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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 11 April 2007 – 08:00 12 April 2007

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	4	—	4	4 civilians, incl. 1 child, in the Nablus city
Attacks	3	2	5	Incl. 1 in a raid & 2 from military posts
Raids	16	2	18	Incl. 4 in Tulkarem and 4 in Hebron
Air Patrols	1	2	3	By combat helicopters
Arrests	11	—	11	Incl. 2 Palestinian security officers
Detentions	14	—	14	At checkpoints & in residential areas
House Demolition	1	—	1	1 house partially in the city of Nablus
Wall Construction	25	—	25	Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Hebron, Beth.
Destruction of Property	3	—	3	Incl. a road levelled near Al Aqsa Mosque
Confiscation of Property	3	—	3	Computers and files, Tulkarem & Hebron
Attack on Property	1	—	1	A charitable association closed for 2 years
House Occupations	3	—	3	Converted into military posts in Nablus
Curfew	1	—	1	Over the village of Far'un in Tulkarem
Closure of Checkpoints	14	—	14	Incl. access impeded at 7 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	13	—	13	Incl. 2 in Jerusalem and 5 in Jenin
Closure (per District)	6	—	6	Incl. 3 areas in the district of Hebron
Closure of Main Roads	34	—	34	Incl. 3 in Jerusalem & 2 in Qalqiliya
Closure of Crossing Points	—	5	5	Incl. Beit Hanun (Erez) partially
Settler Violence	1	—	1	A piece of land seized in Hebron
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	—	1	Forces demanded not to leave positions
Palestinian Attacks	—	2	2	4 mortars fired towards the Green Line
Pal. Security Measures	1	—	1	Pal. request to defuse a suspicious object
TOTAL	156	13	169	

DISTRICT	EVENT
WEST BANK	
ALL DISTRICTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints set up on the main roads connecting the West Bank districts, thereby isolating the northern districts from the southern districts as well as the Jericho district and the Jordan Valley from the remainder of the West Bank.
JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem. The Israeli army also continues to close the entrances to the Al Aqsa Mosque compound in the old city of Jerusalem and impede civilian access to the mosque. This Israeli measure aims to prevent civilian demonstrations against the Israeli army's levelling of Bab al Maghariba old road, which leads to Al Aqsa Mosque compound. • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance opposite the junction to Dahiyat al Bareed in the city of Jerusalem with a barbed wire gate and to deny civilian access. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting Dahiyat al Bareed to the town of Ar Ram in order to complete Wall construction in the area. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to the village of Jaba', which connects the village to the cities of Jerusalem, Ramallah, and Jericho. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to consider Qalandiya checkpoint a "border crossing point" and has designated a special crossing for holders of Jerusalem IDs and those possessing permits to access the city of Jerusalem. • Wall Gates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks. (ii) The Israeli army continues to deny civilian access through the Wall gate on Ash Shayyah road in the area between the villages of As Sawahira ash Sharqiya and As Sawahira al Gharbiya, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem IDs to cross, after subjecting them to thorough searches using electronic devices. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Dahiyat al Bareed, Dahiyat al Aqbat, from the village of Hizma to 'Anata, along the Hizma-Jaba' road, the area of Al 'Eizariya to Ash Shayyah, from the village of Beit Surik to Biddu, in the areas of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina, west of the village of Al Jib, and in the vicinity of the village of Qatanna.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil.

