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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT
 08:00, 20 April 2010 – 08:00, 21 April 2010

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injury	—	1	1	Fisherman at sea opposite Rafah city beach
Physical Assaults	4	—	4	Incl. beat workers at Al Hamra checkpoint
Arrests (per person)	1	—	1	A civilian in Silwan neighborhood
Detentions	11	—	11	At checkpoints & in residential locales
Raids	7	—	7	Incl. 2 in Hebron & 1 in Nablus
Checkpoints	9	—	9	Access impeded at 5 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	22	—	22	Incl. 1 in Nablus & 1 in Bethlehem
Attacks	2	9	11	Incl. 7 by mil. posts & 1 by helicopters
Air Patrols	—	2	2	For helicopters above Central Gaza
Destruction of Property	1	—	1	Uprooting olive trees in Qaryut village
Wall Construction	—	—	—	Suspended
Closure (per District)	7	—	7	Incl. Jerusalem city & areas in Hebron city
Closure of Main Roads	40	—	40	Incl. 1 in Qalqiliya & 1 in Jericho
Closure of Crossing Points	—	6	6	Partial opening of 1 crossing only
Settler Violence	8	—	8	Incl. entering Silwan neighborhood
Demonstrations	1	1	2	Incl. in Tulkarm in solidarity with prisoners
TOTAL	113	19	132	

ALL DISTRICTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As of 24:00 on 17 April 2010, 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 was lifted at 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"> <u>Closure:</u> <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. <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <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. <u>Checkpoints:</u> <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. <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> At 15:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Qalandiya refugee camp and searched civilians and vehicles. 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. <u>Settler Violence:</u> At 21:00, a group of Israeli settlers entered the area of
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	<p>Ein Al Lawza in Silwan neighborhood in the city of Jerusalem. Consequently, the Israeli army intervened and arrested a civilian while civilians were attempting to confront the settler attack.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Arrest:</u> The Israeli army arrested in the area of Ein Al Lawza in Silwan neighborhood in the city of Jerusalem the civilian Muntaser Badran. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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 holding Jerusalem IDs to cross, after subjecting them to thorough searches using electronic devices. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction was suspended 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> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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. (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. • <u>Attack:</u> At 21:30, Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint set up near Ofer Military Camp fired light flares in the sky above neighborhoods around the checkpoint under the pretext of throwing stones. • <u>Settler Violence:</u> At 20:30, an armed Israeli settler driving his vehicle on the bypass road near the village of Ras Karkar stopped a Palestinian ambulance and pulled his weapon towards its medics after closing the road. Consequently, the Israeli army intervened and evacuated the settler from the area. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction was suspended 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>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.

TOUBAS	<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.
TULKAREM	<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>Demonstration:</u> At 10:00, a mass sit in demonstration marking the Palestinian Prisoners' Day took place opposite the ICRC in Tulkarm 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.
QALQILYA	<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 09:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the junction leading to the settlement of Qadumim on Qalqiliya – Nablus main road and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 09:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Izbat At Tabib. Again at 20:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint. (iii) At 13:15, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints at the entrances to the villages of Immatin and An Nabi Elias and searched civilians and vehicles. (iv) At 13:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Azzun. Again at 18:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint. Again at 07:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles. (v) At 07:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the town of Azzun and the village of Izbat At Tabib. • <u>Raids:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 14:05, the Israeli army raided the village of Ras Atiya, set up a flying checkpoint at its entrance and patrolled the area. (ii) At 16:35, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of An Nabi Elias. (iii) At 24:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Habla. • <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 was suspended 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 12:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the junction leading to the village of Deir Sharaf and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raid:</u> At 14:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Asira Ash Shamaliya. • <u>Settler Violence:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) In the morning of 20 April 2010, a group of Israeli settlers in the village of Qaryut uprooted tens of olive seedlings from a land belonging to the civilian Yunis Hilal Azem. (ii) At 14:00, a group of armed Israeli settlers entered the village of Talfit on feet and left the village at a later time. (iii) At 21:40, a group of Israeli settlers entered the village of Burin and pelted stones towards civilian vehicles. Consequently, the Israeli army intervened and evacuated the settlers from the area.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> 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. • <u>Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Za'tara checkpoint and impede civilian access. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 19:30, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints at the entrances to the towns of Kifl Hares and Deir Istiya.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raid:</u> At 15:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Khirbet Qeis. • <u>Settler Violence:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 12:40, a group of Israeli settlers protected by the Israeli army entered land belonging to civilians north of Iskaka village and left at a later time. (ii) At 14:15, a group of Israeli settlers entered the area of Wadi Ash Shaer that is located south of Salfit city and left at a later time. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction was suspended 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"> • <u>Closure:</u> The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between the city of Jericho and the village of al-‘Auja with cement blocks. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> <ul 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. • <u>Physical Assault:</u> At 05:30, the Israeli army at Al Hamra checkpoint beat a number of civilian workers while attempting to cross the checkpoint.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul 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. • <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>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 16:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Ash Shawawra and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction was suspended 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

