

## مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



## PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

## DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 02 May 2004 – 08:00 03 May 2004

## SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Assassinations	4	—	<b>4</b>	During air attack in Nablus
Death	—	1	<b>1</b>	16 year old child
Physical Assault	1	—	<b>1</b>	16 year old child
Injuries	11	1	<b>12</b>	Incl. 1 child & 2 journalists
Air Attacks	1	1	<b>2</b>	Nablus & Gaza
Attacks	6	4	<b>10</b>	Incl. tank shells
Raids	22	7	<b>29</b>	
Arrests (per person)	53	6	<b>59</b>	Incl. child, female. 27 stud'nts
Detentions	1	—	<b>1</b>	
House Demolitions	—	22	<b>22</b>	Incl. 16 in Al Qarara
Land Levelling	—	3	<b>3</b>	
Wall Construction	14	—	<b>14</b>	Jer'lm, Ramallah, Jenin, Beth.
Destruction of Property	2	2	<b>4</b>	Cars and broadcast equip.
House Occupation	—	1	<b>1</b>	
Curfews	2	—	<b>2</b>	Husan and Al Khadr
Checkpoints	All	—	<b>All</b>	
Flying Checkpoints	(Dozens)	(Dozens)	—	Closing all districts
Closures (per District)	(All)	(All)	<b>(All)</b>	
Closure of Main Roads	Most	(5)	<b>Most</b>	Esp. connecting governorates
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)	—	<b>(All)</b>	Permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points	—	3	<b>3</b>	2 Partially open
Settler Violence	4	—	<b>4</b>	Incl. land confiscation
Demonstrations	1	1	<b>2</b>	
Palestinian Attacks	—	2	<b>2</b>	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>176</b>	

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 style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> 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>• <b>Wall Construction:</b> Wall construction continues 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.</li> <li>• <b>Arrest:</b> The Israeli army arrested 1 female civilian for possession of a knife at a checkpoint set up near the village of Jaba'.</li> <li>• <b>Settler Violence:</b> A group of Israeli settlers, under the protection of the Israeli army, raided 2 houses in the town of Abu Dis. The settlers brought with them an power generator and electrical cables, and claimed ownership of the houses, along with 80 <i>dunums</i> (20 acres) of land surrounding the houses. Both houses are located 100 meters from the building intended to house the Palestinian Legislative Council.</li> <li>• <b>House Demolition Orders:</b> The Israeli military distributed demolition orders for a house located in the village of Qatanna and 2 barracks located in the village of Biddu.</li> </ul>
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> 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>• <b>Wall Construction:</b> 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>• <b>Raids:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 21:00, an Israeli army jeep raided the village of Kafr 'Ein and patrolled the area.</li> <li>(ii) At 02:20, the Israeli army raided the cities of Ramallah and El Bireh, surrounded the Teacher's Institute, arrested 27 students and took them</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<p>to Ofer military base.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>School Disruption:</b> On 2 May 2004, classes in 2 schools were suspended in the village of Deir Qaddis in protest against the continued construction of the Wall.</li> </ul>
<b>JENIN</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> 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>• <b>Wall Gates:</b> 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>• <b>Wall Construction:</b> Construction of the Wall continues south of Jalbun towards Al Mutilla, Raba, Al Mughayyir, Bardala and 'Ein al Beida and towards the Jordan River.</li> <li>• <b>Raids:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 02:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Jalbun and searched several houses. Confrontations between the Israeli army and civilians took place, during which the Israeli army arrested 4 civilians.</li> <li>(ii) At 03:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Jenin, opened indiscriminate fire, injuring 1 child, and arrested 1 civilian.</li> <li>(iii) At 03:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Bruqin and arrested 9 civilians, including 1 child and 1 officer.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Arrests:</b> The Israeli army arrested 4 civilians in the village of Jalbun: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Mustafa Abu Rub;</li> <li>(ii) Daoud Abu Rub;</li> <li>(iii) Abdul Qader Abu Rub; and</li> <li>(iv) Ahmad Nayif.</li> </ul> <p>The Israeli army arrested 1 civilian in the city of Jenin:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(v) Adnan Nazal.</li> </ul> <p>The Israeli army arrested 9 civilians in the town of Bruqin:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(vi) Ahmad Miz'il, 17 years old;</li> <li>(vii) Suleiman Suleiman, a Palestinian National Security officer;</li> <li>(viii) Abdul Nasir Murtada;</li> <li>(ix) Rami Khalaf;</li> <li>(x) Ahmad Atiq;</li> <li>(xi) Ahmad Subih;</li> <li>(xii) Muhammad Abid;</li> <li>(xiii) Mahmoud Attiq; and</li> <li>(xiv) Ziyad Obeidi.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>JERICHO</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure/Closed Military Zone:</b> The Israeli army declared the Jordan Valley area a closed military zone. The Israeli army set up dozens of checkpoints</li> </ul>

