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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT
08:00, 24 April 2008 – 08:00, 25 April 2008

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	---	4	4	4 civilians in Beit Hanoun
Physical Assaults	1	---	1	1 civilian beaten in Marda village
Arrests	5	15	20	Incl. 15 civilians in Northern Gaza
Detentions	19	1	20	At checkpoints & in residential areas
Raids	20	2	22	Incl. 4 in Ramallah & 5 in Hebron
Checkpoints	16	---	16	Incl. stricter measures at 10 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	16	---	16	Incl. 4 in Jerusalem & 4 in Hebron
Attacks	3	3	6	Incl. 5 in raids & 1 confrontation
Air Patrols	---	4	4	Incl. 2 combat helicopters
Curfew	1	---	1	On the town of 'Azzun, Qalqilya
House Occupation	---	4	4	Incl. 4 civilian house in Northern Gaza
Demolition of Property	---	5	5	Incl. damage incurred to houses
Land Leveling	---	2	2	Agricultural land on Northern Gaza
Wall Construction	25	---	25	Continues in West Bank districts
Closures	7	---	7	Partial in Jerusalem
Closure of Main Roads	55	---	55	Incl. 10 in Tulkarem & 6 in Nablus
Closure of Crossing Points	---	5	5	Partial opening of 2 crossing points
Settler Violence	3	---	3	Incl. settlers beat 1 civilian
Demonstrations	1	---	1	In protest of road closure
Palestinian Attacks	1	4	5	Incl. 8 mortars fired at the Green Line
TOTAL	173	49	222	

DISTRICT	EVENTS
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WEST BANK

ALL DISTRICTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints set up on the main roads connecting the West Bank districts, thereby isolating the northern districts from the southern districts as well as the Jericho district and the Jordan Valley from the remainder of the West Bank. • Since 24:00 on April 17, the Israeli army has been imposing entire closure on the West Bank and denying laborers and civilian access to the city of Jerusalem, except for humanitarian cases. The closure will go on until April 27 midnight.
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JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem. The Israeli army also continued to close the entrances to al-Aqsa Mosque compound in the old city of Jerusalem and impede civilian access to the mosque. • Closure of Main Roads: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance opposite the junction to Dahiyat al-Bareed in the city of Jerusalem with a barbed wire gate and to deny civilian access. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting Dahiyat al-Bareed to the town of al-Ram in order to complete Wall construction in the area. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and dirt barricades the entrance to the village of Jaba', which connects the village to the cities of Jerusalem, Ramallah, and Jericho. • Checkpoints: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to consider Qalandya checkpoint a "border crossing point" and has designated a special crossing for holders of Jerusalem IDs and those possessing permits to access the city of Jerusalem. (ii) At 09:40, the Israeli army intensified restrictions at the checkpoint that is set up near the village of Jaba' and impeded traffic. In addition, Israeli troops handed a number of civilians notifications to report to the Israeli military intelligence. • Flying Checkpoints: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint on the junction of Ma'ale Adumim settlement (ii) At 13:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint on the junction of the area of al-Khan al-Ahmar. • Wall Gates: <ol 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
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	<p>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> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Dahiyat al-Bareed, Dahiyat al-Aqbat, from the village of Hizma to ‘Anata, along the Hizma-Jaba’ road, the area of al-‘Eizariya to al-Shayyah, from the village of Beit Surik to Biddu, in the areas of al-Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina, west of the village of al-Jib, and in the vicinity of the village of Qatanna.
RAMALLAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the western entrance to the village of Safa. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to the village of Ras Karkar. (iv) The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting the villages of Ras Karkar and Kharbatha Bani Hareth, the western entrance to the village of Ain Yabroud, and the junction of Kafr Malik – Ein Samiah with dirt barricades and cement blocks. • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the overpass to the town of ‘Atara and impede civilian access. • Raids: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of al-Bireh. The raid recurred at 16:20 and 00:30. (ii) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Birzeit, searched 1 civilian house, and arrested 1 civilian. • Arrests: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 12:30, the Israeli army arrested at the checkpoint of the town of ‘Atara 1 unidentified civilian under the pretext of possessing a knife. (ii) The civilian arrested in the town of Birzeit has not been identified. • Demonstrations: At 12:50, a public march set out with the participation of international peace activists and supporters in the village of Ein Qinya in protest of the closure of the road that connects the village to the city of Ramallah. The Israeli army detained 209 civilian protestors but released them later. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area west of the town of ‘Abud as well as in the areas of al-Midya to Ni’lin and Ni’lin to Deir Qaddis.
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to the town of ‘Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan. • Flying Checkpoints: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:10, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint between the town of Burqin and the village of Kafr Dan, and detained a military officer but released him later after the intervention of the military liaison.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) At 11:55, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint on the junction of the village of Ta'nak, and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 18:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint on Jenin – Nablus main road. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Kafr Dan. (ii) At 11:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of al-Yamon. (iii) At 23:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Jenin. • Arrests: At 02:00 on April 24, the Israeli army arrested during a raid into the town of Qabatia 1 civilian called Musleh Abu Zayd. • 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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to close Tayasir checkpoint east of the town of Tubas, denying civilian access to the Northern Jordan Valley, except for civilians whose IDs indicate that their place of residence is the Northern Jordan Valley.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army continues to declare the district of Tulkarem a closed military zone and to impede civilian access to and from the district. • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the Dahiyat Iktaba-Bal'a road; the entrance to the village of Saffarin; the road connecting the town of Deir al Ghusun to 'Attil's plain; the road to the town of Deir al-Ghusun's plain; and the entrance to the village of 'Izbat Abu Khamis. (ii) At 20:00, the Israeli army closed the road connecting the villages of Ramin and Bazaria with dirt barricades. (iii) At 17:00, the Israeli army closed the northern entrance to the town of 'Azzun with barbed wires. • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Einav checkpoint that is set up on Tulkarem-Nablus road and at Jubaa checkpoint. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 17:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Zeita. The raid recurred at 00:10 during which the Israeli army fired sound and illumination bombs. (ii) At 02:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of 'Atil. • Palestinian Attacks: At 07:20, armed individuals opened fire towards Nitsani Uz industrial zone west of the city of Tulkarem. • 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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road connecting the town of 'Azzun to the village of 'Asla. (iii) At 11:30, the Israeli army closed with dirt barriers the road connecting