	<p>(ii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the western entrance to the village of Saffa.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the overpass to the town of 'Atara and to impede civilian access. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area west of the town of 'Abud as well as in the areas of Al Midya to Ni'lin and Ni'lin to Deir Qaddis. • Raid: At 01:20, the Israeli army, including 10 jeeps, raided the town of Bir Zeit, searched a building used as a dormitory by university students, and arrested 1 university student. At 02:15, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Ali Mousa in the town of Bir Zeit.
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Road: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the unpaved detour road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to close Tayasir checkpoint east of the town of Tubas, denying civilian access to the Northern Jordan Valley, except for civilians whose IDs indicate that their place of residence is the Northern Jordan Valley. • Wall Gates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. (ii) Beginning on 29 March 2007, the Israeli army has continued to regulate times to open Al Jalama and Salim Wall gates between 06:30 until 10:00 and 17:00 until 21:00 respectively. • Flying Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the town of Silat adh Dhahr and the village of Al 'Attara, searched civilians and vehicles, and arrested 1 civilian. (ii) At 12:30, the Israeli army set up 4 flying checkpoints: at the eastern entrance to the town of Az Zababida; at the entrances to the villages of Al Jarba and Sanur; and along As Suweitat road east of the city of Jenin. Israeli troops positioned at these flying checkpoints searched civilians and vehicles. • Attack/Air Patrol: At 13:20, an Israeli combat helicopter opened indiscriminate machinegun fire towards civilian land in the area between villages of 'Anza and Sanur. • Raids/Destruction of Property: At 01:35, the Israeli army raided the city of Jenin and Jenin refugee camp, searched a number of houses, and arrested 1 civilian as well as 2 Palestinian Police officers. The Israeli army also damaged 1 civilian vehicle and withdrew at 06:10. • Arrests: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up in the area between the town of Silat adh Dhahr and the village of Al 'Attara arrested Fawwaz Abdul Rahman Hamdan.

