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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 07 May 2011 – 08:00 08 May 2011

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assaults	7	—	7	Incl. a child severely beaten, Hebron
Injury	1	—	1	A civilian in 'Iraq Burin, Nablus
Attacks	4	—	4	During confrontations with civilians
Raids	27	—	27	Incl. 5 in Tulkarem and 5 in Hebron
Arrests (per Person)	8	—	8	Incl. 1 in Salfit and 5 in Hebron
Detentions	13	—	13	At checkpoints and in residential areas
Attack on Property	*	—	—	Electricity line to be removed, Nablus
House Occupation	1	—	1	Converted into a mil. post in Tulkarem
Closure of Checkpoints	9	—	9	Incl. access impeded at 6 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	31	—	31	Incl. 4 in Jerusalem and 7 in Ramallah
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	—	7	7	All crossing points closed
Settler Violence	2	—	2	Incl. attempt to abduct a child
Demonstrations	2	—	2	Against settlement activity and Wall
TOTAL	157	7	164	

DISTRICT	EVENTS
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WEST BANK

ALL DISTRICTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At 24:00 on 07 May 2011, the Israeli army imposed a complete closure on the West Bank districts on the 63rd anniversary of the establishment of the State of Israel. With the exception of previously-coordinated diplomatic and international missions, humanitarian cases, and critically ill civilians, the Israeli army denied access to civilians and workers, including those holding special permits, to Jerusalem city and areas inside the Green Line. The closure will last until 24:00 on 10 May 2011.
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JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 24:00 on 07 May 2011, the Israeli army intensified restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to Jerusalem city and set up checkpoints on road junctions and around the old city of Jerusalem. With the exception of previously-coordinated humanitarian cases and critically ill civilians, the Israeli army denied access to civilians and workers, including those holding special permits, to the city. (ii) 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. (iii) The Israeli army continues to impose a blockade and deny civilian access to a hill between Biddu and Beit Ikxa villages. • Closure of Main Roads: <ol 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 Ikxa village and force civilians to access Jerusalem city through Qalandiya checkpoint. • Checkpoint: 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. • Flying Checkpoint: At 21:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Bir Nabala town and searched civilians and vehicles. • Attack: In the evening of 07 May 2011, Israeli troops fired rubber-coated steel bullets as well as sound and tear gas grenades on civilians near the entrance to Al 'Isawiya village, allegedly for throwing stones. • Wall Gates: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the Wall gate in Abu Dis town.
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	<p>(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.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the area north of Qalandiya village; south of Az Za'ayem village; and in Wadi al 'Eizariya west of Ma'ale Adumim settlement.
<p>RAMALLAH & EL BIREH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: 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. • Flying Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Um Safa village and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 10:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to 'Abud town and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 12:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to 'Ajjul town village searched civilians and vehicles. (iv) At 18:05, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to 'Atara town and searched civilians and vehicles. (v) At 18:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint underneath the overpass to 'Ein Yabrud village and searched civilians and vehicles. (vi) At 22:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Kafr Malik village and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:00, the Israeli army raided Deir Jarir village and patrolled the area until 13:30. (ii) At 21:25, the Israeli army raided An Nabi Salih village, set up a checkpoint, closed the iron gate at the village's entrance, and denied civilian access. While searching a number of houses, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. At 01:05, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. At 01:05, the Israeli army withdrew from the village. • Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the area west of 'Abud town in the area surrounding 'Ofarim settlement and north of Al Lubban al Gharbi and Rantis villages.
<p>JENIN</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of Dotan settlement. • Raids/Detention: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 15:30, the Israeli army raided 'Arraba town, set up a checkpoint at its entrance, and arrested a civilian. The Israeli army also detained another civilian and released him at a later time. (ii) At 02:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Ash Shuhada' village. • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Khaled Mohammed Amin al Hajj in 'Arraba town.

	<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.
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: At 11:20, the Israeli army intensified restrictions and impeded civilian access at 'Einav checkpoint on the Tulkarem-Nablus main road. • Flying Checkpoints: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Kafriyat road connecting Tulkarem and Qalqiliya districts and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 11:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction o Al Jarushiya village and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 14:10, and again at 23:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Beit Lid town and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids/House Occupation: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Beit Lid town. (ii) At 13:55, the Israeli army raided Dahiyat Shuweika in Tulkarem city, occupied the roof of a house under construction, and converted it into a military post. (iii) At 15:30, and again at 17:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Tulkarem city. (iv) At 15:55, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Kafr al Labad town. • 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 09:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles underneath the overpass to 'Azzun town on the road connecting Tulkarem and Qalqiliya districts. (ii) At 10:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to An Nabi Elyas village on the Qalqiliya-Nablus main road and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 12:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Al Funduq village on the Qalqiliya-Nablus main road and searched civilians and vehicles until 13:00. (iv) At 19:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Hajja village and searched civilians and vehicles.

