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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 04 April 2011 – 08:00 05 April 2011

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Attacks	2	1	3	2 in confrontations and 1 by navy boats
Raids	31	—	31	Incl. 6 in Nablus and 9 in Hebron
Air Patrols	1	10	11	Incl. 5 by F16 combat aircraft
Arrests (per person)	12	—	12	Incl. 2 children (brothers)
Detentions	15	—	15	At checkpoints and in residential areas
Wall Construction	13	—	13	Incl. in Jerusalem, Qalqiliya, & Hebron
Destruction of Property	2	—	2	Incl. a water spring damaged in Nablus
Confiscation of Property	5	—	5	Incl. 4 fuel pumps in Jerusalem
Closure of Checkpoints	8	—	8	Incl. access impeded at 5 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	28	—	28	Incl. 4 in Tulkarem and 4 in Qalqiliya
Closure (per District)	8	—	8	Incl. Jerusalem and 5 areas in Hebron
Closure of Main Roads	45	—	45	Throughout the West Bank districts
Closure of Crossing Points	—	4	4	Incl. humanitarian cases allowed access
School Disruption	1	—	1	A school's roof occupied in Nablus
Settlement Activity	*	—	—	Building of 942 housing units approved
Settler Violence	2	—	2	Incl. a water pipeline damaged, Nablus
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	—	1	A Police station photographed, Hebron
Palestinian Attack	—	1	1	A mortar fired towards the Green Line
TOTAL	174	16	190	

DISTRICT	EVENTS
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WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <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. • Closure of Main Roads: <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. • Checkpoint: 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. • Raid/Confiscation of Property: At 22:50, the Israeli army raided Hizma village, closed down two petrol stations, and confiscated four fuel pumps, allegedly because they had been installed without the required licences. Under the same pretext, the Israeli army also raided a plant nursery and seized tree seedlings. • Settlement Activity: On 04 April 2011, the Israeli army approved construction of 942 new housing units on an area measuring 270 <i>dunums</i> of civilian land for expansion of Gilo settlement south of Jerusalem city. • Wall Gates: <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. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues 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"> • Closure of Main Roads: <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.

	<p>(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.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flying Checkpoint: At 17:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between Silwad town and Yabrud village and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raid: At 00:40, the Israeli army raided El Bireh city and served summonses on three civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Dr. Jamal al Tawil, Chairman of the El Bireh Municipal Council; (ii) Kamal as Salhi; and (iii) Ala' as Salhi. <p>At 05:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues 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. • Flying Checkpoint: At 22:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Ya'bad town and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 14:40, the Israeli army raided 'Arraba town, served a summons on Bassam Sharif Fares al 'Ardhah to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency, and withdrew at 16:30. (ii) At 16:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Fahma village. (iii) At 17:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Kafr Ra'i town. (iv) At 01:40, the Israeli army raided Jenin city and Jenin refugee camp and patrolled these areas until 06:00. • 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 Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to 'Attil town and searched civilians and vehicles.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) At 17:05, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Kafriyat road connecting Tulkarem and Qalqiliya districts and denied civilian access in both directions. Israeli troops allowed civilians and vehicles to cross at a later time. (iii) At 20:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Beit Lid town and searched civilians and vehicles. (iv) At 22:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Al Jarushiya village and searched civilians and vehicles. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raids: At 08:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Zeita town and An Nazlat ash Sharqiya 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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the entrance to ‘Azzun ‘Atma village and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 15:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Immatin village and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 21:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Kafr Laqif village and searched civilians and vehicles. (iv) At 21:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between Jayyus town and Sir village and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 12:30, the Israeli army raided the southern quarter of Jayyus town and surveyed land. (ii) At 15:30, the Israeli army raided ‘Azzun town and searched a commercial premise. At 00:10, the Israeli army raided the town again and searched four houses. (iii) At 17:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Kafr Thulth town. (iv) At 21:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Jayyus town. • Wall Gates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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 continues 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