	<p>The Israeli army arrested 1 civilian and 2 Palestinian security officers in the city of Jenin and Jenin refugee camp:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) Ahmed Qasem al ‘Ammouri, a Palestinian Police officer; (iii) Ayman Mohammed Matahen, a Palestinian Police officer; and (iv) Ayman Shafe’ as Sa’di.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army continues to declare the district of Tulkarem a closed military zone and to impede civilian access to and from the district. • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the Dahiyat Iktaba-Bal’a road, the entrance to the village of Saffarin, the road connecting the town of Deir al Ghusun to ‘Attil plain, the road connecting the town of Kafr al Labad to the village of Shufa, and the road connecting the town of Deir al Ghusun to the village of Al Jarushiya. • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Jubara checkpoint (the southern entrance to the city of Tulkarem) as well as at ‘Einav checkpoint (the eastern entrance to the city). • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • Flying Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 14:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the town of Bal’a and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 14:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the villages of Ramin and Bizzariya and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids/Attack/Curfew/Confiscation of Property: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:00, an Israeli army patrol raided Dahiyat Shuweika in the city of Tulkarem and the village of Al Jarushiya and patrolled the area. (ii) At 21:15, the Israeli army raided the village of Far’un, opened indiscriminate fire, imposed curfew, and withdrew at 23:20. (iii) At 00:50, the Israeli army raided the city of Tulkarem, searched the offices of a charitable association, and confiscated computers. The Israeli army also posted an order on the doors of the charitable association, stating that it would be closed for a period of 2 years.
QALQILIYA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the agricultural roads east of the town of ‘Azzun. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the entrance to the village of ‘Izbat at Tabib. • 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 ‘Azzun ‘Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal detector. • Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction continues in the villages of Immatin and Kafr Laqif as well as east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and ‘Azzun.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 19:00, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints at the entrances to the town of ‘Azzun and the village of An Nabi Elyas and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 20:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the eastern entrance to the city of Qalqiliya and searched civilians and vehicles.
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the Jenin-Nablus road between the junction to the village of Deir Sharaf and the settlement of Shavei Shomron. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the settler bypass road connecting the village of Deir al Hatab to the settlement of Alon Moreh. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Huwwara and Beit Iba checkpoints (set up at the southern and western entrances to the city of Nablus respectively) are closed at 23:00. The Israeli army only allows civilian vehicles possessing access permits to cross these checkpoints. The Israeli army also searches civilians using metal detectors at Beit Iba checkpoint, impeding their access. (ii) At Tur neighbourhood checkpoint (set up on Jirzim Mount) is closed on Fridays and Saturdays as well as during Jewish holidays. On all other days, it is open for civilian residents of the neighbourhood only. (iii) Beit Furik checkpoint is open to civilian residents of the town of Beit Furik and the village of Beit Dajan until 17:30. (iv) Beginning on 23 November 2006, the Israeli army continues to close the checkpoint set up in the area between the city of Nablus and the town of ‘Asira ash Shamaliya and to prevent civilians from crossing, only allowing access to humanitarian cases. • <u>Raids/Provocation of Palestinian Forces/House Occupations/Attack/Injuries:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:40, the Israeli army raided the eastern quarters of the city of Nablus as well as the village of Kafr Qalil, after having demanded (through the DCO) that Palestinian security forces not leave their positions. The Israeli army also occupied 1 house and converted it into a military post. Claiming to be searching for a civilian (described by the Israeli authorities as a “wanted individual”), the Israeli army surrounded and partially demolished 1 house in the area of Ash Sheikh Muwannis in the city of Nablus. Consequently, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during which the Israeli army injured 4 civilians, including 1 child. At 19:55, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. (ii) At 01:15, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus, occupied 2 buildings, converted them into military posts, and patrolled the area until 05:30. • <u>House Demolition:</u> The Israeli army partially demolished 1 house belonging to Mohammed Mahmoud Zaqqout in the area of Ash Sheikh Muwannis in the city of Nablus.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrest: At 10:00, Israeli troops positioned at Huwwara checkpoint arrested Firas Fawwaz Abdul 'Aziz al Khalili.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army has continued to close the main north-western entrance to the city of Salfit with dirt barricades since the beginning of the current <i>Intifada</i> (Uprising). (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western entrance to the village of Marda and, with cement blocks, the western entrance to the town of Kafr ad Dik. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the western entrance to the town of Deir Istiya. • Checkpoints: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Deir Ballut checkpoint and to deny civilian access to the town of Kafr ad Dik. (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the Za'tara junction checkpoint and to impede civilian access. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area 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 Checkpoint: At 09:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the city of Salfit and the town of Bruqin and searched civilians and vehicles. • Palestinian Security Measure: At 09:00, Palestinian security forces requested (through the DCO) that the Israeli army defuse a suspicious object, located in the town of Bidya.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between the city of Jericho and the village of Al 'Auja with cement blocks and to prevent farmers not holding Jericho Governorate IDs from reaching their land, forcing them to apply for access permits. The Israeli army also continues to deny access to the city to holders of Israeli IDs. • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions and impede civilian access at Al Hamra checkpoint set up along Al Badhan road connecting the districts of Jericho and Nablus as well as on the checkpoint set up on the junction to the village of Al 'Auja along Al Mu'arrajat road connecting the districts of Jericho and Ramallah. • Arrest: Israeli troops positioned on Al Karama (Allenby) Bridge arrested Basman Ragheb Abu al Hayja, while he was returning from Jordan.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. • 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. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the town of Al Khadr, northwest of the city of Beit Jala, and in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of the settlement of Efrat.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Al Khadr. (ii) At 20:55, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Beit Jala. • <u>Arrest:</u> At 18:20, Israeli troops positioned at As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the “Container”) checkpoint arrested Sa’eed Abdul Majeed al ‘Ajarmeh.
HEBRON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the following locales in the old city of Hebron: Ash Shuhada’ Street and the area of As Sahleh with cement blocks and barbed wire; the old gold market with an iron gate; the area of Khuzq al Far near the settlement of Abraham Avino with a dirt barricade and an iron gate; and the entrance to the area of Al Khan with an electronic gate, isolating the area from Al Laban Market and the area of As Sahleh. The Israeli army also continues to install an iron gate at the entrance to the area of Al Hisba (the fruits and vegetables market) in the old city of Hebron, thereby controlling civilian access to and from the area. (ii) Although it expired on 07 May 2006, the Israeli army continues to implement a military order stipulating the prohibition of civilian vehicles from travelling along the road connecting the settlement of Kiryat Arba’ to the Ibrahim Mosque in the old city of Hebron unless they possess access permits. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the following locales: 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; the road connecting the town of Surif to the village of Al Jab’a; the entrance to the village of Beit ‘Einun; and the eastern entrance to the village of Kharsa. The Israeli army also continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to Al Qeisi neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron as well as the main entrance to Al ‘Arrub refugee camp. (ii) In accordance with Military Order # 378, the Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from travelling along Shalala Old Street that leads to the old city of Hebron, only allowing Israeli vehicles as well as Israeli army vehicles to travel along this street. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road to the town of Beit Kahil. (iv) At 15:40, the Israeli army closed with dirt barricades the entrance to the area of Yaqin leading to the town of Bani Na’im. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues in the section of Tarqumiya checkpoint terminal, the remaining section of the Wall route that separates the settlement of Eshkolot from the village of Ar Ramadin, and near the village of Imneizil southeast of the town of Yatta. • <u>Raids/Confiscation/Destruction of Property:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 21:50, the Israeli army raided the village of Khirbet ash Shuweika and patrolled the area until 22:30.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) At 23:45, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, raided the offices of members of the Palestinian Legislative Council, confiscated a number of computers and files, and damaged furniture. (iii) At 00:15, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Kahil and arrested 1 civilian. (iv) At 01:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Adh Dhahiriya. • Arrests: At 14:25, the Israeli army arrested 2 civilians, while they were tending sheep near the settlement of Ma'on east of the town of Yatta: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Nasser Salem al 'Adrah; and (ii) Fadhel Mohammed al Hamamdeh. (iii) The Israeli army arrested Mohammed Ali az Zhour in the town of Beit Kahil. • Settler Violence: At 13:30, a group of Israeli settlers seized control of a piece of land belonging to the family of Abu Heikal in Tall Rumeida neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron.
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GAZA STRIP