	<p>throughout the city, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages and prevented civilians from crossing.</p>
<b>BETHLEHEM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure/Closed Military Zone:</u></b> 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.</li> <li>• <b><u>Wall Construction:</u></b> 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).</li> <li>• <b><u>Physical Assault:</u></b> At 17:30, Israeli police severely beat Marwan Issa, 16 years old, on Abu Ghneim Mountain. The child was admitted to hospital for injuries sustained during the attack.</li> <li>• <b><u>Raids/Curfews:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 12:30, and again at 21:40 and 00:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Beit Jala and searched several houses.</li> <li>(ii) At 18:45, and again at 01:15, an Israeli army jeep raided the city of Bethlehem and pursued 1 civilian vehicle.</li> <li>(iii) At 19:30, an Israeli army jeep raided the area of Wadi Rahhal, patrolled the area and opened indiscriminate fire.</li> <li>(iv) At 20:30, the Israeli army raided Ayda refugee camp and opened indiscriminate fire.</li> <li>(v) At 21:40, the Israeli army raided the town of Al Khadr, opened indiscriminate fire and imposed curfew.</li> <li>(vi) At 21:40, the Israeli army raided the village of Husan and imposed curfew.</li> <li>(vii) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the area of Al Doha and Al Duheisha refugee camp and arrested 3 civilians.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Arrests:</u></b> The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in the area of Al Doha and Al Duheisha refugee camp: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Ala Ma'ale;</li> <li>(ii) Ghassan Abdul Fattah Abu Diya; and</li> <li>(iii) Husam Abdul Fattah Abu Diya.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Demonstration:</u></b> At 13:00, a mass demonstration took place beginning at the city of Bethlehem and ending at the town of Al Khadr in protest of the continued construction of the Wall.</li> </ul>
<b>TULKAREM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure:</u></b> 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>• <b><u>Wall Gates:</u></b> 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</li> </ul>

	<p>facilities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Attack:</b> At 10:00, the Israeli army opened fire towards a civilian vehicle, damaging the vehicle, at a checkpoint set up on the road connecting the cities of Jenin and Tulkarem</li> <li>• <b>Air Patrol:</b> At 11:15, Israeli reconnaissance aircraft patrolled the skies over the district and its suburbs.</li> <li>• <b>Arrests:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 08:00, the Israeli army arrested Shadi Ju'mesa at a checkpoint set up at the junction of the town of Beit Lid.</li> <li>(ii) On 28 April 2004, the Israeli army arrested Fadi Ashqar, a Palestinian National Security officer while he was travelling from the village of Seida towards the city of Ramallah.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>NABLUS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> 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>• <b>Air Attack:</b> At 21:00, Israeli army helicopters raided the city of Nablus and fired 1 missile at a civilian vehicle, assassinating 4 civilians, claiming that they had been wanted for security reasons, and injured 5 bystanders.</li> <li>• <b>Raid:</b> At 10:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Salim and arrested 1 civilian.</li> <li>• <b>Assassinations:</b> The Israeli army assassinated 4 civilians in the city of Nablus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Nael Hasanein;</li> <li>(ii) Hashim Abu Hamdan;</li> <li>(iii) Nadir Abu Leil; and</li> <li>(iv) Muhammad Hamdan.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Arrest:</b> The Israeli army arrested Jawad Jabur in the village of Salim.</li> </ul>
<b>HEBRON</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> 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>• <b>Raid:</b> At 01:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron and its suburbs, patrolled the area and arrested 3 civilians.</li> <li>• <b>Arrests:</b> The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in the city of Hebron, including Husam Nasir Ad Din and 2 unidentified civilians.</li> <li>• <b>Settler Violence/Settlement Activity:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Israeli settlers from the settlement of Harsina, located east of the town of Yatta, confiscated 18 dunums (4.5 acres) of land for expansion of the settlement and construction of a settler bypass road.</li> <li>(ii) A group of Israeli settlers, under the protection of the Israeli army, took over Al Kilani Mosque located in the old city of Hebron.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

<p><b>QALQILYA</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> 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>• <b>Wall Gates:</b> 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> </ul>
<p><b>SALFIT</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> 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>• <b>Raids:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 00:10, the Israeli army raided the town of Bidya, searched 2 houses and detained and interrogated their residents before withdrawing at 01:20.</li> <li>(ii) At 04:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Haris, raided 2 houses and arrested 2 civilians, including 1 officer.</li> <li>(iii) The Israeli army raided the village of Al Zawiya and searched several houses.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Arrests:</b> The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the town of Haris: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Firas Al Sultan, a Palestinian Preventive Security officer; and</li> <li>(ii) Iyad Sultan.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

### GAZA STRIP

<p><b>NORTHERN GAZA</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> Beit Hanoun crossing is closed. (Open only to foreign nationals and diplomats)</li> <li>• <b>Killing:</b> At 03:30, Khaled Abu Eila, 16 years old, died as a result of injuries sustained by the Israeli army in a raid in the town of Beit Lahiya at 01:00 on 2 May 2004, during which the Israeli army opened fire towards civilians in Al Nada Towers.</li> <li>• <b>Palestinian Attack:</b> At 01:30, 1 Qassam mortar was fired towards the settlement of Dokeet.</li> </ul>
<p><b>GAZA CITY</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The junction of Nitsareem remains closed.</li> <li>(ii) The coastal road remains closed from both directions by dirt barricades.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Air Attack:</b> At 18:45, Israeli army helicopters raided the city of Gaza and fired missiles at the Aqsa radio station located on the tenth floor of the</li> </ul>

	<p>Falasteen Towers, which includes residential apartments, destroying the entire tenth floor and part of the ninth floor, injuring 5 civilians, including 2 journalists from the Palestinian Communications and Athletic Studies Centre, located on the ninth floor.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Attack:</b> At 09:10, the Israeli army opened intensive fire and fired several tank shells towards the area of Hujr ad Dik, south of the city of Gaza, injuring 1 civilian.</li> <li>• <b>Raid/Land Levelling:</b> At 02:45, the Israeli army, including 5 tanks and 3 bulldozers, raided the area of Al Mughraqa, 150 meters southeast of Al Shuhada junction, arrested 6 civilians, demolished 1 house and levelled cultivated land.</li> <li>• <b>Arrest:</b> The Israeli army arrested 6 civilians from the Al Aydi, Al Akila and Al Hilu families in the area of Al Mughraqa.</li> <li>• <b>House Demolition:</b> The Israeli army demolished 1 house belonging to Talal Abu Khabiza in the area of Al Mughraqa.</li> </ul>
<b>CENTRAL GAZA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Attack:</b> At 13:00, the Israeli army opened fire from the area surrounding the settlement of Kfar Daroom and from its location at the checkpoint of Abu Holi towards the area of Abu Haddaf, south of the city of Deir Al Balah.</li> <li>• <b>Raids/Land Levelling:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 19:15, the Israeli army raided the area south of the city of Deir Al Balah, occupied 1 house and converted it into a military post.</li> <li>(ii) At 22:10, the Israeli army, including bulldozers, raided the area south of the city of Deir Al Balah, demolished 2 houses and levelled 4 <i>dunums</i> (1 acre) of cultivated land and green houses.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>House Demolitions:</b> The Israeli army demolished 2 houses south of the city of Deir Al Balah belonging to Eid Abu Araban and Hasan Abu Maghid.</li> <li>• <b>Demonstration:</b> At 18:50, a mass demonstration took place in Al Bureij refugee camp in solidarity with President Arafat and in condemnation of threats made to his life by Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon.</li> </ul>
<b>KHAN YUNIS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Abu al Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) remains closed.</li> <li>(ii) Western road (Khan Yunis) remains closed.</li> <li>(iii) Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis road (Al Tuffah checkpoint) was open to pedestrians.</li> <li>(iv) Abu Holi road remains closed.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Raids:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 14:20, the Israeli army, including 8 tanks and 4 bulldozers, raided the area near West Khan Yunis refugee camp and levelled land.</li> <li>(ii) At 18:40, the Israeli army, including 3 tanks and 2 bulldozers, raided the area near Point 12 near Al Nimsawi neighbourhood and dug a 6</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<p>meter wide ditch.</p> <p>(iii) At 20:10, the Israeli army, including bulldozers, raided the area of Abu Haddaf, opened fire towards civilian houses and demolished 16 houses.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>House Demolitions:</u></b> The Israeli army demolished 16 houses in the area of Abu Haddaf belonging to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Suleiman Al Zir;</li> <li>(ii) Ali Al Zir;</li> <li>(iii) Muhammad Al Qadra;</li> <li>(iv) Hussein Sinjir;</li> <li>(v) Abdul Karim Al Zir; and</li> <li>(vi) Sharif Al Adini.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Palestinian Attack:</u></b> At 23:40, 1 mortar was fired towards the settlement of Kded.</li> </ul>
<p><b>RAFAH</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The Gaza International Airport remains closed.</li> <li>(ii) Rafah crossing is closed to civilians under the age of 35.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Raid:</u></b> At 02:20, the Israeli army, including bulldozers, raided 200 meters into the area near the Egyptian border and demolished 3 houses in Block J of Rafah refugee camp.</li> <li>• <b><u>House Demolitions:</u></b> The Israeli army demolished 3 houses in Block J of Rafah refugee camp belonging to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Isam Jabir, 4-storey house;</li> <li>(ii) Rashid Barhoum, 2-storey house; and</li> <li>(iii) Saqir Al Sufi.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

## GENERAL

<p><b>POLITICAL PRISONERS</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Attack on Prisoners:</u></b> Several prison guards beat 6 political prisoners for greeting their children and family at the Ofer Military Court.</li> <li>• <b><u>Hunger Strike:</u></b> 1,800 political prisoners at the Ketziot (Naqab) Military Prison Camp have announced that they will refuse 3 meals in protest against the prison administration's refusal to allow materials into the prison.</li> </ul>
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