

مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT
08:00 09 April 2005 – 08:00 10 April 2005

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

| EVENT | WEST BANK | GAZA STRIP | TOTAL | NOTES |
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| Deaths | — | 3 | 3 | 3 children in Rafah refugee camp |
| Physical Assaults | 11 | — | 11 | Incl. 9 civilians severely beaten |
| Injuries | — | (10*) | (10*) | *Incl. 4 Palestinian security officers |
| Attacks | 4 | 10 | 14 | Incl. 1 tank shell and 2 flares |
| Raids | 17 | 3 | 20 | Incl. 2 in Ramallah & 4 in Tulkarem |
| Air Patrol | 1 | — | 1 | Helicopters south of Tulkarem |
| Arrests (per person) | 7 | 1 | 8 | Incl. 1 ambulance driver |
| Detentions | 9 | 1 | 10 | Incl. in residential compounds |
| Wall Construction | 23 | — | 23 | Incl. Jer., Jenin, Ram'lah, Beth., Salfit |
| Land Confiscation | 1 | — | 1 | In Halhul and Beit Ummar |
| Checkpoints | (All) | — | (All) | |
| Flying Checkpoints | 17 | — | 17 | Incl. in Salfit, Bethlehem, and Hebron |
| Closure (per District) | 4 | — | 4 | Incl. Jerusalem and Jericho (partially) |
| Closure of Main Roads | (Unidentified) | (9) | — | Incl. 1 partially |
| Closure of Wall Gates | (All) | — | (All) | Incl. searches at 'Azzun 'Atma |
| Closure of Crossing Points | — | 4 | 4 | All closed |
| Medical Obstruction | 1 | — | 1 | 1 ambulance halted |
| School Disruption | 1 | — | 1 | 1 kindergarten raided |
| Settler Violence | 1 | — | 1 | The village of Al Fureidis raided |
| Provocation of Pal. Forces | 2 | — | 2 | Incl. Police officers assaulted |
| Palestinian Attacks | 1 | 26 | 27 | Incl. 22 unidentified mortars fired |
| Pal. Security Measures | — | 3 | 3 | Attempts to fire mortars blocked |
| Demonstrations | 2 | 6 | 8 | Incl. in Ramallah and Northern Gaza |
| TOTAL | 102 | 57 | 159 | |

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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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| JERUSALEM | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Closure: The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at checkpoints at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem, deployed troops in the areas surrounding Shu'fat refugee camp, the village of 'Anata, and at the entrance to the old city of Jerusalem, and dispatched patrols, preventing civilians from other districts from accessing Al Aqsa Mosque compound due to Israeli settlers' threats to raid and attack Al Aqsa Mosque. The Israeli army also detained hundreds of civilians, allegedly for entering the city of Jerusalem without possessing the required permits. 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 was resumed 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. Demonstration: At 16:25, a mass demonstration took place in Qalandiya refugee camp near Qalandiya checkpoint in protest against Israeli settlers' calls to raid Al Aqsa Mosque compound. Protestors demanded protection for Al Aqsa Mosque. |
| RAMALLAH & EL BIREH | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wall Construction: Wall construction was resumed in Budrus, Midya, Ni'lin, Deir Qaddis, Bil'in, Saffa, Beit Liqya, and Beituniya. Flying Checkpoints/Medical Obstruction: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> At 09:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint between the villages of Kafr Ni'ma and Deir Ibzi'. At 17:00, the Israeli army set up another flying checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles. At 10:30, the Israeli army set up 1 flying checkpoint on the overpass to the town of 'Atara and another flying checkpoint on the junction to the settlement of Halamish and arrested 1 ambulance driver after detaining the ambulance. |

