# مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



# PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

# DAILY SITUATION REPORT 08:00 09 April 2006 – 08:00 10 April 2006

# **SUMMARY OF EVENTS**

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Assassination	1	_	1	1 civilian in Beit Ta'mir, Bethlehem
Deaths	1	1	2	Incl. 1 child of injuries sustained
Physical Assault	1	_	1	1 civilian beaten in At Tur, Jerusalem
Injuries	2	14	16	Incl. 3 children & 2 female civilians
Attacks	6	10	16	Incl. 308 artillery shells fired, N. Gaza
Raids	21	_	21	Incl. 3 in Tulkarem & 5 in Hebron
Air Patrols		3	3	Helicopters over Gaza & Khan Yunis
Arrests	12	_	12	Incl. 2 children in Jenin and Nablus
Detentions	11	_	11	At checkpoints & in residential areas
Wall Construction	31	_	31	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Beth.
Destruction of Property	3	7	10	Incl. 1 sponge factory in Northern Gaza
Confiscation of Property	1	_	1	1 taxi seized in Qalqiliya
House Occupations	7	_	7	Incl. 6 buildings in the city of Nablus
Curfew	1	_	1	Over the village of Madama, Nablus
Closure of Checkpoints	4	_	4	Incl. Ramot checkpoint in Jerusalem
Flying Checkpoints	4	_	4	Incl. 1 in Ramallah & 2 in Qalqiliya
Closure (per District)	6	1	7	Incl. a buffer zone in Northern Gaza
Closure of Main Roads	31	_	31	Incl. road near the Wall gate, Qalandiya
Closure of Crossing Points	_	5	5	Incl. Beit Hanun and Rafah partially
Settler Violence	2	_	2	Incl. 8 dunums of land seized, Hebron
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	4	5	Incl. Pal. officers to evacuate the DCO
Palestinian Attacks	_	6	6	10 unidentified mortars fired
Pal. Security Measure	_	1	1	An attempt to fire 1 mortar blocked
TOTAL	146	52	198	

DISTRICT	EVENT		
ALL DISTRICTS	<ul> <li>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.</li> </ul>		

# WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	<ul> <li>Closure: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem and has set up checkpoints in the old city of Jerusalem and around Al Aqsa Mosque compound.</li> <li>Closure of Main Roads:         <ol> <li>The Israeli army continues to close the eastern entrance to Dahiyat Bir Nabala northwest of the city of Jerusalem with cement blocks.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate near Qalandiya roundabout and to prevent civilians from entering the city of Jerusalem.</li> <li>Checkpoints:</li></ol></li></ul>

	<ul> <li>Raid: The Israeli army raided the village of As Sawahira ash Sharqiya and arrested 1 civilian.</li> <li>Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Mohammed Zuhdi Zahayqah in the village of As Sawahira ash Sharqiya.</li> </ul>
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul> <li>Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil with dirt barricades.</li> <li>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.</li> <li>Flying Checkpoint: The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Al Mazra'a ash Sharqiya, searched civilian vehicles, and arrested 1 civilian.</li> <li>Raids: At 23:15, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided and patrolled the towns of Beit Rima and Deir Ghassana.</li> <li>Arrest: Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up at the entrance to the village of Al Mazra'a ash Sharqiya arrested Omar Abdallah 'Asfour.</li> </ul>
JENIN	<ul> <li>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.</li> <li>Checkpoint: The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint east of the town of Tubas and prevented civilians under 30 years of age from crossing.</li> <li>Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> <li>Raids: <ol> <li>At 19:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Bir al Basha and searched 1 house.</li> <li>At 01:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Jenin and Jenin refugee camp.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Arrests: <ol> <li>On 08 April 2006, the Israeli army arrested Khaled Ahmed ash Sharqawi in the town of Az Zababida.</li> <li>At 11:00, Israeli troops positioned at Salim checkpoint arrested 17-year-old Fadi Mohammed 'Isa, allegedly for locating a knife in his possession.</li> </ol> </li></ul>
TULKAREM	<ul> <li>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.</li> <li>Closure of Main Roads: <ol> <li>The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the roads 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</li> </ol> </li> </ul>

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

#### • Checkpoints:

- (i) 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.

# • Raids/Destruction of Property:

- (i) At 14:45, the Israeli army raided the town of Qaffin and searched 1 house.
- (ii) At 02:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Tulkarem and Nur Shams refugee camp, searched a number of houses, and damaged the doors and windows of 2 houses. The Israeli army also arrested 2 civilians in the city of Tulkarem.
- Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the city of Tulkarem:
- (i) 'Anan Khader Zandeeq; and
- (ii) Mohammed 'Imad Abdu Alfiyyeh.

# • <u>Closure of Main Road</u>: The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting the villages of Jit and Immatin with dirt barricades.

#### • Wall Gates:

- (i) Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
- (ii) 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.

