

مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT
08:00 15 April 2005 – 08:00 16 April 2005

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assaults	4	—	4	Incl. 1 Police officer severely beaten
Injury	1	—	1	1 child as a result of UXO explosion
Attacks	3	7	10	Incl. 1 during a raid & 7 from posts
Raids	18	—	18	Incl. 7 in Ramallah & 3 in Jenin
Air Patrol	1	—	1	Troops dispatched from helicopters
Arrests (per person)	4	5	9	Incl. 1 in Tulkarem and 5 in N. Gaza
Detentions	4	1	5	At checkpoints and residential comp.
Land Confiscation	1	—	1	6,000 <i>dunums</i> in the village of 'Abud
Confiscation of Property	1	—	1	Palestinian officer's shoes
Checkpoints	(All)	—	(All)	
Flying Checkpoints	15	—	15	Incl. 3 in Jenin & 1 in Jericho
Closure (per District)	4	—	4	Incl. Jerusalem & Jericho (partially)
Closure of Main Roads	(Unidentified)	(9)	—	Roads connecting districts
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)	—	(All)	Incl. searches at 'Azzun 'Atma
Closure of Crossing Points	—	4	4	All closed
Attack on Religious Sites	1	—	1	Call to prayers prohibited
School Disruption	1	—	1	1 school in Budrus raided
Settler Violence	1	—	1	5 children severely beaten
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	—	1	Position near Al Muqata'a in Hebron
Palestinian Attacks	—	3	3	5 unidentified mortars fired
Pal. Security Measures	1	—	1	1 Israeli soldier handed over
Demonstrations	4	—	4	Incl. in Beit Ula supporting prisoners
TOTAL	65	20	85	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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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 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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WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Closure: The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at checkpoints at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem and set up several checkpoints in the old city of Jerusalem and in the area surrounding Al Aqsa Mosque compound, obstructing worshippers from accessing Al Aqsa Mosque to perform Friday prayers. Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close Ar Ram junction leading to the town of Bir Nabala for Wall construction. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Qalandiya and An Nabi Samwil checkpoints and obstructed civilian movement, allegedly to conduct thorough searches. Wall Gates: The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks, preventing civilians from crossing. Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend 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.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in Budrus, Midya, Ni'lin, Deir Qaddis, Bil'in, Saffa, Beit Liqya, and Beituniya. Flying Checkpoint: The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on 'Uyoun Al Haramiya junction along the Ramallah-Nablus road, searched civilian vehicles, and obstructed civilian movement in both directions. Wall Land Confiscation: The Israeli army distributed notifications to confiscate 6,000 <i>dunums</i> (1,500 acres) of land belonging to the village of 'Abud for Wall construction. Raids/School Disruption: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> On 14 April 2005, the Israeli army raided the village of Budrus, opened fire, and fired tear gas grenades. The Israeli army also raided the village's elementary school, leading to panic amongst pupils. At 17:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Ramallah. At 21:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Deir Ghassana and the

	<p>village of Kafr 'Ein and patrolled the area until 23:30.</p> <p>(iv) The Israeli army raided the villages of Jifna, Dura al Qar', and Yabrud, set up checkpoints at their entrances, and combed mountainous areas surrounding the villages.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Demonstrations: <p>(i) At 13:30, a mass demonstration took place in the city of Ramallah in solidarity with political prisoners in Israeli prisons.</p> <p>(ii) At 15:00, a mass demonstration took place in the village of Bil'in in protest against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. The Israeli army severely beat 1 civilian, breaking his arm, after which he was hospitalised.</p>
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in Jalbun towards Al Mutilla, Raba, Al Mughayyir, Bardala and 'Ein al Beida, and towards the Jordan River. • Raid: The Israeli army raided the towns of Tubas and Tammun and the village of Al Far'a, set up flying checkpoints at their entrances, and searched civilians and vehicles. The Israeli army also patrolled the area. • Palestinian Security Measures: At 12:15, Palestinian security forces found an Israeli soldier, in his military uniform and with his weapon, after he lost his way in the city of Jenin. At 13:20, Palestinian security forces handed the soldier over to the Israeli army (through the DCO).
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • Flying Checkpoint: At 17:10, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints at the junctions to the villages of Al Jarushiya and Far'un and searched civilians and vehicles. • Arrest: At 17:00, the Israeli army arrested Mustafa Fariz Tu'meh, a resident of the town of Qaffin, near the settlement of Hermesh, claiming that he threw stones at an Israeli army jeep.
QALQILYA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Gates: <p>(i) Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</p> <p>(ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and search civilians with a metal detector.</p>
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raid: At 23:00, Israeli Special Forces raided the city of Nablus and patrolled the area until 03:30.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Arrest:</u> Israeli troops positioned at the town of Beit Furik checkpoint arrested ‘Ammar Amin Al Masri. • <u>Demonstration:</u> At 13:30, a mass demonstration took place in the city of Nablus in solidarity with political prisoners in Israeli prisons.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Road:</u> 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. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Land levelling for Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the town of Deir Ballut and the village of Az Zawiya near the Green Line. • <u>Raid/Air Patrol:</u> At 08:30, Israeli army infantry forces raided hills located between the city of Salfit and the village of Farkha, after an Israeli army helicopter dispatched them, combed the area, and withdrew at 09:20.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> 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. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint along Road # 90 near the settlement of Niran and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Arrest:</u> Israeli troops positioned at Al Karamah (Allenby) Bridge arrested Hussein ‘Adnan Murad, while he was travelling to Jordan.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> 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. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Construction of the Wall was suspended for the weekend 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. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 23:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the town of Za’tara, searched civilians and vehicles, and arrested 1 Jordanian national whose visit permit had expired. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:15, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Al Khadr. At 13:00, and again at 15:00, the Israeli army raided the town again, set up 1 checkpoint in the centre of the town and another checkpoint in the area of Al Balou’, and searched civilians and vehicles.

