

مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 03 April 2004 – 08:00 04 April 2004

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	3	—	3	During attack in Nablus
Physical Assault	1	—	1	Civilians in Al Arrub RC
Attacks	8	2	10	Incl. from helicopters
Raids	20	2	22	
Air Patrol	—	1	1	Helicopters
Arrests (per person)	35	3	38	Incl. 3 children
Detentions	1	1	2	In Sinjil & Abu Holi Road
House Demolitions	1	5	6	Incl. Tulkarem refugee camp
Land Levelling	—	1	1	Tel Sultan neighbourhood
Wall Construction	16	—	16	Jer., Ramallah, Beth. & Jenin
Destruction of Property	1	1	2	Incl. contents of 3 shops
Land Confiscation	1	—	1	For Wall const. in Bethlehem
House Occupations	2	—	2	Tulkarem & Bethlehem
Curfews	8	—	8	Nablus, Tulkarem & Sinjil
Checkpoints	All	—	All	
Flying Checkpoints	(Dozens)	(Dozens)	—	Closing all districts
Closures (per District)	(All)	(All)	(All)	
Closure of Main Roads	Most	(5)	Most	Esp. connecting governorates
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)	—	(All)	Permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points	—	4	4	2 Partially open
School Disruption	(Dozens)	—	(Dozens)	In Nablus & Tulkarem
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	—	1	Vehicles and officers searched
Demonstration	1	—	1	2 nd anniversary of Jenin inv.
TOTAL	99	20	119	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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<p style="text-align: center;">ALL DISTRICTS</p>	<p>Since 22 March 2004, the Israeli army has imposed a total closure over the West Bank and Gaza Strip following the assassination of Sheikh Ahmad Yassin. The Israeli army prevented civilians from crossing the Green Line and entering Jerusalem, closed all crossing points to workers, and restricted movement between cities in the West Bank.</p>
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WEST BANK

<p style="text-align: center;">JERUSALEM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the city, closing all roads connecting towns and villages and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. • Wall Construction: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Wall construction was resumed in Al Eizariya, Abu Dis, Al Sawahira, Sur Bahir and along the main road between Dahiyat Al Bared checkpoint and Qalandiya checkpoint. (ii) Preparatory work, including land levelling, for construction of the Wall was resumed in Beit Surik and Qatanna. (iii) Wall construction was resumed in the village of Anata.
<p style="text-align: center;">RAMALLAH & EL BIREH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all roads connecting towns and villages and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. • Wall Construction: Construction of the western portion of the Wall was resumed in Budrus, Deir Qaddis, Rantis, Beit Liqya, near Beituniya and near the village of Midya. • Raids: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) 09:00, the Israeli army raided the cities of Ramallah El Bireh and arrested 1 civilian. At 18:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the area. (ii) At 20:20, the Israeli army raided the village of Sinjil, imposed curfew and detained civilians between the ages of 15-40 in the village's school playground. (iii) At 01:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Kafr 'Ein and arrested 7 civilians. (iv) The Israeli army raided the village of Kharbatha Al Misbah and

	<p>arrested 5 civilians, including 2 children.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 7 civilians in the village of Kafr 'Ein: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Muhammad Ibrahim Al Rifa'i; (ii) Mahmoud Ibrahim Al Rifa'i; (iii) Nadir Al Rifa'i; (iv) Ayid Fayiz Al Rifa'i; (v) Basim Nadir Al Rifa'i; (vi) Basil Nader Al Rifa'i; and (vii) Wisam Nader Al Rifa'i; <p>The Israeli army arrested 1 civilian in the city of Ramallah:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (viii) Muhammad Al Bayari. <p>The Israeli army arrested 5 civilians in the village of Kharbatha al Misbah:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ix) Muhammad Harfush, 13 years old; (x) Hasan Sa'id, 14 years old; (xi) Badir Al Araj; (xii) Ahmad Othman; and (xiii) Issa Ali Issa.
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact education, economic and livelihood activities and impede access to health facilities. • Wall Construction: Construction of the Wall was resumed south of Jalbun and towards Al Mutilla, Raba, Al Mughayyir, Bardala and 'Ein al Beida to the Jordan River. • Demonstration: At 12:00, a mass demonstration including 5,000 civilians took place in the city of Jenin and Jenin refugee camp to commemorate the second anniversary of the Israeli invasion of Jenin refugee camp.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up dozens of checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages and preventing civilians from crossing.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages and preventing civilians from crossing. • Wall Construction: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army resumed construction of the Wall north and east of the district of Bethlehem, stretching westwards along Wadi Hulwa,

