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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 13 April 2007 – 08:00 14 April 2007

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assaults	2	—	2	Incl. 1 civilian left with bone fractures
Injuries	22	—	22	Incl. 2 female civilians & 3 journalists
Attacks	10	—	10	5 in raids & 5 during confrontations
Raids	30	—	30	Incl. 7 in Ramallah and 7 in Jenin
Air Patrols	1	1	2	Helicopters over Jenin & Northern Gaza
Arrests	7	—	7	Incl. 5 in Nablus & 1 in Bethlehem
Detentions	18	—	18	At checkpoints & in residential areas
House Demolition	1	—	1	1 house in the city of Qalqiliya
Destruction of Property	1	—	1	A road levelled near Al Aqsa Mosque
Confiscation of Property	1	—	1	Computers from a cultural centre, Nablus
House Occupation	1	—	1	Converted into a military post in Nablus
Closure of Checkpoints	15	—	15	Incl. 1 checkpoint closed temporarily
Flying Checkpoints	15	—	15	Incl. 2 in Jerusalem and 5 in Jenin
Closure (per District)	6	—	6	Incl. Jerusalem and Tulkarem partially
Closure of Main Roads	34	—	34	Incl. 4 in Tulkarem & 4 in Salfit
Closure of Crossing Points	—	3	3	Incl. Beit Hanun (Erez) partially
Attack on Religious Site	1	—	1	Anti-Islamic slogans shouted, Jerusalem
Settler Violence	1	—	1	A vehicle stoned & windshield broken
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	—	1	Pal. Forces demanded not leave positions
Palestinian Attack	—	1	1	1 mortar fired towards the Green Line
Demonstrations	2	—	2	Against the Wall, Ramallah & Bethlehem
TOTAL	169	5	174	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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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.
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JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <p>Closure: The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem, set up several checkpoints in the old city of Jerusalem and around Al Aqsa Mosque compound, and prevented civilians from accessing the mosque to perform Friday prayers. As a result, civilians were forced to perform Friday prayers along main streets, roads, and in the area surrounding the old city of Jerusalem. The Israeli army also continued to level Bab al Maghariba old road, which leads to the Al Aqsa Mosque compound.</p> <p>Closure of Main Roads:</p> <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. <p>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.</p> <p>Wall Gates:</p> <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. <p>Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend 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.</p> <p>Attack on Religious Site: Israeli Police officers cursed God in the yards of the Al Aqsa Mosque compound, thereby profaning the mosque's sanctity.</p>
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<p style="text-align: center;">RAMALLAH & EL BIREH</p>	<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. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the western entrance to the village of Saffa. • 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 was suspended for the weekend 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. • Flying Checkpoint: At 22:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint along the Ramallah-Bir Zeit road and searched civilians and vehicles until 23:30. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 20:20, Israeli Special Forces, raided the city of El Bireh, set up a checkpoint, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area. At 00:20, the Israeli army raided the city again and patrolled the area until 00:30. (ii) At 22:25, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the town of Beit Rima as well as the villages An Nabi Salih and Kafr 'Ein and patrolled the area until 23:20. (iii) At 01:45, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the city of Ramallah and patrolled the area until 02:25. (iv) The Israeli army raided the town of Beituniya, set up a checkpoint, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area. • Demonstration/Attack/Injuries: A mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in the area village of Bil'in in protest against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which the Israeli army injured 13 civilians and 3 journalists.
<p style="text-align: center;">JENIN</p>	<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 20:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Ash Shuhada' and searched civilians and vehicles.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) At 07:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Jalbun and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) The Israeli army set up 3 flying checkpoints: on the junction to the town of Az Zababida; at the entrance to the village of Al Kufeir; and in the area between the villages of Al Far'a and Al Badhan. Israeli troops positioned at these flying checkpoints searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raids/Detentions/Air Patrol/Attacks:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 15:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Al Far'a, searched 1 house, and detained 1 civilian. (ii) At 18:30, the Israeli army, including 6 jeeps, raided the town of Ya'bad. While patrolling the area, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. In addition, the Israeli army detained 3 children and released them at a later time. (iii) At 00:30, Israeli Special Forces raided Al Far'a refugee camp. Meanwhile, an Israeli combat dispatched a number of troops on the outskirts of the refugee camp. The Israeli army also patrolled the area, opened indiscriminate fire, and withdrew at 02:00. (iv) At 01:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Tubas and patrolled the area until 01:30. (v) At 01:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Kashda. (vi) At 03:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Jenin and Jenin refugee camp and opened indiscriminate fire.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> The Israeli army continues to declare the district of Tulkarem a closed military zone and to impede civilian access to and from the district. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> 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. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> 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). • <u>Wall Gates:</u> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • <u>Arrest:</u> At 23:30, Israeli troops positioned at a checkpoint arrested Thaer 'Issam Nassar, a university student, while he was travelling to the district of Ramallah.
QALQILIYA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Roads:</u> <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. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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 was suspended for the weekend in the villages of Immatin and Kafr Laqif as well as east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and ‘Azzun. • Flying Checkpoint: The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of ‘Asla and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids/Detentions/Attacks/Injuries: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 21:10, the Israeli army raided the village of ‘Izbat at Tabib and searched 2 houses, after detaining residents. (ii) At 21:20, the Israeli army raided the village of Habla. Confrontations took place between civilians and the Israeli army, while it was patrolling the area. (iii) At 03:00, the Israeli army, including 15 jeeps, raided the city of Qalqiliya. While surrounding and demolishing a house (using explosives), the Israeli army opened fire, injuring 2 female civilians: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Sahar Amin Nazzal; and (ii) Fida’ Abdul Hafeeth ‘Amer. (iv) At 03:00, the Israeli army raided the town of ‘Azzun, patrolled the area, and fired flares. At 05:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. • House Occupation: The Israeli army demolished 1 house in the city of Qalqiliya belonging to Ali Shukri Nazzal.
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <ul 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. • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus: <ul 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.

