

## مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



## PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

**DAILY SITUATION REPORT**  
**08:00 16 April 2005 – 08:00 17 April 2005**

## SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assaults	1	1	<b>2</b>	Incl. 1 pupil severely beaten in Marda
Injury	1	—	<b>1</b>	1 civilian in the village of Az Zawiya
Attacks	5	7	<b>12</b>	Incl. explosives detonated on land
Raids	19	2	<b>21</b>	Incl. 1 in Jerusalem & 10 in Tulkarem
Arrests (per person)	2	4	<b>6</b>	Incl. 1 university student and 1 child
Detentions	4	—	<b>4</b>	At checkpoints
Land Levelling	—	2	<b>2</b>	Incl. land cultivated with malt
Wall Construction	23	—	<b>23</b>	Incl. Jer., Jenin, Ram'lah, Beth., Salfit
Destruction of Property	—	1	<b>1</b>	Malt crops levelled south of Gaza
Confiscation of Property	1	—	<b>1</b>	1 school bag confiscated
Checkpoints	(All)	—	<b>(All)</b>	
Flying Checkpoints	12	—	<b>12</b>	Incl. 5 in Tulkarem & 3 in Hebron
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
Medical Obstruction	1	—	<b>1</b>	1 medical centre raided
School Disruption	1	—	<b>1</b>	Students and teachers delayed
Settler Violence	1	—	<b>1</b>	1 horse stolen in the district of Jericho
Provocation of Pal. Forces	2	—	<b>2</b>	Incl. 1 Police patrol searched
Pal. Security Measures	1	—	<b>1</b>	1 female Israeli citizen handed over
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>97</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 was resumed 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 area of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina.</li> <li><b>Raid:</b> At 00:10, Israeli army infantry forces raided Qalandiya refugee camp, after closing roads leading to the camp, searched several houses, examined civilians' IDs, and withdrew from the area at 01:30.</li> </ul>
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Wall Construction:</b> Wall construction was resumed in Budrus, Midya, Ni'lin, Deir Qaddis, Bil'in, Saffa, Beit Liqya, and Beituniya.</li> <li><b>Raid/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:</b> At 10:20, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the village of Kafr 'Ein and raided 1 Palestinian National Security location.</li> </ul>
JENIN	<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 was resumed in Jalbun towards Al Mutilla, Raba, Al Mughayyir, Bardala and 'Ein al Beida, and towards the Jordan River.</li> <li><b>Attack:</b> The Israeli army opened fire from its locations in the areas surrounding the settlements of Ganim and Kadim towards civilian houses in the eastern neighbourhood of the city of Jenin.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Raids/Medical Obstruction:</u></b></li> <li>(i) The Israeli army raided the town of Silat adh Dhahr, raided 1 medical centre, after forcing a doctor to cease treatment of an ill civilian, and closed the centre.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Tubas.</li> </ul>
<b>TULKAREM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Checkpoints:</u></b> At 12:30, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Al Kafriyyat checkpoint and prevented civilians from crossing in both directions until 14:00.</li> <li>• <b><u>Flying Checkpoints:</u></b></li> <li>(i) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Far'un. At 02:00, the Israeli army set up another flying checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>(ii) At 11:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the town of 'Illar and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>(iii) At 15:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Al Jarushiya, searched civilian vehicles, and obstructed civilian movement.</li> <li>• <b><u>Wall Gates:</u></b> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> <li>• <b><u>Raids:</u></b></li> <li>(i) At 14:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Baqa ash Sharqiya and arrested 2 civilians (brothers), including 1 university student. At 23:10, the Israeli army raided the town again and patrolled the area.</li> <li>(ii) At 14:45, and again at 19:10, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided Area (B) in Dahiyat Shuweika in the city of Tulkarem and patrolled the area.</li> <li>(iii) At 16:20, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the town of Deir al Ghusun and patrolled the area until 18:00.</li> <li>(iv) At 17:00, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the village of Izbat Nasser and searched 1 house. The Israeli army also set up a checkpoint at the entrance to the village and searched civilians and vehicles until 18:00.</li> <li>(v) At 24:00, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided Area (A) in the city of Tulkarem, Dahiyat Shuweika, and the town of 'Attil, searched 1 house in the town of 'Attil, and withdrew at 05:00.</li> <li>(vi) At 01:00, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided Area (A) in the town of 'Illar and patrolled the area until 01:15.</li> <li>(vii) At 01:30, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the town of Qaffin. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians.</li> <li>• <b><u>Arrests:</u></b> The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the town of Baqa ash Sharqiya: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Ayman Majed As Sa'ed; and</li> <li>(ii) Nael Majed As Sa'ed.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Palestinian Security Measures:</u></b> At 13:30, Palestinian security forces found Natali Olga, a female Israeli citizen, in the city of Tulkarem and handed her over to the Israeli army (through the DCO).</li> </ul>
<b>QALQILYA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Wall Gates/School Disruption:</u></b> <ul 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> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Flying Checkpoints:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 12:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the eastern entrance to the city of Qalqiliya and searched civilians and vehicles until 17:00.</li> <li>(ii) At 13:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint between the towns of ‘Azzun and Kafr Thulth and searched civilians and vehicles until 17:00.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>NABLUS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Raid:</u></b> At 02:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled ‘Askar refugee camp.</li> </ul>
<b>SALFIT</b>	<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 was resumed in the town of Deir Ballut and the village of Az Zawiya near the Green Line.</li> <li>• <b><u>Attack:</u></b> At 13:35, the Israeli army opened fire towards Mohammed Shuqeir while he was working on his land in the village of Az Zawiya, injuring him by bullet wounds to the left thigh, after which he was transported to Rafidia Hospital in the city of Nablus.</li> <li>• <b><u>Raid/Physical Assault/Confiscation of Property:</u></b> At 14:45, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the village of Marda. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. The Israeli army also confiscated 13-year-old Yousef Tawfiq Abdul Fattah’s school bag, after severely beating him.</li> </ul>
<b>JERICHO</b>	<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>Flying Checkpoint:</u></b> At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint along Road # 90 near the settlement of Niran, searched civilian vehicles, and prevented civilians not holding Jericho IDs from crossing.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Settler Violence:</b> At 22:30, an Israeli settler by the name of 'Omri stole 1 horse belonging to Mahmoud Ka'abneh, in the area between the villages of Al 'Auja and Ad Duyok.</li> </ul>
<b>BETHLEHEM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</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>Wall Construction:</b> Construction of the Wall was resumed 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>Raid:</b> At 16:10, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Al Khadr, set up a checkpoint in the area of Al Balou', searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area.</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 H2 section of 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 was resumed 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>Flying Checkpoints/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 11:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Imreish south of the town of Dura and detained and searched 1 Palestinian Police vehicle that was transporting Palestinian detainees to Adh Dhahiriya Prison.</li> <li>(ii) At 15:00, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints at the entrances to the village of Ar Rihya and the town of Yatta and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Raids:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 23:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron and patrolled several neighbourhoods.</li> <li>(ii) At 08:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Sa'ir, opened fire, and fired sound grenades.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

