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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00, 30 March 2009 – 08:00, 31 March 2009

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Killings	—	3	3	A woman civilian & 2 armed Palestinians
Injuries	6	3	9	Incl. 5 in Ramallah & 2 in Central Gaza
Physical Assaults	7	—	7	Attacked during a demonstration in Dura
Arrests (per person)	14	—	14	Incl. a child, a woman & 2 uni. Students
Detentions	16	—	16	At checkpoints & in residential locals
Raids	30	2	32	Incl. 2 on Jerusalem & 1 on North. Gaza
Closure of Checkpoints	13	—	13	Incl. access impeded at 7 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	13	—	13	Incl. 3 in Bethlehem & 3 in Hebron
Attacks	6	8	14	Incl. 4 during raids & 1 by helicopter
Air Attack	—	1	1	Gunships firing 3 missiles on C. Gaza
Air Patrol	—	2	2	Helicopters & rec. above Central Gaza
Curfew	1	—	1	Over Jayyus town in Qalqiliya district
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	—	1	Position troops near sec. headquarters
Confiscation of Property	6	—	6	2 computers & 4 cell phones in Jenin
Wall Construction	25	—	25	Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Heb., Beth.
Closure (per District)	7	—	7	Incl. Jerusalem, Tulkarm & Hebron
Closure of Main Roads	53	—	53	Incl. 2 in Jerusalem & 2 in Tulkarm
Closure of Crossing Points	—	4	4	Only 3 crossings are partially open
Demonstrations	7	—	7	Against Wall, sett. & support prisoners
Pal. Security Measures	2	—	2	Incl. extraditing a settler caught in Dura
Palestinian Attack	—	1	1	Anti tank mortar fired towards army
TOTAL	207	24	231	

DISTRICT	EVENTS
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WEST BANK

ALL DISTRICTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints set up on the main roads connecting the West Bank districts, thereby isolating the northern districts from the southern districts as well as the Jericho district and the Jordan Valley from the remainder of the West Bank.
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JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <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 al-Aqsa Mosque compound and impede civilian access to the mosque. (ii) On 05 January 2009, the Israeli army issued military order # 02/09 closing the seam line area, an extension of the Wall, according to a set of land confiscation orders, for the construction of the Wall around the city of Jerusalem to prevent civilians from entering the city, with the exception of civilians living in the area and those holding permits. Entry is regulated through crossings and gates set up at entrances to the city of Jerusalem, as designated in the military order. 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 in Jerusalem city from the town of Ar Ram. Checkpoint: 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. Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) On 30 March 2009, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Hanina and searched a house. (ii) On 30 March 2009, the Israeli army raided the village of As Sawahira Ash Sharqiya and arrested a university student. Arrests: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 15:00, the Israeli army arrested 3 civilians from the village of Dar Salah in the district of Bethlehem while working in the city of Jerusalem. They are: Arafat Abdallah Ad Dar'awi; Wael Abdallah Saleem; and Muhammad Emad Saleem. (ii) The Israeli army arrested in the village of As Sawahira Ash Sharqiya the civilian Ahmad Ibrahim Odeh. 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 al-Shayyah road in the area between the villages of al-Sawahira al-Sharqiya and al-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 al-Shayyah, from Beit Surik village to Biddu, in the areas of al-Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina, west of al-Jib village, in the vicinity of the village of Qatanna, and south of Beit Hanina village.
<p>RAMALLAH & EL BIREH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades and cement blocks the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil; the western entrances to the villages of Safa and Ein Yabrud; the road between the villages of Ras Karkar and Kharbatha Bani Harith and the junction to the villages of Kafr Malik – Ein Samiya. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at the checkpoint on the overpass to ‘Atara town and impede civilian access. • Flying Checkpoint: At 09:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the town of Silwad and the village of Yabrud and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Deir Abu Mash’al and arrested 5 civilians, including 4 brothers. (ii) At 00:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled El Bireh city. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested in the village of Deir Abu Mash’al the civilian brothers Hisham, Elias, Muhammad & Qassam Mahmoud Shehadeh Al Barghouthi; and Hussein Ali Al Barghouthi. • Demonstrations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:30, a sit in demonstration by families of political prisoners took place in front of the ICRC in the city of Ramallah in solidarity with prisoners in Israeli jails and demanding their release. (ii) At 12:00, a mass demonstration took place in the town of Ni’lin on the occasion of the Land Day and against the Wall. Consequently, the Israeli army raided the town and clashed with civilians injuring 5 demonstrators. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues west of ‘Abud town and in the areas of al-Midya to Ni’lin and Ni’lin to Deir Qaddis.
<p>JENIN</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to ‘Arraba town, east of the settlement of Dotan. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Ya’bad, clashed with civilians while patrolling the area and arrested a child. (ii) At 20:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Silat Al Harithiya. (iii) At 01:55, the Israeli army raided the city of Jenin and its refugee camp, opened fire indiscriminately in the city, searched a number of

