

## مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



## PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

## DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 9 April 2004 – 08:00 10 April 2004

## SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	5	3	<b>8</b>	Incl. 2 children, 1 critical
Physical Assaults	3	—	<b>3</b>	Incl. 2 children
Attacks	15	2	<b>17</b>	
Raids	24	1	<b>25</b>	
Air Patrol	1	—	<b>1</b>	Helicopters, Tulkarem
Arrests (per person)	7	—	<b>7</b>	Incl. 1 officer
Detentions	2	1	<b>3</b>	Incl. 2 children in Jenin
Land Levelling	—	1	<b>1</b>	Al Salaam, Gaza
Destruction of Property	1	—	<b>1</b>	Infrastructure of house
House Occupation	1	—	<b>1</b>	Tulkarem refugee camp
Curfew	1	—	<b>1</b>	Beituniya
Checkpoints	All	—	<b>All</b>	
Flying Checkpoints	(Dozens)	(Dozens)	—	Closing all districts
Closures (per District)	(All)	(All)	<b>(All)</b>	
Closure of Main Roads	Most	(5)	<b>Most</b>	Esp. connecting governorates
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)	—	<b>(All)</b>	Permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points	—	5	<b>5</b>	2 Partially open
Demonstrations	1	—	<b>1</b>	Against Wall, Beituniya
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>74</b>	

DISTRICT	EVENT
ALL DISTRICTS	<p>Since 22 March 2003, 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>

### WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the city, closing all roads connecting towns and villages and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. Muslim worshipers were prevented from reaching Al Aqsa Mosque for Friday prayers and Christian worshippers were prevented from reaching the Church of the Holy Sepulchre for Easter celebrations.</li> <li>• <b>Wall Construction:</b> Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in Al Eizariya, Abu Dis, Al Sawahira, Sur Bahir, Qatanna, Biddu, and along the main road between Dahiyat Al Bareed checkpoint and Qalandiya checkpoint.</li> <li>• <b>Raids:</b> The Israeli army raided the neighbourhood of Silwan in Jerusalem and searched houses near a building that was recently occupied by Israeli settlers.</li> </ul>
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all roads connecting towns and villages and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing.</li> <li>• <b>Wall Construction:</b> Construction of the western portion of the Wall was suspended for the weekend in Budrus, Deir Qaddis, Rantis, Beit Liqya, near Beituniya and near the village of Midya.</li> <li>• <b>Raids:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 12:00, the Israeli army raided the cities of Ramallah and El Bireh and patrolled the area.</li> <li>(ii) At 14:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Beituniya, imposed curfew and opened fire towards civilians, injuring 1 civilians.</li> <li>(iii) At 23:10, the Israeli army raided the village of Kafr 'Ein, patrolled the area, opened fire, fired sound bombs and severely beat Fayiz Al Rifa'i, who suffered from a heart attack during the attack.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Demonstration:</b> At 12:25, a mass demonstration including international peace activists took place near the town of Beituniya in protest against the continued construction of the Wall. Brief confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians.</li> </ul>
<b>JENIN</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> 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.</li> <li>• <b>Wall Gates:</b> 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.</li> <li>• <b>Wall Construction:</b> Construction of the Wall was suspended for the weekend south of Jalbun towards Al Mutilla, Raba, Al Mughayyir, Bardala and 'Ein al Beida and towards the Jordan River.</li> <li>• <b>Raids:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 19:00, the Israeli army, including 1 tank, raided Shuhada' square on the Nablus-Jenin road, opened fire and fired smoke bombs towards civilians.</li> <li>(ii) At 19:15, 3 Israeli army jeeps raided the area of Al Suweitat and detained 2 children.</li> <li>(iii) At 00:10, the Israeli army raided the city of Jenin, positioned itself near the Muqata'a and opened fire.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>JERICHO</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> The Israeli army set up dozens of checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages and prevented civilians from crossing.</li> </ul>
<b>BETHLEHEM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> 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.</li> <li>• <b>Wall Construction:</b> Construction of the Wall was suspended for the weekend north and east of the district of Bethlehem.</li> <li>• <b>Raids:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 12:25, the Israeli army raided Al 'Azza refugee camp and patrolled the area.</li> <li>(ii) At 14:25, the Israeli army raided the city of Beit Jala, Ayda refugee camp, patrolled the area and beat 2 children.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>TULKAREM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> 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.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Wall Gates:</b> 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.</li> <li>• <b>Attacks:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 16:35, and again at 20:45, the Israeli army opened indiscriminate fire from the DCO towards civilian houses.</li> <li>(ii) At 23:15, the Israeli army opened fire from the settlement of Avne Hefetz.</li> <li>(iii) At 02:15, the Israeli army opened indiscriminate fire from Al Taybeh checkpoint.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Raids:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 08:30, the Israeli army raided Tulkarem refugee camp, opened fire, occupied 1 house, searched several houses and arrested 4 civilians, including a Palestinian National Security officer.</li> <li>(ii) At 09:10, the Israeli army raided the city of Tulkarem. At 13:15, and again at 02:10, the Israeli army opened indiscriminate fire and patrolled the area.</li> <li>(iii) At 10:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Lid and patrolled the area.</li> <li>(iv) At 00:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Iktaba and patrolled the area.</li> <li>(v) At 02:50, the Israeli army raided Dahiyat Dhinnaba, opened fire and fired sound bombs, injuring 1 civilian, searched several houses, demolished the infrastructure of 1 house and arrested 1 civilian.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Air Patrol:</b> At 20:45, Israeli helicopters patrolled the skies over the district of Tulkarem.</li> <li>• <b>Arrests:</b> The Israeli army arrested several civilians in Tulkarem refugee camp: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Jabir Salameh;</li> <li>(ii) Mu'ammarr Radwan;</li> <li>(iii) Ahmad Nassar; and</li> <li>(iv) Ibrahim Anas, a Palestinian National Security officer.</li> </ul> The Israeli army arrested 1 civilian from Dahiyat Iktaba: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(v) Hani Barakat.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> 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.</li> <li>• <b>Raids:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 08:20, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus and patrolled the area.</li> <li>(ii) At 03:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Iba and patrolled the area.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

