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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT 08:00, 17 April 2010 – 08:00, 18 April 2010

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Arrests (per person)	5		5	Incl. 2 in Nablus & 1 in Bethlehem
Detentions	12	_	12	Incl. 10 international peace activists
Raids	23	1	24	Incl. 1 in Gaza & 1 in Jenin
Checkpoints	10	_	10	Access impeded at 7 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	20	_	20	Incl. 2 in Jericho & 1 in Salfit
Attacks	1	1	2	1 in a raid & 1 in confrontations
Air Patrol	_	1	1	By reconnaissance above Gaza district
Provocation of Pal. Forces	3	_	3	Incl. position troops at police entrance
Destruction of Property	1	_	1	Settlers damaging construction material
Wall Construction	_	_	_	Suspended for the weekend
Closure (per District)	7	_	7	Incl. Jerusalem city & areas in Hebron city
Closure of Main Roads	40	_	40	Incl. 3 in Salfit & 1 in Jericho
Closure of Crossing Points	_	7	7	All closed.
Settler Violence	2	_	2	Incl. stone civilian houses in Burin village
Demonstrations	3	_	3	In solidarity & for the release of prisoners
TOTAL	127	10	137	

ALL DISTRICTS

• At 24:00, the Israeli army imposed full closure on West Bank districts on the so-called "Memorial Day," and prevented civilians and workers from entering the city of Jerusalem or crossing the Green Line, with the exception of previously coordinated humanitarian cases. The closure will continue until 24:00 on 20 April 2010.

DISTRICT	EVENTS
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WEST BANK

• Closure:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at checkpoints set up at entrances to the city of Jerusalem and Al Aqsa Mosque.
- (ii) On 05 January 2009, the Israeli army issued military order # S/02/09 closing the seam line area, an extension of the Wall.
- (iii) The Israeli army continues to impose a blockade and deny civilian access to a hill located in an area between the villages of Biddu and Beit Iksa.

• Closure of Main Roads:

- (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 in Jerusalem city from the town of Ar Ram.

• Checkpoints:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to consider Qalandiya checkpoint a "border crossing point" and only allows holders of Jerusalem IDs to access the city of Jerusalem.
- (ii) As of 11 April 2010, the Israeli army continues to close the checkpoint set up near the entrance to Shu'fat refugee camp in the city of Jerusalem and prevent daily civilian traffic access from 23:00 until 05:00. The closure of the checkpoint will continue for a week and half under the pretext of maintenance and setting up an infrastructure between the checkpoint and the road leading to Shu'fat refugee camp.

• Wall Gates:

- (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 al-Shayyah road in the area between the villages of al-Sawahira al-Sharqiya and al-Sawahira al-Gharbiya, only allowing civilians

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	holding Jerusalem IDs to cross, after subjecting them to thorough searches using electronic devices. • Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the area of al-'Eizariya to al-Shayyah, from Beit Surik village to Biddu, in the areas of al-Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina, west of al-Jib village, in the vicinity of the village of Qatanna, south of Beit Hanina village, and in the area surrounding the checkpoint set up at the entrance to Shu'fat
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to Sinjil village, Safa village and the junction to the villages of Kafr Malik – Ein Samiya. On 15 March 2010, the Israeli army issued military order declaring the area located between civilian houses and the Wall in the town of Ni'lin and the village of Bil'in as closed military zones from 08:00 until 20:00 every Friday and for a period of 6 months. Civilian access is denied during the mentioned period without a special permit in order to prevent the weekly demonstrations against the Wall. Raids: At 01:10, the Israeli army raided the city of Ramallah and positioned troops at the entrance to the civil police headquarters. The Israeli army patrolled the area and withdrew at 04:00. At 02:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of El Bireh. Demonstration: At 11:00, a mass demonstration marking the Palestinian Prisoners' Day took place in the city of Ramallah in solidarity with political prisoners in Israeli jails and demanding their release. Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend west of the towns and villages of 'Abud and Bil'in, and in the areas of al-Midya to Ni'lin and Ni'lin to Deir Qaddis.
JENIN	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to 'Arraba town, east of the settlement of Dotan. Raid: At 01:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Deir Abu Da'if, searched a number of houses under construction and agricultural greenhouses and withdrew at 04:00. Provocation of Palestinian Forces: On 15 April 2010, the Israeli army at the Wall gate # (356) leading to the village of Barta'a Ash Sharqiya impeded the access of Civil Defense vehicles travelling to the town to extinguish fire that erupted in supply warehouses in the village. As a result, their arrival was delayed and losses resulting from the fire increased. 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.

