

## مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



## PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

**DAILY SITUATION REPORT**  
08:00 03 April 2005 – 08:00 04 April 2005

## SUMMARY OF EVENTS

| EVENT                      | WEST BANK      | GAZA STRIP | TOTAL        | NOTES                                     |
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| Physical Assaults          | 7              | —          | <b>7</b>     | Incl. 1 elderly female civilian           |
| Injury                     | (1)            | —          | <b>(1)</b>   | 1 Israeli peace activist                  |
| Attacks                    | 1              | 10         | <b>11</b>    | Incl. explosives detonated on land        |
| Raids                      | 12             | 1          | <b>13</b>    | Incl. 3 in Bethlehem & 4 in Hebron        |
| Arrests (per person)       | 9              | 2          | <b>11</b>    | Incl. 2 children and 3 officers           |
| Detentions                 | 6              | —          | <b>6</b>     | At checkpoints                            |
| House Demolitions          | *              | —          | —            | * Notices to demolish 2 houses            |
| Land Levelling             | —              | 1          | <b>1</b>     | Around Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing        |
| Wall Construction          | 22             | —          | <b>22</b>    | Incl. Jer., Jenin, Ram'lah, Beth., Salfit |
| Destruction of Property    | 1              | —          | <b>1</b>     | Olive trees uprooted in At Tuwani         |
| Land Confiscation          | 1              | —          | <b>1</b>     | Incl. confiscation notices in Beit Jala   |
| Checkpoints                | (All)          | —          | <b>(All)</b> |   |
| Flying Checkpoints         | 11             | —          | <b>11</b>    | Incl. 2 in Ramallah & 3 in Jenin          |
| Closure (per District)     | 4              | —          | <b>4</b>     | Incl. the area of As Sahleh in Hebron     |
| Closure of Main Roads      | (Unidentified) | (9)        | —            | Incl. 1 partially                         |
| Closure of Wall Gates      | (All)          | —          | <b>(All)</b> | Incl. searches at 'Azzun 'Atma            |
| Closure of Crossing Points | —              | 3          | <b>3</b>     | Incl. 2 partially open                    |
| Settlement Activity        | 1              | —          | <b>1</b>     | Bypass road construction near Burqa       |
| Settler Violence           | 2              | —          | <b>2</b>     | Incl. civilians denied access to land     |
| Provocation of Pal. Forces | 2              | —          | <b>2</b>     | Incl. 2 Police officers arrested          |
| Pal. Security Measures     | —              | 1          | <b>1</b>     | 5 civilians arrested                      |
| Demonstration              | 1              | —          | <b>1</b>     | In Bil'in against the Wall                |
| <b>TOTAL</b>               | <b>80</b>      | <b>18</b>  | <b>98</b>    |   |

| DISTRICT      | EVENT   |
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| ALL DISTRICTS | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Beginning on 11 November 2004, following the official announcement of the death of Palestinian President Yasser Arafat, the Israeli army continues to impose a total closure on the West Bank, preventing civilians and workers from crossing the Green Line.</li> </ul> |

