

مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 01 May 2004 – 08:00 02 May 2004

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Deaths	1	1	2	Incl. 8 year old child
Physical Assault	1	—	1	Civilian severely beaten
Injuries	5	16	21	Incl. 8 children & 1 officer
Attacks	8	5	13	
Raids	15	2	17	
Air Patrols	2	—	2	Helicopter & reconnaissance
Arrests (per person)	4	—	4	Incl. 1 Police officer
Detentions	2	1	3	
Land Levelling	—	1	1	
Wall Construction	14	—	14	Jer'lm, Ramallah, Jenin, Beth.
Destruction of Property	2	1	3	
House Occupations	2	—	2	Nablus, converted to mil. post
Confiscation of Property	1	—	1	Computers & files
Curfew	1	—	1	Beit Jala
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	(All)	—	(All)	Permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points	—	4	4	3 Partially open
Settler Violence	1	—	1	House stoned in Hebron
Provocation of Pal. Forces	—	1	1	Attack on National Sec. post
Demonstrations	1	2	3	
Palestinian Attacks	—	1	1	Mortars towards Netzarim
TOTAL	60	35	95	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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<p style="text-align: center;">ALL DISTRICTS</p>	<p>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.</p>
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WEST BANK

<p style="text-align: center;">JERUSALEM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. • Wall Construction: Wall construction was resumed in Al Eizariya, Abu Dis, Al Sawahira al Sharqiya, Sur Bahir, Qatanna, Biddu and along the main road between Dahiyat Al Bareed checkpoint and Qalandiya checkpoint. • Raid: The Israeli army raided the town of Bir Nabala, used explosives to break into the headquarters of the Zakaat Council, searched its offices, and confiscated files and computers. • Demonstration: A mass demonstration took place in the village of Beit Surik in protest against construction of the Wall.
<p style="text-align: center;">RAMALLAH & EL BIREH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 was resumed in Budrus, Deir Qaddis, Rantis, Ni'lin, Beit Liqya, Beituniya and near the village of Midya.
<p style="text-align: center;">JENIN</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. • 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.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Construction of the Wall was resumed south of Jalbun towards Al Mutilla, Raba, Al Mughayyir, Bardala and 'Ein al Beida and towards the Jordan River. • Raid: At 12:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Tubas. Confrontations between the Israeli army and civilians took place, during which the Israeli army opened indiscriminate fire, injuring 1 civilian. • Arrest: At 08:00, the Israeli army arrested Tariq Ziyad Jaradat, a college student, at a checkpoint set up at the entrance to the city of Jenin.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure/Closed Military Zone: The Israeli army declared the Jordan Valley area a closed military zone. 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 style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure/Closed Military Zone: The Israeli army declared the Bethlehem District a closed military zone. 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. • Wall Construction: Construction of the Wall was resumed 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). • Attack: At 17:50, the Israeli army opened indiscriminate fire from Al Sawahira ash Sharqiya checkpoint and punctured the tires of several taxis at the checkpoint. • Raids/Curfew: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:20, the Israeli army raided the city of Bethlehem and patrolled the area until 01:10. (ii) At 09:20, the Israeli army raided the town of Ubeidiya, set up a checkpoint, searched vehicles and examined passenger IDs. (iii) At 10:25, the Israeli army raided the city of Beit Sahur, set up a checkpoint at the entrance to the city and detained a number of civilians for several hours. (iv) At 11:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Beit Jala, imposed curfew and searched 1 house. • Air Patrol: At 19:15, Israeli helicopters patrolled the skies over the district of Bethlehem and its suburbs. • Arrest: At 10:00, the Israeli army attested Sa'di Zahran, a Palestinian Police officer, at a checkpoint set up near the town of Al Khadr.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians

	<p>granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact education, economic and livelihood activities and impede access to health facilities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:10, and again at 00:25, the Israeli army raided Tulkarem refugee camp and opened indiscriminate fire. (ii) At 00:35, the Israeli army raided the city of Tulkarem and its suburbs, opened indiscriminate fire, and patrolled the area before withdrawing at 06:00. • Air Patrol: At 11:00, Israeli reconnaissance aircraft patrolled the skies over the district and its suburbs.
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. • Raid: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:35, and again at 21:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus and its suburbs. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during which the Israeli army opened indiscriminate fire, killing 1 civilian and injuring 17 others. The Israeli army occupied 1 house and converted it into a military post. (ii) The Israeli army raided the village of Einabus and severely beat and arrested 1 civilian. • Killing: The Israeli army killed Jamal Hamdan in the city of Nablus. • Arrests: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army arrested Muti' Sabah in the village of 'Einabus. (ii) On 25 April 2004, the Israeli army arrested Sabir Shamsiya at a checkpoint set up at the entrance to the town of Huwwara. • Detentions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 12:30, the Israeli army detained 1 Palestinian National Security officer, Amir Kharyush, at a checkpoint set up near the village of Sarra. (ii) The Israeli army detained dozens of civilians, including women and children, for several hours before allowing them to cross Huwwara checkpoint.
HEBRON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. • Raid: At 12:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron and patrolled the area. • Settler Violence: A group of Israeli settlers attacked Palestinian civilian houses with stones in the old city of Hebron.

<p>QALQILYA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. • 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. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 21:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Azzun, set up a checkpoint, searched civilians and fired sound bombs towards civilians. (ii) The Israeli army raided the village of Kafr Qaddum, searched houses and ordered civilians not to open their shops after 22:00.
<p>SALFIT</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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.

GAZA STRIP

<p>NORTHERN GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: Beit Hanoun crossing is closed. (Open only to foreign nationals and diplomats) • Attacks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 16:55, the Israeli army fired tear gas towards a number of children near Al Hawuz area in Beit Lahiya. (ii) At 01:00, the Israeli army opened intensive fire towards civilian houses in Al Nada towers in the town of Beit Lahiya, injuring 2 children, 1 of whom is in critical condition. (iii) At 04:15, the Israeli army opened intensive fire towards a Palestinian National Security location northwest of Beit Lahiya.
<p>GAZA CITY</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The junction of Nitsareem remains closed. • Raid: At 03:25, the Israeli army, including 1 tank and 2 bulldozers, raided 100 meters near Al Sheikh Ajlein junction, south of Gaza city, and closed the coastal road from both directions with dirt barricades. • Demonstrations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:30, a mass demonstration organized by the Palestinians Workers Union took place in the city of Gaza in solidarity with President Arafat and in condemnation of threats made to his life by Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon.

	<p>(ii) At 13:30, a children's demonstration, including 500 children, took place in the city of Gaza and gathered at the Square of the Unknown Soldier in solidarity with President Arafat and in condemnation of threats made to his life by Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Palestinian Attack:</u> At 01:45, 1 Qassam mortar was fired towards the settlement of Nitsareem.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not yet reported.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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) was open to pedestrians. (iv) Abu Holi road was partially open. At 10:10, the Israeli army closed the Salah ad Din road between Al Matahin and Abu Holi checkpoints, searched vehicles and examined passenger IDs. The Israeli army later closed the road again, and it remains closed as of 08:00 this morning. • <u>Attack:</u> At 18:15, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from Point 11 and from Al Tuffah checkpoint towards civilian houses in West Khan Yunis refugee camp, killing an 8 year old boy and injuring 12 civilians, including 6 children and a Preventive Security officer. • <u>Raid/Land Levelling:</u> At 20:20, the Israeli army, including 4 tanks and 1 bulldozer, raided the area south of Al Matahin, opened intensive fire towards civilian houses and levelled cultivated land. • <u>Killing:</u> The Israeli army killed Hasan Abu Akir, an 8 year old boy, in West Khan Yunis refugee camp.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Gaza International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah crossing is closed to civilians under the age of 35. (iii) Sufa crossing is partially open to specific cargo only. • <u>Attack:</u> At 20:20, the Israeli army opened intensive fire towards civilian houses in Al Salaam neighbourhood, critically injuring 1 civilian by live fire.

GENERAL

WORK PERMITS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <u>West Bank:</u><ul style="list-style-type: none">(i) The Israeli authorities cancelled all work permits and stated that new permits will be issued after the closure is lifted. Workers have been prohibited from crossing the Green Line since 22 March 2004.• <u>Gaza Strip:</u><ul style="list-style-type: none">(i) 5,007 workers carry valid permits to enter the Erez Industrial Zone; however, no workers have been allowed to enter the area since 18 April 2004.(ii) 11,418 workers carry valid permits to cross the Green Line; however, no workers have been allowed to cross the Green Line since the closure imposed on 22 March 2004.
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