	<p>houses after detaining their residents in open air, searched an internet café, arrested a woman civilian and university student, confiscated 2 computers and 5 cell phones and withdrew at 04:30.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Arrests:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army arrested in the town of Ya'bad 14-year-old Hani Ahmad Barri. (ii) The Israeli army arrested in Jenin city and its refugee camp the civilians Raja' Nazmi Qasem Al Ghoul (woman) and Samer Hashem As Sa'di. • <u>Demonstration:</u> At 12:00, a mass demonstration took place in the village of Rummana on the occasion of the Land Day and against the Wall and planted trees near the Wall. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> 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.
TOUBAS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army continues to close Tayasir checkpoint east of the town of Tubas, denying civilian access to the Northern Jordan Valley, except for civilians whose IDs indicate that their place of residence is the Northern Jordan Valley. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 12:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Ein Al Beida village. (ii) At 00:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Tayasir village.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western entrance to the village of Shofeh. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road connecting the town of Kafr Dan to the village of Shofeh. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Einav checkpoint that is set up on Tulkarm-Nablus main road. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 01:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the village of Ar Ras and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Arrest:</u> At 16:00 on 29 March 2009, the Israeli army arrested near a Wall gate that is close to the town of Attil the civilian Fadi Fawwaz Ibrahim Barakat. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
QALQILYA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Roads:</u> The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun. • <u>Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at the checkpoint that is set up at the eastern entrance to the city of Qalqiliya and impede civilian access. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 10:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Habla tunnel (the road that connects the city of Qalqiliya to the village of Habla) and searched civilians and vehicles.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:10, the Israeli army raided the city of Qalqiliya. Again at 01:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the area until 04:00. (ii) At 01:45, the Israeli army raided the village of Kafr Qaddum and served summon to the civilian Ali Muhammad Sulaiman to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. • <u>Demonstration:</u> At 11:00, a mass demonstration took place in the town of Jayyus on the occasion of the Land Day and against the Wall and planted trees near the Wall. Consequently, the Israeli army raided the town and imposed curfew on the area. Confrontations took place with the Israeli army injuring a civilian. The Israeli army withdrew at 24:00. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at ‘Azzun ‘Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a detector. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Having completed the Wall-related infrastructure, land leveling for Wall construction ceased in the towns of Azzun and Kafr Thulth as well as in the villages of Immatin and Kafr Laqif. (ii) Wall construction continues south of the town of Jayyus as well as near the settlement of Alfeh Minesheh in the villages of Ras Tira, Magharet Ad Dab’a and Wadi Ar Rasha, located south of Qalqiliya city.
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the roads of Sarra-Jit, Tel-Burin, Beit Furik-Salem, the road between Aqraba town and the main road and the eastern entrance to the village of Al Lubban Ash Sharqiya; and with dirt barricades the road between the villages of Tel and Madama, the southern entrance to the village of Qaryut, the eastern entrance to the village of Al Lubban Ash Sharqiya, the western entrance to the town of Aqraba, the southern entrance to the village of Duma, the northern entrance to the town of Qabalan, the western entrance to the village of Majdal Bani Fadil as well as the settler bypass road connecting the village of Deir al-Hatab to Alon Moreh settlement. (ii) Passage through the junction to Deir Sharaf village and the settlement of Shavei Shomron on Jenin-Nablus road is allowed daily from 06:00 until 21:00. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the eastern entrance to the village of Madama. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> 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 neighborhood 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 neighborhood only. (ii) Palestinian holders of Israeli IDs are allowed to enter with their vehicles into Nablus city through all its checkpoints. They are