### GAZA STRIP

<b>NORTHERN GAZA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Arrests:</b> The 5 civilians reported to have been arrested by the Israeli army yesterday west of the town of Beit Lahiya were identified as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Ra'fat Saber Sa'd, 12 years old;</li> <li>(ii) Majed Jameel Sa'd;</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(iii) Mahmoud Mohammed Sa'd;</li> <li>(iv) Abdullah 'Assaf; and</li> <li>(v) Ahmed Rihan.</li> </ul>
<b>GAZA</b>	<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>Raids/Land Levelling/Destruction of Property:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 12:30, an Israeli army bulldozer raided Palestinian territory south of the settlement of Nitsareem south of Gaza city and levelled land cultivated with malt crops.</li> <li>(ii) At 17:35, an Israeli army bulldozer raided Palestinian territory near Az Zahra' city towers south of Gaza city and levelled land.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>CENTRAL GAZA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Attack:</b> At 21:20, the Israeli army fired flares from its location in the area surrounding the settlement of Kfar Darom towards Palestinian territory near the settlement.</li> </ul>
<b>KHAN YUNIS</b>	<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>Attacks:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 12:30, the Israeli army opened fire from its location at Point 8 towards Palestinian territory in Al Amal neighbourhood, claiming that a number of children approached the security line.</li> <li>(ii) At 17:50, the Israeli army opened fire from its location at Point 10 towards Palestinian territory in West Khan Yunis refugee camp.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Arrests:</b> At 16:55, the Israeli army arrested 4 unidentified civilians near Point 145 on the Green Line east of the area of Al Qarara, claiming that they attempted to infiltrate into areas inside the Green Line.</li> </ul>
<b>RAFAH</b>	<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. At 11:20, the Israeli army restarted operation of a radioactive device to search civilians at Rafah Crossing. As a result, Palestinian security forces closed the crossing for 1 hour in</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<p>protest against the use of the device as it poses a serious health risk to Palestinian civilians.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Physical Assault:</b> At 18:00, Israeli troops positioned at Rafah Crossing severely beat Abed Rabbu Amin Kassab, after which he was transported to hospital for injuries sustained.</li> <li>• <b>Attacks:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 15:30, the Israeli army opened fire from its location in Tall Zu'rub military post towards Palestinian territory in Tall as Sultan neighbourhood.</li> <li>(ii) At 16:50, 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.</li> <li>(iii) At 00:30, the Israeli army opened fire from its location at Point 10 along the Egyptian border towards Palestinian territory in the area surrounding the square of Zu'rub neighbourhood in Rafah refugee camp.</li> <li>(iv) At 00:50, the Israeli army detonated explosives on land near Point 8.5 along the Egyptian border opposite the neighbourhood of Yabna in Rafah refugee camp, claiming to be searching for tunnels.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
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## GENERAL

<b>POLITICAL PRISONERS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Solitary Confinement:</b> Israeli authorities renewed the solitary confinement of Ahmed al Mughrabi and Abdullah al Barghouthi in Eishel Isolation Section in Bir as Sabe' Prison for another 6 months.</li> </ul>
<b>WORK PERMITS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>West Bank:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Israeli authorities renewed 11,574 work permits to cross the Green Line. The total number of those allowed to cross is unknown.</li> <li>(ii) Israeli authorities restricted the issuing of work permits to civilians who are married with children and over the age of 30.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Gaza Strip:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Israeli authorities renewed 808 work permits for workers to enter the Industrial Zones. However, only 652 workers (approximately 81% of those possessing work permits) were allowed access to the Industrial Zones.</li> <li>(ii) Israeli authorities renewed 5,143 work permits for workers in the construction and agriculture sectors to cross the Green Line. However, only 4,630 workers (approximately 90% of those possessing work permits) were allowed access into the Green Line.</li> <li>(iii) Israeli authorities issued permits for 170 workers to stay overnight inside the Green Line.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>