	<p>(v) At 21:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Jit village on the Qalqiliya-Nablus main road and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raids: At 20:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled ‘Azzun town. • 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 was suspended for the weekend 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 08:30, the Israeli army intensified restrictions at Huwwara checkpoint and impeded civilian access. • Flying Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 18:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between Nablus city and ‘Asira ash Shamaliya town and searched civilians and vehicles until 19:00.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) At 23:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the junction to Deir Sharaf village on the Nablus-Tulkarem main road and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 23:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Yitzhar settlement and searched civilians and vehicles. • Physical Assaults: At 03:00, Israeli troops positioned at Huwwara checkpoint severely beat two civilians: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Mahmoud Dawoud ‘Abed Dar Suleiman; and (ii) Fadi Ahmed Mustafa Habash. Both civilians were transported to hospital for treatment of contusions sustained. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) On 06 May 2011, the Israeli army raided Qusra village and arrested a civilian. (ii) At 13:05, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the area between Beit Furik town and Beit Dajan village. (iii) At 14:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the Popular Housing Project area east of Nablus city. • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Ala’ Hani ‘Adel ‘Odeh in Qusra village. • Attack on Property: On 07 May 2011, the Israeli army delivered a notice for the removal of an electricity line, extending for a distance of about one kilometre and supplying seven houses in Jalud village. The Israeli army set 19 May 2011 as a deadline to challenge the notice. The Israeli authorities claimed that the electricity line was located in Area C, which is under full Israeli control. • Demonstration: At 15:00, a mass demonstration took place in ‘Iraq Burin village in protest against land confiscation for construction of settlement projects. While intercepting the demonstration, Israeli troops fired tear gas grenades on participants and prevented them from accessing under the threat of confiscation. Israeli troops injured Abdullah Mahmoud Qa’dan. A number of protestors also sustained wounds as a result of tear gas inhalation.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <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. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions and impede civilian access at the Za’tara junction checkpoint. • Flying Checkpoint: At 10:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Yasuf village and searched civilians and vehicles until 11:00.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 23:45, the Israeli army raided Biddya town, served a summons on Ahmed Wassef Abu Safiyyeh to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency, and withdrew at 01:15. (ii) At 00:15, the Israeli army raided Bruqin town and served a summons on Najeh Salah ‘Amer to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. (iii) At 00:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Rafah village. (iv) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided Iskaka village and arrested a civilian. • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Walid Khaled Harb in Iskaka village. • Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the area north of Deir Istiya town southeast of Emmanuel settlement.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between Jericho city and Al ‘Auja village with cement blocks. • Checkpoints: <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. • Flying Checkpoints: At 22:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to Jericho city. At 04:50, the Israeli army set up another checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles until 07:55. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 23:00, Israeli troops raided and patrolled until 01:20 Fasayil village. (ii) At 04:10, the Israeli army raided Al ‘Auja village, set up a checkpoint on Road # 90 in the village’s centre, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close roads to An Nu’mān 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. • Closure of Main Roads: 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. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 21:35, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Beit Sahur city. (ii) At 00:20, the Israeli army raided Al ‘Ubeidiya town and patrolled it until 02:20.

	<p>(iii) At 02:30, the Israeli army raided Al 'Asakira village and searched a house.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the area northwest of Beit Jala city; around Al Walaja village; and east of Efrat settlement.
<p style="text-align: center;">Hebron</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ol 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: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (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: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Fawwar junction and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 20:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Kurza village and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 22:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Karma village and searched civilians and vehicles. • Physical Assault: At 10:30, Israeli troops severely beat Sami 'Imad Abu Heikal in Ar Rahma Mountain area in the old city of Hebron, leaving him with contusions. • Raids: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 16:00, the Israeli army raided Tarqumiya town and arrested a civilian. (ii) At 00:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Beit Ummar town. (iii) At 00:30, the Israeli army raided Deir Samit village, arrested four civilians, and withdrew at 03:00. (iv) At 01:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Khirbet Safa village. (v) At 02:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Hebron city. • Arrests: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army arrested Firas Mahmoud ath Thababneh in Tarqumiya town.

	<p>The Israeli army arrested four civilians in Deir Samit village:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) Adib Abdul Hadi al Huroub; (iii) Mahmoud Abdul Hadi al Huroub; (iv) Fadi Abdul Majid al Huroub; and (v) Mohammed Salameh ‘Awni al Huroub. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Settler Violence:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 15:50, a group of Israeli settlers from Bani Hever settlement pursued a number of civilians, while they were tending sheep near the entrance to Bani Na’im town. (ii) At 16:00, a group of Israeli settlers attempted to abduct 4-year-old Marwan Mufid ash Sharabati on Ash Shuhada’ Street in the old city of Hebron. However, civilians prevented settlers from doing so. Marwan was transported to hospital for treatment of trauma. • <u>Demonstration:</u> At 15:00, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place on agricultural land near Karnei Tzur settlement in Beit Ummar town in protest against Israeli settler violence. Participants demanded that farmers be enabled to tend their land. Having declared the area a closed military zone, Israeli troops intercepted the demonstration and prevented protestors from accessing land near the settlement. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which Israeli troops severely beat a number of participants with batons and rifle butts, leaving four civilians, including a child, with contusions. In addition, a number of protestors sustained wounds as a result of tear gas inhalation. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the area surrounding Eshkolot settlement west of Adh Dhahiriya town.
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GAZA STRIP

<p>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>NORTHERN GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Point:</u> Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing was closed.
<p>GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Points:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 02 March 2011, the Crossing has been effectively closed upon an Israeli unilateral decision. (ii) Ash Shuja’iya (Nahal ‘Oz) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 04 January 2010, the Crossing has been closed upon an Israeli unilateral decision.

CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
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 (<i>Al ‘Awdah</i>) Crossing was closed. (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed. (iv) Karm Abu Salem (Karem Shalom) Crossing was closed.

GENERAL

POLITICAL PRISONERS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hunger Strike: Beginning on 06 May 2011, political prisoners held in Nafha, Ramon, ‘Asqalan and Eshel Prisons have continued to declare a hunger strike, demanding that solitary confinement be halted and detention conditions improved.
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