## WEST BANK

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| JERUSALEM           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Closure:</b> The Israeli army continues to impose strict restrictions at checkpoints set up at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem and dispatched patrols to prevent civilians from other districts from entering the city.</li> <li><b>Checkpoints:</b> The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Qalandiya and An Nabi Samwil checkpoints and obstructed civilian movement, allegedly to conduct thorough searches.</li> <li><b>Closure of Main Roads:</b> The Israeli army continues to close Ar Ram Junction leading to the town of Bir Nabala for Wall construction.</li> <li><b>Wall Construction:</b> Wall construction continues in Dahiyat Al Aqbat, the villages of Hizma and 'Anata, the Hizma-Jaba' road, the area of Al 'Eizariya, near Al Quds University, the area of Ash Shayyah, in the town of As Sawahira Ash Sharqiya, the village of Beit Surik, and in the section of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina.</li> <li><b>Wall Gates:</b> The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks, completely preventing civilians from crossing.</li> <li><b>Physical Assault:</b> On 02 April 2005, Mahran Saleem Hazim, from the village of Jaba', northeast of the city of Jerusalem, was admitted to Ramallah Public Hospital after the Israeli army severely beat him.</li> </ul> |
| RAMALLAH & EL BIREH | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Flying Checkpoints:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>At 15:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint along the Ramallah-Bir Zeit road and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>At 19:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Kafr Ni'ma and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> </ol> </li> <li><b>Wall Construction:</b> Wall construction continues in Budrus, Midya, Ni'lin, Deir Qaddis, Bil'in, Saffa, Beit Liqya, and Beituniya.</li> <li><b>Raid:</b> At 23:45, the Israeli army raided the area between the village of Jifna and Al Jalazun refugee camp and searched a number of houses.</li> <li><b>Demonstration:</b> At 18:00, a mass demonstration, including Israeli peace activists, took place in the village of Bil'in in protest against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during which the Israeli army injured 1 Israeli peace activist as a tear gas grenade hit him in the head.</li> </ul>  |

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| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>JENIN</b></p>    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Flying Checkpoints:</u></b> At 07:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the town of ‘Arraba along the Nablus-Jenin road and another checkpoint between the villages of Sanur and Al Jarba, searched civilian vehicles, and obstructed civilian movement.</li> <li>• <b><u>Wall Construction:</u></b> Land levelling for Wall construction continues in Jalbun towards Al Mutilla, Raba, Al Mughayyir, Bardala and ‘Ein al Beida, and towards the Jordan River.</li> <li>• <b><u>Wall Gates:</u></b> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> <li>• <b><u>Raid:</u></b> The Israeli army raided the town of Tubas, set up a checkpoint in a neighbourhood north of the town, and patrolled the area.</li> <li>• <b><u>Arrests:</u></b> On 02 April 2005, the Israeli army arrested 2 civilians after they reported to the Israeli Intelligence Service in Salem military base northwest of the city of Jenin: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Mustafa Abu Al Hayja; and</li> <li>(ii) Yihya Abdul Hamid As Sa’di.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |
| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>TULKAREM</b></p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Flying Checkpoint:</u></b> At 08:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area of Ras Rummana near the town of Baqa Ash Sharqiya, searched civilian vehicles, and prevented civilians from accessing the city of Tulkarem. At 12:50, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.</li> <li>• <b><u>Wall Gates:</u></b> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> <li>• <b><u>Raid:</u></b> At 13:05, an Israeli army patrol raided the village of Far’un and distributed house demolition notices to 2 civilians whose houses are located in close proximity to the Wall.</li> </ul>   |
| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>QALQILYA</b></p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Wall Gates:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the Wall gate to the village of ‘Azzun ‘Atma. Israeli troops positioned at the Wall gate searched civilians with a metal detector.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Raid:</u></b> At 06:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Qalqiliya and patrolled the area.</li> </ul>   |
| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>NABLUS</b></p>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Flying Checkpoint/Physical Assault:</u></b> The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Beit Imrin, severely beat 1 civilian, and confiscated his ID card.</li> <li>• <b><u>Physical Assaults:</u></b> On 02 April 2005, 2 civilians, including 1 child, were admitted to Rafidia Hospital in the city of Nablus for injuries sustained after falling while being pursued by the Israeli army. (1 civilian was wounded in the arm and the other in the foot).</li> </ul>   |

