## مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



## PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

## **DAILY SITUATION REPORT**

08:00 20 June 2004 – 08:00 21 June 2004

#### **SUMMARY OF EVENTS**

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assault	2	_	2	1 in Hebron, others in Nablus
Injuries	2	1	3	Incl. child, others gas inhalation
Attacks	5	2	7	Incl. tank shell in Khan Yunis
Raids	18	3	21	
Air Raids	1	1	2	
Arrests (per person)	9	4	13	Incl. 2 officers
Detentions	2	_	2	Azzun and Wadi Al Badhan
House Demolitions	1	_	1	In Al Walaja, plus shops
Wall Construction	17	_	17	Jer, Jenin, Ram'lh, Salfit, Beth
Destruction of Property	1	_	1	Car hit by military vehicle
House Occupation	1	_	1	In Salfit
Curfews	1	_	1	Al Walaja, west of Bethlehem
Checkpoints	All	_	All	
Flying Checkpoints	Dozens	Dozens	_	Closing all districts
Closures (per District)	All	All	All	
Closure of Main Roads	Most	(5)	Most	Esp. connecting governorates
Closure of Wall Gates	Most	_	Most	Permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points		3	3	2 Partially open
Demonstration	1		1	
Palestinian Attacks	_	3	3	5 Qassam, 1 across Green Line
TOTAL	61	17	78	

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	<ul> <li>Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the city, closing all roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing.</li> <li>Wall Construction: 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.</li> <li>Arrest: At 12:00, the Israeli army at the checkpoint near the village of Al Nabi Samuel arrested Mahmoud Hammuda, a civilian.</li> </ul>	
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul> <li>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.</li> <li>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.</li> <li>Raids: <ol> <li>At 23:20, the Israeli army raided the city of El Bireh and set up a checkpoint at which vehicles were searched.</li> <li>At 01:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Kafr Ni'ma and arrested 2 civilians.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Arrest: The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians from Kafr Ni'ma: <ol> <li>Ishaq Ataya; and</li> <li>Anwar Jabir Abduh.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>	
JENIN	Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district,	

	<ul> <li>closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing.</li> <li>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 facilities.</li> <li>Wall Construction: Construction of the Wall continues south of Jalbun towards Al Mutilla, Raba, Al Mughayyir, Bardala and 'Ein al Beida and</li> </ul>
	towards the Jordan River.
JERICHO	Closure: The Israeli army set up dozens of checkpoints throughout the city, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and prevented civilians from crossing.
BETHLEHEM	<ul> <li>Closure: <ul> <li>(i) The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing civilians from crossing.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army continues to close the only road leading to the village of Al Nu'man, northeast of the Bethlehem district, isolating the village and placing it under the jurisdiction of the Jerusalem municipality.</li> <li>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.</li> <li>Raids: <ul> <li>(i) At 12:20, an Israeli army jeep raided the city of Bethlehem and patrolled the area.</li> <li>(ii) At 19:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Za'tara. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians in which the Israeli army caused the injury of 1 civilian.</li> <li>(iii) At 20:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Al Khadr and searched a house.</li> <li>(iv) At 01:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Beit Jala and patrolled the area.</li> <li>(v) At 03:40, the Israeli army raided the Duheisha refugee camp and searched a house.</li> <li>(vi) At 07:30, the Israeli army, including 25 jeeps and bulldozers, raided the village of Al Walaja, imposed curfew, and demolished 1 house and 3 shops in the area of Al Juweiza, located in the village.</li> <li>House Demolitions:</li> <li>(i) The Israeli army demolished a house in the village of Al Walaja belonging to Dr. Ayoub Radwan Hajajra.</li> </ul> </li> </ul></li></ul>

	(ii) The 3 shops demolished by the Israeli army belonged to Mahmoud Abu Khayara, a civilian.
TULKAREM	<ul> <li>Closure: 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.</li> <li>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 facilities.</li> <li>Raids: <ol> <li>At 19:50, an Israeli army jeep raided the town of Anabta. Confrontations tool place between the Israeli army and civilians.</li> <li>At 20:20, an Israeli army jeep raided the village of Izbat al Jarrad and searched a house.</li> <li>At 22:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Tulkarem. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, following which the Israeli army took positions in different neighbourhoods until 05:00.</li> <li>Air Patrol: At 15:35, Israeli combat aircraft patrolled the skies over the district of Tulkarem.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
NABLUS	<ul> <li>Closure: 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.</li> <li>Attack/Physical Assault: Israeli soldiers located at the checkpoint on the road of Wadi Al Badhan opened fire towards civilians injuring 1. Israeli soldiers severely beat several civilians and destroyed a vehicle by crashing into it with a jeep. The Israeli army detained a number of other vehicles.</li> <li>Raids: <ol> <li>At 23:40, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus and the entrance of the Balata refugee camp, while protecting a number of settlers visiting the Josef tomb.</li> <li>At 02:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus and arrested 2 civilians.</li> <li>Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians from the city of Nablus: <ol> <li>Majid Abdul Karim Makhlouf; and</li> <li>Zuhdi Zuheir Salih.</li> </ol> </li> </ol></li></ul>
HEBRON	<ul> <li>Closure: 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.</li> <li>Raid: At 16:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, set up several</li> </ul>

