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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT
 08:00 15 April 2011 – 08:00 16 April 2011

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assault	1	—	1	A civilian severely beaten in Jerusalem
Injury	1	—	1	A civilian in Ramallah
Air Attacks	—	2	2	Missiles fired by F16 combat aircraft
Attacks	7	2	9	Incl. 1 in a raid and 2 by navy boats
Raids	23	—	23	Incl. 8 in Nablus and 4 in Hebron
Air Patrol	—	1	1	By F16 combat aircraft over Gaza
Arrests (per person)	6	—	6	Incl. 3 children
Detentions	13	—	13	Incl. a child and 5 security officers
Wall Construction	13	—	13	Incl. in Jerusalem, Qalqiliya, & Hebron
Destruction of Property	4	—	4	Incl. house furniture destroyed
House Occupations	2	—	2	Converted into mil. posts in Ramallah
Curfew	1	—	1	Over 'Urif village in Nablus
Closure of Checkpoints	10	—	10	Incl. a checkpoint closed temporarily
Flying Checkpoints	22	—	22	Incl. 3 in Jerusalem and 4 in Nablus
Closure (per District)	8	—	8	Incl. Jerusalem and 5 areas in Hebron
Closure of Main Roads	45	—	45	Throughout the West Bank districts
Closure of Crossing Points	—	5	5	Incl. humanitarian cases allowed access
Settler Violence	4	—	4	Incl. olive trees damaged in Nablus
Palestinian Attack	—	1	1	2 Grad missiles fired on the Green Line
Demonstrations	5	—	5	Incl. against land grab and the Wall
TOTAL	165	11	176	

DISTRICT	EVENTS
WEST BANK	
JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) On 15 April 2011, the Israeli army intensified restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to Jerusalem city, set up flying checkpoints in the old city of Jerusalem and around Al Aqsa Mosque compound, and denied access to civilians from other districts to perform Friday prayers at the Al Aqsa Mosque. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the ‘demarcation area’ along the Wall in the area surrounding Jerusalem city and restrict access to the area to local residents as well as to civilians holding special permits. (iii) The Israeli army continues to impose a blockade and deny civilian access to a hill between Biddu and Beit Ikxa villages. • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and dirt barricades the entrance to the village of Jaba’. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the iron gate along the Wall section, separating the area of Dahiyat al Bareed from the town of Ar Ram. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with an iron gate the eastern entrance to Beit Ikxa village and force civilians to access Jerusalem city through Qalandiya checkpoint. • Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli authorities continue to consider Qalandiya checkpoint a “border crossing point” and designates a special crossing lane for holders of Jerusalem IDs and those possessing permits to access Jerusalem city. (ii) At 22:20, the Israeli army closed Jaba’ checkpoint on the road connecting Jerusalem, Ramallah, and Jericho districts, denied civilian access, and reopened it at a later time. • Physical Assault: At 02:30, Israeli troops positioned at Az Za’ayem checkpoint severely beat Mohammed Khalil Salman al Badan, leaving him with contusions. As a result, Al Badan was transported to hospital for medical treatment. • Demonstration: At 13:30, civilians performed Friday prayers in the sit-in tent erected in Silwan neighbourhood in Jerusalem city in protest against the eviction of civilian homes for construction of Israeli settlement projects. After the prayers, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and participants, during which the Israeli army injured a number of civilians as a result of tear gas inhalation. • Wall Gates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the Wall gate in Abu Dis town. (ii) The Israeli army continues to deny civilian access through the Wall gate on Ash Shayyah road in the area between As Sawahira ash Sharqiya and As Sawahira al Gharbiya villages, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem IDs to cross, after subjecting them to thorough searches using electronic devices.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area north of Qalandiya village; south of Az Za'ayyem village; and in Wadi al 'Eizariya west of Ma'ale Adumim settlement.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to Sinjil town and Saffa village and the junction to Kafr Malik and 'Ein Samiya villages. (ii) Although it removed the dirt barricade, the Israeli army continues to close with an iron gate the eastern entrance to An Nabi Salih village. • Flying Checkpoint: At 17:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to 'Atara town and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids: At 18:40, the Israeli army raided Kharbatha al Misbah village. At 01:20, the Israeli army raided the village again and patrolled it until 02:15. • Demonstrations/Raid/Attacks/Detentions: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:30, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in An Nabi Salih village in protest against Israeli settler violence and confiscation of civilian land for the expansion of Halamish settlement. Meanwhile, the Israeli army raided the village, occupied the roofs of two houses, and converted them into military posts. The Israeli army also fired rubber-coated steel bullets and tear gas grenades on protestors, injuring a number of participants and civilians as a result of tear gas inhalation. In addition, the Israeli army detained a number of international peace activists and released them at a later time. (ii) At 13:30, a mass demonstration, including international and Israeli peace activists, took place in Bil'in village in protest against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which the Israeli army injured Sameer Suleiman Burnat. A number of participants were also injured as a result of tear gas inhalation. (iii) At 14:00, a mass demonstration, including international and Israeli peace activists, took place in Ni'lin town in protest against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which a number of participants sustained wounds as a result of tear gas inhalation. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area west of 'Abud town in the area surrounding 'Ofarim settlement and north of Al Lubban al Gharbi and Rantis villages.
