مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT 08:00 28 April 2011 – 08:00 29 April 2011

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assault	1		1	A civilian severely beaten in Ramallah
Injuries	2	4	6	Incl. 3 children and a female civilian
Attacks	1	1	2	Incl. tank shells fired on Pal. territory
Raids	22	_	22	Incl. 4 in Ramallah and 4 in Bethlehem
Arrests (per Person)	7		7	Incl. 2 children
Detentions	18	_	18	Incl. 2 security officers and 3 women
Wall Construction	13	_	13	Incl. in Jerusalem, Qalqiliya, & Hebron
Destruction of Property	16	_	16	Incl. 15 sheep perished in Hebron
Attack on Property	1		1	Pastureland sprayed with chemicals
Closure of Checkpoints	11		11	Incl. a checkpoint closed temporarily
Flying Checkpoints	30	_	30	Incl. 9 in Nablus and 4 in Salfit
Closure (per District)	8		8	Incl. Jerusalem and 5 areas in Hebron
Closure of Main Roads	43		43	Incl. 10 in Nablus and 13 in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points		4	4	Incl. food supplies and gas allowed
Settler Violence	6		6	Incl. civilian vehicles stoned
Provocation of Pal. Forces	2		2	Taking positions near security posts
Demonstration	1		1	In solidarity with prisoners, El Bireh
TOTAL	182	9	191	

DISTRICT EVENTS	
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WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	Closure: (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to Jerusalem city and to prevent civilians from other Palestinian districts from entering the city, only allowing access to civilians holding special permits. (i) The Israeli army continues to close the 'demarcation area' along the Wall in the area surrounding Jerusalem city and restrict access to the area to local residents as well as to civilians holding special permits. (ii) The Israeli army continues to impose a blockade and deny civilian access to a hill between Biddu and Beit Iksa villages. 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 from the town of Ar Ram. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with an iron gate the eastern entrance to Beit Iksa village and force civilians to access Jerusalem city through Qalandiya checkpoint. Checkpoint: The Israeli authorities continue to consider Qalandiya checkpoint a "border crossing point" and designates a special crossing lane for holders of Jerusalem IDs and those possessing permits to access Jerusalem city. Raid: At 00:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Biddu town. Wall Gates: (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the Wall gate in Abu Dis town. (ii) The Israeli army continues to deny civilian access through the Wall gate on Ash Shayyah road in the area between As Sawahira ash Sharqiya and As Sawahira al Gharbiya villages, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem IDs to cross, after subjecting them to thorough searches using electronic devices. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area north of Qalandiya village; south of Az Za'ayyem village; and in Wadi al 'Eizariya west of Ma'ale Adumim settlement.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	 Closure of Main Roads: (i) The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to Sinjil town and Saffa village and the junction to Kafr Malik and 'Ein Samiya villages. (ii) Although it removed the dirt barricade, the Israeli army continues to close with an iron gate the eastern entrance to An Nabi Salih village.

Flying Checkpoints/Physical Assault: At 22:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to (i) 'Atara town and denied civilian access, allegedly to detonate a suspicious object. Israeli troops also arrested two children and allowed civilian access at a later time. At 01:15, the Israeli army set up another checkpoint, impeded civilian access, and severely beat a civilian, who was transported to hospital for treatment of contusions sustained. (ii) At 23:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Deir as Sudan village and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 23:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Surda village and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids/Injuries: At 15:40, the Israeli army raided Bil'in village. Confrontations took (i) place between the Israeli army and civilians, during which the Israeli army injured two children: Nashmi Mohammed Abu Rahmeh, 16 years old; and (ii) Jamal 'Atef al Khatib, 16 years old. At 23:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled 'Atara town. (ii) At 23:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled 'Ein Qiniya village. (iii) At 02:35, the Israeli army raided Ramallah city, searched a house, and (iv) arrested a civilian. Arrests: Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up on the overpass to 'Atara town arrested two children: Nibras Shawqi Abdul Mu'ti al Barghouthi, 17 years old; and (i) Bassam Abdul Karim al Barghouthi, 17 years old. (ii) The Israeli army arrested Bashir Ahmed Kamel al Kheiri in Ramallah (iii) city. Demonstration: At 11:00, families of political prisoners held a sit-in demonstration in front of offices of the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) in El Bireh city in solidarity with their relative prisoners. Protestors also demanded that all prisoners be released from Israeli jails. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area west of 'Abud town in the area surrounding 'Ofarim settlement and north of Al Lubban al Gharbi and Rantis villages. Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of Dotan settlement. Raids: At 10:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled 'Arraba town. (i) **JENIN** At 12:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled 'Anza and 'Ajja villages. (ii) 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. **Checkpoint:** Though allowing civilian access to the Northern Jordan Valley **TUBAS** between 06:00 and 22:00, the Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint east of the city of Tubas.

TULKAREM	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road connecting Kafr al Labad town to Shufa village as well as the road connecting Shufa and 'Izbat Shufa villages. The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the detour road leading to Ramin village along the Tulkarem-Nablus main road. Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions and impede civilian access at 'Einav checkpoint on the Tulkarem-Nablus main road. Flying Checkpoint: At 09:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Beit Lid town and searched civilians and vehicles. Wall Gates: Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
QALQILYA	 Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun. Raid: At 17:50, the Israeli army raided Jit village and searched a house. Arrest: At 02:40 on 28 April 2011, the Israeli army arrested Ahmed Sadeq Mohammed Thiyab during its raid into Qalqiliya city. 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. The Israeli army continues close with an iron gate the entrance to the village of Wadi ar Rasha and to deny civilian access. The Israeli army allows residents to access the village through Gate #109. Having removed the iron gate at the entrance to the village of Ras 'Atiya, the Israeli army only allows students to cross to their schools outside the village through the Habla gate. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Kafr Laqif village north of Karnei Shomron settlement; in Immatin village northeast of Imanuel settlement; and east of Kafr Thulth town near Ma'ale Shomron settlement.
NABLUS	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close the roads of Till-Burin and Beit Furik-Salem; the settler bypass road connecting the village of Deir al Hatab to the settlement of Alon Moreh; the road connecting the town of 'Aqraba to the village of Osarin; and the detour road between the town of Qabalan and the village of Osarin. The Israeli army continues to close the northern entrance to the town of Qabalan; the southern entrances to the town of Jamma'in and the villages of Duma and Qaryut; and the western entrance to An Naqura village opposite the settlement of Shavei Shomron. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus: At Tur neighbourhood 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 neighbourhood only between 07:00 and 02:00.

- (ii) At 'Awarta commercial checkpoint, civilians are allowed to cross between 05:00 and 20:00, but between 05:00 and 15:00 on Fridays. All civilian vehicles are allowed to access the city of Nablus, but only commercial vehicles and ambulances can leave the city through the checkpoint.
- (iii) At 22:05, the Israeli army intensified restrictions ht Huwwara checkpoint and impeded civilian access.
- (iv) At 23:20, the Israeli army intensified restrictions at Shavei Shomron checkpoint and impeded civilian access.

• Flying Checkpoints/Detention/Destruction of Property:

- (i) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Sarra village on the Nablus-Qalqiliya main road, searched civilians and vehicles, detained Ahmed Mizher, a Palestinian Police officer, and released him after damaging his ID card. At 14:50, the Israeli army set up another checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 10:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the junction to Deir Sharaf village on the Nablus-Tulkarem main road. At 21:35, the Israeli army set up another checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles until 21:55.
- (iii) At 11:00, and again at 17:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between Nablus city and 'Asira ash Shamaliya town and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iv) At 11:20, and again at 23:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Deir Sharaf village and searched civilians and vehicles
- (v) At 14:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Qabalan town and searched civilians and vehicles.
- <u>Raids</u>: At 03:40, the Israeli army raided Nablus city and Balata refugee camp and arrested three civilians in the refugee camp.
- Arrests: The Israeli army arrested three civilians in Balata refugee camp:
- (i) Huthayfah Ni'man Mashayekh;
- (ii) Isma'il Jum'ah al Qatawi; and
- (iii) Mohammed Mustafa Salloum.
- <u>Detentions</u>: At 20:10, Israeli troops positioned on the military post near Til village detained Mohammed Mousa al Hindi and his five family members, including three women, and released them at 23:35 after coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO).

• Settler Violence:

- (i) At 09:40, a group of Israeli settlers gained access, under protection of the Israeli army, to Tana village and withdrew at a later time.
- (ii) At 15:30, a group of Israeli settlers gathered near Huwwara checkpoint and intercepted civilian vehicles. At 15:50, Israeli troops evacuated settlers from the area.
- (iii) At 22:00, a group of Israeli settlers severely beat Mahmoud Marwan Najeeb Omari near the junction to Yitzhar settlement. Omari was transported to hospital for treatment of contusions sustained.

Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the northern (i) entrance to Salfit city and with cement blocks the northern entrance to the Brugin town. The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the entrance to (ii) two detour roads connecting Marda village to respective farmland. (iii) Beginning on 14 November 2010, the Israeli army has continued to open the northern entrance to Salfit city to civilian buses only. The entrance had been closed for seven years. **Checkpoint:** The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions and impede civilian access at the Za'tara junction checkpoint. **Flying Checkpoints:** At 20:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to (i) Deir Istiya town and searched civilians and vehicles. At 20:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to (ii) **SALFIT** Haris village and searched civilians and vehicles. Raid: At 19:45, the Israeli army raided Kifl Haris town, set up checkpoints at its entrances, combed surrounding areas, and provided protection to several thousands of Israeli settlers, who visited a shrine and performed religious rituals. At 07:20, the Israeli troops and settlers withdrew from the Provocation of Palestinian Forces: At 09:30, Israeli troops took position near a Palestinian National Security checkpoint at the northern entrance to Salfit city. Following coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO), Israeli troops withdrew at 10:00. Settler Violence: At 20:25, a group of Israeli settlers from Revava settlement threw stones at civilian vehicles travelling along Wadi Qana road connecting Salfit and Qalqiliya districts. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area north of Deir Istiva town southeast of Emmanuel settlement. Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between Jericho city and Al 'Auja village with cement blocks. **Checkpoints:** The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Al Hamra (i) checkpoint set up along Al Badhan road connecting Jericho and Nablus districts, only allowing access to residents of Jericho district of the Jordan Valley area. **JERICHO** (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the junction to Al 'Auja village along Al-Mu'arrajat road connecting Jericho and Ramallah districts, only allowing access to residents of Jericho district as well as to others holding access permits. Flying Checkpoints: At 09:45, and again at 15:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to Jericho city. At 19:50, the Israeli army set up another checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles until 21:50.

Raids/Provocation of Palestinian Forces: At 12:50, the Israeli army raided Al 'Auja village, took position in front (i) of a Palestinian National Security post, and demanded that officers not carry weapons outside the post. The Israeli army also patrolled the area. (ii) At 02:15, the Israeli army raided Jericho city and 'Aqbat Jaber refugee camp and patrolled both areas until 03:00. Settler Violence: At 20:30, a group of armed Israeli settlers gathered on the junction to Al 'Auja village north of Jericho city. At 20:45, the Israeli army evacuated settlers from the area. **Closure:** (i) The Israeli army continues to close roads to An Nu'man village, with the exception of the road leading to the Wall gate in the southeastern area of the village. (ii) Beginning on 15 September 2007, the Israeli army has continued to prevent civilians from accessing or staying on 22 dunums of confiscated land in Al Mazmuriya area in Beit Sahur and Bethlehem cities. Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close the Beit Jala-Wadi Ahmad road; a road east of Beit Fajjar town; the road connecting Tuqu' town to Khirbet al Baq'a village; and the detour road connecting Wadi Fukin and Al Jab'a villages. Checkpoint: At 14:00, the Israeli army closed As Sawahira ash Sharqiya **BETHLEHEM** (the 'Container') checkpoint and denied civilian access until 14:20. Raids: At 08:00, the Israeli army raided Beit Jala city and patrolled the area (i) until 08:20. At 10:35, the Israeli army raided Husan village and searched a house. (ii) At 11:25, the Israeli army raided Al 'Ubeidiya town and searched a (iii) house. At 11:50, the Israeli army raided Battir village and served summonses (iv) on three civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency: Mohammed Hasan al Butmeh; (i) (ii) Anwar Suleiman Mohammed Qays; and (iii) Ibrahim Ali an Najjar. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of Beit Jala city; around Al Walaja village; and east of Efrat settlement. (i) The Israeli army continues to close Ash Shuhada' Street, As Sahleh and Khuzq al Far areas, and the old gold market in the old city of Hebron. Hebron In addition to closing the entrance to Al Qeisi neighbourhood, the Israeli army continues to close the entrances to the area of Al Hisba (the fruits and vegetables market) with an iron gate and Al Laban Market with iron plates.

(ii) Beginning on 05 January 2009, the Israeli army has continued to close the area located along the Green Line south of the town of Yatta. Having seized land for Wall construction, the Israeli army evacuated residents and denied civilian access to the area.

• Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to Adh Dhahiriya and As Samoa' towns, Al 'Arrub refugee camp, and At Tuwani and Al Karmil villages.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from travelling along Ash Shalala Old Street in the old city of Hebron.
- (iii) The Israeli army continues to close all roads leading to Road # 60 as well as detour roads along the settler bypass road leading to Yatta town.

• Flying Checkpoints/Detention:

- (i) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Beit Ummar town and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 10:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Ar Ramadin village, detained Iyad Ibrahim az Zagharneh, a Palestinian Police officer, and released him at 13:30 after coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO).
- (iii) At 15:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Fawwar junction and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iv) At 18:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the northern entrance to Hebron city (along Road # 35 near the overpass to Halhul town) and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (v) At 18:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Beit 'Einun village and searched civilians and vehicles.

• Raids:

- (i) At 09:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Wadi ash Shajina village.
- (ii) At 16:50, the Israeli army raided Hebron city, set up a checkpoint, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area. At 21:35, the Israeli army raided the city again, set up another checkpoint, and patrolled the area.
- <u>Detention</u>: At 09:50, the Israeli army detained Ghaleb ar Rujoub on Az Zahed junction in the old city of Hebron and released him at 10:25 after coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO).
- Attack on Property: On 27 April 2011, tractors belonging to the Israeli army gained access to Sheikha area near the Wall section in Idhna town and sprayed pastureland with unknown material. While they were grazing in the affected area, 15 sheep belonging to Mahmoud Mohammed Ighbariyyeh died and 40 other were poisoned.
- <u>Settler Violence</u>: At 09:50, a group of Israeli settlers threw stones and empty bottles on civilians travelling along Ash Shalala Street in the old city of Hebron.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction continues in the area surrounding Eshkolot settlement west of Adh Dhahiriya town.

GAZA STRIP

At 02:00 on 18 January 2009, the unilateral ceasefire declared by the Israeli authorities came into effect. At a later time on the same day, armed Palestinian groups announced an agreement to cease fire. The ALL **DISTRICTS** ceasefire has been further renewed on 10 April 2011. Violation of the Ceasefire: The Israeli army fired tank shells from its location on the Green Line on Central Gaza, injuring four civilians. <u>Closure of Crossing Point</u>: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing was partially open to previously-coordinated critically ill civilians, foreign journalists, **NORTHERN** international organisations staff, merchants, businesspeople, and civilians GAZA intending to travel to Jordan through Al Karama (Allenby) Bridge in the West Bank. **Closure of Crossing Points:** Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 02 March 2011, (i) the Crossing has been effectively closed upon an Israeli unilateral **GAZA** decision. (ii) Ash Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 04 January 2010, the Crossing has been closed upon an Israeli unilateral decision. Attack/Injuries: In the evening of 28 April 2011, the Israeli army fired a CENTRAL number of tank shells from its location on the Green Line on civilian houses **GAZA** and farmland, injuring four civilians, including a child and woman. KHAN YUNIS Activities not reported. **Closure of Crossing Points:** (i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. Rafah (Al 'Awdah) Crossing was open to allow civilians travelling to (ii) perform 'Umrah (minor pilgrimage) in Mecca city in Saudi Arabic to depart the Gaza Strip. Sufa Crossing is closed. (iii) **RAFAH** Karm Abu Salem (Karem Shalom) Crossing was partially open for (iv) transportation of food supplies, humanitarian aid, and cooking gas. A total of 42 truckloads of animal feed, 20 vehicles imported by the private sector, and 10 truckloads of construction cargo were transported to Gaza. In addition, a truckload of flowers were exported through the

Crossing.

GENERAL

POLITICAL PRISONERS

• <u>Assaults</u>: At 12:00 on 28 April 2011, Israeli Dror Force troops stormed into Section 10 of Eshel Prison, where 144 political prisoners are held. Israeli troops severely beat a number of prisoners, leaving four with contusions. The Prison Administration also relocated Ahmed ash Shobaki and Tamer ar Rimawi to solitary confinement cells. Consequently, prisoners returned dinner meals in protest against the reported assaults.