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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 02 April 2011 – 08:00 03 April 2011

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assaults	3	—	3	Incl. 2 children severely beaten
Attacks	6	2	8	Incl. 1 in a raid and 2 by navy boats
Raids	25	—	25	Incl. 5 in Salfit and 5 in Bethlehem
Air Patrols	—	5	5	Reconnaissance over the Gaza Strip
Arrests (per person)	4	—	4	Incl. 2 children in Ramallah
Detentions	12	—	12	Incl. 17 international peace activists
Destruction of Property	1	—	1	A taxi's windshield broken in Jericho
House Occupations	2	—	2	Converted into mil. posts in Ramallah
Closure of Checkpoints	10	—	10	Incl. access impeded at 7 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	29	—	29	Incl. 6 in Nablus and 6 in Hebron
Closure (per District)	9	—	9	Incl. Jerusalem and 6 areas in Hebron
Closure of Main Roads	45	—	45	Throughout the West Bank districts
Closure of Crossing Points	—	7	7	All crossing points closed
Settler Violence	2	—	2	Incl. ramming into a taxi, Jericho
Demonstrations	3	—	3	Incl. against settlement activity
TOTAL	151	14	165	

DISTRICT	EVENTS
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WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to Jerusalem city and to prevent civilians from other Palestinian districts from entering the city, only allowing access to civilians holding special permits. (i) The Israeli army continues to close the ‘demarcation area’ along the Wall in the area surrounding Jerusalem city and restrict access to the area to local residents as well as to civilians holding special permits. (ii) The Israeli army continues to impose a blockade and deny civilian access to a hill between Biddu and Beit Iksa villages. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and dirt barricades the entrance to the village of Jaba’. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the iron gate along the Wall section, separating the area of Dahiyat al Bareed from the town of Ar Ram. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with an iron gate the eastern entrance to Beit Iksa village and force civilians to access Jerusalem city through Qalandiya checkpoint. • <u>Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli authorities continue to consider Qalandiya checkpoint a “border crossing point” and designates a special crossing lane for holders of Jerusalem IDs and those possessing permits to access Jerusalem city. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the Wall gate in Abu Dis town. (ii) The Israeli army continues to deny civilian access through the Wall gate on Ash Shayyah road in the area between As Sawahira ash Sharqiya and As Sawahira al Gharbiya villages, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem IDs to cross, after subjecting them to thorough searches using electronic devices. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the area north of Qalandiya village; south of Az Za’ayyem village; and in Wadi al ‘Eizariya west of Ma’ale Adumim settlement.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<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 entrances to Sinjil town and Saffa village and the junction to Kafr Malik and ‘Ein Samiya villages. (ii) Although it removed the dirt barricade, the Israeli army continues to close with an iron gate the eastern entrance to An Nabi Salih village. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:30, and again at 19:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Um Safa village and searched civilians and vehicles.

