مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 17 June 2004 – 08:00 18 June 2004

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	4	_	4	Incl. a child
Attacks	7	1	8	Incl. against Nat. Sec. position
Raids	15	3	18	
Air Patrols	3	_	3	Helicopters
Arrests (per person)	7	_	7	Incl. injured, female, policeman
Detentions	1	_	1	Residents of Salim
Land Levelling	1	3	4	For settlement road construction
Wall Construction	18	_	18	Jer, Jenin, Ram'lh, Salfit, Beth
Destruction of Property	1	4	5	Farm, roads, infrastructure
House Occupation	2	1	3	
Curfew	1	_	1	Village of Salim
Checkpoints	(All)	_	(All)	
Flying Checkpoints	(Dozens)	(Dozens)	_	Closing all districts
Closures (per District)	(All)	(All)	(All)	Jericho is closed
Closure of Main Roads	Most	(5)	Most	Esp. connecting governorates
Closure of Wall Gates	(Most)	_	(Most)	Permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points	_	4	4	3 Partially open
Demonstration	3	_	3	Al Iskaka, Salfit, Al Zawiya
TOTAL	63	16	79	

DISTRICT	EVENT		
ALL DISTRICTS	Since 22 March 2004, the Israeli army has imposed a total closure over the West Bank and Gaza Strip. The Israeli army prevented civilians from crossing the Green Line and entering Jerusalem, closed crossing points to workers, and restricted movement between cities in the West Bank.		

WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	 <u>Closure</u>: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the city, closing all roads connecting towns and villages and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction continues in Al Eizariya, Abu Dis, Al Sawahira al Sharqiya, Sur Bahir, Qatanna, Biddu, along the main road between Dahiyat Al Bareed checkpoint and Qalandiya checkpoint, and near Qalandiya airport. <u>Raid</u>: The Israeli army raided the town of Al Ram, and destroyed and confiscated a tent set up by protestors against Wall construction.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	 Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all roads connecting towns and villages and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. Wall Construction: Construction of the western portion of the Wall continues in Budrus, Deir Qaddis, Rantis, Ni'lin, Beit Liqya, Beituniya and near the village of Midya. Raids: At 15:20, an Israeli army jeep raided the town of Beituniya and patrolled the area. At 01:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Ramallah, set up a checkpoint, searched vehicles and examined passenger IDs. Deployment of Troops: At 23:40, an Israeli helicopter deployed a number of soldiers in the village of Abu Shkheidim, who searched a house and withdrew at 03:00.
JENIN	Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city, blocking roads connecting towns and

villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact education, economic and livelihood activities and impede access to health Wall Construction: Construction of the Wall continues south of Jalbun towards Al Mutilla, Raba, Al Mughayyir, Bardala and 'Ein al Beida and towards the Jordan River. Raids: At 11:00, Israeli Special Forces raided the city of Jenin, opened fire at (i) and raided a house, injuring a civilian who was arrested. At 02:30, the Israeli army opened intensive fire and arrested 2 civilians and a Palestinian policeman. At 15:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Meithalun, searched a (ii) number of houses and arrested a civilian. At 18:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. **Arrests:** The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians from the city of Jenin: (i) Tarad Hisham Salah, a polceman; (ii) Husam Suleiman Urug; and Ahmad Fowzi Al Sa'di. (iii) The Israeli army arrested Marwan Ismael Nu'eirat from the town of Meithalun. **Closure:** The Israeli army set up dozens of checkpoints throughout the **JERICHO** city, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and prevented civilians from crossing. **Closure:** (i) The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and prevented civilians from crossing. The Israeli army continues to close the only road leading to the village (ii) of Al Nu'man, northeast of the Bethlehem district, isolating the village **BETHLEHEM** and placing it under the jurisdiction of the Jerusalem municipality. Wall Construction: Construction of the Wall continues north of the district of Bethlehem, west of Wadi Hilwa, near the Armenian monastery, on the Jerusalem-Bethlehem road and along the tunnel road (Gilo) and road #60- Husan. **Land Levelling:** The Israeli army levelled agricultural land near the junction of Za'tara town to open a bypass road connecting the settlement of Har Huma with the settlements south of the district, over a distance of 22 kilometres.

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	• <u>Air Patrol</u> : At 05:05, an Israeli helicopter patrolled the skies over the city of Nablus.
HEBRON	 <u>Closure</u>: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. <u>Raid</u>: The Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, set up checkpoints in several neighbourhoods and arrested a civilian. <u>Arrest</u>: The Israeli army arrested Loay Numan Imtawi' from the city of Hebron.
QALQILYA	 <u>Closure</u>: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. <u>Wall Gates</u>: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact education, economic and livelihood activities and impede access to health facilities.
SALFIT	 Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing dozens of entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. Wall Construction: The Israeli army continues to level land west of the village of Iskaka and north of the city of Salfit in preparation for construction of a fence around the settlement of Ariel as part of the Wall. At 14:00, the Israeli Supreme Court issued orders to suspend the construction of the section of the Wall in the city of Salfit and village of Iskaka, until a court session is held to consider the case against the construction of the Wall in that area. Demonstrations: At 09:00, a mass demonstration, in which international peace activists participated, took place in the city of Salfit near the site of Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, in which the Israeli army fired tear gas causing gas inhalation by a number of demonstrators. At 09:00, a mass demonstration took place in the city of Al Zawiya in protest against Wall construction which will take much of the village lands. At 09:30, a mass demonstration took place in the village of Iskaka near the site of Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors.

GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA	 <u>Closure</u>: Beit Hanun crossing is partially open to merchants only. <u>Raid</u>: At 18:35, the Israeli army, including 6 tanks and 3 bulldozers, raided 400 meters into Palestinian territory near Point 27, north of Beit Hanun, occupied a house and turned it into a military post, and levelled agricultural land. The Israeli army remains positioned in the area as of 08:00 this morning. 	
GAZA CITY	 Closure: The junction of Nitsareem remains closed. Raids: At 14:20, the Israeli army, including a tank and a bulldozer, raided the area north of the junction of Al Shuhada and levelled agriculture land. The Israeli army remains positioned in the area as of 08:00 this morning. At 18:35, the Israeli army, including a bulldozer, raided the area north of Al Shadada junction and south of the College of Education, set up dirt barricades, demolished a house, destroyed a water generator and a pool, destroyed a 20 meter long road and caused damage to the water, sewage and electricity infrastructure. Attack: At 20:25, the Israeli opened intensive fire from its location in the watch tower east of the junction of Al Shuhada towards a Palestinian National Security location. 	
CENTRAL GAZA	Activities not yet reported.	
KHAN YUNIS	 Closure: (i) Abu al Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) remains closed. (ii) Western road (Khan Yunis) remains closed. (iii) Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis road (Al Tuffah checkpoint) is closed. (iv) Abu Holi road is partially open. 	
RAFAH	• Closure: (i) The Gaza International Airport remains closed. (ii) The Rafah crossing is closed to civilians between the ages of 16 and 35. (iii) The Sufa crossing is open for construction cargo only.	

GENERAL

POLITICAL PRISONERS

• **Prisoner Conditions:** Political prisoners, including 45 prisoners, suffer over crowding, the spread of insects and vermin, the lack in quantity and quality of food in addition to denying several political prisoner patients necessary medical attention and therapy.