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|                  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Raid:</b> At 00:25, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus and patrolled several neighbourhoods until 03:30.</li> <li>• <b>Arrest:</b> At 18:15, Israeli troops positioned at Beit Iba checkpoint arrested Muhannad Walid Sidqi Sawalmeh, a Palestinian National Security officer.</li> <li>• <b>Settlement Activity/Settler Violence:</b> The Israeli army began construction of a settler bypass road near the cemetery of the village of Burqa. Israeli settlers also prevented civilians from accessing their land near the settlement of Homesh.</li> </ul>   |
| <b>SALFIT</b>    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Wall Construction:</b> Land levelling for Wall construction continues in the town of Deir Ballut and the village of Az Zawiya near the Green Line.</li> </ul>  |
| <b>JERICHO</b>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> The road between the city of Jericho and the village of Al 'Auja (Road # 90) is closed with cement blocks. At varying times, the Israeli army prevented civilians and Palestinians holding Israeli IDs from entering the city of Jericho, permitting only Jericho and Jerusalem ID card holders access to the city.</li> </ul>  |
| <b>BETHLEHEM</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> The Israeli army continues to close the only road leading to the village of Al Nu'man, northeast of the Bethlehem district, isolating the village and placing it, together with the adjacent village of Al Khas, under the jurisdiction of the Jerusalem municipality. The Israeli army considers the civilian presence in the villages illegal.</li> <li>• <b>Wall Construction:</b> Construction of the Wall continues north of the district of Bethlehem, along 'Ayda refugee camp, along the tunnel road (Gilo) north of the city of Beit Jala, and west of the village of Husan.</li> <li>• <b>Raids/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 10:00, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Al Khadr, set up a checkpoint in the centre of the town, and ordered 1 Palestinian Police vehicle in the area to leave the town.</li> <li>(ii) At 23:30, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Bethlehem and 'Ayda refugee camp and patrolled the area.</li> </ol> </li> <li>• <b>Land Confiscation:</b> The Israeli army distributed military orders to confiscate land belonging to several civilians in the city of Beit Jala and the village of Al Walaja.</li> </ul> |
| <b>HEBRON</b>    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> The Israeli army continues to close Al Shuhada' Street and the area of As Sahleh in the H2 section of the city of Hebron with cement blocks and barbed wire, denying civilians and vehicles access.</li> <li>• <b>Wall Construction:</b> Land levelling for Wall construction continues west of the towns of Surif, Beit Ula, Idhna and Beit 'Awwa, in the area extending from the village of Deir Samit, the town of Beit 'Awwa, and towards the village of Al Burj.</li> </ul>  |

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|  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Flying Checkpoints:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 11:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Fawwar junction and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the town of Sa'ir and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>(iii) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to the town of Dura, searched civilian vehicles, and obstructed civilian movement.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Raids/Physical Assault:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 12:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron and arrested 2 Palestinian Police officers on Ash Shallaleh Street. At 14:00, the Israeli army raided the city again and severely beat 1 civilian. At 16:00, the Israeli army raided the city again and patrolled the area.</li> <li>(ii) At 14:00, the Israeli army raided the town of As Samoa' and severely beat 1 civilian, after which he was transported to hospital for injuries sustained.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Arrests:</u></b> The Israeli army arrested 2 Palestinian Police officers in the city of Hebron: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Adam Sulimiyyeh; and</li> <li>(ii) Maher Al Batran.</li> </ul> <p>The Israeli army arrested 4 civilians near the settlement of Sussia south of the town of Yatta:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(iii) Mohammed Issa Raba'i;</li> <li>(iv) Nasser Al 'Adrah;</li> <li>(v) Mahmoud Hassan Ash Shawahim; and</li> <li>(vi) Fatima Al Haddar, a female civilian.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Settler Violence/Destruction of Property/Physical Assault:</u></b> At 11:00, a group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of Sussia south of the town of Yatta, under the protection of the Israeli army, uprooted a number of olive trees from civilian land near the settlement in the village of At Tuwani and severely beat a number of civilians, including 70-year-old Fatima Al Haddar. The Israeli army also arrested 4 civilians.</li> </ul> |
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### GAZA STRIP

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| <p><b>NORTHERN<br/>GAZA</b></p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure:</u></b> Beit Hanun Crossing is partially open.</li> </ul>   |
| <p><b>GAZA</b></p>              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Nitsareem junction remains closed.</li> <li>(ii) Al Shuhada Junction-Al Muntar Crossing road is closed.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Raid/Land Levelling:</u></b> At 11:50, 2 Israeli army bulldozers raided Palestinian territory in the area surrounding Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing, east of Gaza city, and levelled land.</li> </ul> |