	<p>allowed to depart the city of Nablus through Beit Furik checkpoint and Beit Iba gate. Physicians who are residents of Nablus are also allowed passage with their vehicles without permits.</p> <p>(iii) The Israeli army allowed residents from Nablus city who are above the age of 50 years to cross with their families and vehicles the checkpoints around the city without crossing permits.</p> <p>(iv) The iron gate near the junction leading to the village of Deir Sharaf on Nablus-Tulkarm main road is opened daily from 05:00 to 24:00 for civilian access in both directions without access permits.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raids:</u> <p>(i) At 00:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Nablus city and the refugee camps of Askar and Ein Beit El Ma' in the city until 02:30.</p> <p>(ii) At 01:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Beit Iba town.</p> • <u>Demonstration:</u> At 14:00, a number of civilians from the village of Deir Sharaf organized a sit in demonstration on their land that is threatened with confiscation by the Israeli army for the construction of a settlement road that leads to the settlement of Shavi Shomron.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <p>(i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the northern entrance to Salfit city and the eastern entrance to the village of Yasuf.</p> <p>(ii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and iron gates the northern entrances to the town of Bruqin and the western entrance to the town of Kafr Ad Dik.</p> <p>(iii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western entrance to the village of Hares.</p> • <u>Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Za'tara checkpoint and impede civilian access. • <u>Raid:</u> At 20:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Deir Istiya, set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town, patrolled the area and withdrew at 21:30. • <u>Attack:</u> At 13:10, Israeli troops positioned in the periphery of Ariel settlement opened fire indiscriminately under the pretext that a number of children existed near the fence around the settlement that is located north of Salfit city. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the city of Salfit, and in the village of Marda and the town of Kafr Hares north of the settlement of Ariel.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> 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. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions and impede civilian access at al-Hamra checkpoint set up along al-Badhan road

	<p>connecting the districts of Jericho and Nablus as well as on 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.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 16:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Ein Ad Duyuk village and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 22:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Fasayil village. (ii) At 22:25, the Israeli army raided the village of Al Jiftlik and served summons to 6 civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency.
<p style="text-align: center;">BETHLEHEM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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. (ii) Since September 15, 2007, the Israeli army has been preventing civilian access, according to military order 07.02.S, to the 22-dunum land that has been confiscated in accordance with confiscation order number 07.31.T. The 22-dunum area has been set to construct a passage in the area of Mazmouriyyeh that is located in the cities of Beit Sahur and Bethlehem. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the two sideways east and south of Al Walaja village and the roads of Beit Jala-Wadi Ahmad, Talita-Nazlet As-Sidr in the city of Beit Jala, Al Khadr town-Road # 60, Al Khadr town-Beit Jala housing, Wadi Rahal-Efrat and the sideways east of Beit Fajjar town. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Um Salamuna. (ii) At 18:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Taqu’a town and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:25, the Israeli army raided the village of Dar Salah and set up a flying checkpoint. (ii) At 11:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Taqu’a town. (iii) At 22:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Al Khadr town. (iv) At 01:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Bethlehem city. (v) At 02:35, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Beit Jala city. • <u>Detentions:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 14:30, the Israeli army positioned at the Container checkpoint detained the Palestinian National Security officer Shadi Al Wahsh and released him at a later time. (ii) At 20:45, the Israeli army detained at the Container checkpoint a bus belonging to the Latin School upon returning from Jericho city and released it following the intervention of military liaison. • <u>Demonstration:</u> At 14:00, a demonstration of women took place in the city of Bethlehem on the occasion of the Land Day and against the

	<p>Wall and planted trees near the Wall in the periphery of Bilal Bin Rabah (Al Qubbah) mosque.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of al-Khadr town; northwest of Beit Jala city; in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of Ephrata settlement; and in the area surrounding al-Walaja village.
<p style="text-align: center;">HEBRON</p>	<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: al-Shuhada' Street and the area of al-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 al-Sahleh. The Israeli army also 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, thereby controlling civilian access in the area. (ii) Although it expired on 07 May 2006, the Israeli army continues to implement a military order stipulating the prohibition of civilian vehicles from traveling along the road connecting the settlement of Kiryat Arba' to the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron unless they possess access permits. (iii) On 05 January 2009, the Israeli army issued military order # 06/09 closing the area located near the Green Line south of Yatta town, evacuating the area of those inside it and preventing civilians from entering it. This is the land confiscated for military purposes for Wall construction according to military orders # 03/05 and # 04/05. • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the following locales: the entrance to the town of al-Samoa'; the area of al-Hawawir leading to the town of Halhoul; the road connecting the town of Surif to the village of al-Jab'a; and the eastern entrance to the village of Kharsa. The Israeli army also continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to al-Qeisi neighborhood in the old city of Hebron; the main entrance to al-'Arrub refugee camp; the village of At Tuwani as well as the entrance to the town of Adh Dhahiriya. (ii) In accordance with Military Order # 378, the Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from traveling along Shalala Old Street that leads to the old city of Hebron, only allowing Israeli vehicles as well as Israeli army vehicles to travel along this street. (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 bypass Road # 60. (iv) The Israeli army continues to open the Iron Gate on the junction of Farsh Al Hawa, which leads to Road # 35 that leads to Tarqumiya Crossing, from 05:00 until 07:00 and from 09:00 until 13:00. (v) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the entrances to the villages of Wadi Ash Shajina and Khirbet Bism.

