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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 06 May 2011 – 08:00 07 May 2011

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assaults	2	—	2	Civilians sustained contusions
Attacks	10	—	10	2 in raids and 8 during confrontations
Raids	10	—	10	Incl. 3 in Ramallah and 2 in Jericho
Arrests (per Person)	9	—	9	Incl. 6 in Qalqiliya and 2 in Bethlehem
Detentions	13	—	13	Incl. 3 international peace activists
Land Levelling	1	—	1	East of Deir al Hatab village, Nablus
Wall Construction	13	—	13	Incl. in Jerusalem, Ramallah, & Salfit
House Occupations	3	—	3	Converted into mil. posts, Ramallah
Closure of Checkpoints	10	—	10	Incl. access impeded at 7 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	27	—	27	Incl. 3 in Jerusalem and 8 in Qalqiliya
Closure (per District)	9	—	9	Incl. Jerusalem and 6 areas in Hebron
Closure of Main Roads	43	—	43	Incl. 10 in Nablus and 13 in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points	—	6	6	Beit Hanun Crossing partially open
Settler Violence	4	—	4	Incl. civilian vehicles stoned, Qalqiliya
Demonstrations	5	—	5	Incl. against land grab and the Wall
TOTAL	159	6	165	

DISTRICT	EVENTS
WEST BANK	
JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) On 06 May 2011, the Israeli army intensified restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to Jerusalem city, set up flying checkpoints in the old city of Jerusalem and around Al Aqsa Mosque compound, and denied access to civilians from other districts to perform Friday prayers at the Al Aqsa Mosque. (i) The Israeli army continues to close the ‘demarcation area’ along the Wall in the area surrounding Jerusalem city and restrict access to the area to local residents as well as to civilians holding special permits. (ii) The Israeli army continues to impose a blockade and deny civilian access to a hill between Biddu and Beit Iksa villages. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and dirt barricades the entrance to the village of Jaba’. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the iron gate along the Wall section, separating the area of Dahiyat al Bareed from the town of Ar Ram. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with an iron gate the eastern entrance to Beit Iksa village and force civilians to access Jerusalem city through Qalandiya checkpoint. • <u>Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli authorities continue to consider Qalandiya checkpoint a “border crossing point” and designates a special crossing lane for holders of Jerusalem IDs and those possessing permits to access Jerusalem city. • <u>Attack:</u> In the evening of 06 May 2011, Israeli troops fired sound and tear gas grenades on civilians in Silwan neighbourhood in Jerusalem city, allegedly for throwing stones. A number of civilians were wounded as a result of tear gas inhalation. • <u>Demonstration/Attack/Injuries:</u> At 13:30, civilians performed Friday prayers in the sit-in tent erected in Silwan neighbourhood in Jerusalem city in protest against the eviction of civilian homes for construction of Israeli settlement projects. After the prayers, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and participants, during which the Israeli army injured a number of participants as a result of tear gas inhalation. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the Wall gate in Abu Dis town. (ii) The Israeli army continues to deny civilian access through the Wall gate on Ash Shayyah road in the area between As Sawahira ash Sharqiya and As Sawahira al Gharbiya villages, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem IDs to cross, after subjecting them to thorough searches using electronic devices. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues in the area north of Qalandiya village; south of Az Za’ayyem village; and in Wadi al ‘Eizariya west of Ma’ale Adumim settlement.