# QALQILIYA |

# • Flying Checkpoints/Detention:

- (i) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the eastern entrance to the city of Qalqiliya, searched civilian vehicles, detained 1 Palestinian National Security officer, and withdrew at 17:00.
- (ii) At 20:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near Tahseen gas station on the Qalqiliya-Nablus main road and searched civilians and vehicles.
- Confiscation of Property: At 15:30, the Israeli army seized control of 1 taxi near the village of An Nabi Elyas, after forcing civilian passengers and driver to step out of the taxi. The Israeli army also drove the taxi to an unknown area.

## • Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) 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.
- (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.
- (iv) At 13:00, the Israeli army closed Huwwara checkpoint, denying civilian access until 14:00.
- <u>Death</u>: At 11:00, Sameh Nitham ash Shafi'i, 17 years old, died in Nablus Public Hospital of critical injuries sustained on 06 April 2006, as was reported on 07 April 2006.

## • Raids/House Occupations/Detention/Curfew:

- (i) Beginning at 10:45 on 08 April 2006, the Israeli army has remained positioned in the city of Nablus. The Israeli army also occupied 6 buildings and converted them into military posts. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during which the Israeli army injured 2 female civilians. At 01:00, the Israeli army, including 50 jeeps and 1 bulldozer, raided the city again, searched a number of buildings after detaining residents, and arrested 4 civilians. The Israeli army remains positioned in the area as of 08:00 this morning.
- (ii) The Israeli army raided the village of Madama, imposed curfew, and arrested 1 child, ostensibly for throwing a Molotov cocktail.
- Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 4 civilians in the city of Nablus:
- (i) Ahmed Ibrahim 'Irbas;
- (ii) Mahmoud 'Amer Abu as Su'oud;
- (iii) Sarhan 'Allan; and
- (iv) Mohammed Abdul Qader al Massri.
- (v) The Israeli army arrested Mahmoud Sadeq Qitt, 14 years old, in the village of Madama.

# • Closure of Main Roads:

# **SALFIT**

(i) 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).

# **NABLUS**

	(ii) 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.  (iii) The Israeli army continues to close the western entrance to the town of Kafr ad Dik with cement blocks.
	<ul> <li>Checkpoints: <ol> <li>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.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the Za'tara junction checkpoint and to impede civilian access.</li> </ol> </li> <li>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.</li> <li>Raid: At 23:45, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided and patrolled the town of Kafr ad Dik until 00:30.</li> </ul>
JERICHO	<ul> <li>Closure: Road # 90 between the city of Jericho and the village of Al 'Auja continues to be closed with cement blocks. The Israeli army also prevents farmers not holding Jericho-issued IDs 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.</li> <li>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.</li> <li>Provocation of Palestinian Forces: At 13:30, the Israeli authorities demanded (through the DCO) that Palestinian Military Liaison officers evacuate the District Coordination Office in the city of Jericho.</li> </ul>
BETHLEHEM	<ul> <li>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.</li> <li>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.</li> <li>Wall Construction: Wall construction continues north of 'Ayda refugee camp and in the Everest area, northwest of the city of Beit Jala.</li> <li>Raids: <ol> <li>At 16:15, an Israeli army patrol raided 'Ayda refugee camp. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians.</li> <li>At 16:15, Israeli Special Forces, accompanied by 13 jeeps, raided the village of Beit Ta'mir, surrounded 1 house, and opened intensive fire, extra-judicially killing 1 Palestinian National Security officer.</li> </ol> </li></ul>

- At 02:05, the Israeli army raided the city of Bethlehem and fired flares. (iii) Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. At 03:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
- Assassination: The Israeli army extra-judicially killed Jabr Fawwaz al Akhras, a Palestinian National Security officer, in the village of Beit Ta'mir.
- **House Occupation:** The Israeli army occupied 1 house west of the city of Beit Jala and converted it into a military post.

### **Closure:**

- The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and barbed wire (i) 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.
- The Israeli army continues to implement a military order to close (ii) 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.
- The Israeli army continues to close with a dirt barricade the area of (iii) 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.
- The Israeli army continues to close the main entrance to Al 'Arrub (ii) refugee camp with cement blocks.
- At 11:00, the Israeli army closed with cement blocks the entrance to Al (iii) Qeisi neighbourhood opposite the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron.
- Wall Construction: 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.

# **Raids/Destruction of Property:**

At 02:30 on 09 April 2006, the Israeli army raided the town of Bani (i) Na'im and searched a number of houses, damaging furniture. The Israeli army also arrested 1 civilian.

### **HEBRON**

- (ii) At 08:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of As Samoa'.
- (iii) At 14:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Yatta, set up a checkpoint at the entrance to the town's hospital, and searched civilians and vehicles. At 21:00, the Israeli army raided the town again and patrolled the area
- (iv) At 18:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron and searched 1 house.
- Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Hani Ramadhan 'Ubeido in the town of Bani Na'im.