	<p>Azzun town to Izbat Tabib village.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at the checkpoint that is set up at the eastern entrance to the city of Qalqilya and impede civilian access. At 14:10, the Israeli army closed the checkpoint because 2 veiled female civilians refused to take of the veil. The checkpoint was reopened at a later time. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Since 21:45 on April 23, the Israeli army has been raiding the town of ‘Azzun and imposed curfew until 16:00. • Wall Gates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. (ii) 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: Land leveling for Wall construction continues in the villages of Immatin and Kafr Laqif as well as east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and ‘Azzun.
NABLUS	<p>Closure of Main Roads:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the Jenin-Nablus road between the junction to the village of Deir Sharaf and the settlement of Shavei Shomron. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the settler bypass road connecting the village of Deir al-Hatab to the settlement of Alon Moreh as well as the southern entrance to the village of Qaryut. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the village of al Lubban al-Sharqiya with dirt barricades and cement blocks. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 neighborhood 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 neighborhood only. (ii) Beit Furik checkpoint is open to civilian residents of the town of Beit Furik and the nearby village of Beit Dajan. (iii) Beginning on 23 November 2006, the Israeli army continues to close the checkpoint set up in the area between the city of Nablus and the town of ‘Asira al-Shamaliya and to prevent civilians from crossing, only allowing access to humanitarian cases. • Flying Checkpoints: At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint on the southern entrance to the town of Jama’in. • Settler Violence: At 09:20, a bunch of settlers attacked near the village of Burqa a civilian called Mufid Shaker Abu Obeid while he was shepherding his sheep. IN addition, the settlers killed 3 sheep and stole 2.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the main north-western entrance to

	<p>the city of Salfit with dirt barricades since the beginning of the current <i>Intifada</i> (Uprising).</p> <p>(ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western entrance to the village of Marda and Hares. In addition, the Israeli army continues to close the eastern entrance to the village of Yassouf and the southern entrance to the village of Deir Istiyya with dirt barricades, as well as the southern entrance to the town of Kafl hares and the 2 northern entrances to the town of Bruqin and the village of Qarawa Bani Hassan.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Deir Ballut and Za'tara checkpoints and prevent civilian vehicles from traveling towards the town of Kafr al-Dik. At 17:00, the Israeli army closed Za'tara checkpoint and impeded traffic upon the arrest of a civilian under the pretext of finding a suspicious object with him. The checkpoint was reopened at 17:40. • Flying Checkpoints: At 09:30, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint on the entrance to the village of Yassuf, and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:15, the Israeli army raided the village of Marda, clashed with civilians during patrol, and physically assaulted 1 pupil. The raid recurred at 16:50 during which the Israeli troops set up a checkpoint and patrolled the city until 19:00. (ii) At 21:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Deir Sitiyya. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the city of Salfit, and in the village of Marda and the town of Kafr 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 and to prevent farmers not holding Jericho Governorate IDs from reaching their land, forcing them to apply for access permits. The Israeli army also continues to deny access to the city to holders of Israeli IDs. • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions and impede civilian access at al-Hamra checkpoint set up along al-Badhan road connecting the districts of Jericho and Nablus as well as on the checkpoint set up on the junction to the village of al-'Auja along al-Mu'arrajat road that connects the districts of Jericho and Ramallah.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <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) Since September 15, 2007, the Israeli army has been preventing civilian access, according to military order 07.02.S, to the 22-dunum land that has been confiscated in accordance with confiscation order number 07.31.T. The 22-dunum area has been set to construct a passage in the area of Mazmouriyyeh that is located

