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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT 08:00 05 April 2006 – 08:00 06 April 2006

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	9	_	9	Incl. 6 children and 1 female teacher
Attacks	8	10	18	Incl. 112 artillery shells fired, N. Gaza
Raids	29	_	29	Incl. 5 in Ramallah & 6 in Tulkarem
Arrests	39	_	39	Incl. Pal. Minister of Jerusalem Affairs
Detentions	12	_	12	Incl. 5 Palestinian security officers
House Demolition	1	_	1	1 house in Al Mukabbir Mount
Wall Construction	31	_	31	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Beth.
Destruction of Property	1	_	1	1 green house demolished, Beit Jala
House Occupation	1	_	1	A number of buildings in Nablus city
Closure of Checkpoints	4	_	4	Incl. Huwwara checkpoint partially
Flying Checkpoints	15	_	15	Incl. 3 in Tulkarem & 3 in Hebron
Closure (per District)	6	1	7	Incl. a buffer zone in Northern Gaza
Closure of Main Roads	30	_	30	Incl. eastern entrance to Bir Nabala
Closure of Crossing Points	_	5	5	Incl. Beit Hanun and Rafah partially
Attack on Religious Site	1	_	1	Call to prayers prohibited, Hebron
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	3	4	Incl. 1 Civil Defence department raided
Palestinian Attacks		6	6	10 unidentified mortars fired, N. Gaza
TOTAL	188	25	213	

DISTRICT	EVENT		
ALL DISTRICTS	 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. 		

WEST BANK

	 (ii) On the morning of 06 April 2006, the Israeli army arrested Khaled Abu 'Arafeh, the Palestinian Minister of Jerusalem Affairs, while he was travelling to the town of Al 'Eizariya to assume his responsibilities. • House Demolition: The Israeli army demolished 1 house belonging to Ibrahim Mish'al in the neighbourhood of Al Mukabbir Mount in the city of Jerusalem, claiming that it was built without the required license.
RAMALLAH	 Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil 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. Flying Checkpoints: The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Beit Rima and searched civilians and vehicles. The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on 'Uyun al Haramiya junction on the Ramallah-Nablus main road, searched civilian vehicles, and impeded civilian access.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	 Raids: At 00:30, the Israeli army raided the towns of Beit Rima and Deir Ghassana as well as the villages of An Nabi Salih and Kafr 'Ein and patrolled the area until 05:30. At 05:50, the Israeli army, including 18 jeeps, raided the town of Bir Zeit, raided 1 commercial shop, and arrested 1 civilian. Arrests: On 05 April 2006, the Israeli army arrested 4 civilians, including 2 children, from the villages of Jammala and Ras Karkar, while they were present in areas inside the Green Line: Fahmi Kamal Fkheidah, 16 years old; Mohammed Mufeed Nofal, 17 years old; Sufian Fadhl Daramneh; and Zahi Mohammed Daramneh. The Israeli army arrested Tareq in the town of Bir Zeit (The arrested civilian's full name is unknown).
JENIN	 Closure of Road: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the detour road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan. Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint east of the town of Tubas and to impede civilian access. Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. Flying Checkpoint: At 13:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Sanur, searched civilian vehicles, and prevented civilians under 25 years of age from crossing in both directions. Raids: At 00:30, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided the city of Jenin and opened indiscriminate fire while it was patrolling the area. At 07:00, Israeli Special Forces troops, driving a civilian vehicle, raided the city again, raided 1 commercial shop, and arrested 3 civilians.

(ii)	The Israeli army raided Al Far'a refugee camp and opened
	indiscriminate fire while it was patrolling the area. The Israeli army
	also set up a checkpoint at the refugee camp's entrance and searched
	civilians and vehicles.
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- **Arrests:** The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in the city of Jenin:
- (i) Raed Mohammed Kamel;
- Mohammed Mustafa as Sa'di; and (ii)
- Ali Jameel al Hardan. (iii)

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.

Closure of Main Roads:

- The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the roads (i) 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.
- The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting the town of (ii) Beit Lid to the village of Kur with cement blocks.

Checkpoints:

- The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at the eastern entrance to the city of Tulkarem ('Einav checkpoint) on the road connecting the districts of Tulkarem and Nablus and denied civilian access, only allowing civilians holding Tulkarem-issued IDs to cross.
- (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.
- Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
- Flying Checkpoints: At 11:00, and again at 17:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of 'Illar and searched civilians and vehicles.

