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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 04 June 2011 - 08:00 05 June 2011

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	2	_	2	Civilians in Ramallah and Hebron
Attacks	4	2	6	Incl. 2 in raids and 1 from a mil. post
Raids	11	1	12	Incl. 3 in Ramallah and 1 in Rafah
Arrests (per Person)	3	_	3	Incl. a child
Detentions	15	_	15	Incl. 2 Palestinian security officers
Land Levelling	_	1	1	In Rafah district
Destruction of Property	5	_	5	Incl. olive trees set on fire in Ramallah
Closure of Checkpoints	10	_	10	Incl. access impeded at 7 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	34		34	Incl. 8 in Qalqiliya and 6 in Nablus
Closure (per District)	9	_	9	Incl. Jerusalem and a village in Nablus
Closure of Main Roads	45	_	45	Incl. 6 in Bethlehem and 14 in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points	_	6	6	Rafah Crossing open
Settler Violence	6	_	6	Incl. 35 grapevines cut down in Hebron
Demonstrations	2		2	Incl. against an Israeli stone quarry
TOTAL	146	10	156	

DISTRICT EVENTS

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JERUSALEM	Closure: (i) At dawn on 05 June 2011, the Israeli army intensified restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to Jerusalem city and set up checkpoints on road junctions and around the old city of Jerusalem. The Israeli authorities also deployed hundreds of Police and Border Guard officers in neighbourhoods and areas, where celebrations commemorating the 44th anniversary of Israel's occupation of the West Bank and Gaza Strip would take place. (ii) 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. (iii) 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. Fiving Checkpoint: At 23:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Mikhmas village, searched civilian vehicles, and arrested a civilian. Raid: At 00:05, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Mikhmas village. Arrest: Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up at the entrance to Mikhmas village arrested Ghazi Younes Sa'di Abu Ali. Wall Gates: (i) The Israeli army continues to deny civilian access through the Wall gate in Abu Dis town. (ii) The Israeli army continues to deny civilian access through
DAMAITAN	 the area north of Qalandiya village; south of Az Za'ayyem village; and in Wadi al 'Eizariya west of Ma'ale Adumim settlement. Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to
RAMALLAH &	Sinjil town and Saffa village as well as the junction to Kafr Malik and 'Ein Samiya villages.

EL BIREH	 Flving Checkpoint: At 12:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the overpass to 'Atara town and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids: At 12:00, the Israeli army raided Ramallah city and patrolled it until 12:30. At 12:05, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Bir Zeit town. At 01:00, the Israeli army raided Turmus'ayya town, searched a house, and served a summons on Ra'fat 'Awwad to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. At 02:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. Settler Violence: At 00:45, a group of Israeli settlers from Shilo settlement threw stones at civilian vehicles travelling along the Ramallah-Nablus main road. Demonstration/Attack/Injury/Destruction of Property: At 12:40, a mass demonstration, including residents of the villages of Shuqba, Qibya and Ni'lin, marched towards an Israeli stone quarry installed on civilian land near Nili settlement. Participants protested against land confiscation for establishment of the stone quarry, which also causes environmental damage. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which a civilian was injured. Other civilians sustained wounds as a result of tear gas inhalation. Additionally, fire was set to civilian farmland in Budrus village, damaging a number of olive trees. Palestinian Civil Defence teams managed to extinguish the fire. Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the area west of 'Abud town in the area surrounding 'Ofarim settlement and north of Al Lubban al Gharbi and Rantis villages.
JENIN	 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. 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	 <u>Checkpoint</u>: 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. <u>Settler Violence</u>: At 14:45, a group of Israeli settlers gained entry into Ibziq village and made a tour around the village's streets.
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 Checkpoints:

- At 09:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Kafriyat (i) road connecting Tulkarem and Qalqiliya districts and searched civilians and vehicles.
- At 11:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance (ii) to Beit Lid town and searched civilians and vehicles.
- Wall Gates: Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
- Wall Construction: Land levelling for adjustment of the Wall route was suspended for the weekend in the area surrounding Jubara village. According to an Israeli High Court decision, the new Wall route will be constructed west of the village.

Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun.

Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 15:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near Karnei Shomron settlement, searched civilians and vehicles, detained Rabee' Yasser Rubu', a Palestinian Police officer, and released him at a later time.
- At 15:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near 'Izbat at (ii) Tabib village and searched civilians and vehicles.
- At 18:05, and again at 21:50, the Israeli army set up a flying (iii) checkpoint at the entrance to Qalqiliya city and searched civilians and vehicles.
- At 20:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction (iv) to Jit village and searched civilians and vehicles.
- At 21:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance (v) to 'Azzun town and searched civilians and vehicles.

At 21:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance (vi) to Kafr Laqif village and searched civilians and vehicles.

- At 22:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area (vii) between 'Azzun town and 'Izbat at Tabib village and searched civilians and vehicles.
- Raid/Attack: At 23:45, the Israeli army raided An Nabi Elyas village. While raiding two commercial premises, the Israeli army fire sound grenades on civilians.
- Settler Violence/Attack: At 16:25, a group of Israeli settlers gained access and set fire to civilian land cultivated with wheat crops east of Far'ata village. Furthermore, the Israeli army fired rubber-coated steel bullets as well as sound and tear gas grenades on civilians. Palestinian Civil Defence teams extinguished the fire.

Wall Gates:

The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma (i) Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal detector.

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- (ii) 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.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend 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.

• Closure of Main Roads:

- (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 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.
- (ii) 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.
- <u>Checkpoints</u>: The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus:
- (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 vehicles can access the city of Nablus, but only commercial vehicles and ambulances can leave the city through the checkpoint.

• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 08:40, and again at 11:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to 'Iraq Burin village and searched civilians and vehicles
- (ii) At 20:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Al Lubban ash Sharqiya village and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iii) At 22:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Deir Sharaf village and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iv) At 23:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Badhan road (the eastern entrance to Nablus city) and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (v) At 07:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between Nablus city and 'Asira ash Shamaliya town and searched civilians and vehicles.
- Raid: At 00:55, the Israeli army raided Nablus city and arrested two civilians, including a child.

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	 Arrests: The Israeli army arrested town civilians in Nablus city: Wadee' al Houh, 17 years old; and Mohammed Mash'al. Demonstration/Raid/Attack/Destruction of Property: At 17:00, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in 'Iraq Burin village in protest against land confiscation for construction of Israeli settlement projects. The Israeli army raided the village and fired tear gas grenades on protestors. Having declared it a closed military zone, the Israeli army prevented participants from accessing land under the threat of confiscation. Meantime, fire was set to olive groves, damaging a number of olive trees. Palestinian Civil Defence teams extinguished the fire.
SALFIT	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the northern entrance to Salfit city and with cement blocks the northern entrance to the Bruqin town. The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the entrance to two detour roads connecting Marda village to respective farmland. 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. Flving Checkpoints: At 16:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Haris village and searched civilians and vehicles. At 19:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between Kifl Haris town and Haris village and searched civilians and vehicles. Raid: At 00:20, the Israeli army raided Deir Istiya town and patrolled the area until 01:50. Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the area north of Deir Istiya town southeast of Emmanuel settlement.
JERICHO	 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 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. 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.

• <u>Flying Checkpoints</u> : At 10:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to Jericho city. At 15:35, the Israeli army set up another checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles until 16:00.
 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: (i) 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. (i) Beginning at 21:20 on 03 June 2011, the Israeli army has continued to close with an iron gate a rural road along the main street near Beitar 'llit settlement in Al Mashahid area in Husan village. Checkpoint: At 10:40, and again at 22:50, the Israeli army intensified restrictions at As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the 'Container') checkpoint and impeded civilian access. Flving Checkpoints: (ii) At 08:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on An Nashash junction and searched civilians and vehicles until 10:20. (iii) At 17:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the northwestern entrance to Beit Jala city and searched civilians and vehicles. (iv) At 18:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Husan village and searched civilians and vehicles. (v) At 18:55, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Ad Doha town. (ii) At 17:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Husan village. Detention: At 09:45, Israeli troops positioned at As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the 'Container') checkpoint detained Hamdi al Bitar and released him at 11:30 after coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO). Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the area northwest of Beit Jala city; around Al Walaja villag
Closure: 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. 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:

- (i) At 09:25, 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.
- (ii) At 12:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Idhna town and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iii) At 16:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Bani Na'im town and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iv) At 17:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Adh Dhahiriya town and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (v) At 19:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to Halhul town and searched civilians and vehicles.
- Raid: At 18:35, the Israeli army raided Hebron city, set up a checkpoint, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area.
- <u>Detention</u>: At 14:15, the Israeli army detained Ribhi Badawi Abu Sneinah, a Palestinian Police officer, in Tal Rumeida neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron and released him at 14:45 after coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO).

• Settler Violence:

- (i) At 17:00, a group of Israeli settlers gained entry, under protection of the Israeli army, into a house belonging to Nidhal an Natsheh, a Palestinian Preventive Security officer, in Az Zahed area in the old city of Hebron. Settlers took photographs of the house rooms.
- (ii) At 19:15, a group of Israeli settlers from Bat 'Ayin gained access to and cut down approximately 35 grapevines on civilian land in Safa village. The Israeli army also prevented civilians from accessing their land as they attempted to confront settlers. The Israeli army evacuated settlers from the area at a later time.
- (iii) At 12:15, a group of Israeli settlers threw stones at civilian vehicles in the old city of Hebron, injuring Murad Abdul Rahman al 'Attal and causing damage to his vehicle.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the area surrounding Eshkolot settlement west of Adh Dhahiriya town.

GAZA STRIP

ALL DISTRICTS

- 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 ceasefire has been further renewed on 10 April 2011.
- <u>Violation of the Ceasefire</u>: The Israeli army raided Palestinian territory and opened fire on civilian houses and property in Rafah district.

NORTHERN GAZA	Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing was closed.
GAZA	 Closure of Crossing Points: Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 02 March 2011, the Crossing has been effectively closed upon an Israeli unilateral decision. Ash Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 04 January 2010, the Crossing has been closed upon an Israeli unilateral decision.
CENTRAL GAZA	Activities not reported.
KHAN YUNIS	Activities not reported.
RAFAH	 Closure of Crossing Points: Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. Rafah (Al 'Awdah) Crossing is open for civilian access on foot. Maintenance works are being implemented at the Crossing. Sufa Crossing is closed. Karm Abu Salem (Karem Shalom) Crossing was closed. Attack: On 04 June 2011, the Israeli army opened fire from its location on the Green Line on Palestinian farmers and shepherds near the Border Fence east of Rafah city. Raid/Attack/Land Levelling: In the morning of 04 June 2011, the Israeli army, including several armoured vehicles and bulldozers, raided Palestinian territory in the area surrounding Sufa Crossing northeast of Rafah city. While levelling land, the Israeli army opened fire on civilian property.

GENERAL

POLITICAL PRISONERS

• <u>Hunger Strike</u>: On 04 June 2011, political prisoners held in Eshel Prison declared a one-day hunger strike in protest against collective punishment imposed by the Israeli prison administration. Prisoners have been prohibited from leaving cells for the prison yard, visiting other cells, and moving from one section to another. Prisoners also protested against the prison administration's provocative measures, including solitary confinement and financial fines.