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of Dotan settlement. • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits, which affects the educational and health conditions of civilians living behind the Wall.
TUBAS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checkpoint: Though allowing civilian access to the Northern Jordan Valley between 06:00 and 22:00, the Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint east of the city of Tubas.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raid: At 21:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Al Buqei'a area east of Tammun town.
TULKAREM	<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 road connecting Kafr al Labad town to Shufa village as well as the road connecting Shufa and 'Izbat Shufa villages. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the detour road leading to Ramin village along the Tulkarem-Nablus main road. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions and impede civilian access at 'Einav checkpoint on the Tulkarem-Nablus main road. • Flying Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 12:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Beit Lid town and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 20:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Kafriyat road connecting Tulkarem and Qalqiliya districts and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raid: At 22:15, the Israeli army raided Deir al Ghusun town and patrolled it until 23:20. • Wall Gates: Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
QALQILYA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun. • Flying Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 17:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near 'Azzun 'Atma village and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 20:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between 'Izbat at Tabib and An Nabi Elyas villages on the Qalqiliya-Nablus main road and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 22:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near Jinsafut village on the Qalqiliya-Nablus main road and searched civilians. • Raid/Destruction of Property: At 02:45, the Israeli army raided 'Azzun town, searched a house, destroyed furniture, arrested two children, and withdrew at 05:20. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested two civilians in 'Azzun town: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Abdullah Khadher Sukkar, 17 years old; and (ii) Ahmed Saleem Dhirar Radhwan, 16 years old. • Wall Gates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal detector. (ii) The Israeli army continues close with an iron gate the entrance to the village of Wadi ar Rasha and to deny civilian access. The Israeli army allows residents to access the village through Gate #109. Having removed the iron gate at the entrance to the village of Ras 'Atiya, the Israeli army only allows students to cross to their schools outside the village through the Habla gate.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Kafr Laqif village north of Karnei Shomron settlement; in Immatin village northeast of Imanuel settlement; and east of Kafr Thulth town near Ma'ale Shomron settlement.