- **Flying Checkpoints:**
 - (i) At 10:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to Idhna town and searched civilians and vehicles.
 - (ii) At 17:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass leading to Halhul town and searched civilians and vehicles.
 - (iii) At 19:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Fawwar junction and searched civilians and vehicles.
- **Raids:**
 - (i) At 14:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron. Again at 00:25, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the area.
 - (ii) At 23:05, the Israeli army raided Dura town, positioned troops in front of the headquarters of the Palestinian National Security and the General Intelligence and patrolled the area.
 - (iii) At 00:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Al Fawwar refugee camp.
 - (iv) At 02:20, the Israeli army raided Yatta town, searched a house and arrested a civilian.
- **Arrest:** The Israeli army arrested in the town of Yatta the civilian Emad Taleb Muhammad Jabbour.
- **Demonstration:** At 11:30, a mass demonstration took place in the city of Hebron on the occasion of the Land Day and against the Wall. Confrontations took place between civilians and the Israeli army who fired tear-gas bombs and attacked demonstrators with clubs causing contusions to 7 civilians.
- **Palestinian Security Measures:**
 - (i) At 23:00, a settler caught in the town of Dura was extradited to the Israeli side via military liaison.
 - (ii) At 00:30, the Palestinian Explosive Engineering unit detonated, following coordination with the Israeli side via military liaison, 4 kilogram device in a gas canister ready for detonation found in the area of Wadi As Safar in Ash Shuyukh town.
- **Wall Construction:** Wall construction continues in the section of Tarqumiya checkpoint terminal, the remaining section of the Wall route that separates the settlement of Eshkolot from the village of al-Ramadin, and near the village of Imneizil southeast of the town of Yatta.

GAZA STRIP

<p style="text-align: center;">ALL DISTRICTS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At 02:00 on 18 January 2009, the Israeli army declared a unilateral ceasefire. In the meantime, armed Palestinian groups declared a one-week-long ceasefire. Meanwhile, the ceasefire was extended until 05 February 2009. The ceasefire is holding despite the end of the specified period. • The Israeli army violated the ceasefire by raiding Palestinian areas, opening fire intensively, firing shells and launching airstrikes killing 2 armed Palestinian individuals and injuring 3 others. • Armed Palestinian groups breached the ceasefire by firing anti-tank mortar towards the Israeli army positioned near the Green Line.
<p style="text-align: center;">NORTHERN GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is closed. • Raid: In the morning on 30 March 2009, the Israeli army, including a number of armored vehicles, raided the area of Abu Safiyah, located east of Beit Hanun town, and clashed with armed Palestinian individuals injuring one of them. • Attack: In the morning on 30 March 2009, the Israeli army opened fire intensively from its locations in the periphery of Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing on the Green Line towards civilian houses north of Beit Hanun town. • Killing: On 30 March 2009, civilian woman Ghada Abu Halimah from Northern Gaza district died in an Egyptian hospital of serious injuries sustained during the Israeli aggression on Gaza districts.
<p style="text-align: center;">GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Points: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Al-Muntar (Karni) Crossing is partially open to allow entry of wheat and fodder. (ii) Al-Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is partially open to allow entry of fuel.
<p style="text-align: center;">CENTRAL GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Palestinian Attack/Israeli Attack: In the morning on 31 March 2009, armed Palestinian individuals fired anti-tank mortar towards an Israeli army armored vehicle near the Green Line, east of Al Maghazi refugee camp. Consequently, the Israeli army opened fire intensively and fired a number of shells. The Israeli army, including a number of armored vehicles, covered with helicopter gunships and reconnaissance aircrafts, raided Palestinian areas, opened fire intensively from armored vehicles and helicopter gunships and clashed with armed Palestinian individuals. Israeli helicopter gunships also fired 3 missiles killing 2 armed Palestinians and injuring 2 others. They are Mahmoud Nimr Zahrah and Yousef Al Abed Qouqa.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Killings:</u> The Israeli army killed east of Al Maghazi refugee camp the civilians Ali Abu Al Foul and Abdallah Sbeetan.
KHAN YOUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Attack:</u> On 30 March 2009, the Israeli army opened fire from its locations on the Green Line towards agricultural land belonging to civilians east of Khuza'a town.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Points:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah (Al Awdah) Crossing is closed. (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed. (iv) Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is partially open to allow entry of food and humanitarian supplies.