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### PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

## DAILY SITUATION REPORT 08:00 30 April 2007 – 08:00 01 May 2007

#### **SUMMARY OF EVENTS**

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injury	1	_	1	1 civilian in Nablus district by settlers
Attacks	2	3	5	2 in raids & 3 from military posts
Raids	20	5	25	Incl. 4 in Hebron & 3 in Northern Gaza
Air Patrols	1	1	2	Helicopters over Hebron & Khan Yunis
Arrests	24	_	24	Incl. 3 children & 1 Pal. security officer
Detentions	17	1	18	At checkpoints & in residential locales
House Demolitions	*	_	_	Notices to demolish 9 houses delivered
Land Levelling	_	2	2	In Northern Gaza and Khan Yunis
Wall Construction	25	_	25	Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Hebron, Beth.
Destruction of Property	1	_	1	A road levelled near Al Aqsa Mosque
House Occupations	3	_	3	2 flats and 1 house, Ramallah & Nablus
Closure of Checkpoints	14	_	14	Incl. 2 checkpoints closed
Flying Checkpoints	16		16	Incl. 2 in Jerusalem and 7 in Jenin
Closure (per District)	6		6	Incl. Jerusalem and Tulkarem partially
Closure of Main Roads	37		37	Incl. 5 in Tulkarem & 13 in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points		5	5	Incl. Beit Hanun (Erez) partially
Settler Violence	3		3	Incl. 1 civilian and 1 child run over
Palestinian Attacks	1	3	4	Incl. an explosive device detonated
Pal. Security Measures	5		5	3 illegal vehicles & 2 motorcycles handed
TOTAL	176	20	196	

#### **WEST BANK**

### ALL DISTRICTS

• 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.

• <u>Closure</u>: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem. The Israeli army also continues to close the entrances to the Al Aqsa Mosque compound in the old city of Jerusalem and impede civilian access to the mosque. This Israeli measure aims to prevent civilian demonstrations against the Israeli army's levelling of Dung Gate (Bab Al Maghariba) old road, which leads to Al Aqsa Mosque compound.

#### • Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance opposite the junction to Dahiyat al Bareed in the city of Jerusalem with a barbed wire gate and to deny civilian access.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting Dahiyat al Bareed to the town of Ar Ram in order to complete Wall construction in the area.
- (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to the village of Jaba', which connects the village to the cities of Jerusalem, Ramallah, and Jericho.

#### **JERUSALEM**

#### • Checkpoints:

- (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) The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at checkpoints set up around the city of Jerusalem and denied access to workers.

#### • Wall Gates:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks.
- (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.
- Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Dahiyat al Bareed, Dahiyat al Aqbat, from the village of Hizma to 'Anata, along the Hizma-Jaba' road, the area of Al 'Eizariya to Ash Shayyah, from the village of Beit Surik to Biddu, in the areas of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina, west of the village of Al Jib, and in the vicinity of the village of Qatanna.

#### **Closure of Main Roads:** The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the eastern (i) entrance to the village of Sinjil as well as the road to the village of Ras Karkar. The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the western (ii) entrance to the village of Saffa. <u>Checkpoint</u>: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the overpass to the town of 'Atara and to impede civilian access. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area west of the town of 'Abud as well as in the areas of Al Midya to Ni'lin and Ni'lin to RAMALLAH Deir Qaddis. Flying Checkpoint: At 22:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at EL BIREH the entrance to the village of Rafat, searched civilians and vehicles, and impeded civilian access. **Raids/House Occupations:** At 12:45, the Israeli army raided the town of 'Ein Yabrud, occupied 2 (i) residential flats on a building, and converted them into a military post. At 01:45, the Israeli army raided the town again and arrested 1 civilian. At 22:45, the Israeli army raided the village of Surda and arrested 1 (ii) civilian. **Arrests:** The Israeli army arrested Abdul 'Aziz Malek Abdul 'Aziz in the town (i) of 'Ein Yabrud. The Israeli army arrested Hamzeh ar Ramahi in the village of Surda. (ii) **Closure of Roads:** (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the unpaved detour road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan. The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the detour roads (ii) around the town of Silat adh Dhahr. **Checkpoint:** The Israeli army closed Tayasir checkpoint east of the town of Tubas and denied civilian access in both directions, claiming to be conducting military training in the area of Northern Jordan Valley east of the village of Tayasir. **Wall Gates: JENIN** Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special (i) Israeli permits. (ii) Beginning on 29 March 2007, the Israeli army has continued to regulate times to open Al Jalama and Salim Wall gates between 06:30 until 10:00 and 17:00 until 21:00 respectively. **Flying Checkpoints:** At 21:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the village of (i) Sanur, searched civilians and vehicles, and impeded civilian access. (ii) The Israeli army set up 6 flying checkpoints: on the junctions to the town of 'Arraba and the village of Al Kufeir; at the entrance to the town of Az Zababida; between the town of Oabatiya and the village of

