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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT
08:00, 18 April 2010 – 08:00, 19 April 2010

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assault	1	—	1	Incl. an American activist attacked by army
Arrests (per person)	9	—	9	Incl. 5 in Jerusalem & 1 in Tulkarm
Detentions	15	—	15	At checkpoints & in residential locales
Raids	9	3	12	Incl. 2 in Ramallah & 1 in Jerusalem
Checkpoints	9	—	9	Access impeded at 5 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	20	—	20	Incl. 3 in Jerusalem & 1 in Jenin
Attacks	1	4	5	Incl. 3 in raids & 1 by navy boats
Air Patrol	—	5	5	By reconnaissance, helicopters & F-16s
Provocation of Pal. Forces	2	—	2	Incl. detain police vehicle in Ramallah
House Demolition	*	—	—	Notices to demolish 4 houses in Halhul
Attack on Property	3	—	3	Detain civilian vehicles in Nablus dis.
Destruction of Property	—	1	1	Leveling plants in Gaza district
Land Leveling	—	2	2	Agricultural land in N. Gaza & Gaza dis
Wall Construction	22	—	22	Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Heb., Beth.
Closure (per District)	7	—	7	Incl. Jerusalem city & areas in Hebron city
Closure of Main Roads	40	—	40	Incl. 3 in Ramallah & 2 in Jerusalem
Closure of Crossing Points	—	5	5	Partial opening of 2 crossings
Settler Violence	1	—	1	Pelting stones towards school girls in Qalq.
Demonstrations	6	—	6	In solidarity with prisoners & against Wall
TOTAL	145	20	165	

ALL DISTRICTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> At 24:00, the Israeli army imposed full closure on West Bank districts marking the so-called “Independence 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.
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DISTRICT	EVENTS
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WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Closure: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at checkpoints set up at entrances to the city of Jerusalem and Al Aqsa Mosque. On 05 January 2009, the Israeli army issued military order # S/02/09 closing the seam line area, an extension of the Wall. 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 Ikka. Closure of Main Roads: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and dirt barricades the entrance to the village of Jaba’. 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: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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. 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. Flying Checkpoint: At 15:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Bir Nabala and searched civilians and vehicles. Raid: On 18 April 2010, the Israeli army raided the town of Anata and arrested a civilian. Arrests: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> On 18 April 2010, the Israeli army arrested 4 civilians in
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	<p>Ath Thawri neighborhood in the city of Jerusalem. They are: Tamer Nayef Talab Jwaihan; Muhammad Ayyub Ash Shwaiki; Muhammad At Taweel; and Awad As Skafi.</p> <p>(ii) The Israeli army arrested in the town of Anata the civilian Thaer Sulaiman Sindawi.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Wall Gates:</u> <p>(i) The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks.</p> <p>(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 holding Jerusalem IDs to cross, after subjecting them to thorough searches using electronic devices.</p> • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues 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 refugee camp.
<p style="text-align: center;">RAMALLAH & EL BIREH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <p>(i) The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to Sinjil village, Safa village and the junction to the villages of Kafr Malik – Ein Samiya.</p> <p>(ii) 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.</p> • <u>Raids:</u> <p>(i) At 12:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Deir Al Ghusun.</p> <p>(ii) At 12:45, the Israeli army raided the industrial area in El Bireh city and served summons to a number of civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency.</p> • <u>Provocation of Palestinian Forces:</u> At 14:00, Israeli troops positioned at “Al Mahkama” checkpoint near the settlement of Beit El detained a civil police vehicle (despite a prior coordination for its passage) and allowed it to pass at a later time following DCO intervention. • <u>Detention:</u> At 12:20, Israeli troops positioned “Al Mahkama” checkpoint near the settlement of Beit El detained a civilian bus travelling to the city of Ramallah (despite a prior coordination for its passage) and allowed it to pass at a later time following DCO intervention. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues 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.