	<p>(ii) At 22:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Silwad and Al Mazra'a ash Sharqiya towns and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raids: At 01:00, the Israeli army raided Beit Liqya town. While patrolling the area, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. • Demonstrations/Raid/House Occupations/Attack: At 15:00, a mass demonstration, including international and Israeli peace activists, took place in An Nabi Salih village in protest against Israeli settler violence and confiscation of civilian land for the expansion of Halamish settlement. A speech festival on the occasion of the Day of Earth was also organised. Meanwhile, the Israeli army raided the village, occupied the roofs of two houses, and converted them into military posts. Additionally, the Israeli army fired rubber-coated steel bullets and tear gas grenades on protestors, injuring a number of participants and civilians as a result of tear gas inhalation. The Israeli army also severely beat and arrested three civilians, including two children. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested three civilians in An Nabi Salih village: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Tamir Farah Ali at Tamimi, 17 years old; (ii) Mahmoud Wajih Mohammed at Tamimi, 15 years old; and (iii) Adham Falaneh. • Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the area west of 'Abud town in the area surrounding 'Ofarim settlement and north of Al Lubban al Gharbi and Rantis villages.
JENIN	<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 Dotan settlement. • Raid: At 22:30, the Israeli army raided the area between Birqin town and Kufeirit village, set up a checkpoint, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area. • 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.
TUBAS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checkpoint: Though allowing civilian access to the Northern Jordan Valley between 06:00 and 22:00, the Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint east of the city of Tubas.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road connecting Kafr al Labad town to Shufa village as well as the road connecting Shufa and 'Izbat Shufa villages. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the detour road leading to Ramin village along the Tulkarem-Nablus main road. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions and impede civilian access at 'Einav checkpoint on the Tulkarem-Nablus main road. • Flying Checkpoint: At 21:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Deir al Ghusun town and searched civilians and vehicles.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raids: (i) At 11:40, the Israeli army raided Khirbet Jubara village, set up a checkpoint, searched civilians and vehicles, and arrested a civilian. (ii) At 20:25, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Deir al Ghusun town. • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Yusri Ahmed Ibrahim ‘Odeh in Khirbet Jubara village. • Wall Gates: Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
QALQILYA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks agricultural roads east of the town of ‘Azzun. • Flying Checkpoints: (i) At 09:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Jit village and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 18:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near Kedumim settlement on the Qalqiliya-Nablus main road and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 18:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near ‘Azzun ‘Atma village and searched civilians and vehicles. (iv) At 18:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to ‘Izbat Salman village and searched civilians and vehicles. • Attack: At 21:00, Israeli troops positioned at the Wall gate near Jayyus town fired tear gas grenades on civilians, while they were planting trees on the occasion of the Day of Earth. Israeli troops claimed that civilians had thrown stones and empty bottles. • Wall Gates: (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at ‘Azzun ‘Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal detector. (ii) The Israeli army continues close with an iron gate the entrance to the village of Wadi ar Rasha and to deny civilian access. The Israeli army allows residents to access the village through Gate #109. Having removed the iron gate at the entrance to the village of Ras ‘Atiya, the Israeli army only allows students to cross to their schools outside the village through the Habla gate. • Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in Kafr Laqif village north of Karnei Shomron settlement; in Immatin village northeast of Imanuel settlement; and east of Kafr Thulth town near Ma’ale Shomron settlement.
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: (i) The Israeli army continues to close the roads of Till-Burin and Beit Furik-Salem; the settler bypass road connecting the village of Deir al Hatab to the settlement of Alon Moreh; the road connecting the town of ‘Aqraba to the village of Osarin; and the detour road between the town of Qabalan and the village of Osarin.

- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the northern entrance to the town of Qabalan; the southern entrances to the town of Jamma'in and the villages of Duma and Qaryut; and the western entrance to An Naqura village opposite the settlement of Shavei Shomron.
- **Checkpoints:** The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus:
 - (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 neighbourhood only between 07:00 and 02:00.
 - (ii) At 'Awarta commercial checkpoint, civilians are allowed to cross between 05:00 and 20:00, but between 05:00 and 15:00 on Fridays. All civilian vehicles are allowed to access the city of Nablus, but only commercial vehicles and ambulances can leave the city through the checkpoint.
 - (iii) At 09:50, the Israeli army intensified restrictions at Shavei Shomron checkpoint and impeded civilian access.
 - (iv) At 12:50, the Israeli army intensified restrictions at Huwwara checkpoint and impeded civilian access.
 - **Flying Checkpoints:**
 - (i) At 08:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint between Nablus city and 'Asira ash Shamaliya town. At 17:45, the Israeli army set up another checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles until 19:55.
 - (ii) At 09:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near Deir Sharaf village on the Nablus-Tulkarem main road. At 22:30, the Israeli army set up another checkpoint and searched civilians until 23:30.
 - (iii) At 14:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Qusin village and searched civilians and vehicles.
 - (iv) At 23:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Qabalan town and searched civilians and vehicles.
 - **Raids:**
 - (i) At 00:20, the Israeli army raided Jamma'in town, searched a house, and served a summons on Feisal Abdul Rahman to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency.
 - (ii) At 01:00, Israeli troops raided Al Badhan village and searched a house.
 - (iii) At 01:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Qusra village.
 - **Settler Violence:** At 10:45, a group of Israeli settlers from Bracha settlement attempted to prevent Omar Suleiman al Qanni, a resident of Kafr Qalil village, from ploughing his land near the settlement despite the fact that he had obtained a permit to do so from the Israeli authorities. Subsequently, the Israeli army evacuated settlers from the area.
 - **Demonstration:** At 17:00, a mass demonstration took place in 'Iraq Burin village in protest against settler violence and confiscation of civilian land for construction of settlement projects. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which the Israeli army injured a number of participants as a result of tear gas inhalation.