	<p>in the cities of Beit Sahur and Bethlehem.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> The Israeli army continues to close all roads to Road # 60 leading to the city of Jerusalem, thereby isolating the city of Bethlehem from its towns and villages located west of Road # 60. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> At 20:05, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint on the road of the village of al-Asakreh, and searched civilians and vehicles until 21:00. • <u>Raids:</u> At 01:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Artas. • <u>Detention:</u> At 20:30, the Israeli army stationed at the al-container checkpoint detained 2 female civilians but released them later. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction was suspended for the Jewish weekend in the area northwest of the town of al-Khader; northwest of the city of Beit Jala; in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of the settlement of Ephrata; and in the area surrounding the village of al-Walaja.
<p style="text-align: center;">HEBRON</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ol 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 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) Although it expired on 07 May 2006, the Israeli army continues to implement a military order stipulating the prohibition of civilian vehicles from traveling along the road connecting the settlement of Kiryat Arba' to the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron unless they possess access permits. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the following locales: the entrance to the town of al-Samoa'; the area of al-Hawawir leading to the town of Halhoul; the area of al-Fahs south of the city of Hebron; the junction to the area of Farsh al-Hawa leading to Road # 35 northwest of the city of Hebron; the road connecting the town of Surif to the village of al-Jab'a; the entrance to the village of Beit 'Einun; and the eastern entrance to the village of Kharsa. The Israeli army also continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to al-Qeisi neighborhood in the old city of Hebron as well as the main entrance to al-'Arroub refugee camp. (ii) In accordance with Military Order # 378, 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. • <u>Raids:</u>

	<p>(i) At 03:00 on April 24, the Israeli army raided the town of Bani Na'im and arrested 1 civilian.</p> <p>(ii) At 12:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Hebron. The raid recurred at 18:50 during which the Israeli troops set up 4 checkpoints. The raid occurred for a third time during which the Israeli army searched 1 civilian house and arrested 1 civilian.</p> <p>(iii) At 01:35, the Israeli army raided the town of Dura and searched 4 civilian houses.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Arrests:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The civilian arrested in the town of Bani Na'im is called Mubarak Ziyadat. (ii) The civilian arrested in the city of Hebron is called Hamadah Ibrahim al-Kawasmi. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction was suspended for the Jewish weekend in the section of Tarqumiya checkpoint terminal, the remaining section of the Wall route that separates the settlement of Eshkolot from the village of al-Ramadin, and near the village of Imneizil southeast of the town of Yatta.
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GAZA STRIP

<p>NORTHERN GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Point:</u> Beit Hanoun (Erez) Crossing is partially open (to allow previously coordinated humanitarian access). • <u>Raids:</u> Since 23:00 on April 24, the Israeli army has been raiding north and west the town of Beit Hanoun, opened fire and fired tank missiles towards civilian houses, occupied rooftops of 4 civilian houses and converted them into military posts, besieged a number of civilian houses, clashed with armed individuals and injured 4 civilians, and arrested 15 civilians. Furthermore, the Israeli army razed agricultural land and withdrew at 15:00. • <u>Arrests:</u> A number of the 15 civilians arrested in the town of Beit Hanoun and they are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Issam Hamad and his sons Hussam & Azzam & Bassam. (b) Basel Fouad Hamad; (c) Iyad Hamad; (d) Mohammad Bassam Hamad; (e) Anas Bassam Hamad; (f) Siyam Hamad and his two sons Wahib & Mu'tasem; and (g) Jaber Abu Odeh. • <u>Palestinian Attacks:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) In the evening of April 24, two unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line. (ii) At 02:20, two unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line.
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (iii) At dawn on April 25, two unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line. (iv) At 07:25, two unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line.
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GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Points: (i) Al-Muntar (Karni) Crossing is closed. (ii) Al-Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed.
KHAN YOUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raids: At dawn on April 25, the Israeli army raided the area east of al-Fukhari, opened fire and razed agricultural land.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Points: (All closed) (i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah (al-Awdah) Crossing is closed. (iii) Sufa Crossing is partially open. The cargo of 54 trucks ere allowed entry into Gaza. (iv) Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) is closed.

PRISONERS CONDITIONS

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Israeli military court issued a verdict sentencing prisoner Ismail Mohammad Zuhdi, from Tulkarem district, to 4 months in jail and a fine of 1000 shekels equivalent to 280 dollars. In addition, the court extended the administrative detention of 13 prisoners from Tulkarem district. |
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