<p style="text-align: center;">JENIN</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to ‘Arraba town, east of the settlement of Dotan. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 15:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the entrance to the town of Ya’bad and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Demonstration:</u> At 12:00, a demonstration marking the Palestinian Prisoners’ Day took place opposite the ICRC in Jenin city in solidarity with political prisoners in Israeli jails and demanding their release. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> 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.
<p style="text-align: center;">TOUBAS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <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. • <u>Demonstration:</u> At 10:30, a mass demonstration marking the Palestinian Prisoners’ Day took place in the city of Tubas in solidarity with political prisoners in Israeli jails and demanding their release.
<p style="text-align: center;">TULKAREM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> 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. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Einav checkpoint that is set up on Tulkarm-Nablus main road. • <u>Arrest:</u> At 01:55 on 18 April 2010, the Israeli army arrested during a raid on Nur Shams refugee camp in the city of Tulkarm, as mentioned in the previous report, the civilian Muhammad Shilbayeh. • <u>Demonstration:</u> At 11:30, a sit in demonstration by children marking the Palestinian Prisoners’ Day took place opposite the ICRC in the city of Tulkarm in solidarity with political prisoners in Israeli jails and demanding their release. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> 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.
<p style="text-align: center;">QALQILYA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Roads:</u> The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the agricultural roads east of the town of ‘Azzun. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Azzun. Again at 20:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 09:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Izbat At Tabib, detained the civilian Mahmoud Hamed Nazzal and released him at a later time. (iii) At 13:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the village of Izbat At Tabib (on Qalqiliya – Nablus main road) and searched civilians and vehicles.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (iv) At 17:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of Jit and searched civilians and vehicles. (v) At 18:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the city of Qalqiliya and searched civilians and vehicles. (vi) At 19:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Immatin and searched civilians and vehicles. (vii) At 21:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the town of Azzun and the village of Asla. (viii) At 22:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of An Nabi Elias. • <u>Raid:</u> At 18:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of An Nabi Elias. • <u>Settler Violence:</u> At 13:15, a group of Israeli settlers near the junction leading to the village of Kafr Laqif pelted stones towards a number of school girls returning to their homes. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal detector. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues south of the town of Jayyus as well as near the settlement of Alfeh Minesheh in the villages of Ras Tira, Magharet Ad Dab'a and Wadi Ar Rasha, located south of Qalqiliya city.
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 17:40, 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.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raid: At 12:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Huwwara, detained a number of vehicles after taking them to Huwwara military camp, detained the civilian Muhammad Mahmoud Kayed Sammour and released him at a later time and withdrew at 16:00. • Arrest: At 01:55 on 18 April 2010, the Israeli army arrested during a raid on Askar refugee camp in the city of Nablus, as mentioned in the previous report, the civilian Husam Abdulwahhab Rifa'i Madani.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. • Raid: At 10:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Kifl Hares town. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues 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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between the city of Jericho and the village of al-'Auja with cement blocks. • Checkpoints: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at al-Hamra checkpoint and allow civilian access from 06:00 until 22:00. (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions on the checkpoint set up on the junction to the village of al-'Auja and allow access only to civilians holding Jericho and Jordan Valley IDs and those possessing permits. • Flying Checkpoints: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the junction leading to Road # 90 in the middle of Al Auja village. (ii) At 13:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the junction leading to the settlement of Vered Yerihu and searched civilians and vehicles until 14:00. (iii) At 00:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to the city of Jericho. • Demonstration: At 10:00, a mass sit in demonstration marking the Palestinian Prisoners' Day took place opposite the ICRC in the city of Jericho in solidarity with political prisoners in Israeli jails and demanding their release.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) 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. (ii) The Israeli army continues to prevent civilian access to an area that is located in the cities of Beit Sahur and Bethlehem.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> 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. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 18:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the debris of the previously evacuated military camp of Osh Grab. (ii) At 18:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Husan and patrolled the area. • <u>Attack:</u> At 23:35, the Israeli army in the periphery of Bilal Bin Rabah (Al Qubba) mosque that is located north of Bethlehem city opened fire indiscriminately towards a number of civilians near Ayda refugee camp in the city of Bethlehem. • <u>Arrest:</u> At 16:40, the Israeli army arrested inside the settlement of Tik'wa' the civilian Naser Mousa Ali Ebayyat under the pretext of not possessing an entry permit. • <u>Demonstrations:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:35, a mass demonstration with the participation of international peace activists set about in the city of Beit Jala in protest at leveling civilian land to complete Wall construction. The Israeli army obstructed the demonstration, closed the road leading to the area of the leveling with barbed wire and beat a number of demonstrators causing contusions to an American woman activist. (ii) At 19:30, a mass demonstration marking the Palestinian Prisoners' Day set about and lit candles in the city of Bethlehem in solidarity with political prisoners in Israeli jails and demanding their release. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues 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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) 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. (ii) 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:**