<b>HEBRON</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> 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.</li> <li>• <b>Raids:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 21:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Yatta, raided an Internet café and detained the owner.</li> <li>(ii) At 23:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Kharsa, set up a checkpoint at the entrance to the village, searched vehicles and examined civilian IDs.</li> <li>(iii) At 07:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Dura and opened fire, injuring 3 civilians.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>QALQILYA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> 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.</li> <li>• <b>Wall Gates:</b> 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.</li> <li>• <b>Raids:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 19:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Jayyus, opened fire, fired sound bombs towards civilians, searched 1 house and arrested 2 civilians.</li> <li>(ii) At 21:35, the Israeli army raided the city of Qalqiliya, patrolled the area, opened fire and fired sound bombs towards civilians.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Arrests:</b> The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the village of Jayyus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Adli Shamasna; and</li> <li>(ii) Muhammad Abed Rabbo.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>SALFIT</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> 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.</li> </ul>

**GAZA STRIP**

<b>NORTHERN GAZA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> The Beit Hanoun crossing is partially open to merchants.</li> </ul>
<b>GAZA CITY</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The junction of Nitsareem remains closed.</li> <li>(ii) Al Muntar crossing (Karni) remains closed.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

<b>CENTRAL GAZA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Attack:</b> At 04:00, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location at Alon checkpoint towards Palestinian Territory south west of Deir Al Balah, injuring 13-year-old Na'el Al Aqra'.</li> </ul>
<b>KHAN YUNIS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Abu al Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) remains closed.</li> <li>Western road (Khan Yunis) remains closed.</li> <li>Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis road (Al Tuffah checkpoint) is partially open to pedestrians.</li> <li>Abu Holi road was partially opened. At 10:15, the Israeli army closed the road between Abu Holi and Al Matahin checkpoints and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> </ol> </li> <li>• <b>Attack:</b> At 21:45, an Israeli army tank opened intensive fire from its location near Point 8 towards civilian houses in Al Amal neighbourhood, injuring 2 civilians, including 14-year-old Daoud Abu Rahma critically.</li> </ul>
<b>RAFAH</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Gaza International Airport remains closed.</li> <li>Sufa crossing is closed</li> <li>Rafah crossing is partially open.</li> </ol> </li> <li>• <b>Raid/Land Levelling:</b> At 23:55, the Israeli army, including 1 bulldozer, raided 20 meters into Al Salaam neighbourhood and levelled land.</li> </ul>

**GENERAL**

<b>WORK PERMITS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>West Bank:</b> 4,864 work permits were issued; however, no workers have been allowed to cross the Green Line since the closure imposed on 22 March 2004.</li> <li>• <b>Gaza Strip:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5003 workers carrying valid permits were prevented from entering the Erez Industrial area. The Israeli authorities announced that workers will not be allowed to enter the Industrial area until 13 March 2004.</li> <li>11,519 workers carry valid permits to cross the Green Line; however, no workers have been permitted to cross the Green Line since the closure imposed on 22 March 2004.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
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