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| | <p>(iii) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Bir Zeit and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raids/Physical Assault:</u> <p>(i) At 19:30, the Israeli army, including 4 jeeps, raided the town of Silwad, opened fire, and fired sound grenades while patrolling the area. The Israeli army also severely beat 9 civilians, after which 2 civilians were hospitalised for injuries sustained.</p> <p>(ii) At 21:50, Israeli army infantry forces, including 30 soldiers, raided the city of El Bireh and patrolled the Industrial Zone.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Arrest:</u> Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up on the junction to the settlement of Halamish arrested Mahmoud Taleb Halabi. • <u>Demonstration:</u> At 12:50, a demonstration took place in the city of Ramallah in protest against Israeli settlers' calls to raid Al Aqsa Mosque compound. Protestors demanded protection for Al Aqsa Mosque. |
| <p style="text-align: center;">JENIN</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint east of the town of Tubas, leading to the Jordan Valley, and obstructed civilian movement, allegedly to conduct thorough searches. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Land levelling for Wall construction was resumed in Jalbun towards Al Mutilla, Raba, Al Mughayyir, Bardala and 'Ein al Beida, and towards the Jordan River. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. |
| <p style="text-align: center;">TULKAREM</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Checkpoint/Air Patrol:</u> At 23:00, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Jubara checkpoint south of the city of Tulkarem and prevented civilians from crossing in both directions. Israeli army helicopters patrolled the skies over the area and Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint fired flares towards the area surrounding the checkpoint. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> <p>(i) At 09:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Al Jarushiya. At 21:40, the Israeli army set up another flying checkpoint, searched civilian vehicles, and examined civilians' IDs.</p> <p>(ii) At 22:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Far'un, searched civilian vehicles, and obstructed civilian movement.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Wall Gates:</u> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • <u>Raids:</u> <p>(i) At 11:30, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided Area (A) in the town of 'Anabta, set up 2 flying checkpoints at the entrances to the towns of Bal'a and Izbet Abu Khumeish, searched civilian vehicles, and obstructed civilian movement until 12:45.</p> <p>(ii) At 03:00, the Israeli army, including 1 tank and 3 jeeps, raided and</p> |

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| | <p>patrolled Area (A) in the town of 'Illar and the area of Wadi Al Massin.</p> <p>(iii) The Israeli army raided the town of Beit Lid, opened fire, and fired sound grenades while patrolling the area.</p> |
| QALQILYA | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Gates: <ul 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. |
| NABLUS | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checkpoint: The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Huwwara checkpoint, examined civilians' IDs, and physically searched female civilians, obstructing civilian movement. • Flying Checkpoint: At 10:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint along the Nablus-Jenin road near the settlement of Shavei Shomron, searched civilian vehicles, obstructed civilian movement, and confiscated 3 students' IDs. • Raid/Palestinian Attack: At 15:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus, set up a checkpoint along the road to the village of Till, and searched civilians and vehicles. Armed Palestinian individuals opened fire towards Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint. • Arrests: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:20, Israeli troops positioned at Huwwara checkpoint arrested Nael Jihad Yousef. (ii) At 16:00, the Israeli army arrested Ali Hussein at the entrance to the village of Salim. <p>At 18:00, Israeli troops positioned at Huwwara checkpoint arrested 2 civilians:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (iii) Sharif Sami Hashash; and (iv) Nidhal Ibrahim Abu Ruweish. |
| SALFIT | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction was resumed in the town of Deir Ballut and the village of Az Zawiyah near the Green Line. • Flying Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 16:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Qarawat Bani Hassan and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 21:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Wadi Qana near the town of Deir Istiya and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:30, an Israeli army patrol raided the village of Bruqin. At 15:00, the Israeli army raided the village again and patrolled the area. (ii) At 16:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Qarawat Bani Hassan |