Raids/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:

- (i) At 11:00, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the city of Tulkarem, set up a checkpoint, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area.
- (ii) At 20:45, the Israeli army raided Dahiyat Shuweika in the city of Tulkarem, searched 1 house, and arrested 1 university student.
- At 01:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Seida and arrested 1 (iii) civilian.
- At 03:30, the Israeli army raided the towns of 'Anabta and Bal'a, (iv) searched a number of houses, arrested 1 civilian in the town of 'Anabta, and withdrew at 04:00.

TULKAREM

	 (v) At 03:45, the Israeli army raided Nur Shams refugee camp, raided the Palestinian Civil Defence department, and searched a number of houses. The Israeli army also arrested 3 individuals, including 1 Palestinian Civil Defence officer. • Arrests: (i) On 26 March 2006, the Israeli army arrested Ali Bassam Dardouri, 17 years old, inside the Green Line. Dardouri was reported to be held at Kedumim Interrogation and Detention Centre. At 19:40 on 04 April 2006, the Israeli army arrested 2 children during its raid on the town of Baqa ash Sharqiya as was reported yesterday: (ii) Saleh Sameeh Sa'ed, 16 years old; and (iii) Salah Sameer Sa'ed, 17 years old. (iv) The Israeli army arrested Yousef 'Atiyyeh Kleibi in Dahiyat Shuweika in the city of Tulkarem. (v) The Israeli army arrested Majed Jihad al Ashqar in the village of Seida. (vi) The Israeli army arrested Munadhel Jamal Abu Rayya in the town of 'Anabta. The Israeli army arrested 3 individuals in Nur Shams refugee camp:
	(vii) Math'har Ahmed Khreis, a Palestinian Civil Defence officer;
	(viii) Iyad Yousef Shabrawi; and
	(ix) Fares Abdallah Khalifeh.
QALQILIYA	 Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting the villages of Jit and Immatin with dirt barricades. Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal detector. Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction continues in the village of Immatin and east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and 'Azzun. Flying Checkpoints: At 15:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the eastern entrance to the city of Qalqiliya and searched civilians and vehicles. At 18:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of An Nabi Elyas and searched civilians and vehicles.
NABLUS	Closure of Main Roads: 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.

• **Checkpoints**:

- (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) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Huwwara checkpoint and to deny access to civilians between 15 and 30 years of age.
- (iii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the checkpoint set up at the entrance to the town of Beit Furik and to prevent civilian vehicles from crossing until they acquire access permits.

• Raids/Detention/House Occupations:

- (i) At 12:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Jamma'in.
- (ii) At 20:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Osarin. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. The Israeli army also arrested 2 civilians, including 1 child.
- (iii) At 02:20, the Israeli army, including 50 jeeps and 2 bulldozers, raided the city of Nablus and Balata refugee camp, searched a number of buildings after detaining residents outside, occupied a number of other buildings, and converted them into military posts. The Israeli army also arrested 7 individuals, including 1 Palestinian Police officer and 1 female civilian. Additionally, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during which the Israeli army injured 9 civilians, including 6 children and 1 female school teacher. Among the injured, 'Imad Mohammed 'Atmeh was in critical condition. The Israeli army remains positioned in the area as of 08:00 this morning.
- Arrests: At 02:00 on 05 April 2006, the Israeli army arrested 3 individuals, including 1 Palestinian National Security officer, during its raid on the city of Nablus:
- (i) Ayman Yasser Tashtoush, a Palestinian National Security officer;
- (ii) Majdi Bassam Makhlouf; and
- (iii) Usamah al Ustah.

The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the village of Osarin:

- (iv) Hazem Ni'man 'Udeili, 17 years old; and
- (v) Mohammed Ghazi 'Udeili.

The Israeli army arrested 7 individuals in the city of Nablus and Balata refugee camp:

- (vi) Tahreer Abdul Fattah Yaseen, a female civilian;
- (vii) 'Aref Mohammed Tabanjeh, a Palestinian Police officer;
- (viii) Fadi Nathmi 'Abdu;
- (ix) Karam Qafeesheh;
- (x) Zakariyya Yousef adh Dhawwayeh;
- (xi) Mohammed al 'Aqqad; and
- (xii) Sa'd Hisham an Nabulsi.
- <u>Detention</u>: At 09:40, Israeli troops positioned at Beit Iba checkpoint detained Hisham Mansour, a Palestinian Police officer, until 15:35.