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 roads of Till-Burin and Beit Furik-Salem; the settler bypass road connecting the village of Deir al Hatab to the settlement of Alon Moreh; the road connecting the town of 'Aqraba to the village of Osarin; and the detour road between the town of Qabalan and the village of Osarin. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the northern entrance to the town of Qabalan; the southern entrances to the town of Jamma'in and the villages of Duma and Qaryut; and the western entrance to An Naqura village opposite the settlement of Shavei Shomron. • 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) At Tur neighbourhood checkpoint (set up on Jerzim 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 between 07:00 and 02:00. (ii) At 'Awarta commercial checkpoint, civilians are allowed to cross between 05:00 and 20:00, but between 05:00 and 15:00 on Fridays. All civilian vehicles are allowed to access the city of Nablus, but only commercial vehicles and ambulances can leave the city through the checkpoint. (iii) At 05:00, the Israeli army intensified restrictions and impeded civilian access at Shavei Shomron checkpoint on the Nablus-Jenin main road. • Flying Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:00, and again at 18:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Salem checkpoint and searched civilian vehicles. (ii) At 11:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction Bizzariya village and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 19:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between Nablus city and 'Asira ash Shamaliya town and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids/Detentions/Curfew/Attack/Destruction of Property: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Bizzariya village. (ii) At 14:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled 'Aqraba town. (iii) At 15:25, the Israeli army raided Burqa village. While searching a number of houses, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. The Israeli army also detained two civilians, including a child, and released them at a later time: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) 'Izzat Tal' at Ahmed Seif, 17 years old; and (ii) Ahmed 'Ameed Hamzeh ad Dusouqi. <p>In addition, the Israeli army raided a petrol station, forced workers out, and withdrew at 17:10.</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (iv) At 16:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Osarin village. (v) At 21:40, the Israeli army raided Beit Furik town and searched two houses. (vi) At 21:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled 'Asira ash Shamaliya town. (vii) At 22:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the eastern quarters of Nablus city. (viii) At 01:15, the Israeli army raided 'Urif village and imposed curfew. While searching a house, the Israeli army fired sound grenades, damaging the house furniture. The Israeli army also arrested two civilians and withdrew at 03:35. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrests: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 15:45, Israeli troops positioned at Huwwara checkpoint arrested Malek Talal ash Sharif. <p>The Israeli army arrested two civilians in 'Urif village:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) Mahmoud Yousef Salman as Safadi; and (iii) Ra'fat Khaled Sameeh as Safadi. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Settler Violence: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 19:10, a group of Israeli settlers raided 'Einabus village and attacked a house belonging to Hamdan Mousa Hussein. Consequently, the Israeli army evacuated settlers from the area. (ii) At 07:00, a group of Israeli settlers damaged olive trees on civilian land near Huwwara checkpoint and near the junction to Burin village.
SALFIT	<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 northern entrance to Salfit city and with cement blocks the northern entrance to the Bruqin town. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the entrance to two detour roads connecting Marda village to respective farmland. (iii) Beginning on 14 November 2010, the Israeli army has continued to open the northern entrance to Salfit city to civilian buses only. The entrance had been closed for seven years. • Checkpoint: At 14:35, the Israeli army intensified restrictions and impeded civilian access at the Za'tara junction checkpoint. • Flying Checkpoint: At 16:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Bruqin town and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raid: At 10:00, the Israeli army raided and combed the northern quarter of Salfit city. At 11:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. • Settler Violence: At 09:55, a group of Israeli settlers gained access to civilian land west of Kafr ad Dik town and made a tour around olive groves until 16:00. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area north of Deir Istiya town southeast of Emmanuel settlement.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between Jericho city and Al 'Auja village with cement blocks.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Al Hamra checkpoint set up along Al Badhan road connecting Jericho and Nablus districts, only allowing access to residents of Jericho district of the Jordan Valley area. (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the junction to Al 'Auja village along Al-Mu'arrajat road connecting Jericho and Ramallah districts, only allowing access to residents of Jericho district as well as to others holding access permits. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to Jericho city and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 14:05, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near 'Ein ad Duyuk village (the northern entrance to Jericho city) and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 21:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Fasayil village and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raid:</u> At 16:00, the Israeli army raided Fasayil village and accompanied staff members of the Israeli Archaeology Department, while they were excavating land in search of archaeological artefacts. • <u>Detentions:</u> At 07:55, Israeli troops positioned at Ma'ale Efrayim checkpoint detained five Palestinian National Security officers and allowed them to cross after coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO).
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close roads to An Nu'man village, with the exception of the road leading to the Wall gate in the south-eastern area of the village. (ii) Beginning on 15 September 2007, the Israeli army has continued to prevent civilians from accessing or staying on 22 <i>dunums</i> of confiscated land in Al Mazmuriya area in Beit Sahur and Bethlehem cities. (iii) Beginning on 20 January 2011, the Israeli army has continued to close the detour road connecting Wadi Fukin and Al Jab'a villages. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the Beit Jala-Wadi Ahmad road; a road east of Beit Fajjar town; and a rural road connecting Tuqu' town to Khirbet al Baq'a village. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 09:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles underneath the overpass to Al Khadr town on the road to the western Bethlehem countryside. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 00:50, the Israeli army raided Al 'Ubeidiya town, searched a house, and served a summons on Mahir Yaseen Radaydeh to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. At 01:15, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) At 02:05, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Bethlehem city. (iii) At 04:15, the Israeli army raided Beit Sahur city, searched a house, and served a summons on Samer Abdullah Shahin to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. • <u>Demonstration/Detentions:</u> At 14:00, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in Al Ma'sara village in protest against Wall construction. Israeli troops intercepted the demonstration and prevented participants from accessing land under the threat of confiscation. Israeli troops also detained two international peace activists and released them at a later time. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues in the area northwest of Beit Jala city; around Al Walaja village; and east of Efrat settlement.