	<p>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.</p> <p>(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.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <p>(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.</p> <p>(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.</p> <p>(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.</p> • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <p>(i) At 08:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the area of An Nabi Yunis near the town of Halhul (on Hebron – Bethlehem main road) and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> <p>(ii) At 09:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of Zif and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> <p>(iii) At 10:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Idhna and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> <p>(iv) At 11:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the area of Al Fahs, south of Hebron city, and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> • <u>Raids:</u> <p>(i) At 09:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Adh Dhahiriya.</p> <p>(ii) At 06:10 on 21 April 2010, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Al Arrub refugee camp.</p> • <u>Attack:</u> At 18:00, the Israeli army in the periphery of Karmi Tsur settlement, located south of Beit Ummar town, opened fire and fired tear gas bombs towards civilians, who existed on their land near the settlement, under the pretext of throwing stones. • <u>Physical Assault:</u> At 12:00, the Israeli army in the periphery of Al Ibrahim Mosque in the old city of Hebron severely beat the civilian
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	<p>Maher Fakhri Ash Shwaiki. As a result, he sustained contusions and evacuated to hospital for treatment.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Settler Violence: At 12:00, a group of Israeli settlers protected by the Israeli army entered an area located west of Halhul town, swam in a pool and harassed civilians living in the area. • Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended 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.
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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 opening fire intensively and firing a number of artillery shells from its locations on the Green Line in the districts of Northern Gaza, Central Gaza, Khan Yunis and Rafah. Israeli helicopter gunships also opened fire intensively towards Palestinian fishing boats at sea in the districts of Northern Gaza and Rafah injuring a fisherman opposite Rafah city beach.
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<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. • Attacks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) In the morning of 20 April 2010, the Israeli army opened fire intensively from its locations on the Green Line north of Beit Lahiya town towards a number of participants in a mass demonstration against the buffer zone near the border fence where the Israeli army deny access and cultivation to farmers and land owners. (ii) In the evening of 20 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.

<p style="text-align: center;">CENTRAL GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Attacks:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) In the evening of 20 April 2010, the Israeli army opened machine gunfire intensively from armored vehicles from its locations on the Green Line. Israeli helicopter gunships also opened machine gunfire intensively towards agricultural land east of Al Bureij refugee camp. (ii) In the evening of 20 April 2010, the Israeli army opened fire intensively and fired a number of artillery shells from its locations on the Green Line towards armed Palestinian individuals in the periphery of Kissufim gate that is located on the Green Line east of Deir Al Balah city. Israeli helicopter gunships also overflew the area.
<p style="text-align: center;">KHAN YOUNIS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Attack:</u> In the morning of 20 April 2010, the Israeli army opened fire intensively from its locations on the Green Line towards civilian agricultural land and houses east of Al Qarara town.
<p style="text-align: center;">RAFAH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Points: (All Closed)</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 Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed. • <u>Attacks:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) In the morning of 20 April 2010, the Israeli army opened fire intensively from its locations on the Green Line towards civilian agricultural land and houses east of Rafah city. (ii) At dawn on 21 April 2010, Israeli navy boats opened fire intensively towards Palestinian fishing boats at sea opposite Rafah city beach injuring the fisherman Yousef Husam Al Habbash.