

## مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



## PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

**DAILY SITUATION REPORT**  
08:00 14 April 2005 – 08:00 15 April 2005

## SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Assassination	1	—	<b>1</b>	1 officer in the city of Nablus
Physical Assaults	2	—	<b>2</b>	2 civilians severely beaten
Injury	1	—	<b>1</b>	1 civilian in Hebron by Israeli settlers
Attacks	6	6	<b>12</b>	Incl. 4 during raids and 7 from posts
Raids	20	3	<b>23</b>	Incl. 10 in Bethlehem & 1 in Rafah
Air Patrol	1	—	<b>1</b>	Reconnaissance over Bethlehem
Arrests (per person)	6	—	<b>6</b>	Incl. 1 Palestinian security officer
Detentions	9	—	<b>9</b>	At checkpoints and residential comp.
Land Levelling	—	3	<b>3</b>	Incl. east of 'Abasan & Tall as Sultan
Wall Construction	23	—	<b>23</b>	Incl. Jer., Jenin, Ram'lah, Beth., Salfit
Destruction of Property	1	—	<b>1</b>	1 public vehicle damaged
Confiscation of Property	1	—	<b>1</b>	1 civilian vehicle in 'Arura
Checkpoints	(All)	—	<b>(All)</b>	
Flying Checkpoints	6	—	<b>6</b>	Incl. 2 in Ramallah & 3 in Bethlehem
Closure (per District)	4	—	<b>4</b>	Incl. Jerusalem & Jericho (partially)
Closure of Main Roads	(Unidentified)	(9)	—	Incl. 2 partially
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)	—	<b>(All)</b>	Incl. searches at 'Azzun 'Atma
Closure of Crossing Points	—	2	<b>2</b>	Incl. 1 partially open
Settler Violence	1	—	<b>1</b>	Open fire towards 1 civilian vehicle
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	—	<b>1</b>	Position near 1 Police station
Palestinian Attacks	—	3	<b>3</b>	3 unidentified mortars fired
Pal. Security Measures	1	2	<b>3</b>	Incl. attempt to fire 1 mortar blocked
Demonstration	1	—	<b>1</b>	In Nablus in solidarity with prisoners
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>104</b>	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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ALL DISTRICTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Beginning on 11 November 2004, following the official announcement of the death of 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.</li> </ul>
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## WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Closure:</b> The Israeli army continues to impose strict restrictions at checkpoints set up at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem and dispatched patrols to prevent civilians from other districts from entering the city.</li> <li><b>Closure of Main Roads:</b> The Israeli army continues to close Ar Ram junction leading to the town of Bir Nabala for Wall construction.</li> <li><b>Checkpoints:</b> The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Qalandiya and An Nabi Samwil checkpoints and obstructed civilian movement, allegedly to conduct thorough searches.</li> <li><b>Wall Gates:</b> The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks, preventing civilians from crossing.</li> <li><b>Wall Construction:</b> Wall construction continues 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.</li> </ul>
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Wall Construction:</b> Wall construction continues in Budrus, Midya, Ni'lin, Deir Qaddis, Bil'in, Saffa, Beit Liqya, and Beituniya.</li> <li><b>Flying Checkpoints/Detention:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>At 11:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on 'Atara overpass, searched civilian vehicles, and obstructed civilian movement in both directions.</li> <li>At 13:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Bil'in, searched civilian vehicles, examined civilians' IDs, and detained 4 civilians until 17:00.</li> </ol> </li> <li><b>Raids/Confiscation of Property:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>At 21:00, Israeli army infantry forces raided the city of El Bireh, opened indiscriminate fire while patrolling the area, and detained 15 civilians for an extended period of time.</li> <li>At 21:50, the Israeli army, including 4 jeeps and infantry forces, raided the city of Ramallah, patrolled the area, and arrested 1 civilian in the neighbourhood of Samir Amis while he was driving his vehicle.</li> <li>At 21:30, the Israeli army raided the village of 'Arura, searched 1</li> </ol> </li> </ul>