	<p>(v) At 15:45, the Israeli army closed Beit Iba checkpoint and denied civilian access until 17:40.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raids/House Occupation/Provocation of Palestinian Forces/Attack:</u> <p>(i) At 13:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Sabastiya.</p> <p>(ii) At 16:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Al Badhan, occupied the roof of a house, and converted it into a military post. The Israeli army also set up a checkpoint, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area.</p> <p>(iii) At 22:20, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus, after having demanded (through the DCO) that Palestinian security forces not leave their positions. The Israeli army also searched a number of houses, arrested 5 civilians, raided the offices of the Graduates' Cultural Association, and confiscated computers. At 06:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.</p> <p>(iv) The Israeli army raided the village of Osarin and opened indiscriminate fire, while patrolling the area.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Arrests:</u> The Israeli army arrested 5 civilians in the city of Nablus: <p>(i) Najeh Khalil Jadallah;</p> <p>(ii) Khalil Najeh Jadallah;</p> <p>(iii) Wael Najeh Jadallah;</p> <p>(iv) Mohammed ad Dayeh; and</p> <p>(v) Wael Zeid al Kilani.</p>
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <p>(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).</p> <p>(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.</p> <p>(iii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the western entrance to the town of Deir Istiya.</p> • <u>Checkpoints:</u> <p>(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.</p> <p>(ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the Za'tara junction checkpoint and to impede civilian access.</p> • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction was suspended for the weekend 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. • <u>Raid:</u> At 23:25, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided and patrolled the village of Yasuf. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. At 23:45, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> 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.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Checkpoints:</u> 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.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> 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. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> 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. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction was suspended for the weekend 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. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> At 10:10, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints at the entrances to the town of Za'tara and the village of Ash Shawawra and searched civilians and vehicles until 17:30. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:10, an Israeli army patrol raided the village of Dar Salah, set up a checkpoint, and searched civilians and vehicles until 17:30. (ii) At 13:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Beit Jala. (iii) At 14:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Al Khadr. (iv) At 22:45, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the city of Bethlehem and Ad Duheisha refugee camp and patrolled the area until 23:05. • <u>Demonstration/Attack/Injuries/Physical Assault:</u> A mass demonstration took place in the village of Um Salamuna in protest against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilian protestors, during which the Israeli army injured 4 civilians. In addition, Israeli troops severely beat and arrested 1 civilian. • <u>Arrest:</u> The Israeli army arrested Mahmoud Zaher Abu Mariya in the village of Um Salamuna.
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 Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron unless they possess access permits.

- **Closure of Main Roads:**

- (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 entrance to the area of Yaqin, leading to the town of Bani Na'im.
- (iv) At 11:30, the Israeli army closed with dirt barricades Wadi al Quff road, leading to the town of Tarqumiya.

- **Wall Construction:** Wall construction was suspended for the weekend 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.

- **Physical Assault:** At 16:40, Israeli troops severely beat Jalal Naji al Batsh with rifle butts near the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron, leaving him with bone fractures and contusions. As a result, Al Batsh fell unconscious and an Israeli ambulance transported him to hospital for medical treatment.

- **Raids:**

- (i) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Hebron.
- (ii) The Israeli army raided the town of Idhna and searched 2 houses.

- **Detentions:** At 13:45, the Israeli army detained a number of civilians, after they performed prayers at the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron, and released them at 14:30.

- **Settler Violence:** At 18:00, Israeli settlers from the settlement of Hagai threw stones at a vehicle belonging to Mohammed Rateb 'Awaysah along the settler bypass road near the settlement. As a result, the vehicle's windshield was broken.

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, Israeli combat helicopters patrolled the skies over Palestinian territory. Armed Palestinian individuals also attempted to fire 1 mortar towards the Green Line, but it exploded in the area from which it was launched.
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. Air Patrol: At 08:00, Israeli combat helicopters patrolled the skies over the district of Northern Gaza. Palestinian Attack: At 22:30, in an attempt to violate the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement, armed Palestinian individuals fired 1 unidentified mortar towards the Green Line, but it exploded in the area from which it was launched.
GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Activities not reported.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Activities not reported.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Activities not reported.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Closure of Crossing Points: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. Rafah Crossing is open. From 09:00 until 17:00, the Crossing was open to civilian passengers in both directions. Sufa Crossing is closed.

GENERAL

WORK PERMITS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> West Bank: 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. Gaza Strip: 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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