- (i) 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 10:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Bani Na'im and searched civilians and vehicles until 11:30.
- (ii) At 11:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of Zif and arrested a civilian.
- (iii) At 21:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the old city of Hebron.

- **Raid:** At 11:00, the Israeli army raided the area of Ar Ramous in the town of Halhul and served notices for demolishing 4 houses under the pretext of not having a construction license.

- **Arrest:** The Israeli army arrested on the junction leading to the village of Zif the civilian Adel Ahmed Abdelqader Abu Ali.

- **Provocation of Palestinian Forces:** At 00:15 on 18 April 2010, the Israeli army during a raid on the town of Idhna, as mentioned in the previous report, served summon to Custom Police officer Luay Abdulhameed Ahmed Tumaizi to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency in the settlement of Kfar Etzion on 21 April 2010.

- **Wall Construction:** Wall construction continues 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

<p style="text-align: center;">ALL DISTRICTS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 intensively in Northern Gaza and Gaza districts. Israeli navy boats also opened fire intensively towards Palestinian fishing boats at sea opposite As Sudaniya area beach west of Beit Lahiya town in Northern Gaza district.
<p style="text-align: center;">NORTHERN GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open for previously coordinated humanitarian cases and foreign nationals. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At dawn on 18 April 2010, the Israeli army, including a number of armored vehicles and 2 bulldozers covered by reconnaissance aircrafts, raided 200 meters inside east of Ash Shuhada cemetery that is located east of Jabalya town, opened fire intensively towards civilian agricultural land and houses and leveled areas of agricultural land. (ii) At 01:10, the Israeli army, including a number of armored vehicles covered by reconnaissance aircrafts and helicopter gunships, raided Palestinian territory northwest of Beit Lahiya town and opened fire intensively towards civilian agricultural land and houses. • Attack: In the evening of 17 April 2010, Israeli navy boats opened fire intensively towards Palestinian fishing boats at sea opposite As Sudaniya area beach west of Beit Lahiya town.
<p style="text-align: center;">GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Points: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Al-Muntar (Karni) Crossing is closed. (i) Al-Shuja'iyah (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing for fuel transport is closed since 04 January 2010 by an Israeli unilateral decision. • Raid: In the morning of 18 April 2010, the Israeli army, including a number of armored vehicles and bulldozers covered by reconnaissance aircrafts, raided 200 meters inside east of Al-Shuja'iyah neighborhood that is located east of Gaza city, opened fire intensively towards civilian agricultural land and houses and leveled areas of agricultural land. • Air Patrol: At 11:45, Israeli F-16 warplanes overflew Gaza city, conducted mock air raids and broke the sound barrier.

CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
KHAN YOUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Points: <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 Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is partially open for the transport of food, humanitarian assistance, a quantity of industrial diesel for the electricity plant, cooking gas, and for the export of 2 truckloads of flower.

GENERAL

POLITICAL PRISONERS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prison Sentence: The Israeli military court at Ofer Military Camp sentenced political prisoner Salem Hamad Ebayyat from the city of Bethlehem to 10 years in prison and 5 years with stay of execution.
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