 28 December 2005, the Israeli army has continued to impose a buffer zone (through open fire as well as artillery and air attacks) in the area near the Green Line, including the area of the debris of evacuated settlements, in the district of Northern Gaza. The Israeli army has also warned that civilians would put their lives in danger if they enter the designated area. • Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open to foreign nationals, VIPs, and humanitarian cases after prior coordination.
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Attacks/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Between 13:40 and 20:30, the Israeli army fired 66 artillery shells from its location inside the Green Line towards Palestinian territory near Palestinian National Security locations north and northwest of the town of Beit Lahiya as well as near the industrial area in Beit Hanun. Of these, 4 artillery shells did not explode. (ii) At 18:20, the Israeli army fired 4 artillery shells from its location inside the Green Line towards Palestinian territory near An Nada towers north of the town of Beit Lahiya. (iii) At 18:25, the Israeli army fired 1 artillery shell from its location inside the Green Line towards the area of Fad'us north of the town of Beit Lahiya, injuring 2 civilians, including a 7-year-old child. (iv) Between 03:40 and 08:00, the Israeli army fired 68 shells from its location inside the Green Line towards Palestinian territory near Palestinian National Security locations north and northwest of the town of Beit Lahiya. • <u>Palestinian Attacks:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 16:50, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line. (ii) At 01:20, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line. (iii) At 01:25, 2 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line.
GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Palestinian Attack:</u> At 01:15, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Palestinian Attacks:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 18:20, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line. (ii) At 22:55, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line but exploded on Palestinian territory.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
RAFAH	<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 partially open in both directions to passengers holding Palestinian IDs, humanitarian cases, and Arab and foreign diplomatic missions. (iii) Sufa Crossing is partially open to construction cargo only. • <u>Attack:</u> At 01:15, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 230 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory south of Sufa Crossing.

GENERAL

WORK PERMITS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <u>West Bank:</u> Valid work permits that have been issued by the Israeli Authorities for crossing the Green Line total 10,406. However, none of those possessing work permits were allowed to access areas inside the Green Line due to the imposed closure.• <u>Gaza Strip:</u> Valid work permits that have been issued by the Israeli Authorities for crossing the Green Line total 4,837. However, none of those possessing work permits were allowed to access areas inside the Green Line due to the imposed closure.
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