	<p>house, and confiscated 1 civilian vehicle belonging to Wajdi Anwar Al Khatib.</p> <p>(iv) At 00:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of 'Atara.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Arrest:</b> The Israeli army arrested an unidentified civilian in the neighbourhood of Samir Amis in the city of Ramallah.</li> </ul>
<b>JENIN</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Wall Gates:</b> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> <li>• <b>Wall Construction:</b> Land levelling for Wall construction continues in Jalbun towards Al Mutilla, Raba, Al Mughayyir, Bardala and 'Ein al Beida, and towards the Jordan River.</li> </ul>
<b>TULKAREM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Wall Gates:</b> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> <li>• <b>Raids:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 09:55, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the town of Deir al Ghusun and patrolled the area.</li> <li>(ii) At 20:35, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided and patrolled the area of Dahiyat Shuweika and opened indiscriminate fire.</li> <li>(iii) At 22:50, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the town of Ramin and patrolled the area until 23:45.</li> </ol> </li> <li>• <b>Arrest:</b> At 07:00 on 12 April 2005, Israeli troops positioned at Jubara checkpoint set up south of the city of Tulkarem arrested 'Ubaydah Mahmoud Fayyadh while he was driving an illegal vehicle.</li> </ul>
<b>QALQILYA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Wall Gates/School Disruption:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and search civilians with a metal detector, delaying students and teachers from reaching their school on time.</li> </ol> </li> <li>• <b>Raid:</b> At 02:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Jayyus and arrested 1 Palestinian security officer.</li> <li>• <b>Arrest:</b> The Israeli army arrested Abdullah 'Uthman Mustafa, a Palestinian National Security officer, in the town of Jayyus.</li> </ul>
<b>NABLUS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Attack:</b> At 23:10, the Israeli army opened fire from its military post on At Tur Mountain towards the village of Kafr Qalil.</li> <li>• <b>Raid:</b> At 14:00, Israeli Special Forces raided the city of Nablus and opened fire, extra-judicially killing 1 Palestinian National Security officer, wanted by the Israeli army for 3 years, thereby violating the agreement reached during the Sharm ash Sheikh Summit prohibiting the pursuit or assassination of wanted Palestinian individuals.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Assassination:</u></b> Israeli Special Forces extra-judicially killed Ibrahim Mohammed Al Hashash, a Palestinian National Security officer, in the city of Nablus.</li> <li>• <b><u>Detention:</u></b> At 10:00, Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint set up near the village of Sarra detained 2 buses transporting university students for an extended period of time.</li> <li>• <b><u>Demonstration:</u></b> At 11:30, a mass demonstration took place in the city of Nablus in solidarity with political prisoners in Israeli prisons.</li> </ul>
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure of Main Road:</u></b> The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the village of Yasuf with an iron gate. The Israeli army restricted the opening hours of the gate from morning until 18:00.</li> <li>• <b><u>Wall Construction:</u></b> Land levelling for Wall construction continues in the town of Deir Ballut and the village of Az Zawiya near the Green Line.</li> <li>• <b><u>Flying Checkpoint:</u></b> At 11:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Yasuf and examined civilians' IDs.</li> <li>• <b><u>Raid/Physical Assault/Detention:</u></b> At 11:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Deir Ballut, searched 1 house, detained 1 civilian after severely beating him, and released him at 18:20.</li> </ul>
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure:</u></b> 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.</li> <li>• <b><u>Palestinian Security Measures:</u></b> On 14 April 2005, Palestinian security forces confiscated 10 illegal vehicles in the city of Jericho and handed them over to the Israeli authorities (through the DCO).</li> </ul>
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure:</u></b> 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.</li> <li>• <b><u>Wall Construction:</u></b> Construction of the Wall continues 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.</li> <li>• <b><u>Flying Checkpoint:</u></b> At 23:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the city of Beit Sahur and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>• <b><u>Raids/Physical Assault/Provocation of Palestinian Forces/Air Patrol:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 09:00, Israeli army infantry forces raided the town of Tuqu' and severely beat 1 civilian, who was hospitalised for injuries sustained.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<p>(ii) At 11:45, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Al Khadr, set up a checkpoint in the area of Al Balou', and detained 2 Palestinian Police officers. At 17:40, and again at 21:00, the Israeli army raided the town again, set up a checkpoint in the centre of the town, and detained a number of civilians. At 21:40, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.</p> <p>(iii) At 18:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Beit Jala.</p> <p>(iv) At 23:35, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Beit Sahur.</p> <p>(v) At 00:05, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the town of Al 'Ubeidiya, took position near the town's Palestinian Police station, and patrolled the area.</p> <p>(vi) At 03:10, the Israeli army raided the city of Bethlehem, 'Ayda refugee camp, and Al 'Aza refugee camp and opened indiscriminate fire. An Israeli army reconnaissance aircraft patrolled the skies over the city of Bethlehem. The Israeli army also searched several houses, detained residents, and arrested 3 civilians in Al 'Aza refugee camp. At 04:50, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Arrests:</b> The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in Al 'Aza refugee camp:       <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Muhannad 'Uthman Al 'Azzah;</li> <li>(ii) Layth Issa Al 'Azzah; and</li> <li>(iii) Nawwaf Isma'il Al Qeisi.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
<b>HEBRON</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> The Israeli army continues to close Al Shuhada' Street and the area of As Sahleh in the area of H2 in the city of Hebron with cement blocks and barbed wire, denying civilians and vehicles access.</li> <li>• <b>Wall Construction:</b> Land levelling for Wall construction continues 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.</li> <li>• <b>Settler Violence/Destruction of Property:</b> At 13:00, an Israeli settler opened fire, while driving his vehicle, towards a public vehicle near the junction to the village of Beit 'Einun, injuring its driver by shattered glass.</li> </ul>