<p style="text-align: center;">RAMALLAH & EL BIREH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to Sinjil town and Saffa village as well as the junction to Kafr Malik and ‘Ein Samiya villages. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 18:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Silwad town and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 22:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to ‘Atara town and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 16:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Deir Jarir village. (ii) At 10:35, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Qarawat Bani Zeid village. • <u>Demonstrations/Raid/Attacks/Detentions/Injuries:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:00, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in An Nabi Salih village in protest against Israeli settler violence and confiscation of civilian land for the expansion of Halamish settlement. Meanwhile, the Israeli army raided the village, set up checkpoints at its entrances, occupied the roofs of a number of houses, and converted them into military posts. The Israeli army also fired rubber-coated steel bullets and tear gas grenades on protestors, injuring several participants as a result of tear gas inhalation. At 19:35, the Israeli army withdrew from the village. (ii) At 13:20, a mass demonstration, including international and Israeli peace activists, took place in Bil’in village in protest against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which a number of participants were injured as a result of tear gas inhalation. The Israeli army also arrested a civilian. While they were pursued by Israeli troops, two civilians fell and sustained contusions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Mahmoud Nabil Abu Rahmeh; and (ii) Fadi al Jayyousi. (iii) At 14:00, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in Ni’lin town in protest against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which the Israeli army injured a number of participants as a result of tear gas inhalation. • <u>Arrest:</u> The Israeli army arrested Basel Raed al Khatib in Bil’in village. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues in the area west of ‘Abud town in the area surrounding ‘Ofarim settlement and north of Al Lubban al Gharbi and Rantis villages.
<p style="text-align: center;">JENIN</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Road:</u> The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to the town of ‘Arraba east of Dotan settlement. • <u>Settler Violence:</u> At 16:50, a group of Israeli settlers gained access to the evacuated Homesh settlement. The Israeli army evacuated settlers from the area at a later time.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits, which affects the educational and health conditions of civilians living behind the Wall.
TUBAS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checkpoint: Though allowing civilian access to the Northern Jordan Valley between 06:00 and 22:00, the Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint east of the city of Tubas. At 12:00, the Israeli army intensified restrictions and denied access to residents of areas other than the Northern Jordan Valley.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road connecting Kafr al Labad town to Shufa village as well as the road connecting Shufa and 'Izbat Shufa villages. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the detour road leading to Ramin village along the Tulkarem-Nablus main road. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions and impede civilian access at 'Einav checkpoint on the Tulkarem-Nablus main road. • Flying Checkpoint: At 23:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Al Jarushiya village and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raid: At 13:50, the Israeli army raided Dahiyat Shuweika in Tulkarem city. While patrolling the area, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. • Wall Gates: Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
QALQILYA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun. • Flying Checkpoints: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Hajja village and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 12:45, and again at 18:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to 'Azzun town and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 13:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between Al Funduq and Immatin villages and searched civilians and vehicles. (iv) At 13:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near Jinsafut village on the Qalqiliya-Nablus main road and searched civilians and vehicles. (v) At 14:00, and again at 17:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near An Nabi Elyas village on the Qalqiliya-Nablus main road and searched civilians and vehicles. (vi) At 16:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Far'ata village and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids/Attack: At 04:00, the Israeli army raided 'Azzun town. While searching a number of houses, the Israeli army opened fire and fired sound grenades. The Israeli army also arrested two civilians. • Arrests: At 12:25, the Israeli army arrested four civilians, while they were present near the Wall section south of Sanniriya village: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Khaled Sa'd Khaled Jawdi;