ALL DISTRICTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The ceasefire agreement that entered into force at 06:00 on 26 November 2006 remains effective. However, the Israeli army opened fire towards Palestinian territory on 2 occasions. The Israeli army also carried out 2 raids into Palestinian territory. In addition, Israeli combat helicopters patrolled the skies over Palestinian territory on 2 occasions. Armed Palestinian individuals also fired 4 mortars towards the Green Line.
NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open to foreign nationals, humanitarian cases, and VIPs. • Attack: At 09:40, the Israeli army opened fire from the area near Point 25 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory northeast of the town of Beit Hanun, thereby violating the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement. • Raid: At 23:00, Israeli Special Forces raided Palestinian territory near Point 24 on the Green Line northeast of the town of Beit Hanun, thereby violating the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement. • Palestinian Attack: At 12:10, in an attempt to violate the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement, armed Palestinian individuals fired 1 unidentified mortar towards the Green Line, but it landed on Palestinian territory.
GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raid: At 13:50, in violation of the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement, the Israeli army, including 1 tank and 2 bulldozers, raided 200 metres into Palestinian territory near Point 84 on the Green Line east of Gaza city and withdrew at 16:15.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.

KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Attack:</u> At 17:20, the Israeli army opened fire from the area near Point 174 on the Green Line towards a number of farmers east of the town of 'Abasan al Kabira, thereby violating the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement. • <u>Air Patrol:</u> At 22:30, Israeli combat helicopters patrolled the skies over the city of Khan Yunis. • <u>Palestinian Attack:</u> At 21:00, armed Palestinian individuals fired 3 mortars towards the Green Line, thereby violating the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Points:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah Crossing is closed. (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed. (iv) Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed. • <u>Air Patrol:</u> At 15:00, Israeli combat helicopters patrolled the skies over the city of Rafah.

GENERAL

WORK PERMITS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>West Bank:</u> The Israeli authorities renewed 5,949 work permits for crossing the Green Line. However, the number of permit-holding workers who were allowed to access areas inside the Green Line is unknown. • <u>Gaza Strip:</u> Valid work permits that have been issued by the Israeli authorities for crossing the Green Line total 10. All the Palestinian workers possessing the valid work permits (10) were allowed to access areas inside the Green Line.
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