	<p>the Armenian convent, the Jerusalem/Bethlehem road, and the tunnel road (Gilo); south east of Wadi Hulwa; south east of Beit Sahur and Ish Ghurab military post; and west of the town of Za'tara and Al Fureidis mountain.</p> <p>(ii) The Israeli army issued Military Order # T/14/03 confiscating 36 <i>dunums</i> (9 acres) of land in the area near Bilal Bin Rabah mosque (Rachel's Tomb) for Wall construction.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raids:</u> <p>(i) At 15:15, the Israeli army raided Aza refugee camp, fired tear gas and rubber coated steel bullets towards civilians as students were returning home from school, and occupied several houses near the Intercontinental Hotel (Jacir Palace).</p> <p>(ii) At 19:15, the Israeli army raided Ayda refugee camp. At 03:45, the Israeli army raided the area again and arrested 6 civilians.</p> • <u>Arrests:</u> <p>The Israeli army arrested 6 civilians in Ayda refugee camp:</p> <p>(i) Riyadh Malsh;</p> <p>(ii) Muhammad Qawwar;</p> <p>(iii) Murad Darwish;</p> <p>(iv) Raed Darwish;</p> <p>(v) Thaer Ata; and</p> <p>(vi) Mahmoud Radwan.</p> <p>The Israeli army arrested 1 child in the city of Bethlehem:</p> <p>(vii) Muhammad Kamil Al Eisawi, 14 years old.</p>
<p>TULKAREM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact education, economic and livelihood activities and impede access to health facilities. • <u>Attack:</u> At 08:30, the Israeli army opened indiscriminate fire towards civilians in the city of Tulkarem, Tulkarem refugee camp and the village of Izbat Al Jarrad. The Israeli army opened fire sporadically 3 more times. • <u>Raid/Curfew:</u> The Israeli army continued to raid the city of Tulkarem, its refugee camps and its suburbs since 00:25 on 3 April 2004. The Israeli army impose curfew over the area, closing all schools. At 06:00, the Israeli army withdrew but did not lift the curfew. • <u>House Demolition:</u> At 05:35, the Israeli army demolished 1 house in Tulkarem refugee camp belonging to the late Ramzi Al Arda, who carried out the attack on the settlement of Avne Hefetz. • <u>House Occupation:</u> At 09:45, the Israeli army occupied 1 house located in the centre of Tulkarem city and converted it into a military post.

<p style="text-align: center;">NABLUS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. • Raid: Beginning on 3 April 2004, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus and Balata and Ras Al 'Ein refugee camps. The Israeli army imposed curfew over the area, closing all schools. At 04:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the city and refugee camps without announcing the lifting of curfew. The Israeli army arrested 13 civilians in addition to the 11 civilians arrested yesterday. The Israeli army opened fire towards civilians in Balata refugee camp, injuring 3 civilians, and destroyed the contents of 3 commercial stores in the city of Nablus. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 13 civilians in the city of Nablus, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Thaer Hawwash; (ii) Fuad Hawwash; (iii) Ala Hawwash; (iv) Muhammad Abu Samra; (v) Abdallah Abu Samra; (vi) Majdi Al Qutub; (vii) Azzam Hawwash; (viii) Ghassan Al Qutub; (ix) Saher Al Sha'ar; (x) Amir al Banna; (xi) Omar Aslan; and (xii) Nidal Khireem.
<p style="text-align: center;">HEBRON</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron and set up several checkpoints on numerous roads, detained civilians and obstructed civilian movement until late in the evening. Israeli soldiers detained a Palestinian Police vehicle and searched Police officers. (ii) At 17:00, the Israeli army raided Arrub refugee camp, opened fire, fired tear gas, searched several houses and beat several civilians. (iii) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Bani Na'im and arrested 2 civilians. • Arrests: the Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the town of Bani Na'im: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Jihad Al Sarayra; and (ii) Khadr Zeidan.

QALQILYA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact education, economic and livelihood activities and impede access to health facilities.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing dozens of entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing.

GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: Beit Hanoun crossing is partially open to businessmen over 28. • Attack: At 23:25, the Israeli army opened intensive fire towards the city of Beit Lahiya and fired flares over the city.
GAZA CITY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The junction of Nitsareem remains closed.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not yet reported
KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Abu al Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) remains closed. Western road (Khan Yunis) remains closed. Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis road (Al Tuffah checkpoint) was open to pedestrians only. Abu Holi road was partially open. At 12:10, the Israeli army closed the road between Abu Holi and Al Matahin checkpoints and searched vehicles.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The Gaza International Airport remains closed. Sufa crossing is open to specific cargo only. Rafah crossing was partially open.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raids/House Demolitions/Land Levelling:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 15:10, the Israeli army raided Al Salaam neighbourhood, opened intensive fire, opened fire from helicopters, destroyed several civilian cars and demolished 5 houses. (ii) At 02:50, the Israeli army, accompanied by 1 bulldozer, raided Tel Sultan neighbourhood and levelled land.
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GENERAL

POLITICAL PRISONERS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Hunger Strike:</u> Political prisoner Sultan Al Ajlouni began his 10th consecutive day of hunger strike in protest against Hadarim Prison administration's prevention of family visits for the last 5 years.
WORK PRMITS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>West Bank:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) 3,595 permits for workers were issued; however, no workers have been allowed to cross the Green Line since the closure imposed on 22 March 2004. • <u>Gaza Strip:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) 3,348 workers crossed into the Erez Industrial Zone, 67% of a total of 5,003 workers issued permits. (ii) 11,519 workers carry valid permits to cross the Green Line; however, no workers have been allowed to cross the Green Line since the closure imposed on 22 March 2004.