	<ul> <li>checkpoints in different neighbourhoods and arrested 2 brothers.</li> <li>Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 brothers from the city of Hebron: <ul> <li>Fadil Idris Al Sarsur; and</li> <li>Burhan Idris Sarsur.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Physical Assault: At 10:00, Israeli soldiers at the checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Idhna severely beat Yusif Abu Zant and broke his right arm.</li> </ul>
QALQILYA	<ul> <li>Closure: 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.</li> <li>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 facilities.</li> <li>Raid: At 22:50, the Israeli army, including 15 jeeps, raided the town of Azzun, detained a number of civilians in a café and arrested 1.</li> <li>Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Wael Muhammad Suweidan from the town of Azzun.</li> </ul>
SALFIT	<ul> <li>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.</li> <li>Wall Construction: <ol> <li>Levelling of land continues in the villages of Al Zawiya-Deir Ballut and Rafat.</li> <li>Levelling of land in the city of Salfit and village of Iskaka remains suspended following the Israeli Supreme Court's orders to suspend construction of the Wall in that area, until a court session is held to consider the case.</li> <li>Raids: <ol> <li>At 12:40, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the city of Salfit, set up a checkpoint at the southern entrance and arrested a civilian. At 17:00, the Israeli army raided the area again.</li> <li>Since 16:50 on 19 June 2004, the Israeli army continues to occupy a house turned into a military post, after vacating its residents and fencing it with barbed wire.</li> <li>Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Daoud Yusif Ad Dik from the city of Salfit.</li> <li>Demonstration: At 11:25, a demonstration, in which International Peace Activists participated, took place in the village of Al Zawiya in protest against the ongoing land levelling for construction of the Wall on village land. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians in</li> </ol> </li> </ol></li></ul>

which the Israeli army fired tear gas and ammunition causing gas inhalation by a number of civilians.

## **GAZA STRIP**

NORTHERN GAZA	• Palestinian Attack: At 22:35, a Qassam mortar was fired towards the settlement of Dokeet.
GAZA CITY	Closure: The junction of Nitsareem remains closed.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul> <li>Raid: At 02:00, Israeli troops raided the area of Abu Holi, north of the area of Al Qarara, and arrested 2 officers.</li> <li>Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 individuals from the area of Abu Holi: <ul> <li>Munir Salim Abu Haddaf; and</li> <li>Maher Abu Haddaf.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
KHAN YUNIS	<ul> <li>Closure: <ol> <li>Abu al Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) remains closed.</li> <li>Western road (Khan Yunis) remains closed.</li> <li>Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis road (Al Tuffah checkpoint) is closed.</li> <li>Abu Holi road is partially open.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Attack: At 23:15, an Israeli tank fired a shell towards the Nimsawi neighbourhood.</li> <li>Raid: At 23:15, the Israeli army, including 18 tanks and 2 bulldozers with helicopter support, raided 100 meters near the neighbourhood of Al Nimsawi and the area of Batin al Hawa, and arrested 2 brothers.</li> <li>Arrests: The Israeli army arrested: <ol> <li>Basim Salim Barika; and</li> <li>Bassam Salim Barika.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Palestinian Attacks: <ol> <li>At 00:33, a Qassam mortar was fired towards the settlement of Kded.</li> <li>At 07:35, a Qassam mortar was fired towards the Green Line.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
RAFAH	<ul> <li>Closure: <ol> <li>The Gaza International Airport remains closed.</li> <li>The Rafah crossing is closed to civilians between the ages of 16 and 35.</li> <li>The Sufa crossing was partially open to construction cargo only.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>

• Attack: At 20:45, the Israeli tank opened fire from a position near Point 5.5 towards civilian houses in the city of Rafah, injuring a child.

#### **GENERAL**

### Suspension of Tawjihi Exams: The head of Prisons' administration ordered the suspension of Tawjihi exams for political prisoners, claiming the necessity of examining the proctors' permits. Torture/ Extreme Measures Against Prisoners: Masked Israeli Special Forces raided political prisoners cells in the prison of Elon, forced them to strip naked while a female Israeli soldier took photos of them, and tortured **POLITICAL** Ala Manasra, a political prisoner, with electric shocks until he fell **PRISONERS** unconscious. **Prison Conditions:** A press conference took place in the city of El Bireh on prisoner conditions and suffering in Israeli political prisons. Israeli prisons are holding 7000 political prisoners—including 6500 who are held under administrative detention and 99 female political prisoners (52 in the prison of Telamond, 42 in the prison of Neve Trista and 5 others in different detention centres).

# WORK PERMITS

#### • West Bank:

- (i) Israeli authorities renewed work permits to cross the Green Line for 3,987 workers. The total number of those allowed to cross is unknown.
- (ii) The Israeli authorities continue to refuse to renew work permits for civilians in the district of Jericho to cross the Green Line.
- (iii) The Israeli authorities restricted the issuing of work permits to civilians over the age of 35, married and with children.

#### • Gaza Strip:

- (i) 2,300 workers carry renewed work permits to enter the Erez Industrial Zone; however, only 600 workers, 27% of those carrying valid permits, were permitted to enter the area.
- (ii) The Israeli authorities renewed work permits to cross the Green Line for 541 workers; however, only 415 workers, 77% of those carrying valid permits have been allowed to cross the Green Line.