**GAZA STRIP**

<b>NORTHERN GAZA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Palestinian Attack:</b> At 22:00, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.</li> <li>• <b>Palestinian Security Measures:</b> At 22:20, Palestinian security forces blocked armed Palestinian individuals' attempt to fire 1 Qassam mortar from the area surrounding Sheikh Zayed city in the town of Beit Lahiya. Palestinian security forces also confiscated the mortar.</li> </ul>
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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>GAZA</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Nitsareem junction remains closed.</li> <li>(ii) Al Shuhada Junction-Al Muntar Crossing road is closed.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Attack:</b> At 15:00, the Israeli army opened fire from its location in the area surrounding Al Muntar (Karni) Crossing towards farmers on their land near the crossing.</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>CENTRAL GAZA</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Activities not reported.</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>KHAN YUNIS</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Abu Al 'Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) is closed.</li> <li>(ii) Western road (Khan Yunis) remains closed.</li> <li>(iii) Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis road (Al Tuffah checkpoint) is partially open.</li> <li>(iv) Alon checkpoint (entrance to Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis) south of Deir al Balah is closed.</li> <li>(v) Deir al Balah junction to Abu Holi checkpoint (Kfar Darom road) is closed.</li> <li>(vi) Morag road, connecting Khan Yunis' eastern and western roads, is closed.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Attack:</b> At 02:15, the Israeli army opened fire from its location at Point 194 on the Green Line towards the area of Ar Rabay'ah.</li> <li>• <b>Raids/Land Levelling:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 13:10, the Israeli army, including 1 tank and 1 bulldozer, raided 10 meters into Palestinian territory near Point 163 on the Green Line east of the village of 'Abasan and levelled land.</li> <li>(ii) At 17:20, an Israeli army bulldozer raided Palestinian territory near Point 12 opposite An Namsawi neighbourhood and erected a dirt barricade.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Palestinian Attacks:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 18:40, 2 unidentified mortars were fired. 1 mortar exploded near the cemetery in An Namsawi neighbourhood. The other mortar landed outside 1 civilian house, but did not explode.</li> <li>(ii) At 22:15, 1 mortar was fired towards the settlement of Gadid.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>RAFAH</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Yasser Arafat International Airport remains closed.</li> <li>(ii) Al Mawasi/Rafah road is partially open.</li> <li>(iii) Sufa Crossing is partially open to construction cargo only.</li> <li>(iv) Rafah Crossing is open. The Israeli army restricted opening hours of the crossing to 4 hours daily to arrivals only.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Attacks:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 15:50, the Israeli army detonated explosives on land near Point 7 along the Egyptian border in the area surrounding Salah ad Din gate.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<p>(ii) At 17:40, and again at 01:55, the Israeli army opened fire from its location at Point 8 along the Egyptian border towards Palestinian territory in the neighbourhood of Yabna in Rafah refugee camp.</p> <p>(iii) At 01:00, the Israeli army opened fire from its location at Point 18 towards the area of 'Ureibeh north of the city of Rafah.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b><u>Raid/Land Levelling:</u></b> At 02:00 on 15 April 2005, the Israeli army, including 1 tank and 1 bulldozer, raided 20 meters into Palestinian territory in Tall as Sultan neighbourhood and levelled land.</li><li>• <b><u>Palestinian Security Measures:</u></b> At 22:00, Palestinian security forces demolished 1 tunnel in As Salaam neighbourhood in Rafah refugee camp. Civilians threw stones at the Palestinian security forces.</li></ul>
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