<p style="text-align: center;">SALFIT</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 and cement blocks the northern entrance to Bruqin town. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the entrance to two detour roads connecting Marda village to respective farmland. (iii) Beginning on 14 November 2010, the Israeli army has continued to open the northern entrance to Salfit city to civilian buses only. The entrance had been closed for seven years. • <u>Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions and impede civilian access at the Za'tara junction checkpoint. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Kafr ad Dik town. (ii) At 23:50, the Israeli army raided Bruqin town and patrolled the area until 00:45. (iii) At 24:00, the Israeli army raided Biddya town and served a summons on 'Imad Ahmed Mohammed ad Dalu to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. (iv) At 01:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Haris village. (v) At 01:20, the Israeli army raided Qarawat Bani Hassan village, searched a house, and served a summons on Muhsen Mohammed Yousef Mar'i to report the Israeli Intelligence agency. At 01:50, the Israeli army withdrew from the village. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the area north of Deir Istiya town southeast of Emmanuel settlement.
<p style="text-align: center;">JERICHO</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Road:</u> The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between Jericho city and Al 'Auja village with cement blocks. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Al Hamra checkpoint set up along Al Badhan road connecting Jericho and Nablus districts, only allowing access to residents of Jericho district of the Jordan Valley area. (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the junction to Al 'Auja village along Al-Mu'arrajat road connecting Jericho and Ramallah districts, only allowing access to residents of Jericho district as well as to others holding access permits. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:00, and again at 17:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to Jericho city and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 19:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the Road # 90 junction in the centre of Al 'Auja village and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raids/Attack:</u> At 00:30, the Israeli army raided 'Aqbat Jaber refugee camp in Jericho city. While patrolling the area, the Israeli army fired sound grenades. At 01:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the refugee camp.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Settler Violence: At 16:05, an Israeli settler vehicle deliberately rammed into a taxi at Al Hamra checkpoint, leaving 17-year-old ‘Allan ‘Umran Isma’il with contusions and breaking windshield of the taxi.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) 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. (ii) According to Military Order # S/02/07, the Israeli army has continued since 15 September 2007 to deny civilian access to an area measuring 22 <i>dunums</i> of land in the area of Mazmuriya in the cities of Beit Sahur and Bethlehem. The land was confiscated pursuant to Military Order T/31/07. (iii) Beginning on 20 January 2011, the Israeli army has continued to close the detour road connecting Wadi Fukin and Al Jab’a villages. • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the Beit Jala-Wadi Ahmad road; a road east of Beit Fajjar town; and a rural road connecting Tuqu’ town to Khirbet al Baq’a village. • Flying Checkpoint: At 13:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Tuqu’ town and searched civilians and vehicles until 14:20. • Raids: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 21:30, the Israeli army raided Husan village, raided a restaurant, examined civilians’ ID cards, and patrolled the area. (ii) At 23:00, the Israeli army raided Tuqu’ town and served summonses on two civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Omar ‘Adel Dakhlallah al Hajahjeh; and (ii) Fu’ad Rateb Dakhlallah al Hajahjeh. (iii) At 00:40, the Israeli army raided Bethlehem city and served a summons on ‘Isa Abdullah Hijazi to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. (iv) At 02:30, the Israeli army raided Ad Duheisha refugee camp in Bethlehem city and Artas village and patrolled these areas until 03:00. • Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the area northwest of Beit Jala city; around Al Walaja village; and east of Efrat settlement.
Hebron	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close Ash Shuhada’ Street; As Sahleh, Khuzq al Far and Al Khan areas; and the old gold market in the old city of Hebron. In addition to closing the entrance to Al Qeisi neighbourhood, the Israeli army continues to close the entrances to the area of Al Hisba (the fruits and vegetables market) with an iron gate and Al Laban Market with iron plates. (ii) Beginning on 05 January 2009, the Israeli army has continued to close the area located along the Green Line south of the town of Yatta. Having seized land for Wall construction, the Israeli army evacuated residents and denied civilian access to the area.