# • Settler Violence:

- (i) At 11:15, a group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of Sussia southeast of the town of Yatta attacked and attempted to set fire to 1 house belonging to Mousa Mohammed Shanaran in the village of Sussia.
- (ii) A group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of Sussia southeast of the town of the Yatta seized control of 8 *dunums* of land, in addition to the land reported to have been seized yesterday. The seized land is located 500 metres from the settlement and belongs to Mohammed Ahmed Nawaj'ah. The Israeli settlers also surrounded the land with barbed wire and began planting olive trees on it.

#### **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

- <u>Closure</u>: 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.
- <u>Closure of Crossing Point</u>: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open to foreign nationals, VIPs, and humanitarian cases after prior coordination.

# • Attacks/Destruction of Property/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:

- (i) At 08:55, the Israeli army fired 1 artillery shell from its location inside the Green Line towards 1 house in Al Manshiya neighbourhood in the town of Beit Lahiya, injuring 1 civilian and damaging the house.
- (ii) At 09:00, the Israeli army fired 4 artillery shells from its location inside the Green Line towards Palestinian territory near 1 Palestinian National Security location in the town of Beit Hanun. Artillery shells hit 1 taxi transporting Palestinian National Security officers, killing the taxi driver and injuring 8 individuals, including 2 Palestinian National Security officers. The taxi was also damaged during the attack.

	(iii) Between 09:00 and 20:30, the Israeli army fired 195 artillery shells from its location inside the Green Line towards Palestinian territory. A
	number of shells landed near 1 Palestinian National Security location on Al Masriyyin Street in the town of Beit Hanun, while a number of
	other shells landed near another Palestinian National Security location
	north of the town of Beit Lahiya. Artillery shells also hit a sponge
	factory east of the town of Jabalya, setting the factory on fire. In
	addition, artillery shells landed on and damaged 3 houses in the town of
	Beit Hanun as well as broke windows of a number of houses in the town of Beit Lahiya. Additionally, 3 civilians, including 2 children,
	were injured during the attack.
	(iv) At 12:25, Israeli naval boats fired 3 shells towards the area of As
	Sudaniya northwest of the town of Beit Hanun.
	(v) Between 20:30 and 08:00, the Israeli army fired 108 artillery shells
	from its location inside the Green Line towards Palestinian territory in the towns of Beit Hanun and Beit Lahiya and near Palestinian National
	Security locations and offices east of the town of Beit Hanun and north
	and northwest of the town of Beit Lahiya. A child and a Palestinian
	National Security officer were injured during the attack.
	• <u>Killing</u> : The Israeli army killed Yaser Hasan Abu Jarad in the town of Beit
	Hanun.  Provenation of Polastinian Foresse At 10:00 the Israeli authorities refused
	• <u>Provocation of Palestinian Forces</u> : At 10:00, the Israeli authorities refused (through the DCO) to coordinate for the Director of the Palestinian
	National Security forces to visit Palestinian National Security locations in
	the town of Beit Hanun, which have been shelled by the Israeli army.
	• Palestinian Attacks:
	(i) At 08:50, 2 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line.
	<ul><li>(ii) At 09:00, 2 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line.</li><li>(iii) At 19:10, 2 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line.</li></ul>
	(iv) At 22:30, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.
	• Palestinian Security Measure: At 11:40, Palestinian security forces blocked
	an attempt by armed Palestinian individuals to fire 1 unidentified mortar
	towards the Green Line east of the town of Jabalya. The Palestinian
	security forces also seized the mortar along with the mortar-launching pad.
	• Closure of Crossing Point: Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed.
	(However, the Crossing was open from 12:00 until 13:00).
GAZA	<ul> <li>Air Patrols:</li> <li>(i) At 13:15, Israeli army combat helicopters patrolled the skies over</li> </ul>
GILLI	Palestinian territory east of Gaza city.
	(ii) At 01:05, Israeli army combat helicopters patrolled the skies over Gaza
	city.
CENTRAL	• Palestinian Attack: At 14:50, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the
GAZA	Green Line.
KHAN YUNIS	• Air Patrol: At 20:30, Israeli army combat helicopters patrolled the skies
MIAN I UNIS	over the district of Khan Yunis.

	• <u>Palestinian Attack</u> : At 18:55, 2 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line, of which 1 mortar landed on Palestinian territory.
RAFAH	<ul> <li>Closure of Crossing Points:         <ul> <li>Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed.</li> <li>Rafah Crossing is partially open in both directions to passengers holding Palestinian IDs, humanitarian cases, and Arab and foreign diplomatic missions.</li> <li>Karem Shalom Crossing is closed.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

# **GENERAL**

	• Abuse of Political Prisoners: Israeli troops beat and verbally assault
POLITICAL	detainees held in Kedumim Detention and Interrogation Centre. Israeli
PRISONERS	troops do not provide detainees with adequate meals. Those meals that are
	provided are of poor quality.