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	Misliya; between the villages of Al Jadida and Sir; and near the village of Al 'Aqaba. Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoints searched civilians and vehicles.
	• Raids:  (i) At 19:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Zububa.  (ii) At 00:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Tammun.  (iii) At 02:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Tubas.
TULKAREM	<ul> <li>Closure: The Israeli army continues to declare the district of Tulkarem a closed military zone and to impede civilian access to and from the district.</li> <li>Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the Dahiyat Iktaba-Bal'a road, the entrance to the village of Saffarin, the road connecting the town of Deir al Ghusun to 'Attil plain, the road to the town of Deir al Ghusun's plain.</li> <li>Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Jubara checkpoint (the southern entrance to the city of Tulkarem) as well as at 'Einav checkpoint (the eastern entrance to the city).</li> <li>Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> <li>Fiving Checkpoints: <ol> <li>At 11:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of 'Attil, searched civilian vehicles, and impeded civilian access until 16:45.</li> <li>The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the villages of Ramin and Bizzariya and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Raids: <ol> <li>At 00:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Tulkarem.</li> <li>At 04:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Qaffin, searched a number of houses, and arrested 4 civilians, including 2 university students, as well as 1 Palestinian General Intelligence officer. In addition, the Israeli army served a summons to the family of a university student, stating that he should report to the Israeli Intelligence agency.</li> <li>Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 4 civilians and 1 Palestinian security officer in the town of Qaffin: <ol> <li>'Anan Tayseer Tu'meh, a Palestinian General Intelligence officer;</li> <li>Amin Ahmed Tu'meh,</li> <li>Yousef Mohammed Sardah;</li> <li>Nabeel Abdul Raheem Harsheh; and</li> </ol> </li> </ol></li></ul>
QALQILIYA	<ul> <li>Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun.</li> <li>Wall Gates:         <ul> <li>Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal deteator.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
QALQILIYA	the agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun.  • Wall Gates:  (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

- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Land levelling for Wall construction continues in the villages of Immatin and Kafr Laqif as well as east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and 'Azzun.
- **Flying Checkpoint:** At 19:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Habla tunnel (the southern entrance to the city of Qalqiliya), searched civilians and vehicles, and arrested 1 civilian.
- <u>Arrest</u>: Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up at the entrance to Habla tunnel arrested Abdul Haleem Omar Mara'beh.
- <u>Palestinian Security Measure</u>: At 09:00, Palestinian security forces handed over 3 illegal vehicles and 2 motorcycles, seized in the city of Qalqiliya, to the Israeli authorities (through the DCO).

#### • Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close the Jenin-Nablus road between the junction to the village of Deir Sharaf and the settlement of Shavei Shomron.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the settler bypass road connecting the village of Deir al Hatab to the settlement of Alon Moreh as well as the southern entrance to the village of Qaryut.
- <u>Checkpoints</u>: The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus:
- (i) Huwwara and Beit Iba checkpoints (set up at the southern and western entrances to the city of Nablus respectively) are closed at 23:00. The Israeli army only allows civilian vehicles possessing access permits to cross these checkpoints. The Israeli army also searches civilians using metal detectors at Beit Iba checkpoint, impeding their access.
- (ii) At Tur neighbourhood checkpoint (set up on Jirzim 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.
- (iii) Beit Furik checkpoint is open to civilian residents of the town of Beit Furik and the village of Beit Dajan until 17:30.
- (iv) Beginning on 23 November 2006, the Israeli army continues to close the checkpoint set up in the area between the city of Nablus and the town of 'Asira ash Shamaliya and to prevent civilians from crossing, only allowing access to humanitarian cases.
- **Flying Checkpoint:** At 14:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Beita, searched civilians and vehicles, and arrested 2 high school ("*Tawjihi*") students.

#### • Raids/House Occupation/Attack/Palestinian Attack:

(i) At 22:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus as well as the refugee camps of Balata and 'Ein Beit el Ma'. The Israeli army also occupied 1 house, converted it into a military post, and opened indiscriminate fire. Armed Palestinian individuals also detonated an explosive device near an Israeli army jeep in the city. In addition, an armed confrontation took place between the Israeli army and armed Palestinian individuals in 'Ein Beit el Ma' refugee camp. The Israeli army also searched a number of houses and arrested 4 civilians.