Hebron	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close Ash Shuhada' Street, As Sahleh and Khuzq al Far areas, and the old gold market in the old city of Hebron. In addition to closing the entrance to Al Qeisi neighbourhood, the Israeli army continues to close the entrances to the area of Al Hisba (the fruits and vegetables market) with an iron gate and Al Laban Market with iron plates. (ii) Beginning on 05 January 2009, the Israeli army has continued to close the area located along the Green Line south of the town of Yatta. Having seized land for Wall construction, the Israeli army evacuated residents and denied civilian access to the area. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to As Samoa' and Adh Dhahiriya towns, Al 'Arrub refugee camp, and At Tuwani and Al Karmil villages. (ii) The Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from travelling along Ash Shalala Old Street in the old city of Hebron. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close all roads leading to Road # 60 as well as detour roads along the settler bypass road leading to Yatta town. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in Al Karantina area in the old city of Hebron and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 11:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Idhna town and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 14:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the northern entrance to Hebron city (along Road # 35 near the overpass to Halhul town) and searched civilians and vehicles. (iv) At 22:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to An Nabi Yunis area on the Hebron-Bethlehem main road and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:45, the Israeli army raided the area between Idhna town and Deir Samit village and searched a house and commercial premise.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) At 13:05, the Israeli army raided Al ‘Arrub refugee camp. While patrolling the area, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during which Ibrahim Mohammed Abdul Rahman Abu Taqiyyeh sustained injuries as a result of tear gas inhalation. The Israeli army also arrested a child. (iii) At 13:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Sa’ir town. (iv) At 01:40, the Israeli army raided Suba village and searched a number of houses. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested ‘Imad Zuhdi Abdul Rahman Mahfouth, 16 years old, in Al ‘Arrub refugee camp. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area surrounding Eshkolot settlement west of Adh Dhahiriya town.
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GAZA STRIP

ALL DISTRICTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At 02:00 on 18 January 2009, the unilateral ceasefire declared by the Israeli authorities came into effect. At a later time on the same day, armed Palestinian groups announced an agreement to cease fire. The ceasefire has been further renewed on 10 April 2011. • Violations of the Ceasefire: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Israeli F16 combat aircraft fired two missiles on two sites belonging to armed Palestinian groups in Gaza district. The Israeli navy opened fire on Palestinian fishing boats at sea off the beaches of Gaza and Central Gaza districts. (ii) Armed Palestinian individuals fired two Grad missiles towards the Green Line.
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NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing was partially open to previously-coordinated critically ill civilians, foreign journalists, international organisations staff, merchants, businesspeople, and civilians intending to travel to Jordan through Al Karama (Allenby) Bridge in the West Bank. • Palestinian Attack: At 17:10, two Grad missiles were fired towards the Green Line.
GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Points: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 02 March 2011, the Crossing has been effectively closed upon an Israeli unilateral decision. (ii) Ash Shuja’iya (Nahal ‘Oz) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 04 January 2010, the Crossing has been closed upon an Israeli unilateral decision.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Air Attack:</u> At dawn on 16 April 2011, Israeli F16 combat aircraft fired two missiles on two sites belonging to armed Palestinian groups, including one in Az Zaytun neighbourhood southeast of Gaza city and the other north of Ash Shati' refugee camp in the city. • <u>Attack:</u> In the evening of 15 April 2011, the Israeli navy opened fire on Palestinian fishing boats at sea off the beach of Gaza city.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Attack:</u> In the evening of 15 April 2011, the Israeli navy opened fire on Palestinian fishing boats at sea off the beach of Deir al Balah city.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
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 (Al 'Awdah) Crossing is closed. (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed. (iv) Karm Abu Salem (Karem Shalom) Crossing was partially open for transportation of food supplies, humanitarian aid, and cooking gas.