	<p>(ii) At 14:00, an Israeli army patrol raided 'Ayda refugee camp. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrest: Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up on the junction to town of Za'tara arrested Ibrahim Mahmoud Salman.
<p>HEBRON</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: 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. • Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction was suspended for the weekend 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. • Flying Checkpoints: <p>(i) At 14:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Kharsa and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> <p>(ii) At 21:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Dura and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> • Physical Assault: Israeli troops severely beat 2 civilians, including 1 child, near their house near the settlement of Kiryat Arba' in the old city of Hebron. • Raids/Provocation of Palestinian Forces: <p>(i) At 13:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, took position at the entrance to Al Muqata'a, and patrolled several neighbourhoods.</p> <p>(ii) At 14:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Dura.</p> • Injury: An Israeli army UXO exploded in the village of Soba west of the town of Dura, injuring 12-year-old Murad Maryoush in the face and arms while he was playing with the object. • Detention/Physical Assault/Confiscation of Property: At 18:00, Israeli troops positioned at a checkpoint set up at the entrance to the town of Adh Dhahiriya detained Mohammed at Titi, a Palestinian Police officer, for an extended period of time after severely beating him, allegedly for carrying a military uniform in his bag. Israeli troops also confiscated At Titi's shoes and released him at 19:10. • Attack on Religious Sites: The Israeli army prohibited call to prayers from being broadcast in the Ibrahim Mosque in the old city of Hebron, claiming that it disturbs Israeli settlers. • Settler Violence/Physical Assaults: A group of Israeli settlers from the settlement outpost in Tall Rumeida in the old city of Hebron severely beat 5 children while they were playing outside their homes. The Israeli army also severely beat Shaer Rajab as he attempted to protect his and his brother's children from the Israeli settlers, leaving him with injuries to the head. • Demonstration: At 21:00, a mass demonstration took place in the town of Beit Ula in solidarity with political prisoners in Israeli prisons.

GAZA STRIP

<p style="text-align: center;">NORTHERN GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrests: At 18:45, the Israeli army arrested 5 unidentified civilians northwest of the town of Beit Lahiya, claiming that they attempted to infiltrate into areas inside the Green Line. • Detention: At 18:05, the Israeli army prevented a number of farmers, working in the municipality plant nursery near the settlement of Dugit northwest of the town of Beit Lahiya, from accessing their workplace and forced them to leave the area. • Palestinian Attacks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:35, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line. (ii) At 06:20, 3 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line. 1 mortar landed on 1 civilian house in Palestinian territory.
<p style="text-align: center;">GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <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. • Attack: At 18:00, the Israeli army opened fire towards Al Helou building in the area of Sheikh 'Ajlin south of Gaza city, allegedly for conducting training near the settlement of Nitsareem.
<p style="text-align: center;">CENTRAL GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
<p style="text-align: center;">KHAN YUNIS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <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 closed. (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, connecting Khan Yunis' eastern and western roads, is closed. • Attack: At 17:10, the Israeli army opened fire from its location at Points 12 and 13 towards Palestinian territory in An Namsawi neighbourhood. • Palestinian Attack: At 22:20, 2 unidentified mortars were fired towards the settlement of Netzer Hazani.

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 closed.(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 13:00, the Israeli army opened fire from its locations at Points 5.5 and 8 along the Egyptian border towards Palestinian territory in the neighbourhoods of Yabna and As Salaam in Rafah refugee camp.(ii) At 16:00, the Israeli army opened fire from Tall as Sultan military post towards Palestinian territory in Tall as Sultan neighbourhood.(iii) At 19:20, and again at 01:05, the Israeli army opened fire from its location at Point 7 along the Egyptian border towards Palestinian territory in the area surrounding Salah ad Din gate.
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