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- (ii) At 02:45, the Israeli army raided the village of Kafr Qalil and arrested 2 civilians, including 1 child.
- <u>Arrests</u>: Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up at the entrance to the village of Beita arrested 2 school students:
- (i) Khaled Mohammed Dweikat, 17 years old; and
- (ii) Rashed 'Uthman Dweikat, 16 years old.

The Israeli army arrested 4 civilians in the city of Nablus and in the refugee camps of Balata and 'Ein Beit el Ma':

- (iii) 'Ameed Abdul Fattah an Natour;
- (iv) Raed Yousef 'Uleiwi;
- (v) Salah Hashem Riyahi; and
- (vi) Baha' al Kalbani.

The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the village of Kafr Qalil:

- (vii) Mahir Khattab, 17 years old; and
- (viii) Abdul Rahman Fayez Samarah.
- <u>Settler Violence</u>: An Israeli settler vehicle ran over Hisham Salim near Huwwara checkpoint, leaving him with critical injuries.

#### • Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army has continued to close the main north-western entrance to the city of Salfit with dirt barricades since the beginning of the current *Intifada* (Uprising).
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western entrance to the village of Marda and, with cement blocks, the western entrance to the town of Kafr ad Dik.
- (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the western entrance to the town of Deir Istiya.

#### • Checkpoints:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Deir Ballut checkpoint and to deny civilian access to the town of Kafr ad Dik.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the Za'tara junction checkpoint and to impede civilian access.
- <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 Kifl Haris north of the settlement of Ari'el.

#### • Raids:

- (i) At 12:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Kafr ad Dik and distributed notices to 9 civilians for the demolition of their house for the second times, claiming that they were built without the required construction licences. The Israeli army also demanded that the affected civilians report to the Israeli Civil Administration offices in the settlement of Beit II on 31 May 2007. At 13:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
- (ii) At 16:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Yasuf.
- House Demolitions: The Israeli army distributed notices for the demolition of 9 houses in the town of Kafr ad Dik. The houses belong to:
- (i) Mohammed Ibrahim Habboub;
- (ii) Siham Saleh ad Dik, a female civilian;

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	(iii) 'Ashour Ali Ahmed; (iv) Safi Abdul Majeed Ahmed; (v) Ahmed Mustafa Mousa; (vi) Wael Khalil Abdullah; (vii) Mahmoud Abdul Lateef ad Dik;
	(viii) Mohammed Mutee' Faeq; and (ix) Tayseer Mutee' Faeq.
JERICHO	<ul> <li>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.</li> <li>Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions and impede civilian access at Al Hamra checkpoint set up along Al Badhan road 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 connecting the districts of Jericho and Ramallah.</li> </ul>
BETHLEHEM	<ul> <li>Closure: The Israeli army continues to close the roads to the village of An Nu'man, with the exception of the road leading to the Wall gate in the south-eastern area of the village.</li> <li>Closure of Main Roads: <ol> <li>The Israeli army continues to close all roads to Road # 60 leading to the city of Jerusalem, thereby isolating the city of Bethlehem from its towns and villages located west of Road # 60.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the detour roads leading to the town of Tuqu'.</li> <li>Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the town of Al Khadr, northwest of the city of Beit Jala, and in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of the settlement of Efrat.</li> <li>Flving Checkpoint: The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint along the settler bypass road near the eastern entrance to the city of Beit Sahur and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>Raids: <ol> <li>At 01:35, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided the village of Al 'Asakira and arrested 1 civilian.</li> <li>At 01:35, the Israeli army raided the city of Bethlehem, searched a number of houses, and arrested 4 civilians.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Arrests: <ol> <li>The Israeli army arrested Mohammed Ali Shawriyyeh in the village of Al 'Asakira.</li> </ol> </li> <li>The Israeli army arrested 4 civilians in the city of Bethlehem: <ol> <li>Wisam Nassr al Hreimi;</li> <li>Ahmed Salah al Hreimi;</li> <li>Mohammed al Hreimi;</li> </ol> </li> </ol></li></ul>

• <u>Settler Violence</u>: At 12:40, an Israeli settler vehicle ran over 5-year-old Ala' 'Abed Mahoud along the settler bypass road near the town of Tuqu'. Ala' which he was transported to hospital for medical treatment.

#### • <u>Closure</u>:

- (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. 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 to and from 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 travelling along the road connecting the settlement of Kiryat Arba' to the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron unless they possess access permits.

#### • Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the following locales: the area of Al Hawawir leading to the town of Halhul; the area of Al Fahs south of the city of Hebron; the junction to the area of Farsh al Hawa leading to Road # 35 northwest of the city of Hebron; the road connecting the town of Surif to the village of Al Jab'a; the entrance to the village of Beit 'Einun; and the eastern entrance to the village of Kharsa. The Israeli army also continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to Al Qeisi neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron as well as the main entrance to Al 'Arrub refugee camp.
- (ii) In accordance with Military Order # 378, the Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from travelling 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 entrance to the area of Yaqin leading to the town of Bani Na'im and Wadi al Quff road leading to the town of Tarqumiya.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: 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 Ar Ramadin, and near the village of Imneizil southeast of the town of Yatta.
- **Flying Checkpoint:** At 09:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to the town of Halhul and searched civilians and vehicles.

#### • Raids/Air Patrol:

- (i) At dawn on 30 April 2007, the Israeli army raided the town of Idhna, searched 2 houses, and arrested 1 civilian.
- (ii) At 22:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the area of Al Birka in the town of Yatta.

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- (iii) At 00:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Hebron, whilst combat helicopters patrolled the skies over the area.
- (iv) At 03:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Beit Kahil.

#### • Arrests:

- (i) At 16:30, the Israeli army arrested 2 unidentified civilians near the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron, allegedly for locating a knife in the possession of one of them.
- (ii) The Israeli army arrested Mohammed Mutlaq al Jayyawi in the town of Idhna.
- <u>Settler Violence</u>: A group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of Abraham Avino in the old city of Hebron raided Al Aqtab Mosque near the settlement and seized all its contents.

#### **GAZA STRIP**

ALL DISTRICTS	• The ceasefire agreement that entered into force at 06:00 on 26 November 2006 remains effective. However, the Israeli army opened fire towards Palestinian territory on 3 occasions. The Israeli army also carried out 5 raids into Palestinian territory, during 2 of which it levelled land. In addition, Israeli combat helicopters patrolled the skies over Palestinian territory on 1 occasion. Armed Palestinian individuals also fired 4 mortars towards the Green Line, of which 1 mortar exploded in the area from which it was launched.
NORTHERN GAZA	<ul> <li>Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open to foreign nationals, humanitarian cases, and VIPs.</li> <li>Raids/Land Levelling/Detentions: In violation of the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement, the Israeli army carried 3 raids into Palestinian territory, as follows: <ol> <li>At 16:00, the Israeli army, including 2 armoured vehicles and 1 bulldozer, raided Palestinian territory near Point 65 on the Green Line east of the town of Jabalya and levelled land.</li> <li>At 20:45, Israeli army infantry forces raided and patrolled Palestinian territory near Points 15, 16, and 17 on the Green Line north of the town of Beit Lahiya.</li> <li>At 21:30, Israeli Special Forces raided the area of Abu Safiya southeast of the town of Beit Hanun, detained 3 civilians (brothers), and withdrew at a later time.</li> <li>Palestinian Attack: At 09:00, armed Palestinian individuals fired 1 unidentified mortar towards the Green Line, thereby violating the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement.</li> </ol> </li></ul>
GAZA	Activities not reported.
CENTRAL GAZA	• Attack: At 13:10, the Israeli army fired 1 tank shell from the area near Point 140 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory near civilian houses east of the area of Abu al 'Ajin east of the city of Deir al Balah, thereby violating the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement.

	Palestinian Attack: At 19:45, in violation of the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement, armed Palestinian individuals fired 2 unidentified mortars towards the Green Line, of which 1 mortar exploded in the area from which it was launched.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul> <li>Attack: At 00:45, the Israeli army opened fire and fired tank shells from the area near Point 195 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory east of the area of Khuza'a, thereby violating the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement.</li> <li>Raid/Land Levelling: At 11:00, in violation of the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement, the Israeli army, including 4 armoured vehicles and 2 bulldozers, raided 150 metres into Palestinian territory near Point 147 on the Green Line east of the area of Al Qarara, levelled land, and withdrew at 15:50.</li> <li>Air Patrol: At 21:30, Israeli combat helicopters patrolled the skies over the city of Khan Yunis.</li> <li>Palestinian Attack: At 13:20, armed Palestinian individuals fired 1 unidentified mortar towards the Green Line, thereby violating the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement.</li> </ul>
RAFAH	<ul> <li>Closure of Crossing Points:         <ul> <li>Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed.</li> <li>Rafah Crossing is closed.</li> <li>Sufa Crossing is closed.</li> </ul> </li> <li>(iv) Karm Abu Slim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed.</li> <li>Raid: At 23:15, in violation of the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement, Israeli Special Forces raided the area of Ad Dihniya east of the city of Rafah and searched a number of houses.</li> <li>Closure of Crossing Points:</li></ul>