- **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.
- **Flying Checkpoints:**
 - (i) At 09:25, and again at 17:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between Nablus city and 'Asira ash Shamaliya town and searched civilians and vehicles.
 - (ii) At 10:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Madama village and searched civilians and vehicles.
 - (iii) At 19:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the junction to Deir Sharaf village and searched civilians and vehicles.
 - (iv) At 20:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between 'Aqraba town and Osarin village and searched civilians.
- **Raids/Air Patrol/School Disruption/Attack:**
 - (i) At 10:25, the Israeli army raided 'Awarta village and arrested three civilians (brothers). At 00:10, the Israeli army raided the village again and arrested another two civilians.
 - (ii) At 20:15, Israeli troops, dispatched by combat helicopters, raided and combed Al Ghawabi area north of 'Asira ash Shamaliya town and Al Qurs area west of Talluza village.
 - (iii) At 22:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled 'Asira ash Shamaliya town.
 - (iv) At 23:55, the Israeli army raided Nablus city and provided protection to a group of Israeli settlers, who visited Prophet Joseph Shrine. The Israeli army occupied the roof of a school and converted it into a military post. Allegedly for throwing stones, the Israeli army opened fire and fired sound grenades on civilians at the entrance to Balata refugee camp. At 05:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested five civilians in ‘Awarta village: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Ahmed Ma’an Yihya ‘Awwad; (ii) Niyaz Mohammed Niyaz ‘Awwad; (iii) Samer Abdul Hafeeth Mohammed; (iv) Ahmed Abdul Hafeeth Mohammed; and (v) Ramzi Abdul Hafeeth Mohammed. • Settler Violence/Destruction of Property: At 14:30, and for the second time, a group of Israeli settlers from Yitzhar settlement gained access to civilian land in Duma village and destroyed a water spring and pipeline south of the village.
SALFIT	<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 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. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions and impede civilian access at the Za’tara junction checkpoint. • Flying Checkpoints: At 12:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Yasuf village and searched civilians and vehicles. • Settler Violence: At 12:30, a group of Israeli settlers gained access to Al Birak area east of Bruqin town and made a tour until 13:00. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area north of Deir Istiya town southeast of Emmanuel settlement.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between Jericho city and Al ‘Auja village with cement blocks. • Checkpoints: <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. • Flying Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:05, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to Jericho city and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 11:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near ‘Ein ad Duyuk village (the northern entrance to Jericho city) and impeded civilian access until 13:10. • Raid: At 00:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Jericho city.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrests: On 03 April 2011, Israeli troops positioned at Al Hamra checkpoint arrested two civilians: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Mohammed Nael Shalakhti; and (ii) Mohammed Mustafa Salameh.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close roads to An Nu'man village, with the exception of the road leading to the Wall gate in the south-eastern area of the village. (ii) Beginning on 15 September 2007, the Israeli army has continued to prevent civilians from accessing or staying on 22 <i>dunums</i> of confiscated land in Al Mazmuriya area in Beit Sahur and Bethlehem cities. (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 Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 19:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Nahhalin village and searched civilians and vehicles until 21:00. (ii) At 21:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Husan village and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 21:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on An Nashash junction (the southern entrance to Bethlehem city) and denied civilian access because a group of Israeli settlers were gathering in the area. Having evacuated settlers, Israeli troops allowed civilian access at 22:30. • Raid: At 02:00, the Israeli army raided Husan village, searched a house, and withdrew at 02:25. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues 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: <ul 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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Idhna town and searched civilians and vehicles.

(ii) At 10:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Adh Dhahiriya town and searched civilians and vehicles.

(iii) At 12:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Beit Ummar town and denied access to civilian vehicles after it had also closed the iron gate at the entrance. The Israeli army reopened the gate at a later time.

(iv) At 15:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Wadi al Joz road east of Hebron city and searched civilians and vehicles.

(v) At 17:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint north of Hebron city, searched civilians and vehicles, and arrested a civilian, ostensibly for locating a knife in his vehicle.
 - **Attack:** At 17:55, Israeli troops positioned near Al 'Arrub refugee camp fired tear gas grenades on a number of civilians, allegedly for throwing stones.
 - **Raids/Provocation of Palestinian Security Forces:**

(i) At 13:05, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Hebron city.

(ii) At 14:00, the Israeli army raided Al 'Arrub refugee camp, searched a house, and arrested two children (brothers).

(iii) At 14:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Al Karmel village east of Yatta town.

(iv) At 14:55, the Israeli army raided Tarusa village and searched a house.

(v) At 15:00, the Israeli army raided Bani Na'im town, searched a house, and took photographs of the town's Palestinian Police station.

(vi) At 15:15, the Israeli army raided Karma village and searched two houses.

(vii) At 15:35, the Israeli army raided Rabud village and searched a house.

(viii) At 23:25, the Israeli army raided Adh Dhahiriya town, searched a number of houses and commercial premises, and arrested a civilian.

(ix) At 23:40, the Israeli army raided Idhna town, searched a number of houses, and arrested a civilian.
 - **Arrests:**

(i) Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up north of Hebron city arrested Hashem Ribhi Abu Subeih.

The Israeli army arrested two children in Al 'Arrub refugee camp:

(ii) Saleh 'Imad Ahmed Abu Sharar, 14 years old; and

(iii) Abdullah 'Imad Ahmed Abu Sharar, 16 years old.

(iv) The Israeli army arrested Ashraf Shihdeh Theeb in Adh Dhahiriya town.

(v) The Israeli army arrested Mohammed 'Adnan Tumeizi in Idhna town.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area surrounding Eshkolot settlement west of Adh Dhahiriya town.
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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. The ceasefire continues to hold. • Violations of the Ceasefire: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Israeli navy boats opened fire on Palestinian fishing boats at sea off the beach of Khan Yunis city. (ii) At noon on 04 April 2011, Israeli F16 combat and reconnaissance aircraft patrolled the skies over all districts of the Gaza Strip. (iii) Armed Palestinian individuals fired a mortar towards the Green Line.
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<p style="text-align: center;">NORTHERN GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing was partially open to previously-coordinated critically ill civilians, foreign journalists, international organisations staff, merchants, businesspeople, and civilians intending to travel to Jordan through Al Karama (Allenby) Bridge in the West Bank. • Palestinian Attack: In the evening of 04 April 2011, armed Palestinian individuals fired an unidentified mortar towards the Green Line.
<p style="text-align: center;">GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Points: <ol 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'iya (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"> • Attack: In the morning of 04 April 2011, the Israeli navy opened fire on Palestinian fishing boats at sea of the beach of Khan Yunis city.
<p style="text-align: center;">RAFAH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Points: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">(ii) Rafah (Al ‘Awdah) Crossing was open to allow civilians, patients, students, and civilians holding visas and residence cards abroad to depart the Gaza Strip. Access was also allowed to patients, who had received medical attentions at Egyptian hospitals.(iii) Sufa Crossing is closed.(iv) Karm Abu Salem (Karem Shalom) Crossing was partially open for transportation of food supplies, humanitarian aid, and cooking gas. 20 vehicles imported by the private sector were also transported through the Crossing.
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