- **Closure of Main Roads:**
 - (i) The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to As Samoa' and Adh Dhahiriya towns, Al 'Arrub refugee camp, and At Tuwani and Al Karmil villages.
 - (ii) The Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from travelling along Ash Shalala Old Street in the old city of Hebron.
 - (iii) The Israeli army continues to close all roads leading to Road # 60 as well as detour roads along the settler bypass road leading to Yatta town.
- **Flying Checkpoints:**
 - (i) At 11:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Beit Ummar town and searched civilians and vehicles. At 15:00, the Israeli army set up another checkpoint, closed the iron gate at the town's entrance, and denied civilian access.
 - (ii) At 16:25, and again at 21:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to Halhul town and searched civilians and vehicles.
 - (iii) At 16:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Al 'Arrub refugee camp and searched civilians and vehicles.
 - (iv) At 21:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the northern entrance to Hebron city (along Road # 35 near the overpass to Halhul town) and searched civilians and vehicles.
- **Raids:**
 - (i) At 10:15, and again at 21:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Hebron city.
 - (ii) At 23:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Dura and As Samoa' towns.
 - (iii) At 00:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Adh Dhahiriya town.
 - (iv) At 01:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Nuba town.
- **Demonstration/Attack/Detentions:** At 11:15, a mass demonstration, including international and Israeli peace activists, took place in Beit Ummar town in protest against land confiscation, settler violence, and closure of roads around the town. Israeli troops blocked the demonstration and prevented participants from accessing the town's main entrance, which it also declared a closed military zone. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which a number of participants sustained wounds as a result of tear gas inhalation. In addition, Israeli troops detained 17 international peace activists.
- **Wall Construction:** Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the area surrounding Eshkolot settlement west of Adh Dhahiriya town.

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. The ceasefire continues to hold. • <u>Violations of the Ceasefire:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Israeli navy boats opened fire on Palestinian fishing boats at sea off the beaches of Northern Gaza and Khan Yunis districts. (ii) In the evening of 02 April 2011, Israeli reconnaissance aircraft patrolled the skies over all the Gaza Strip districts.
<p style="text-align: center;">NORTHERN GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Point:</u> Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is closed. • <u>Attack:</u> At dawn on 03 April 2011, Israeli navy boats opened fire on Palestinian fishing boats at sea off the As Sudaniya beach west of Beit Lahiya town.
<p style="text-align: center;">GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Points:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 02 March 2011, the Crossing has been effectively closed upon an Israeli unilateral decision. (ii) Ash Shuja'iyah (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 04 January 2010, the Crossing has been closed upon an Israeli unilateral decision.
<p style="text-align: center;">CENTRAL GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
<p style="text-align: center;">KHAN YUNIS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Attack:</u> In the evening of 03 April 2011, the Israeli navy opened fire on Palestinian fishing boats at sea off the beach of Khan Yunis city.
<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 (Al 'Awdah) Crossing is closed. (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed. (iv) Karm Abu Salem (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed.