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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT
 08:00 29 April 2010 – 08:00 30 April 2010

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injury	—	1	1	A civilian in the district of Rafah
Attacks	3	4	7	Incl. 2 in raids and 2 by navy boats
Raids	16	1	17	Incl. 5 in Hebron and 1 in Central Gaza
Air Patrol	—	1	1	Reconnaissance over Central Gaza
Arrests (per person)	9	—	9	Incl. 3 in Jerusalem and 4 in Hebron
Detentions	16	—	16	Incl. a female civilian and security officer
Land Levelling	—	1	1	Agricultural land in Central Gaza
Wall Construction	22	—	22	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Salfit, & Qalqiliya
Destruction of Property	4	1	5	Incl. 20 olive trees destroyed
Attacks on Property	*	—	—	Notice for removal of vendor stalls sent
House Occupation	1	—	1	Converted into a mil. post in Qalqiliya
Closure of Checkpoints	10	—	10	Incl. access impeded at 6 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	14	—	14	Incl. 3 in Qalqiliya and 5 in Hebron
Closure (per District)	7	—	7	Incl. 4 areas in the city of Hebron
Closure of Main Roads	40	—	40	Incl. 4 in Bethlehem and 14 in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points	—	4	4	3 crossing points partially open
Settler Violence	4	—	4	Incl. a houses seized in Jerusalem
Demonstration	—	1	1	Against the Seam Zone in Rafah
TOTAL	146	14	160	

DISTRICT	EVENTS
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WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem and to set up flying checkpoints in the old city of Jerusalem and around Al Aqsa Mosque compound. (i) On 05 January 2009, the Israeli authorities issued Military Order # S/02/09 on the closure of and denial of civilian access to the "demarcation area" along the Wall in the area surrounding the city of Jerusalem. Accordingly, local residents and civilians holding permits can access this area through crossings and gates set up at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem. (The demarcation area is defined by a set of military orders relating to land confiscation for Wall construction). (ii) The Israeli army continues to impose a blockade and deny civilian access to a hill between the village of Biddu and Beit Iksa due to its geographical significance as it overlooks the city of Jerusalem. • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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. • Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to consider Qalandiya 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) Beginning on 11 April 2010, the Israeli army has continued to close the checkpoint set up near the entrance to Shu'fat refugee camp in the city of Jerusalem and to deny civilian access between 23:00 and 05:00. Claiming to be carrying out infrastructure works between the checkpoint and the road leading to Shu'fat refugee camp, the checkpoint will be closed for two and a half weeks. • Arrests: On 29 April 2010, the Israeli army arrested 3 civilians near the village of An Nabi Samwil: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Majdi 'Ilayyan Mohammed 'Ubeid; (ii) 'Ayed Mohammed 'Eid Barakat; and (iii) Layth 'Eid Mohammed Barakat. • Settler Violence: On 28 April 2010, a group of Israeli settlers under protection of the Israeli army seized control of a house belonging to Ali Ibrahim Salah in the village of Beit Safafa, after they had obtained a relevant decision from an Israeli court. • Wall Gates: <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.
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	<p>(ii) The Israeli army continues to deny civilian access through the Wall gate on Ash Shayyah road in the area between the villages of As Sawahira ash Sharqiya and As 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 the area of Al 'Eizariya to Ash Shayyah, from Beit Surik village to Biddu; in the areas of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina; west of the village of Al Jib; in the vicinity of the village of Qatanna; south of the village of Beit Hanina; and in the area surrounding the checkpoint set up at the entrance to Shu'fat refugee camp.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades and cement blocks the entrances to the town of Sinjil, the village of Saffa; and the junction to the villages of Kafr Malik – 'Ein Samiya. (ii) On 15 March 2010, the Israeli army issued a military order, providing that the area located between civilian houses and the Wall in the town of Ni'lin and the village of Bil'in would be a closed military zone between 08:00 and 20:00 on Fridays for a period of 6 months. To prevent weekly demonstrations against Wall construction, civilian access to the area will be denied except with a special permit. • Raid: At 03:00, the Israeli army raided the city of El Bireh and patrolled the area until 03:45. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues west of the town of 'Abud; in the village of Bil'in; and 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 Road: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan. • Raids/Attack: (i) At 20:40, the Israeli army raided the town of Jaba' and opened indiscriminate fire, while patrolling the area. (ii) At 01:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Faqu'a. (iii) At 02:10, the Israeli army raided the city of Jenin and patrolled the area until 04:30. • 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.
TUBAS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checkpoint: Though allowing civilian access to the Northern Jordan Valley between 06:00 and 22:00, the Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint east of the city of Tubas.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road connecting the town of Kafr al Labad to the village of Shufa as well as the road connecting the villages of Shufa and 'Izbat Shufa.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at 'Einav checkpoint set up on Tulkarem-Nablus main road. • Flying Checkpoint: At 20:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Kafriyat road connecting the districts of Tulkarem and Qalqiliya and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raid: At 14:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Nur Shams refugee camp in 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: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun. • Flying Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of 'Izbat at Tabib and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 15:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the city of Qalqiliya and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 15:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Jit and searched civilians and vehicles until 16:30. • Raids/House Occupation: At 17:30, the Israeli army raided the village of An Nabi Elyas, occupied the roof of a civilian house, converted it into a military post, and patrolled the area. • Arrest: At 16:00, Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint set up on the Green Line north of the city of Qalqiliya arrested Ali Tawfiq Makhalfeh, a resident of the town of Deir Istiya in the district of Salfit, while he was reporting to the Israeli Intelligence agency. • Detentions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 16:40, Israeli troops positioned at the Wall gate leading to the village of Ras Tira detained Mohammed Qasem, a Palestinian Preventive Security officer, and released him after coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO). (ii) At 17:20, Israeli troops positioned at the Wall gate leading to the village of Ras 'Atiya detained Aminah Tayseer Mohammed 'Odeh, a female civilian, and released her after coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO). • Wall Gates: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a detector. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues south of the town of Jayyus as well as near the settlement of Alfei Menashe in the villages of Ras Tira, Magharet ad Dab'a, and Wadi ar Rasha south of the city of Qalqiliya.
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) 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 southern entrance to the village of Duma; and the northern entrance to the town of Qabalan. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with an iron gate the western entrance to An Naqura village opposite Shavei Shomron settlement.

	<p>(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.</p> <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 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. • Raid: At 03:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Nablus. • Settler Violence: At 11:30, a group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of Yitzhar gained access to the town of Huwwara, damaged the town’s municipal park, and threw stones at a civilian house, breaking glass windows. Israeli settlers also set fire to olive groves, damaging 20 olive trees. Subsequently, the Israeli army evacuated settlers from the area.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the northern entrance to the city of Salfit. (ii) The Israeli army 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 and impede civilian access at the Za’tara junction checkpoint. • Flying Checkpoint: At 23:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the towns of Bruqin and Kafr ad Dik, searched civilians and vehicles, fired flares, and withdrew at 00:30. • Raid: At 12:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Biddya. • 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 Haris 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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Al Hamra checkpoint set up along Al Badhan road connecting the districts of Jericho and Nablus. However, the Israeli army allows civilian access between 06:00 and 22:00.

	<p>(ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 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, only allowing access to civilians whose IDs indicate that their place of residence of the district of Jericho as well as to others holding access permits.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Flying Checkpoints/Detention:</u> <p>(i) At 09:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of ‘Ein ad Duyuk (the northern entrance to the city of Jericho), impeded civilian access, detained 1 civilian, and withdrew at 11:00.</p> <p>(ii) At 16:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to the city of Jericho and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raids:</u> <p>(i) At 16:10, the Israeli army raided the village of Al ‘Auja and distributed notices for the removal of vendor stalls on both sides of Road # 90 in the centre of the village.</p> <p>(ii) At dawn on 30 April 2010, the Israeli army raided the village of Al Jiftlik, searched 1 house, and arrested 1 civilian.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Arrests:</u> The Israeli army arrested Muneer Mahmoud Sha’ban al ‘Aydi in the village of Al Jiftlik. • <u>Attack on Property:</u> On 29 April 2010, the Israeli army distributed notices for the removal of 4 vendor stalls on both sides of Road # 90 in the vicinity of the villages of Marj Na’ja and Az Zubeidat.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <p>(i) The Israeli army continues to close the roads to the village of An Nu’mān, with the exception of the road leading to the Wall gate in the south-eastern area of the village.</p> <p>(ii) According to Military Order # 07/02/S, the Israeli army has continued since 15 September 2007 to deny civilian access to an area measuring 22 <i>dunums</i> (5.436 acres) of land in the area of Mazmuriya in the cities of Beit Sahur and Bethlehem. The land was confiscated pursuant to Military Order # 07/31/T.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road of Beit Jala-Wadi Ahmad; a road east of the town of Beit Fajjar; and an agricultural road connecting the town of Tuqu’ to the village of Khirbet al Baq’a. • <u>Checkpoint:</u> At 14:35, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the ‘Container’) checkpoint and impeded civilian access. • <u>Raid:</u> At 13:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Beit Jala. • <u>Settler Violence:</u> <p>(i) At 19:20, a group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of Neva Daniel severely beat Faten Mahmoud Ahmed Salah, a female civilian, as well as Bilal Khaled Farouq Salah, while they were working on their land near the settlement in the town of Al Khadr. Both civilians sustained contusions.</p>

	<p>(ii) At 00:10, a group of Israeli settlers threw stones at civilian vehicles in the area of Al Baq'ah near the town of Tuqu', breaking the windshield of a vehicle belonging to 'Atiyyeh 'Uthman ar Rajabi.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the town of Al Khadr; northwest of the city of Beit Jala; in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of Efrat settlement; and in the area surrounding Al Walaja.
HEBRON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the following locales in the old city of Hebron: Ash Shuhada' Street and the area of As 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 As Sahleh. In addition to closing the entrance to Al Laban Market with iron plates, the Israeli army 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, controlling civilian access in the area. (ii) Having evacuated civilian residents and denied civilian access, the Israeli army continues to close the area located along the Green Line south of the town of Yatta. • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to the town of As Samoa'; the road connecting the town of Surif to the village of Al Jab'a; the eastern entrance to the village of Kharsa; the entrance to the Al Qeisi neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron; as well as the entrances to Al 'Arrub refugee camp, the area of Al Hawawir, the village of At Tuwani, and the town of Adh Dhahiriya. (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 with dirt barricades the road between the villages of Al Karmil and At Tuwani and all roads leading to Road # 60. • Flying Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Bani Na'im and searched civilians and vehicles until 12:10. (ii) At 11:10, and again at 22:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Idhna and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 16:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the area of Al Hawawir (the northern entrance to the town of Halhul), searched civilians and vehicles, and arrested 1 civilian, allegedly for locating a knife in his possession. (iv) At 22:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to the town of Halhul and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At dawn on 29 April 2010, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Ula and arrested 2 civilians.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) At 13:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Al ‘Arrub refugee camp. Meantime, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. At 14:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. (iii) At 15:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Hebron. (iv) At 17:10, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Ummar. While patrolling the area, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. (v) At 04:20, the Israeli army raided Al Fawwar refugee camp, searched 1 house, and arrested 1 civilian. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrests: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up at the entrance to the area of Al Hawawir (the northern entrance to the town of Halhul) arrested Samer Sameer ‘Abdeen. <p>The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the town of Beit Ula:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) ‘Izz Mohammed Ghatasheh; and (iii) Abdul Fattah Hasan Ghatasheh. (iv) The Israeli army arrested ‘Issam Mohammed Abu Dayyeh in Al Fawwar refugee camp. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the section of Tarqumiya checkpoint terminal; in the area surrounding the settlement of Eshkolot near the town of Adh Dhahiriya; and in the area between the villages of ‘Arab ar Ramadin and Imneizil.
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GAZA STRIP

<p>ALL DISTRICTS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 for a week. Later, armed Palestinian groups extended the ceasefire until 05 February 2009. Despite the fact that the extension period expired, the ceasefire continues to hold pending negotiations carried out by Egypt. • Violation of the Ceasefire: The Israeli army raided Palestinian territory and opened intensive fire in the district of Central Gaza. Israeli troops opened fire from their location on the Green Line towards civilians and property. The Israeli navy opened fire intensively towards Palestinian fishing boats at sea. The Israeli army fired a missile mortar towards the district of Rafah. Israeli troops injured a civilian during a demonstration against the Seam Zone.
<p>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.

GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Points:</u> (i) Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed. (ii) Ash Shuja'iyah (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 04 January 2010, the Crossing has been closed upon an Israeli unilateral decision.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raid/Air Patrol/Attack/Land Levelling:</u> In the morning of 29 April 2010, the Israeli army, including 7 armoured vehicles and 3 bulldozers covered by reconnaissance aircraft, raided 300 metres into Palestinian territory east of Al Bureij refugee camp. While levelling agricultural land, the Israeli army opened intensive fire towards civilian houses and property.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Points:</u> (i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah (Al 'Awdah) Crossing is open on an exceptional basis to allow access to patients, who had received medical treatment at Egyptian hospitals, as well as civilians stranded on the Egyptian border. (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed. (iv) Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is partially open for transportation of food supplies, humanitarian aid, diesel designated for the Gaza Electricity Generation Station, and cooking gas. • <u>Attacks/Injury:</u> (i) At noon on 29 April 2010, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location on the Green Line east of An Nahda neighbourhood east of the city of Rafah towards participants in a demonstration in protest against the Seam Zone along the Border Fence, injuring 1 civilian. The Israeli army prevents farmers and landlords from accessing or attending their land in this area. (ii) In the evening of 29 April 2010, the Israeli navy fired a missile mortar towards the city of Rafah's beach. (iii) At dawn on 30 April 2010, the Israeli navy opened intensive fire towards Palestinian fishing boats at sea off the beach of the city of Rafah.