SALFIT	 Closure of Main Roads: 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 Intifada (Uprising). 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. The Israeli army continues to close the western entrance to the town of Kafr ad Dik with cement blocks. Checkpoints: 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. The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the Za'tara junction checkpoint and to impede 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. Flying Checkpoints: At 08:00, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints, one at the eastern entrance to the city of Salfit and the other at the entrance to the village of Yasuf, and searched civilians and vehicles. Raid: At 01:00, the Israeli army, including 10 jeeps, raided the town of Kifl Haris, searched 1 house, and withdrew at 02:30.
JERICHO	 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. Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Al Hamra checkpoint set up on the road connecting the districts of Jericho and Nablus and to impede civilian access. Attack: At 21:40, the Israeli army opened intensive fire and fired flares towards agricultural land adjacent to the Jordan River in the area opposite the villages of Fasayil and Al 'Auja. Arrest: At 20:20, Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint set up near the settlement of Yitav at the eastern entrance to the village of Al 'Auja arrested Aysar Mohammed Dharaghmeh.
BETHLEHEM	Closure: 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.

- Closure of Main Roads: 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.

• Raids:

- (i) At 22:55, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Za'tara and the village of Jannata.
- (ii) At 01:25, the Israeli army, including 4 jeeps, raided the town of Al 'Ubeidiya and the village of Dar Salah, searched a number of houses, and arrested 2 civilians in the village of Dar Salah. At 02:40, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
- Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the village of Dar Salah:
- (i) Naji Mohammed Salah; and
- (ii) Ibrahim Ahmed al Ghawarneh.
- <u>Detention</u>: At 09:40, Israeli troops positioned at As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the "Container") checkpoint detained 4 Palestinian National Security officers until 13:00.
- <u>Destruction of Property</u>: At 15:50, the Israeli army demolished 1 green house belonging to Joseph Msallam in Wadi al Makhrur west of the city of Beit Jala.

• <u>Closure</u>:

- (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.
- (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:

(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.

HEBRON

- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the main entrance to Al 'Arrub refugee camp with cement blocks.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: 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 Checkpoints:

- (i) At 12:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Zif junction and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 12:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Idhna, searched civilian vehicles, and detained the ID card of Ra'fat Hasan Isleimiyyeh, a Palestinian security officer.
- (iii) At 22:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to the town of Halhul and searched civilians and vehicles.

• Raids:

- (i) On 04 April 2006, the Israeli army raided the village of Khirbet Salama and arrested 1 civilian.
- (ii) At 18:45, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Ummar. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians.
- (iii) At 23:40, the Israeli army raided the village of Ar Rihiya, searched a number of houses, arrested 1 civilian, and withdrew at 02:30.
- (iv) At 03:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron and searched a number of houses.
- (v) The Israeli army raided the town of Beit 'Awwa. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians.
- <u>Arrests</u>: At 02:10 on 05 April 2006, the Israeli army arrested 3 civilians during its raid on the town of Dura, in addition to those reported yesterday:
- (i) Ahmed Mohammed Sider;
- (ii) Mohammed Harb Sundus; and
- (iii) Bassam Abdallah Khallaf.
- (iv) The Israeli army arrested Bilal Mousa Awlad Mohammed in the village of Khirbet Salama.
- (v) The Israeli army arrested Mousa Khalil an Najjar in the village of Ar Rihiya.
- Attack on Religious Site: The Israeli army prohibited the call to prayers from being broadcast from the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron.

GAZA STRIP

ALL DISTRICTS

• 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.

NORTHERN GAZA	 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. Attacks/Provocation of Palestinian Forces: (i) Between 14:55 and 20:15, the Israeli army fired 74 artillery shells from Point 64 on the Green Line east of the town of Jabalya towards Palestinian territory. 56 artillery shells landed near An Nada towers, at the entrance to the town of Beit Hanun, and near 3 Palestinian National Security locations north and northwest of the town of Beit Lahiya. The other 18 shells landed near a Palestinian National Security battalion headquarters at the entrance to the town of Beit Hanun. (ii) Between 06:30 and 08:40, the Israeli army fired 38 artillery shells from its location inside the Green Line towards Palestinian territory near 2 Palestinian National Security locations and in the area of Al Waha north and northwest of the town of Beit Lahiya. Palestinian Attacks: (i) At 16:35, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line. (ii) At 16:40, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line. (iv) At 17:00, 3 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line. (v) At 18:00, 2 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line. (vi) At 06:35, 2 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line.
GAZA	 Closure of Crossing Point: Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed. Attacks: At 10:40, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 88 on the Green Line towards civilians who approached the Green Line east of Gaza city. At 12:00, the Israeli army opened fire again towards a number of shepherds. At 22:40, the Israeli army opened fire and fired flares from Point 213 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory south of Sufa Crossing.
CENTRAL GAZA	Activities not reported.
KHAN YUNIS	Activities not reported.
RAFAH	Closure of Crossing Points: 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 closed.

GENERAL

WORK PERMITS

- West Bank: 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.