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) Jalal Sami Isma'il 'Amer; (iii) Suhayb Sidqi As'ad; and (iv) Nitham Sidqi As'ad. <p>The Israeli army arrested two civilians in 'Azzun town:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (v) Lu'ay Hamzeh Hussein; and (vi) Abdullah 'Umran Hussein. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Settler Violence: At 00:20, a group of Israeli settlers threw stones at civilian vehicles travelling near the junction to Shavei Shomron settlement along the Qalqiliya-Nablus main road. • Wall Gates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal detector. (ii) The Israeli army continues close with an iron gate the entrance to the village of Wadi ar Rasha and to deny civilian access. The Israeli army allows residents to access the village through Gate #109. Having removed the iron gate at the entrance to the village of Ras 'Atiya, the Israeli army only allows students to cross to their schools outside the village through the Habla gate. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Kafr Laqif village north of Karnei Shomron settlement; in Immatin village northeast of Imanuel settlement; and east of Kafr Thulth town near Ma'ale Shomron settlement.
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the roads of Till-Burin and Beit Furik-Salem; the settler bypass road connecting the village of Deir al Hatab to the settlement of Alon Moreh; the road connecting the town of 'Aqraba to the village of Osarin; and the detour road between the town of Qabalan and the village of Osarin. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the northern entrance to the town of Qabalan; the southern entrances to the town of Jamma'in and the villages of Duma and Qaryut; and the western entrance to An Naqura village opposite the settlement of Shavei Shomron. • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At Tur neighbourhood checkpoint (set up on Jerzim Mount) is closed on Fridays and Saturdays as well as during Jewish holidays. On all other days, it is open for civilian residents of the neighbourhood only between 07:00 and 02:00. (ii) At 'Awarta commercial checkpoint, civilians are allowed to cross between 05:00 and 20:00, but between 05:00 and 15:00 on Fridays. All civilian vehicles are allowed to access the city of Nablus, but only commercial vehicles and ambulances can leave the city through the checkpoint. (iii) At 16:50, the Israeli army intensified restrictions at Shavei Shomron checkpoint and impeded civilian access.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Sarra village on the Nablus-Qalqiliya main and searched civilians and vehicles until 10:40. (ii) At 09:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between Nablus city and 'Asira ash Shamaliya town and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 15:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Beit Furik town and searched civilians and vehicles. (iv) At 16:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Sabastiya village and searched civilians and vehicles. (v) At 18:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between Qabalan town and Talfit village and searched civilians and vehicles until 19:10. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 23:35, the Israeli army raided and patrolled 'Einabus village. (ii) At 00:45, the Israeli army raided Til village, fired sound grenades, patrolled the area, and withdrew at 01:30. • <u>Land Levelling:</u> At 11:50, the Israeli army levelled civilian land near caravans installed by Israeli settlers east of Deir al Hatab village.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the northern entrance to Salfit city and with cement blocks the northern entrance to the Bruqin town. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the entrance to two detour roads connecting Marda village to respective farmland. (iii) Beginning on 14 November 2010, the Israeli army has continued to open the northern entrance to Salfit city to civilian buses only. The entrance had been closed for seven years. • <u>Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions and impede civilian access at the Za'tara junction checkpoint. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 15:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Yasuf village and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues in the area north of Deir Istiya town southeast of Emmanuel settlement.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Road:</u> The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between Jericho city and Al 'Auja village with cement blocks. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Al Hamra checkpoint set up along Al Badhan road connecting Jericho and Nablus districts, only allowing access to residents of Jericho district of the Jordan Valley area. (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the junction to Al 'Auja village along Al-Mu'arrajat road connecting Jericho and Ramallah districts, only allowing access to residents of Jericho district as well as to others holding access permits.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> At 08:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to Jericho city. At 18:55, the Israeli army set up another checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles until 20:40. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Al ‘Auja village. (ii) At 13:30, the Israeli army raided Al Jiftlik village and searched a house.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close roads to An Nu’man village, with the exception of the road leading to the Wall gate in the south-eastern area of the village. (ii) Beginning on 15 September 2007, the Israeli army has continued to prevent civilians from accessing or staying on 22 <i>dunums</i> of confiscated land in Al Mazmuriya area in Beit Sahur and Bethlehem cities. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> The Israeli army continues to close the Beit Jala-Wadi Ahmad road; a road east of Beit Fajjar town; the road connecting Tuqu’ town to Khirbet al Baq’a village; and the detour road connecting Wadi Fukin and Al Jab’a villages. • <u>Checkpoint:</u> At 23:30, the Israeli army intensified restrictions at As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the ‘Container’) checkpoint and impeded civilian access. • <u>Demonstration/Detentions:</u> At 13:20, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in Al Ma’sara village in protest against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and participants, during which a number of protestors sustained injuries as a result of tear gas inhalation. In addition to arresting a civilian, the Israeli army detained three international peace activists and released them at a later time. • <u>Arrests:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 21:00, Israeli troops positioned at As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the ‘Container’) checkpoint arrested Suleiman Majed al Fakhouri. (ii) The Israeli army arrested Mahmoud Hussein Hasan Zawahreh in Al Ma’sara village. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues in the area northwest of Beit Jala city; around Al Walaja village; and east of Efrat settlement.
Hebron	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close Ash Shuhada’ Street, As Sahleh and Khuzq al Far areas, and the old gold market in the old city of Hebron. In addition to closing the entrance to Al Qeisi neighbourhood, the Israeli army continues to close the entrances to the area of Al Hisba (the fruits and vegetables market) with an iron gate and Al Laban Market with iron plates. (ii) Beginning on 05 January 2009, the Israeli army has continued to close the area located along the Green Line south of the town of Yatta. Having seized land for Wall construction, the Israeli army evacuated residents and denied civilian access to the area.

