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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 07 April 2005 – 08:00 08 April 2005

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assault	1	—	1	1 civilian severely beaten
Injuries	4	—	4	During confrontations in Saffa
Attacks	2	3	5	2 during raids and 3 from mil. posts
Raids	8	2	10	Incl. 4 in Bethlehem & 1 in N. Gaza
Arrest (per person)	1	—	1	In the district of Qalqiliya
Detentions	8	—	8	At checkpoints
Land Levelling	—	1	1	East of Al Qarara in Khan Yunis
Wall Construction	23	—	23	Incl. Jer., Jenin, Ram'lah, Beth., Salfit
Destruction of Property	1	—	1	Grape vines uprooted in Hebron
Land Confiscation	1	—	1	In the town of Beit Lid
Confiscation of Property	1	—	1	NIS 30,000 stolen in 'Attil
Checkpoints	(All)	—	(All)	
Flying Checkpoints	7	—	7	Incl. Ramallah, Jenin, and Tulkarem
Closure (per District)	4	—	4	Incl. Jerusalem and Jericho (partially)
Closure of Main Roads	(Unidentified)	(9)	—	Incl. 2 partially
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)	—	(All)	Incl. searches at 'Azzun 'Atma
Closure of Crossing Points	—	2	2	Incl. 1 partially open
School Disruption	1	—	1	Students and teachers delayed
Settlement Activity	—	1	1	Incl. settler bypass road construction
Settler Violence	1	—	1	Grape vines uprooted in Hebron
Demonstrations	2	—	2	In Saffa and Deir Ballut
TOTAL	65	9	74	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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ALL DISTRICTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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.
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WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Closure: 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. Checkpoints: The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Qalandiya and An Nabi Samwil checkpoints and obstructed civilian movement. Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close Ar Ram Junction leading to the town of Bir Nabala for Wall construction. Wall Construction: 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. Wall Gates: The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks, completely prohibiting civilians from crossing.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Flying Checkpoint: At 09:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to the town of 'Atara, searched civilian vehicles, and obstructed civilian movement. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Budrus, Midya, Ni'lin, Deir Qaddis, Bil'in, Saffa, Beit Liqya, and Beituniya. Raid: At 22:30, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the village of Kafr 'Ein and patrolled the area until 23:40. Demonstration: At 16:45, a mass demonstration took place in the village of Saffa in protest against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during which the Israeli army injured 4 civilians.
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Flying Checkpoint: At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Sanur and prevented civilians from crossing in both directions until 10:00. Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction continues in Jalbun towards Al Mutilla, Raba, Al Mughayyir, Bardala and 'Ein al Beida, and towards the Jordan River.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flying Checkpoints/Physical Assault: At 13:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Deir al Ghusun and searched civilians and vehicles. Israeli troops also severely beat Bara' Aref, after which he was transported to hospital. At 15:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • Raid/Confiscation of Property: At 03:00, the Israeli army, including 4 jeeps, raided the town of 'Attil and searched 4 houses after detaining residents. 'Abdul Latif Abu Khazneh reported that a sum of NIS 30,000 (approximately \$6,975 USD) was stolen by Israeli troops while they were searching his house. At 04:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. • Land Confiscation: The Israeli army distributed a notification to confiscate land in the town of Beit Lid near the settlements of 'Einav and Avnei Hefetz, belonging to Mohammed Sa'idi.
QALQILYA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Gates/School Disruption: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. (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, delaying teachers and students from reaching their schools on time. • Raid: At 01:45, the Israeli army, including 4 jeeps, raided the city of Qalqiliya, searched several houses, arrested 1 civilian, and withdrew at 03:15. • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Nidhal Abdul Karim Al Bustanji in the city of Qalqiliya.
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flying Checkpoint: At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Kafr ad Dik, searched civilian vehicles, and obstructed civilian movement until 10:00. • Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction continues in the town of Deir Ballut and the village of Az Zawiya near the Green Line. • Demonstration: At 12:30, a demonstration took place in the town of Deir Ballut in protest against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians.

