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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT
08:00 02 May 2005 – 08:00 03 May 2005

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assaults	2	—	2	2 civilians severely beaten
Injuries	6	—	6	Incl. 2 children in the village of Seida
Attacks	3	19	22	Incl. 2 during raids & 20 from posts
Raids	24	1	25	Incl. 1 in Jerusalem & 5 in Ramallah
Air Patrol	—	1	1	Helicopters over Northern Gaza
Arrests (per person)	9	—	9	Incl. 2 children and 1 injured civilian
Detentions	7	—	7	At checkpoints and residential comp.
Land Levelling	—	1	1	East of Al Qarara in Khan Yunis
Wall Construction	22	—	22	Incl. Jer., Jenin, Ram'lah, Beth., Salfit
Confiscation of Property	(*)	—	—	* Civilians ordered to pay taxes
House Occupation	1	—	1	In Beit 'Ur at Tahta
Curfews	2	—	2	'Illar and Seida
Checkpoints	(All)	—	(All)	
Flying Checkpoints	19	—	19	Incl. 6 in Jenin & 2 in Tulkarm
Closure (per District)	5	—	5	Incl. Jerusalem & Jericho (partially)
Closure of Main Roads	(Unidentified)	(9)	—	Incl. 3 partially
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)	—	(All)	Incl. searches at 'Azzun 'Atma
Closure of Crossing Points	—	3	3	Incl. 2 partially open
Settlement Activity	1	—	1	Caravan placed on land in Deir Istiya
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	1	2	Incl. open fire towards Pal. forces
Palestinian Attacks	1	5	6	Incl. 7 mortars fired
Pal. Security Measures	2	6	8	Incl. 3 illegal vehicles handed over
TOTAL	105	37	142	

DISTRICT	EVENT
ALL DISTRICTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Beginning on 11 November 2004, following the official announcement of the death of President Yasser Arafat, the Israeli army continues to impose a total closure on the West Bank, preventing civilians and workers from crossing the Green Line.
WEST BANK	
JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Closure: Israeli troops positioned at checkpoints set up at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem continue to prevent civilians from other districts from entering the city. Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close Ar Ram junction leading to the town of Bir Nabala for Wall construction. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Qalandiya and An Nabi Samwil checkpoints and obstruct civilian movement. 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, the villages of Hizma and 'Anata, the Hizma-Jaba' road, the area of Al 'Eizariya, near Al Quds University, the area of Ash Shayyah, in the town of As Sawahira ash Sharqiya, the village of Beit Surik, and in the area of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina. Raid: At 24:00, Israeli army infantry forces, including approximately 100 soldiers, raided Qalandiya refugee camp and searched a number of houses, after detaining residents. Israeli troops ordered civilians holding Jerusalem IDs to pay their due taxes. Arrest: On 28 April 2005, the Israeli army arrested Ramez Mohammed al Hajj in the city of Jerusalem, allegedly for entering the city without possessing the required access permit.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Budrus, Midya, Ni'lin, Deir Qaddis, Bil'in, Saffa, Beit Liqya, and Beituniya. Raids/Provocation of Palestinian Forces/House Occupation: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> At 08:30, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the cities of Ramallah and El Bireh, patrolled the area, stopped in front of Al Muqata'a, took photographs of the building, and withdrew at 09:00. At 13:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Beit 'Ur at Tahta, occupied 1 house overlooking a settler bypass road, and converted it into a military post. At 14:45, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided and patrolled the city of Ramallah. At 19:00, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided and patrolled Al

	<p>Am'ari refugee camp.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrests: The Israeli army announced (through the DCO) that it arrested 2 children on 01 May 2005, claiming that they attempted to steal a vehicle: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Omar Mohammed Abu Qubeitah, 15 years old; and (ii) Isma'il Mahmoud Abu 'Arqoub, 15 years old. • Palestinian Security Measures: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) On 02 May 2005, Palestinian security forces handed over 3 illegal vehicles, a 155 mm tank shell, 1 flare, and 3 homemade explosive devices, which it confiscated in the city of Ramallah, to the Israeli authorities (through the DCO). (ii) At 14:30, Palestinian security forces discovered, and dismantled, 2 suspicious objects in the city of El Bireh.
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Jalbun towards Al Mutilla, Raba, Al Mughayyir, Bardala and 'Ein al Beida, and towards the Jordan River. • Flying Checkpoints: At 17:00, the Israeli army set up 1 flying checkpoint on the junction to the town of Tammun and another flying checkpoint between the town of Tubas and the village of Aqqaba and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids/Palestinian Attack: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:00, the Israeli army, including 7 jeeps, raided the town of Kafr Ra'i, set up a checkpoint at its entrance, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area. (ii) At 19:00, the Israeli army raided the towns of Jaba' and Silat adh Dhahr and the village of Al Fandaqumiya, set up checkpoints at their entrances, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area. (iii) At 02:15, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the city of Jenin. An armed confrontation took place between armed Palestinian individuals and the Israeli army while patrolling the area.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checkpoint: At 17:30, the Israeli army closed Al Kafriyyat checkpoint, preventing civilians from crossing in both directions. • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • Flying Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 21:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of 'Attil and searched civilians and vehicles until 22:55. (ii) At 22:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint between the town of Bal'a and the village of Al 'Atara and searched civilians and vehicles until 22:55. • Attack: 21:10, the Israeli army fired flares towards Dahiyat Irtah in the city of Tulkarem.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raid/Curfew:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Beginning at 04:15 on 02 May 2005, the Israeli army remains positioned in Area (A) in the town of Bal'a and the village of Seida and continues to impose curfew. The Israeli army opened fire towards civilians marching in the funeral procession of Shafiq 'Awni Abdul Ghani, a civilian killed by the Israeli army, injuring 6 civilians, including 2 children, and arrested 1 injured civilian. At 15:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. (ii) At 21:15, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided Area (B) in Dahiyat Shuweika and patrolled the area until 21:35. (iii) At 21:20, an Israeli army patrol raided the village of 'Izbat Nasser and patrolled the area. • <u>Arrest:</u> The Israeli army arrested Abdul Fattah Yousef Raddad, an injured civilian, in the village of Seida.
QALQILYA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <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 search civilians with a metal detector. • <u>Flying Checkpoint/Detention:</u> At 13:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint between the towns of Jayyus and 'Azzun, searched civilians and vehicles, detained Mohammed Isam'il Touth, a Palestinian National Security officer, allegedly for carrying a military uniform in his bag, and released him at 16:00.
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> At 11:50, the Israeli army set up flying checkpoints at the entrances to the villages of Beit Imrin, Ijnisinya, Burqa, and Bizzariya and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raid:</u> The Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Beit Imrin. • <u>Arrest/Physical Assault:</u> At 19:00, Israeli troops positioned at the town of Beit Furik checkpoint arrested 2 civilians, after severely beating them: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Murad Abdul Latif Hanani; and (ii) Nidhal Abdul Latif Hanani.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Road:</u> The Israeli army continues to open the iron gate set up at the entrance to the village of Yasuf from morning until 18:00 only. • <u>Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the town of Deir Ballut checkpoint and prevent civilians from crossing in both directions. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Land levelling for Wall construction continues in the town of Deir Ballut and the village of Az Zawiya near the Green Line. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 09:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Az Zawiya and searched civilians and vehicles until 11:00.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Settlement Activity: Israeli settlers from the settlement of Revava placed caravans on land belonging to Mahmoud Mustafa Dawoud in the town of Deir Istiya.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The road between the city of Jericho and the village of Al 'Auja (Road # 90) is closed with cement blocks. At various times, the Israeli army impeded civilian movement into the city of Jericho. • Flying Checkpoints: The Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints near the settlements of Niran and Yitav, searched civilians and vehicles, and prevented civilians not holding Jericho IDs from crossing, violating the agreement of transferring control over the area of Jericho to the Palestinian Authority, according to which the Israeli army is allowed to set up a surveillance point near the settlement of Yitav and search civilian vehicles on a selective basis only, without impeding civilian movement. • Raid: At 02:00, an Israeli army patrol raided Area (A) in the village of 'Ein ad Duyuk, violating the agreement of transferring control over the area of Jericho to the Palestinian Authority, and withdrew at a later time.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army continues to close the only road leading to the village of Al Nu'man, northeast of the Bethlehem district, isolating the village and placing it, together with the adjacent village of Al Khas, under the jurisdiction of the Jerusalem municipality. The Israeli army considers the civilian presence in the villages illegal. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues north of the district of Bethlehem, along 'Ayda refugee camp, along the tunnel road (Gilo) north of the city of Beit Jala, and west of the village of Husan. • Raid: At 14:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Al Khadr, set up a checkpoint in the town centre, and searched civilians and vehicles. At 21:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town again until 21:30. • Arrest: At 19:10, Israeli troops positioned at Bilal Bin Rabah Mosque (Rachel's Tomb) checkpoint arrested Ahmed Ali al Wahsh.
HEBRON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close Al Shuhada' Street and the area of As Sahleh in the H2 section of the city of Hebron with cement blocks and barbed wire, denying civilians and vehicles access. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close Shalala Street with cement blocks. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues west of the towns of Surif, Beit Ula, in the town of Idhna, and west of the town of Beit 'Awwa in the area extending from the village of Deir Samit, in the town of Beit 'Awwa, and towards the village of Al Burj. • Flying Checkpoint: At 01:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the town of Dura, searched civilian vehicles, and examined civilians' IDs. • Raids: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 07:30 on 02 May 2005, the Israeli army raided the town of Dura

	<p>and searched 1 house.</p> <p>(ii) At 12:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron and arrested 1 civilian. At 19:00, the Israeli army raided the city again, set up a checkpoint in the neighbourhood of Wadi al Hariyyah, searched civilian vehicles, and impeded civilian movement. At 23:00, the Israeli army raided the city again and patrolled several neighbourhoods.</p> <p>(iii) The Israeli army raided the village of Imreish, searched 1 house, and arrested 1 civilian.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Arrests:</u> (i) The Israeli army arrested Fadi Mohammed Ar Rajabi in the city of Hebron. (ii) The Israeli army arrested Usamah Hussein Shahin in the village of Imreish.
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GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open (to humanitarian cases and VIPs only). • <u>Palestinian Attack:</u> At 15:20, 2 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line. Israeli army helicopters patrolled the skies over the district of Northern Gaza following the attack. • <u>Palestinian Security Measures:</u> At 12:00, a Palestinian security patrol arrested 1 unidentified civilian as he was attempting to infiltrate into areas inside the Green Line near the area of Abu Safiyyeh.
GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> (i) Nitsareem junction remains closed. (ii) Al Shuhada Junction-Al Muntar Crossing road is closed. • <u>Palestinian Security Measures:</u> (i) At 14:15, a Palestinian security patrol evacuated 1 armed Palestinian individual from the area west of the coastal road in the area of Sheikh 'Ajlin south of Gaza city. (ii) At 15:05, a Palestinian security patrol evacuated a number of civilians from the area west of the settlement of Nitsareem south of Gaza city.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Palestinian Attack:</u> At 23:50, 3 mortars were fired towards the settlement of Nitsareem.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> (i) Abu Al 'Ajlin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) is closed. (ii) Western road (Khan Yunis) remains closed. (iii) Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis road (Al Tuffah checkpoint) is partially open. (iv) Deir al Balah junction to Abu Holi checkpoint (Kfar Darom road) is

	<p>closed.</p> <p>(v) Morag road, connecting Khan Yunis' eastern and western roads, is closed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Attacks:</u> <p>(i) At 11:20, the Israeli army opened fire from its location at At Tuffah checkpoint towards civilian houses in West Khan Yunis refugee camp.</p> <p>(ii) At 21:45, and again at 22:30, the Israeli army opened fire from the military post located behind the Palestinian Mills Company towards the area of Al Qarara.</p> <p>(iii) At 23:55, the Israeli army opened fire from its location at Point 9 towards Palestinian territory in West Khan Yunis refugee camp.</p> <p>(iv) At 00:05, the Israeli army fired sound grenades and flares from its location at Point 7 towards Palestinian territory north of Al Amal neighbourhood.</p> <p>(v) At 00:35, the Israeli army opened fire with a weapon equipped with a silencer and fired flares from its location at Point 6 towards Palestinian territory in As Satr al Gharbi.</p> • <u>Raid/Land Levelling:</u> At 13:00, the Israeli army, including 1 tank and 1 bulldozer, raided 10 meters into Palestinian territory opposite Point 152 on the Green Line east of the area of Al Qarara and levelled land. • <u>Palestinian Attack:</u> At 16:35, armed Palestinian individuals opened fire from a vehicle towards Israeli locations along Kissufim road. • <u>Palestinian Security Measures:</u> <p>(i) At 09:05, a Palestinian security patrol evacuated a number of civilians near Point 145 on the Green Line east of the area of Al Qarara.</p> <p>(ii) At 09:30, a Palestinian security patrol dismantled a suspicious object discovered near Point 13 opposite the area of Batn as Samin.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">RAFAH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <p>(i) Yasser Arafat International Airport remains closed.</p> <p>(ii) Al Mawasi/Rafah road is partially open.</p> <p>(iii) Sufa Crossing is partially open to construction cargo only.</p> <p>(iv) Alon – Tall as Sultan checkpoint, at the entrance to Al Mawasi/Rafah, south of the city of Deir al Balah, is partially open.</p> • <u>Attacks/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:</u> <p>(i) At 14:15, an Israeli army tank positioned near Point 9.5 along the Egyptian border opened fire towards Palestinian security forces while demolishing 1 tunnel opposite Bloc (J) in Rafah refugee camp.</p> <p>(ii) At 14:15, and again at 17:15, the Israeli army opened fire from its location at Point 8 along the Egyptian border towards Palestinian territory in the neighbourhood of Yabna in Rafah refugee camp.</p> <p>(iii) At 17:50, the Israeli army opened fire from its location at Point 194 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory north of Sufa Crossing.</p> <p>(iv) At 17:50, the Israeli army opened fire from its location in the area surrounding the settlement of Morag towards Palestinian territory</p>

	<p>north of the city of Rafah.</p> <p>(v) At 21:00, and again at 21:40, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location at Point 9 along the Egyptian border towards civilian houses in Bloc (J) in Rafah refugee camp.</p> <p>(vi) At 21:40, the Israeli army opened fire from Tall Zu'rub military post towards Palestinian territory in Bloc (J) in Rafah refugee camp.</p> <p>(vii) At 22:30, the Israeli army opened fire from its location at Point 5.5 along the Egyptian border towards Palestinian territory in As Salaam neighbourhood in Rafah refugee camp.</p> <p>(viii) At 00:35, the Israeli army opened indiscriminate fire from its location in the area surrounding Rafah Crossing towards Palestinian territory.</p> <p>(ix) At 04:30, the Israeli army opened fire from its location at Point 19.5 towards the area of 'Ureibeh.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Palestinian Attacks:</u> (i) At 14:40, armed Palestinian individuals opened fire towards Israeli troops positioned along the Egyptian border opposite Bloc (J) in Rafah refugee camp. (ii) At 21:30, 2 unidentified mortars were fired towards the settlement of Rafiah Yam.
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GENERAL

POLITICAL PRISONERS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Administrative Detention Orders:</u> Israeli authorities renewed administrative detention orders (arrest without charge or trial) for 3 political prisoners and issued an administrative detention order against 1 other prisoner. • <u>Suspension of Family Visits:</u> Israeli authorities suspended all scheduled family visits to political prisons in Israeli prisons and detention centres until further notice, without allotting new dates for the suspended visits.
WORK PERMITS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>West Bank:</u> (i) Israeli authorities renewed 11,574 work permits to cross the Green Line. The total number of those allowed to cross is unknown. (ii) Israeli authorities restricted the issuing of work permits to civilians who are married with children and over the age of 30. • <u>Gaza Strip:</u> (i) Israeli authorities renewed 818 work permits for workers to enter the Industrial Zones. However, none of the workers were allowed access to the Industrial Zones due to the imposed closure. (ii) Israeli authorities renewed 5,328 work permits for workers to cross the Green Line. However, none of the workers were allowed access into the Green Line due to the imposed closure. (iii) Israeli authorities issued permits for 1,117 workers to stay overnight inside the Green Line.