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| | <p>and arrested 2 civilians.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the village of Qarawat Bani Hassan: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Abdul Rahman Rayyan; and (ii) Nael Rashid. |
| JERICHO | <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. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Al Hamra checkpoint in Wadi al Badhan between the districts of Jericho and Nablus and prevented civilians from crossing in both directions. |
| BETHLEHEM | <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. • Wall Construction: Construction of the Wall was resumed 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 17:00, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Al Khadr, set up a checkpoint in the centre of the town, and searched a number of houses in the area of Al Balou’. At 19:15, the Israeli army raided the town again, set up a checkpoint, and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 23:20, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the city of Beit Jala and patrolled the area until 23:40. • Settler Violence/Physical Assault: At 18:55, a group of Israeli settlers raided the village of Al Fureidis and severely beat 2 civilians. |
| HEBRON | <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: The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Dura and searched civilians and vehicles. • Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction was resumed 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. |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raids/School Disruption/Physical Assault/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron and searched 1 kindergarten affiliated with the Palestinian Red Crescent Society after detaining 60 children inside, resulting in a state of panic. At 10:30, the Israeli army raided the city again, detained several Palestinian Police officers in the neighbourhood of Nimrah, and severely beat them. At 19:30, the Israeli army raided the city again, took position near 1 Palestinian National Security location, and patrolled several neighbourhoods. (ii) At 21:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Yatta, searched 1 house, and severely beat Rashid Abu 'Iram, after which he was hospitalised for injuries sustained. • <u>Land Confiscation:</u> The Israeli army distributed notifications to confiscate agricultural land belonging to the towns of Beit Ummar and Halhul for construction of an Israeli settler bypass road to the settlement of Karnei Tzur, measuring 3.5 km. in length and 26 m. in width. |
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| <p style="text-align: center;">NORTHERN GAZA</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raid:</u> At 23:00, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided Palestinian territory near the area of Al Jamarek west of the town of Beit Hanun. • <u>Arrest:</u> At 16:00, the Israeli army detained 3 civilians, claiming that they attempted to infiltrate into areas inside the Green Line near Point 36 on the Green Line east of the town of Jabalya and arrested 1 unidentified civilian. • <u>Demonstration:</u> At 09:15, a mass demonstration and a students' rally took place in Jabalya refugee camp in protest against Israeli settlers' calls to raid Al Aqsa Mosque compound. Protestors demanded protection for Al Aqsa Mosque. • <u>Palestinian Attacks:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 22:30, 2 unidentified mortars were fired towards the settlement of Nisanit. 1 mortar exploded in the air. (ii) At 08:00, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line. |
| <p style="text-align: center;">GAZA</p> | <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. (iii) Al Muntar (Karni) Crossing is closed. (iv) Nahal 'Oz Crossing is closed. • <u>Demonstrations:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:00 on 08 April 2005, a mass demonstration took place in Gaza city in protest against Israeli settlers' calls to raid Al Aqsa Mosque compound. Protestors demanded protection for Al Aqsa Mosque. (ii) At 08:00, a students' rally took place in Ash Sheikh Radhwan neighbourhood in Gaza city in protest against Israeli settlers' calls to |

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| | <p>raid Al Aqsa Mosque compound. Protestors demanded protection for Al Aqsa Mosque.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Palestinian Attack:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 22:00, 1 Qassam mortar was fired towards the Green Line. (ii) At 22:10, 1 Qassam mortar was fired towards the Green Line. (iii) At 23:30, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the settlement of Neve Dekalim. • <u>Palestinian Security Measures:</u> At 14:20, Palestinian security forces discovered, and detonated, an explosive device near Point 95 on the Green Line in the area surrounding Al Muntar (Karni) Crossing. |
| CENTRAL GAZA | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Attack:</u> At 01:30, the Israeli army opened fire and fired flares from its location in the area surrounding the settlement of Kfar Darom towards Palestinian territory southwest of the city of Deir Al Balah. • <u>Demonstrations:</u> At 21:00, several mass demonstrations took place in the district of Central Gaza in protest against Israeli settlers' calls to raid Al Aqsa Mosque compound. Protestors demanded protection for Al Aqsa Mosque. • <u>Palestinian Attacks:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 23:55, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the settlement of Nitsareem. The mortar landed on Palestinian territory. (ii) At 01:40, 1 mortar was fired towards the settlement of Kfar Darom. The Israeli army responded by opening indiscriminate fire in all directions. |
| 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>Attacks:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 14:10, the Israeli army opened fire from its locations at Points 10 and 11 towards civilian houses in West Khan Yunis refugee camp. (ii) At 15:15, the Israeli army opened fire from its location at Point 8 towards Palestinian territory in Al Amal neighbourhood. (iii) At 16:00, the Israeli army opened fire from its location at Point 8 towards 1 civilian near the barbed wire fence opposite Al Amal neighbourhood. • <u>Raid:</u> At 12:25, the Israeli army, including 1 tank and 1 bulldozer, raided Palestinian territory east of the village of 'Abasan as Saghira and searched |