<p style="text-align: center;">JERICHO</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The road between the city of Jericho and the village of Al ‘Auja (Road # 90) is closed with cement blocks. At various 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. • Flying Checkpoint: At 19:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint along Road # 90 in the centre of the village of Al ‘Auja, searched civilian vehicles, and obstructed civilian movement.
<p style="text-align: center;">BETHLEHEM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: 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. • Flying Checkpoint: At 17:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint along Wadi an Nar road, leading to the district of Bethlehem, searched civilian vehicles, and obstructed civilian movement until 20:00. • Wall Construction: 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, west of the village of Husan, and in the village of Al Walaja. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:15, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Al Khadr. At 18:00, the Israeli army raided the town again and patrolled the area. (ii) At 18:15, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Beit Sahur and patrolled the area until 18:35. (iii) At 18:30, the Israeli army, including 4 jeeps, raided the town of Al ‘Ubeidiya and searched a number of houses.
<p style="text-align: center;">HEBRON</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: 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. • Flying Checkpoint: At 09:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Tarqumiya, searched civilian vehicles, and obstructed civilian movement. • Wall Construction: 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. • Raid: At 01:30, the Israeli army raided the town of As Samoa’ and searched a number of houses. • Settler Violence/Destruction of Property: At 11:00, Israeli settlers from the settlement of Kiryat Arba’ uprooted grape vines on civilian land east of the settlement.

GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raid:</u> At 14:35, the Israeli army, including 2 tanks, raided 200 meters into Palestinian territory north of the town of Beit Hanun.
GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Nitsareem junction remains closed. (ii) Al Shuhada Junction-Al Muntar Crossing road is closed.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Abu Al 'Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) is closed. (ii) Western road (Khan Yunis) remains closed. (iii) Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis road (Al Tuffah checkpoint) is partially open. (iv) Alon checkpoint (entrance to Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis) south of Deir Al Balah is closed. (v) Deir Al Balah junction to Abu Holi checkpoint (Kfar Darom road) is closed. (vi) Morag road, which connects Khan Yunis' eastern and western roads, is closed. • <u>Attack:</u> At 15:50, the Israeli army opened fire from its location at Point 9 towards Palestinian territory in West Khan Yunis refugee camp. • <u>Raid/Land Levelling:</u> At 12:25, an Israeli army bulldozer raided 50 meters into Palestinian territory opposite Point 154 on the Green Line east of the area of Al Qarara and levelled land.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Yasser Arafat International Airport remains closed. (ii) Al Mawasi/Rafah road is partially open. (iii) Sufa Crossing is partially open to construction cargo only. (iv) Rafah Crossing is open. The Israeli army restricted opening hours of the crossing to 4 hours daily to arrivals only. • <u>Attack:</u> At 14:30, the Israeli army opened fire from its locations at Points 6 and 8 along the Egyptian border towards Palestinian territory in the neighbourhoods of Al Barazil and Yabna in Rafah refugee camp. • <u>Settlement Activity:</u> At 10:55, the Israeli army began construction of a settler bypass road extending from Rafah Crossing to Point 6 along the Egyptian border opposite Al Barazil neighbourhood in Rafah refugee camp.

GENERAL

POLITICAL PRISONERS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Prison Sentences:</u> The Israeli military court at ‘Ofar Military Prison Camp sentenced political prisoners Khalil Ahmed Abu ‘Iram and Ali Taleb Makhmreh to 7 life sentences in prison. The Israeli military court also sentenced Jamil ‘Awadh Zein ‘Awadh and Ali Jawad Houshiyyeh to 16 years in prison and Mohammed Mahmoud an Najjar to 10 years. All the above named political prisoners are from the town of Yatta.
WORK PERMITS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>West Bank:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Israeli authorities renewed 8,519 work permits to cross the Green Line. The total number of those allowed to cross is unknown. (ii) Israeli authorities restricted the issuing of work permits to civilians who are married with children and over the age of 30. • <u>Gaza Strip:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Israeli authorities renewed 808 work permits for workers to enter the Industrial Zones. However, only 599 workers (approximately 75% of those possessing work permits) were allowed access to the Industrial Zones. (ii) Israeli authorities renewed 5,135 work permits for workers in the construction and agriculture sectors to cross the Green Line. However, only 4,083 workers (approximately 80% of those possessing work permits) were allowed access into the Green Line.