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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT
08:00 01 May 2006 – 08:00 02 May 2006

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assaults	3	—	3	Incl. 1 female civilian & her son beaten
Injuries	9	—	9	Incl. 3 children
Attacks	6	4	10	Incl. 3 in raids & 6 from military posts
Raids	18	—	18	Incl. 3 in Ramallah & 3 in Qalqiliya
Air Patrols	1	3	4	Incl. helicopters over Jericho district
Arrests	22	—	22	Incl. 2 children & 4 security officers
Detentions	17	—	17	Incl. 1 Palestinian Police officer
Land Levelling	1	—	1	Cultivated land in the city of Jericho
Wall Construction	31	—	31	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Beth.
Destruction of Property	2	—	2	Incl. furniture of 1 clinic damaged
Closure of Checkpoints	9	—	9	Incl. 'Atara & Za'tara partially
Flying Checkpoints	16	—	16	Incl. 4 in Jenin & 8 in Qalqiliya
Closure (per District)	6	1	7	Incl. a buffer zone in Northern Gaza
Closure of Main Roads	27	—	27	Incl. entrance to Beita village, Nablus
Closure of Crossing Points	—	4	4	Incl. Beit Hanun and Rafah partially
Medical Obstruction	2	—	2	Incl. an ambulance denied access
Settler Violence	1	—	1	A park for settlers' children built
Palestinian Attacks	1	1	2	Incl. open fire towards a checkpoint
Pal. Security Measures	3	—	3	Incl. 3 illegal vehicles handed over
TOTAL	175	13	188	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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<p style="text-align: center;">ALL DISTRICTS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beginning on 11 March 2006, the Israeli army has continued to impose a complete closure on the West Bank and Gaza Strip districts and to prevent civilians with permits, including workers, from crossing into areas inside the Green Line and into the city of Jerusalem. • Beginning on 17 April 2006, and following the suicide attack carried out in the city of Tel Aviv inside the Green Line, the Israeli army has intensified 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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WEST BANK

<p style="text-align: center;">JERUSALEM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem, in the old city of Jerusalem, and around Al Aqsa Mosque compound. • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance opposite the junction to Dahiyat Al Bareed in the city of Jerusalem with a checkpoint, only allowing civilians residing behind the Wall, holders of Jerusalem-issued IDs, and civilians with permits to cross. (ii) The Israeli army closed the eastern entrance to Dahiyat Bir Nabala with cement slabs, thereby completing the Wall section in the area. • Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) According to new measures implemented at Qalandiya checkpoint, which the Israeli army has converted into a “border crossing point”, the Israeli army has designated a special crossing for civilians holding Jerusalem-issued IDs and those possessing permits to access the city of Jerusalem. The Israeli army has allowed other civilians to access the main road leading to the junction to the village of Jaba’, which branches off to other districts. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close Beit Iksa (Ramot) checkpoint, denying access to civilian vehicles. • Wall Gates: The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Dahiyat al Aqbat, from the village of Hizma to ‘Anata, along the Hizma-Jaba’ road, the area of Al ‘Eizariya to Ash Shayyah, near Al Quds University, in the town of As Sawahira ash Sharqiya, from the village of Beit Surik to Biddu, in the areas of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina, and west of the village of Al Jib. • Flying Checkpoint: The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the village of Rafat, searched civilian vehicles, and impeded civilian access.
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<p style="text-align: center;">RAMALLAH & EL BIREH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Road:</u> The Israeli army continues to close the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil with dirt barricades. • <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 deny access to the city of Ramallah for civilians holding IDs issued in the northern districts of the West Bank. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues in the areas of Al Midya to Budrus, Al Midya to Ni'lin, Bil'in to Saffa, in the village of Beit Liqya, in the town of Beituniya, and west of the town of 'Abud and the village of Beit Sira. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Shuqba, searched civilian vehicles, and impeded civilian access. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 19:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Beituniya, searched 1 building, and arrested 1 child and 1 Palestinian General Intelligence officer. (ii) At 23:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the cities of Ramallah and El Bireh. • <u>Arrests:</u> The Israeli army arrested 1 child and 1 Palestinian officer in the town of Beituniya: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Islam Jamal Hamad, 16 years old; and (ii) Raef Mohammed Injas, a Palestinian General Intelligence officer.
<p style="text-align: center;">JENIN</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Road:</u> 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. • <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 Jericho-ID holders and commercial trucks. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> At 06:00, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints, one on the Jenin-Haifa road and the other on the junction to the village of Al Jarba, and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Injury:</u> Israeli army troops positioned near the village of At Tayba opened fire towards Tayseer Radhwan Mahajneh, injuring him in the right foot. At 17:20, Mahajneh was admitted to Jenin Public Hospital. • <u>Raid:</u> At 08:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Jenin, set up 2 checkpoints at its western and southern entrances, searched civilian vehicles, and prevented civilians under 35 years of age from leaving the city. The Israeli army also patrolled the area. • <u>Palestinian Security Measure:</u> At 12:00, Palestinian security forces located 1 LAW anti-tank missile projector, 1 flare, and live ammunition in the area where a handmade explosive device was detonated and resulted in the injury of 1 civilian in the town of Qabatiya. The Palestinian Engineering Unit damaged the seized weapons.

TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army continues to impose a complete closure on the district of Tulkarem and to declare it a closed military zone following a suicide attack carried out on the junction to the village of Far'un. The Israeli army continues to impede civilian access to and from the district. • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the following roads: the road connecting Dahiyat Dhinnaba in the city of Tulkarem to the town of Kafr al Labad; the road connecting the town of Kafr al Labad to the village of Shufa; the southern entrance to the town of Baqa ash Sharqiya; and the Kafr Sur-Wadi at Tin road. The Israeli army also continues to close with cement blocks the road connecting the town of Beit Lid to the village of Kur. • Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close 'Einav checkpoint on the Tulkarem-Nablus road, denying access to civilian vehicles. The Israeli army prevents civilian residents of the Tulkarem district from leaving the district, except for those residing in towns and villages east of the checkpoint. (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Jubara checkpoint (the southern entrance to the city of Tulkarem) and to prevent civilians holding IDs issued in the districts of Jenin and Tulkarem from crossing towards the southern districts of the West Bank. In addition, Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint allow civilian residents of villages located south of the city of Tulkarem in the Tulkarem district to cross in their vehicles, only after examining civilians' places of residence. • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • Raids/Physical Assault: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Beginning at 04:45 on 01 May 2006, the Israeli army remained positioned in the city of Tulkarem, arrested 1 civilian and 1 Palestinian Police officer, and severely beat 1 civilian. At 09:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. (ii) The Israeli army raided the village of Kafr Jammal, opened indiscriminate fire, and arrested 1 child. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 1 civilian and 1 Palestinian officer in the city of Tulkarem: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Shadi Mahmoud Fawaz'ah, a Palestinian Police officer; and (ii) Iyad Abdul Mu'een. (iii) The Israeli army arrested Mahmoud Abdul Fattah Hamdan, 16 years old, in the village of Kafr Jammal. • Palestinian Security Measure: At 09:00, Palestinian security forces handed over 3 illegal vehicles, seized in the city of Tulkarem, to the Israeli authorities (through the DCO).
QALQILIYA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Gates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.

	<p>(ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at ‘Azzun ‘Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal detector.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction continues in the village of Immatin and east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and ‘Azzun. • Flying Checkpoints: <p>(i) At 17:15, the Israeli army set up 4 flying checkpoints: in the area between the town of Jayyus and the village of Sir; at the entrance to the town of ‘Azzun; at the northern entrance to the town of Kafr Thulth; and at the entrance to the village of Sanniriya. Israeli troops positioned at these checkpoints searched civilian vehicles and impeded civilian access.</p> <p>(ii) At 22:45, the Israeli army set up 3 flying checkpoints at the northern and western entrances to the town of ‘Azzun as well as at the entrance to the village of ‘Izbat at Tabib and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> <p>(iii) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the eastern entrance to the city of Qalqiliya and prevented civilians from entering or exiting the city.</p> • Raids/Attack: <p>(i) At 20:10, the Israeli army raided the town of ‘Azzun. Armed Palestinian individuals opened fire towards the Israeli army while it was patrolling the area. Consequently, the Israeli army opened intensive fire and, after being supported by an additional force of 10 jeeps, searched a number of houses. At 22:45, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.</p> <p>(ii) At 03:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Qalqiliya and arrested 1 civilian.</p> • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested ‘Issam Ibrahim ‘Uweidhah in the city of Qalqiliya. • Palestinian Attack/Attack/Raid: At 23:40, armed Palestinian individuals opened fire towards Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint set up on the Green Line north of the city of Qalqiliya. Consequently, the Israeli army opened intensive fire, raided the northern quarter of the city, and combed the area.
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <p>(i) The Israeli army continues to close the main road leading to the district of Jenin between the junction to the village of Deir Sharaf and the settlement of Shavei Shomron. Instead, the Israeli army has forced civilians to travel along an unpaved 1.5-km-long road, which branches off from the Nablus-Tulkarem road and intersects with the Nablus-Jenin road opposite the village of Sabastiya.</p> <p>(ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades Al Badhan road, which is the north-eastern entrance to the city of Nablus and connects the city to the district of Jenin.</p> <p>(iii) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the village of Beita with dirt barricades.</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing Huwvara, Beit Iba, At Tur Mountain, and Beit Furik checkpoints around the city of Nablus. The Israeli army closes the checkpoints overnight and reopens them at various morning hours. (ii) The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Beit Iba and Huwvara checkpoints and denied access to civilians between 15 and 30 years of age as well as holders of IDs issued in the districts of Jenin and Tulkarem. • <u>Flying Checkpoint/Detention:</u> At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Jamma'in, searched civilians and vehicles, detained Amjad Abu Omar, a Palestinian Police officer, and released him at a later time. • <u>Raids:</u> At 01:45, the Israeli army, including 20 jeeps and 1 bulldozer, raided the city of Nablus and Balata refugee camp. An armed confrontation took place between the Israeli army and armed Palestinian individuals in Balata refugee camp, during which the Israeli army injured 1 civilian. The Israeli army also searched a number of houses and arrested 4 civilians in the city and the refugee camp. The Israeli army remains positioned in the city of Nablus as of 08:00 this morning. • <u>Arrests:</u> The Israeli army arrested 4 civilians in the city of Nablus and Balata refugee camp: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Hamzeh Mashayekh; (ii) Ahmed Mahmoud al Asmar; (iii) Mahmoud Mohammed al Asmar; and (iv) Dhiya' al Hinnawi.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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 <i>Intifada</i> (Uprising). (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western entrances to the town of Bruqin and the village of Marda as well as the road connecting the town of Deir Istiya to the village of Haris. The Israeli army also continues to close with cement blocks the western entrance to the town of Kafr ad Dik. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close the northern entrance to the village of Qarawat Bani Hassan with an iron gate. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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 prevent civilians holding IDs issued in the districts of Jenin and Tulkarem from crossing towards the southern districts of the West Bank. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues near the Green Line in the town of Deir Ballut and the villages of Az Zawiya and Rafat, northwest of

	<p>the city of Salfit, and in the village of Marda and the town of Kifl Haris north of the settlement of Ari'el.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raid: At 18:20, the Israeli army raided the village of 'Ammuriya, set up a checkpoint at its entrance, searched civilians and vehicles, and arrested 2 Palestinian National Security officers. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 Palestinian National Security officers in the village of 'Ammuriya: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Maher Mustafa Abdul Fattah; and (ii) Husam Bassam.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between the city of Jericho and the village of Al 'Auja with cement blocks. The Israeli army also prevents farmers not holding Jericho-issued IDs from reaching their land, forcing them to apply for access permits. In addition, the Israeli army prevents holders of Israeli-issued IDs from entering the city of Jericho. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to close Al Hamra checkpoint set up on the Jericho-Nablus road, denying civilian access, except for farmers holding Jericho-issued IDs. • Raid/Air Patrol/Land Levelling: At 12:30, the Israeli army, including 14 jeeps and 2 bulldozers, raided the city of Jericho, whilst 2 combat helicopters patrolled the skies over the area. The Israeli army also searched a number of houses, levelled land cultivated with fruit-bearing trees, and arrested 4 civilians. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during which the Israeli army injured 7 civilians, including 3 children. At 14:45, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 4 civilians in the city of Jericho: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Tareq Hazem Dawwas; (ii) 'Imad Zuheir 'Aqel; (iii) Yasser Hamadneh; and (iv) Abdul Rahman Ali 'Uthman.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. The Israeli army considers the civilians' residence in the village illegal because they hold West Bank identity cards while their village is located within the Israeli-defined municipal boundaries of Jerusalem. • Closure of Main Roads: 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. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues north of 'Ayda refugee camp and in the Everest area, northwest of the city of Beit Jala. • Raids/Medical Obstruction/Destruction of Property: At 18:50, the Israeli army, including 2 armoured vehicles and 11 jeeps, raided the cities of Bethlehem and Beit Sahur as well as raided 1 clinic after destroying its doors and damaging its contents. The Israeli army also arrested 3 civilians and withdrew at 04:15.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrests: At 07:15 on 01 May 2006, the Israeli army arrested 3 civilians during its raid on Al 'Arrub refugee camp, in addition to those reported yesterday: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Tal'at 'Azeez Rushdi; (ii) Yousef Mohammed at Teeti; and (iii) Ala' Jabr at Teeti. The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in the city of Beit Sahur: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (iv) Shihadeh Mohammed Shihadeh; (v) Riyadh Isma'il Zawahreh; and (vi) Ahmed Yaseen Masalmeh.
<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 H2 section of the 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; and the area of Khuzq al Far near the settlement of Abraham Avino with a dirt barricade and an iron gate. The Israeli army also continues to close the entrance to the area of Al Khan in the old city of Hebron with an electronic gate, isolating the area from Al Laban Market and the area of As Sahleh. (ii) The Israeli army continues to implement a military order stipulating the closure of civilian commercial shops on both sides of the road connecting the settlement of Kiryat Arba' to the Ibrahim Mosque in the old city of Hebron from 06 November 2005 until 07 May 2006. Civilian vehicles are prohibited from travelling along the road unless they possess access permits. Only Israeli settler vehicles are allowed unrestricted access on the road. • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades 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, and the entrance to the village of 'Arab ar Ramadin. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to Al Qeisi neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron with cement blocks. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues west of the towns of Surif and Beit Ula, south of the towns of Adh Dhahiriya and As Samoa', and southeast of the town of Yatta. The Israeli army has also completed construction of most sections of the Wall in the town of Idhna, from the village of Deir Samit to the town of Beit 'Awwa, from Beit 'Awwa to the village of Al Burj, and in the village of Ar Ramadin. • Physical Assaults/Detention/Medical Obstruction: At 12:30, the Israeli army beat Su'ad 'Ilayyan al Madani and her son, Abdul Hakeem al Atrash, in Al Karantina neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron, detained them, and prevented an ambulance from transporting them to hospital. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 19:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Bani Na'im.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) At 01:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Hebron. (iii) At 03:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Halhul. • Settler Violence: At 11:00, a group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of Ramat Yishay in Tall Rumeida in the old city of Hebron built a children's park for Israeli settlers on land belonging to Firyal Abu 'Eisheh, a female civilian. • Palestinian Security Measure: At 11:15, Palestinian security forces handed over 1 handmade explosive device, seized in the city of Hebron, to the Israeli authorities (through the DCO).
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GAZA STRIP

ALL DISTRICTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beginning on 16 December 2005, the Israeli army has continued to impose a complete closure on the Gaza Strip ostensibly due to Palestinian individuals' firing of mortars towards the Green Line.
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NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: Beginning at 18:00 on 28 December 2005, the Israeli army has continued to impose a buffer zone (through open fire as well as artillery and air attacks) in the area near the Green Line, including the area of the debris of evacuated settlements. • Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open to foreign nationals, VIPs, and humanitarian cases after prior coordination. • Attack: At 10:15, the Israeli army opened fire from its location east of Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing towards Palestinian territory north of the town of Beit Lahiya. • Air Patrol: At 19:30, Israeli army combat aircrafts patrolled the skies over the town of Beit Lahiya in the district of Northern Gaza. • Palestinian Attack: At 19:25, armed Palestinian individuals attempted to fire 2 unidentified mortars towards the Green Line, but the mortars exploded in the area from which they were launched.
GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attacks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:40, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 94 on the Green Line towards a number of shepherds in the area of Juhor ad Dik south of Gaza city. (ii) At 13:55, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 88 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory east of Gaza city. • Air Patrol: At 10:40, Israeli army combat helicopters patrolled the skies over Palestinian territory east of Gaza city.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Air Patrols: At 10:25, Israeli army combat helicopters patrolled the skies over Al Bureij and Al Maghazi refugee camps in the district of Central Gaza.

KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Points: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah Crossing is partially open in both directions to passengers holding Palestinian IDs, humanitarian cases, and Arab and foreign diplomatic missions. (iii) Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed. • Attack: At 03:30, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 227 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory south of Sufa Crossing.

GENERAL

WORK PERMITS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • West Bank: The Israeli authorities annulled all the work permits issued to Palestinian workers for crossing the Green Line. • Gaza Strip: Valid work permits that have been issued by the Israeli authorities for crossing the Green Line total 11. All the Palestinian workers possessing the valid work permits (11) were allowed to access areas inside the Green Line.
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