- **Closure of Main Roads:**
 - (i) The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to Adh Dhahiriya and As Samoa' towns, Al 'Arrub refugee camp, and At Tuwani and Al Karmil villages.
 - (ii) The Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from travelling along Ash Shalala Old Street in the old city of Hebron.
 - (iii) The Israeli army continues to close all roads leading to Road # 60 as well as detour roads along the settler bypass road leading to Yatta town.
- **Flying Checkpoints:**
 - (i) At 08:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Al Fahs area south of Hebron city and searched civilians and vehicles.
 - (ii) At 17:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Kurza village and searched civilians and vehicles.
 - (iii) At 19:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in Abu Sneinah neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron and searched civilians and vehicles. Israeli troops also detained a number of civilians and released them at a later time.
- **Attack:** At 13:00, the Israeli army fired sound and tear gas grenades on civilians in Khirbet Um an Nir village. As a result, two civilians, including Fatima Ahmed al Jubour, sustained injuries as a result of tear gas inhalation. Both civilians were transported to hospital for medical treatment. As was reported yesterday, the Israeli army demolished civilians' makeshift houses and declared the area a closed military zone.
- **Raid:** At 12:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Hebron city.
- **Settler Violence:**
 - (i) At 11:40, a group of Israeli settlers gained access to Haska area between Halhul and Beit Kahil towns. The Israeli army evacuated settlers from the area at a later time.
 - (ii) At 15:20, a group of Israeli settlers gathered, under protection of Israeli troops, near Imneizil village south of Yatta town, provoked civilians, and withdrew at 15:55.
- **Wall Construction:** Wall construction continues in the area surrounding Eshkolot settlement west of Adh Dhahiriya town.

GAZA STRIP

<p style="text-align: center;">ALL DISTRICTS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At 02:00 on 18 January 2009, the unilateral ceasefire declared by the Israeli authorities came into effect. At a later time on the same day, armed Palestinian groups announced an agreement to cease fire. The ceasefire has been further renewed on 10 April 2011.
<p style="text-align: center;">NORTHERN GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing was partially open to previously-coordinated critically ill civilians, foreign journalists, international organisations staff, merchants, businesspeople, and civilians intending to travel to Jordan through Al Karama (Allenby) Bridge in the West Bank.
<p style="text-align: center;">GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Points: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Al Muntar (Karnel) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 02 March 2011, the Crossing has been effectively closed upon an Israeli unilateral decision. (ii) Ash Shuja'iyah (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 04 January 2010, the Crossing has been closed upon an Israeli unilateral decision.
<p style="text-align: center;">CENTRAL GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
<p style="text-align: center;">KHAN YUNIS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
<p style="text-align: center;">RAFAH</p>	<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 (<i>Al 'Awdah</i>) Crossing was closed. (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed. (iv) Karm Abu Salem (Karem Shalom) Crossing was closed.