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|                         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Arrests:</u></b> At 10:35 on 31 March 2005, the Israeli army arrested 2 children, in addition to those reported arrested in the district of Northern Gaza on 01 April 2005, near Points 31, 47, 65, 95, 96, and 97 on the Green Line opposite the area north of the town of Beit Hanun, east of Jabalya, and south of Gaza city. The total number of civilians arrested by the Israeli army during the incident was 7: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Ahmed Kamal Abu Laban, 16 years old;</li> <li>(ii) Mohammed Al Kahlout, 17 years old;</li> <li>(iii) Rabeh Khammash;</li> <li>(iv) Salameh Darbiyyeh;</li> <li>(v) Maousa Mahmoud;</li> <li>(vi) Khalil Abu 'Addoul; and</li> <li>(vii) Yousef Darbiyyeh.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>   |
| <b>CENTRAL<br/>GAZA</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Palestinian Security Measures:</u></b> At 22:00, Palestinian security forces arrested 5 civilians as they were attempting to infiltrate into areas inside the Green Line, east of the area of Al Maghazi.</li> </ul>   |
| <b>KHAN YUNIS</b>       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Abu Al 'Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) is closed.</li> <li>(ii) Western road (Khan Yunis) remains closed.</li> <li>(iii) Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis road (Al Tuffah checkpoint) is closed.</li> <li>(iv) Alon checkpoint (entrance to Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis) south of Deir Al Balah is closed.</li> <li>(v) Deir Al Balah junction to Abu Holi checkpoint (Kfar Darom road) is closed.</li> <li>(vi) Morag road, which connects Khan Yunis' eastern and western roads, is closed.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Attacks:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 16:05, the Israeli army repeatedly opened fire from its location at Point 12 towards Palestinian territory in Al Barabikha and An Namsawi neighbourhoods and West Khan Yunis refugee camp.</li> <li>(ii) At 16:55, the Israeli army opened fire from its locations at Points 177 and 182 on the Green Line towards a number of farmers on Palestinian territory east of the area of Khuza'a.</li> <li>(iii) At 18:10, the Israeli army opened fire from its location at Point 9 towards Palestinian territory in West Khan Yunis refugee camp.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |
| <b>RAFAH</b>            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Yasser Arafat International Airport remains closed.</li> <li>(ii) Al Mawasi/Rafah road is partially open.</li> <li>(iii) Sufa Crossing is partially open to construction cargo only.</li> <li>(iv) Rafah Crossing is open. The Israeli army restricted opening hours of the crossing to 4 hours daily.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>  |

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|  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Attack:</b> At 23:25, the Israeli army repeatedly detonated explosives on land near Points 6 and 7 along the Egyptian border opposite Al Barazil neighbourhood in Rafah refugee camp and the area surrounding Salah Ad Din gate.</li> </ul> |
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## GENERAL

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| <p><b>POLITICAL PRISONERS</b></p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Relocation of Administrative Detainees:</b> The Israeli army relocated dozens of Palestinian administrative detainees (held without charge or trial) from Ketziot Military Prison Camp to ‘Ofar Military Prison Camp, southwest of the city of Ramallah.</li> </ul>  |
| <p><b>WORK PERMITS</b></p>        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>West Bank:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Israeli authorities renewed 8,519 work permits to cross the Green Line. The total number of those allowed to cross is unknown.</li> <li>(ii) Israeli authorities restricted the issuing of work permits to civilians who are married with children and over the age of 30.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Gaza Strip:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Israeli authorities renewed 781 work permits for workers to enter the Industrial Zones. However, only 649 workers (approximately 83% of those possessing work permits) were allowed access to the Industrial Zones.</li> <li>(ii) Israeli authorities renewed 4,500 work permits for workers in the construction and agriculture sectors to cross the Green Line. However, only 3,924 workers (approximately 88% of those possessing work permits) were allowed access into the Green Line.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |