

مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 03 May 2004 – 08:00 04 May 2004

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Death	—	3	3	Incl. 2 children
Physical Assault	1	—	1	
Injuries	—	29	29	Incl. 3 children & 3 critical
Air Attacks	—	1	1	From helicopter
Attacks	2	8	10	
Raids	21	4	25	Incl. surrounding Muqata'a
Arrests (per person)	26	—	26	Incl. 1 female & 1 officer
Detentions	3	—	3	
House Demolitions	—	36	36	Incl. 15 partial demolitions
Land Levelling	1	1	2	
Wall Construction	14	—	14	Jer'lm, Ramallah, Jenin, Beth.
Destruction of Property	3	1	4	
House Occupation	—	3	3	
Curfew	1	—	1	
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
Settlement Activity	—	1	1	112 units, Neve Dakaleem
Settler Violence	1	—	1	Stones thrown at cars
Demonstrations	1	—	1	
TOTAL	74	91	165	

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"> • 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 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. • Destruction/Confiscation of Property: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army demolished 1 gas station at the entrance of Shu'fat refugee camp, claiming that the structure was not licensed, and confiscated fuel tanks belonging to Sadiq al Rashaq. (ii) The Israeli army raided several money exchange shops in the city of Jerusalem, seized approximately \$1,000,000 US and interrogated 19 money changers, claiming to be carrying out an investigation into money laundering and tax evasion.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<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 continues in Budrus, Deir Qaddis, Rantis, Ni'lin, Beit Liqya, Beituniya and near the village of Midya. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:15, the Israeli army raided the cities of Ramallah and El Bireh and patrolled the area. At 01:00, the Israeli army surrounded the Muqata'a and 1 other building, searched the buildings, and detained civilians outside. The Israeli army withdrew at 02:00. (ii) At 19:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Beituniya and arrested 1 civilian. (iii) At 03:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Kobar and arrested 1

	<p>civilian.</p> <p>(iv) At dawn on 3 May 2004, the Israeli army raided the town of Silwad and arrested 9 civilians.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrests: <p>The Israeli army arrested 9 civilians in the town of Silwad:</p> <p>(i) Umayya Abdul Karim Hamid;</p> <p>(ii) Fadil Mustafa Hammad;</p> <p>(iii) Ayman Na'im Hamid;</p> <p>(iv) Mahmoud Atif Hamid;</p> <p>(v) Mahran Jamil Awwad;</p> <p>(vi) Akram Othman Hamid;</p> <p>(vii) Rami Umayya Hamid;</p> <p>(viii) Rafat Othman Hamid; and</p> <p>(ix) Siyam Salah Hamid.</p> <p>The Israeli army arrested 1 civilian in the town of Beituniya:</p> <p>(x) Rami Mazhi.</p> <p>The Israeli army arrested 1 civilian in the village of Kobar:</p> <p>(xi) Thaer Anis Al Barghouti.</p> <p>Of the 27 civilians arrested yesterday in the city of Ramallah, the following were identified:</p> <p>(xii) Fahd Shibrawi;</p> <p>(xiii) Hasan Al Shibli;</p> <p>(xiv) Anas Atatra;</p> <p>(xv) Abdallah Al Adariya;</p> <p>(xvi) Muhammad Subhi;</p> <p>(xvii) Abdul Rahman Kamil;</p> <p>(xviii) Said Rafruf;</p> <p>(xix) Imad Mansur;</p> <p>(xx) Abdallah Taha;</p> <p>(xxi) Basil Isdidat;</p> <p>(xxii) Tariq Ba'jawi;</p> <p>(xxiii) Muhammad Al Khawaja;</p> <p>(xxiv) Yusif Hashash;</p> <p>(xxv) Muhammad Al Najjar;</p> <p>(xxvi) Ahmad Abu Fara;</p> <p>(xxvii) Nael Al Attar;</p> <p>(xxviii) Bassam Zedan;</p> <p>(xxix) Hasan Al Ammuri;</p> <p>(xxx) Hussein Al Bal'awi; and</p> <p>(xxxi) Husam Abu Warda.</p>
<p>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.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. • Wall Construction: Construction of the Wall continues south of Jalbun towards Al Mutilla, Raba, Al Mughayyir, Bardala and 'Ein al Beida and towards the Jordan River. • Raid: At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Qabatiya, opened intensive fire and arrested 2 civilians. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the town of Qabatiya: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Yusif Rashid Kameel; and (ii) Mahmoud Rashid Kameel. The Israeli army arrested 1 civilian at a checkpoint set up on the main road between the cities of Jenin and Nablus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (iii) Khader Adnan.
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. • Raid: At 08:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Al Ojai and searched several houses.
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 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). • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Harmala, detained several civilians and transported them to the area of Al Fureidis before releasing them. (ii) At 12:45, the Israeli army raided the city of Beit Jala and conducted a survey of residents in the area of Bi'r Oneh. (iii) At 13:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Al Khadr and imposed curfew. (iv) At 01:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Bethlehem, surrounded 1 house in Dahiyat Al Doha, detained civilians and interrogated them in their homes.

<p>TULKAREM</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. • Raid: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 20:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Tulkarem and its suburbs and patrolled the area. (ii) At 21:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Anabta and opened indiscriminate fire. (iii) At 23:00, an Israeli army jeep raided Tulkarem refugee camp and took position at its northern entrance.
<p>NABLUS</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. • Land Levelling: The Israeli army levelled 4 <i>dunums</i> (1 acre) of cultivated land, claiming that it needed the soil to block a dirt road located between the town of Huwwara and the village of Beit Iba. • Physical Assault: Israeli army troops, positioned atop mountains in the villages of Tel, Iraq Burin, pursued and severely beat several civilians as they were trying to reach their workplaces in the city of Nablus. • Raid: At 01:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus and Balata and Al 'Ein refugee camps and arrested 7 civilians, including 1 officer. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 7 civilians in the city of Nablus Balata refugee camp: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) 'Al Saleh Al Zubeidi, a Palestinian Police officer; (ii) Hani Said Atallah; (iii) Raed Al Nari; (iv) Zeid Hirzallah; (v) Ahmad Suweidan; (vi) Raed Al Absi; and (vii) Hashim Al Absi. <p>At 15:00, the Israeli army arrested 1 civilian at Za'tara checkpoint:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (viii) Khadr Adnan Musa
<p>HEBRON</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. • Raids: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 16:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Halhul, searched several

	<p>houses and arrested 3 civilians.</p> <p>(ii) At 20:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Dura and fired sound bombs and tear gas towards civilians.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Air Patrol:</u> At 19:00, Israeli combat aircraft and helicopters patrolled the skies over the town of Dura and the villages of Beit Awwa, Deir Samit and Imreish. • <u>Arrests:</u> The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in the town of Halhul: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Towfiq Hamdan Al Bou; (ii) Abdul Muhsin Abu Rayyan; and (iii) Munthir Hussein Ramadan.
<p>QALQILYA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> 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. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> 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. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:45, the Israeli army raided the village of Habla, claiming that civilians infiltrated the area through the Wall. (ii) At 03:05, the Israeli army raided the village of Kafr Thulth, searched 1 house and arrested 1 female civilian. • <u>Arrest:</u> The Israeli army arrested Fatma Jihad Bakir, a 21 year old female, in the village of Kafr Thulth. • <u>Settler Violence:</u> At 10:45, a group of Israeli settlers attacked with stones Palestinian vehicles on the Qalqiliya-Nablus road near the village of An Nabi Elyas, damaging several vehicles.
<p>SALFIT</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> 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

NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: Beit Hanoun crossing is closed. (Open only to foreign nationals and diplomats) • Attack: At 14:00, the Israeli army opened fire towards several children near Al Nada towers in the town of Beit Lahiya, injuring 3 children. • Killing: At 15:00, Muhammad Al Khawaldi, 16 years old, died as a result of injuries sustained during an Israeli army raid on the area north of the town of Beit Lahiya on 23 April 2004.
GAZA CITY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The junction of Nitsareem remains closed. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Beginning at 02:45 on 3 May 2004, the Israeli army continues to raid the area of Al Mughraqa and demolished 6 houses, raising the total number of houses demolished since yesterday to 7. The Israeli army occupied 3 houses and converted them into military posts. The Israeli army withdrew at 11:10. (ii) At 01:10, the Israeli army, including 2 tanks and 1 bulldozer, raided the area south of Al Shuhada junction. • House Demolition: The Israeli army demolished 6 houses in the area of Mughraqa belonging to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Sa'di Al Hilu; (ii) Muhammad Abu Leila; (iii) Riziq Abu Leila; (iv) Mahmoud Al Hilu; (v) Hatim Al Hilu; and (vi) In'am Al Najjar.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not yet reported.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <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 remains was partially open. • Attacks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:55, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from Point 12 towards civilian houses in Al Nimsawi neighbourhood and Khan Yunis cemetery.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At 13:30, and again at 14:40, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from Point 9 towards civilian houses in West Khan Yunis refugee camp, injuring 3 civilians, including 1 child and 1 female civilian. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) At 16:00, the Israeli army, including 3 tanks and 1 bulldozer, raided the area of Batin al Samin, opened indiscriminate fire, destroyed a house fence and the southern fence of the Khan Yunis cemetery, and demolished 25 dunums (6.25 acres) of cultivated land. (iii) At 23:20, the Israeli army, including several Israeli army tanks and bulldozers, raided 200 meters into West Khan Yunis refugee camp, opened intensive fire towards civilian houses, completely demolished 15 houses and partially demolished 15 other houses. An Israeli helicopter fired 1 missile towards a group of civilians, killing 2 civilians, including 1 child, and injuring 22 others, 3 of whom are in critical condition. • House Demolitions: The Israeli army demolished 30 houses, 15 of which were partially demolished, in West Khan Yunis refugee camp. • Killings: The Israeli army killed 2 civilians, including 1 child, in West Khan Yunis refugee camp: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Jamil Abu Mustafa, 16 years old; and (ii) Bilal Hamdan, 25 years old. • Settlement Expansion: Construction began on 112 new housing units in the settlement of Neve Dakaleem.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <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. • Attack: At 11:00, the Israeli army opened fire from its location along the Egyptian borders towards civilian houses in the area of Al Sha'out, injuring Huwaida Abu Ramadan, a female civilian in her seventh month of pregnancy.