TOUBAS	• <u>Checkpoint</u> : The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint, east of the city of Tubas, allowing civilian access from 06:00 to 22:00.
TULKAREM	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road between the town of Kafr Al Labad and the village of Shofeh and the road between the villages of Shofeh and Izbat Shofeh. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Einav checkpoint that is set up on Tulkarm-Nablus main road. Raids: At 23:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Attil and patrolled the area. At 01:55, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Nablus and Nur Shams refugee camp in the city. 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.
QALQILYA	 Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun. Flving Checkpoints: At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Azzun. Again at 19:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles. At 12:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the village of An Nabi Elias and searched civilians and vehicles. At 12:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the city of Qalqiliya. Again at 17:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles. At 15:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Izbat At Tabib. Again at 20:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles. At 22:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of Jit and searched civilians and vehicles. At 01:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Habla tunnel (the southern entrance to Qalqiliya city) and searched civilians and vehicles. Raid: At 17:40, the Israeli army raided the town of Jayyus, set up a flying checkpoint in the middle of the town and patrolled the area. Demonstration: At 10:10, a children's demonstration marking the Palestinian Prisoners' Day took place in Qalqiliya city in solidarity with political prisoners in Israeli jails and demanding their release. Wall Gates: 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: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend south

	the villages of Ras Tira, Magharet Ad Dab'a and Wadi Ar Rasha, located
	south of Qalqiliya city.
	• Closure of Main Roads:
	 (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the roads of Tel-Burin, Beit Furik-Salem, and the eastern entrance to the village of Al Lubban Ash Sharqiya; and with dirt barricades the southern entrance to the village of Duma, the eastern entrance to the village of Al Lubban Ash Sharqiya, the western entrances to the town of Aqraba and the village of Majdal Bani Fadil, the northern entrance to the town of Qabalan, as well as the settler bypass road connecting the village of Deir al-Hatab to Alon Moreh settlement. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close by an iron gate the western entrance
	to An Naqura village, opposite Shavi Shomron settlement. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the southern entrance to the village of Qaryut and the road connecting the town of
	Aqraba to the village of Osarin.
	• Checkpoints:
	(i) At Tur neighborhood checkpoint (set up on Jerzim Mount) is closed on Fridays and Saturdays as well as during Jewish holidays. On other days, it is open for civilian residents of the neighborhood only from 07:00 until 02:00.
	(ii) Awarta commercial checkpoint is open for civilians from 05:00 until 20:00 and on Friday from 05:00 until 15:00.
NABLUS	(iii) At 09:30, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Huwwara checkpoint and impeded civilian access.
	• Flying Checkpoints:
	(i) At 11:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the town of Beit Iba (the western entrance to the city of Nablus) and searched civilians and vehicles.
	(ii) At 11:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the junction leading to the village of Deir Sharaf (on Nablus – Tulkarm main road) and searched civilians and vehicles until 14:00.
	(iii) At 12:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the city of Nablus and the town of Asira Ash Shamaliya and searched civilians and vehicles until 12:45.
	• Raids:
	(i) At dawn on 17 April 2010, the Israeli army raided the village of Salem and arrested a civilian.
	(ii) At 12:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Asira Ash Shamaliya.
	(iii) At 01:55, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Nablus and Askar refugee camp in the city.
	(iv) At 02:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Huwwara, searched a house and arrested a civilian.
	Arrests:
	(i) The Israeli army arrested in Salem village Suhayb Hasan Issa.

	 (ii) The Israeli army arrested in the town of Huwwara the civilian Shadi Jihad Mufaddi Huwwari. Settler Violence: At 09:55, a group of armed Israeli settlers from the settlement of Bracha entered a house under construction on the edges of Burin village, caused damages to construction material and pelted civilian houses with stones. Consequently, the Israeli army intervened and evacuated the settlers from the area. At 02:40, a group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of Yitzhar pelted stones towards civilian houses in the village of Burin. Demonstration: At 13:15, a mass demonstration with the participation of international activists set about in the village of Iraq Burin in protest at settler attacks and the confiscation of their land for establishing settlement projects. Consequently, the Israeli army obstructed the demonstration and fired stun grenades and tear gas bombs towards the demonstrators.
SALFIT	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the northern entrance to the city of Salfit, and continues to close with cement blocks and iron gates the northern entrance to the town of Bruqin and the western entrance to the town of Kafr Ad Dik. Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Za'tara checkpoint and impede civilian access. Flying Checkpoint: At 11:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Yasuf and searched civilians and vehicles until 12:30. Raid: At 24:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Iskaka and served summon to the civilian Osamah Saqer Hamdan (Tawjihi student) to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. Detentions: At 10:00, the Israeli army near the settlement of Badu'il detained 4 civilians, including a child, from the village of Rafat while on their agricultural land near the settlement. The Israeli army released them at 14:00. Wall Construction: 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 Hares north of the settlement of Ariel.
JERICHO	 Closure: The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between the city of Jericho and the village of al-'Auja with cement blocks. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at al-Hamra checkpoint and allow civilian access from 06:00 until 22:00. The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions on the checkpoint set up on al-'Auja village junction and allow access only to civilians holding Jericho and Jordan Valley IDs and those possessing permits. Flying Checkpoint: At 09:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the junction leading to Road # 90 in the middle of Al Auja village.