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| | <p>the area.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Demonstration:</u> At 11:15, a mass demonstration took place in the city of Khan Yunis in protest against Israeli settlers' calls to raid Al Aqsa Mosque compound. Protestors demanded protection for Al Aqsa Mosque. • <u>Palestinian Attacks:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 18:30, 4 mortars were fired towards the settlement of Gadid. (ii) At 18:30, 2 mortars were fired towards the settlement of Neve Dekalim. (iii) At 18:30, 2 mortars were fired towards the settlement of Netzer Hazani. 1 mortar exploded in the area where it was fired, injuring 6 civilians, including 2 children. (iv) 20:00, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the settlement of Gadid. (v) At 21:00. 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the settlement of Neve Dekalim. (vi) At 21:40, 1 mortar was fired, but landed on Palestinian territory on 1 civilian house. (vii) At 00:05, 1 mortar was fire, but landed on Palestinian territory on 1 Palestinian National Security location. (viii) At 01:15, 4 unidentified mortars were fired towards the settlement of Neve Dekalim. (ix) At 01:45, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the settlement of Neve Dekalim. (x) At 01:50, 2 mortars were fire towards the settlements of Neve Dekalim and Gadid. (xi) At 02:05, 2 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line. (xii) At 02:10, 2 unidentified mortars were fired towards the settlements of Netzer Hazani and Neve Dekalim. (xiii) At 07:00, 3 unidentified mortars were fired towards the settlement of Gadid. (xiv) At 07:40, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the settlement of Gadid. • <u>Palestinian Security Measures:</u> At 07:45, Palestinian security forces blocked armed Palestinian individuals' attempts to fire mortars from the area surrounding As Satr Al Gharbi in Al Qarara towards Israeli settlements. 1 mortar exploded while Palestinian security forces were blocking an attempt to fire it, injuring 4 Palestinian security officers. |
| 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 closed. (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>Attacks:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 15:10, the Israeli army opened fire from its locations at Points 7 and |

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| | <p>8 along the Egyptian border towards Palestinian territory in the area surrounding Salah ad Din gate and the neighbourhood of Yabna in Rafah refugee camp.</p> <p>(ii) At 16:35, the Israeli army fired 1 tank shell from its location at Point 8.5 along the Egyptian border towards Palestinian territory opposite the neighbourhood of Yabna in Rafah refugee camp, killing 3 children.</p> <p>(iii) At 22:45, the Israeli army fired flares from its location at Point 7 along the Egyptian border towards Palestinian territory in the area surrounding Salah ad Din gate.</p> <p>(iv) At 01:00, the Israeli army opened fire from its location in Tall as Sultan military post towards Palestinian territory in Tall as Sultan neighbourhood.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raid: At 22:45, the Israeli army, including an engineering unit and 1 bulldozer, raided 20 meters into Palestinian territory opposite Point 6.5 along the Egyptian border in Al Barazil neighbourhood in Rafah refugee camp. • Deaths: The Israeli army killed 3 children opposite the neighbourhood of Yabna in Rafah refugee camp: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Ashraf Sameer Mousa, 15 years old; (ii) Hassan Ahmed Abu Zeid, 16 years old; and (iii) Khaled Fu'ad Al Ghannam, 16 years old. • Demonstration: At 10:15, a mass demonstration took place in the city of Rafah in protest against Israeli settlers' calls to raid Al Aqsa Mosque compound. Protestors demanded protection for Al Aqsa Mosque. • Palestinian Attacks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 23:00, 3 mortars were fired towards the settlement of Rafiah Yam. (ii) At 00:10, 1 mortar was fired towards the settlement of Rafiah Yam. (iii) At 01:00, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the settlement of Rafiah Yam. (iv) At 02:05, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the settlement of Rafiah Yam. • Palestinian Security Measures: At 17:00 on 08 April 2005, Palestinian security forces arrested Mohammed ar Rantisi as he was attempting to infiltrate through the Egyptian border. |
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| <p>POLITICAL PRISONERS</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Israeli Army Measures Against Political Prisoners: Israeli authorities prevented lawyer from visiting Hasharon Prison to visit political prisoners and assess their conditions of imprisonment. Political prisoners are held in closed underground cells and are subject to inhumane treatment, including assaults by Israeli Police forces and medical negligence. Additionally, prisoners have been prohibited from performing Friday prayers together. |
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