	Again at 14:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles.
BETHLEHEM	 Closure: 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. The Israeli army continues to prevent civilian access to an area that is located in the cities of Beit Sahur and Bethlehem. Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the roads of Beit Jala-Wadi Ahmad, the sideway east of Beit Fajjar town and the agricultural road that is located between the town of Taqu'a and the village of Khirbet Al Baq'a. Raids: At 10:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Beit Jala. At 10:20, the Israeli army raided the debris of the previously evacuated military camp of Osh Grab and patrolled the area until 12:10. At 22:50, the Israeli army raided the city of Bethlehem and Al Aza and Ayda refugee camps in the city. The Israeli army arrested a civilian in the city, served summons to 6 civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency and withdrew at 03:00. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested in the city of Bethlehem the civilian Mahmoud Khalil Mahmoud Azziyeh. Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the area northwest of the town of al-Khadr and Beit Jala city; in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of Ephrata settlement; and in the area surrounding al-Walaja village.
HEBRON	 Closure: The Israeli army continues to close the following locales in the old city of Hebron: al-Shuhada' Street and the area of al-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 al-Sahleh. The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to al Laban Market by iron boards. 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 in the area. The Israeli army continues to close the area located near the Green Line, south of Yatta town, evacuating the area of those inside it and denying them access to it. Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the following locales: the entrance to the town of al-Samoa'; the area of al-Hawawir

- leading to the town of Halhoul; the road connecting the town of Surif to the village of al-Jab'a; and the eastern entrance to the village of Kharsa; the entrance to al-Qeisi neighborhood in the old city of Hebron; the main entrance to al-'Arrub refugee camp; the village of At Tuwani as well as the entrance to the town of Adh Dhahiriya.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from traveling 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 road between the villages of Al Karmil and At Tuwani and all roads leading to bypass Road # 60.

• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 14:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Fawwar junction and searched civilians and vehicles until 15:00.
- (ii) At 16:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of Ar Ramadin and searched civilians and vehicles until 17:00.

• Raids:

- (i) At 10:50, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron. Again at 18:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city.
- (ii) At 11:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Al Arrub refugee camp.
- (iii) At 00:15, the Israeli army raided the town of Idhna, positioned troops near the town's police station, searched 2 houses, served summons to 2 civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency and withdrew at 02:00.
- (iv) At 00:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Beit Amra, searched 3 houses and arrested 2 civilians
- <u>Arrests</u>: The Israeli army arrested in the village of Beit Amra the civilians Saif Ad Din Al Harwash and Khalil Muhammad Al Haddar.
- <u>Detentions</u>: On 17 April 2010, the Israeli army detained 10 international peace activists while travelling to the village of At Tawani to prevent them from accompanying farmers to enable them to gain access and cultivate their land. The land is located near the settlement of Ma'un.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the section of Tarqumiya checkpoint terminal, in the periphery of Eshkolot settlement southwest of Adh Dhahiriya town and between southwest of Arab Ar Ramadin village and the village of Imneizil.

GAZA STRIP

ALL DISTRICTS

- At 02:00 on 18 January 2009, the Israeli army declared a unilateral ceasefire. In the meantime, armed Palestinian groups declared a one-week-long ceasefire. Meanwhile, the ceasefire was extended until 05 February 2009. The ceasefire is holding despite the end of the specified period.
- The Israeli army violated the ceasefire by raiding Palestinian territory and opening fire in Gaza district.

NORTHERN GAZA	Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is closed.
GAZA	 Closure of Crossing Points: Al-Muntar (Karni) Crossing is closed. Al-Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing for fuel transport is closed since 04 January 2010 by an Israeli unilateral decision. Raid: At dawn on 18 April 2010, the Israeli army, including a number of armored vehicles covered by reconnaissance aircrafts, raided Palestinian territory east of Johor Ad Dik area and clashed with armed Palestinian individuals.
CENTRAL GAZA	Activities not reported.
KHAN YOUNIS	Activities not reported.
RAFAH	 Closure of Crossing Points: (All Closed) (i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah (Al Awdah) Crossing is closed. (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed. (iv) Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed.