

مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT
08:00 09 May 2005 – 08:00 10 May 2005

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Death	1	—	1	Miscarriage in Deir al 'Asal
Physical Assaults	5	—	5	Incl. students severely beaten
Injuries	(*)	—	—	* 12 civilians of tear gas inhalation
Attacks	6	3	9	Incl. 3 during raids & 5 from posts
Raids	20	1	21	Incl. 1 in Jerusalem & 3 in Ramallah
Air Patrols	2	—	2	Incl. over Um ash Sharayet
Arrests (per person)	8	3	11	Incl. 3 in Jerusalem and 3 in Hebron
Detentions	7	2	9	Incl. 1 Police officer at a checkpoint
Land Levelling	—	1	1	Opposite the settlement of Nitsareem
Wall Construction	22	—	22	Incl. Jer., Jenin, Ram'lah, Beth., Salfit
Confiscation of Property	1	—	1	120 sheep confiscated in Deir al 'Asal
Checkpoints	(All)	—	(All)	
Flying Checkpoints	6	—	6	Incl. 1 in Tulkarem & 1 in Qalqiliya
Closure (per District)	6	—	6	Incl. the old city of Jerusalem
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
Construction of Mil. Post	—	1	1	Surveillance tower set up in Gaza
Settler Violence	2	—	2	Incl. pigs released on civilian land
Palestinian Attacks	—	2	2	3 unidentified mortars fired
Pal. Security Measures	1	4	5	Incl. 1 illegal vehicle handed over
Demonstration	1	—	1	On Al Mukabbir Mount in Jerusalem
TOTAL	88	20	108	

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. The Israeli army prevented civilians under the age of 50 from entering Al Aqsa Mosque compound, closed the old city of Jerusalem, and prevented civilians from other districts from entering the area. The Israeli army also fired sound and tear gas grenades towards civilians at the entrances to the old city of Jerusalem, injuring 12 civilians as a result of tear gas inhalation, and arrested 3 civilians. 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/Demonstration: The Israeli army raided the neighbourhood Al Mukabbir Mount and fired sound and tear gas grenades towards school students protesting against Israeli settlers' threats to raid Al Aqsa Mosque compound. Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 3 unidentified civilians at the entrances to the old city of Jerusalem.
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: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> At 13:25, the Israeli army, including 7 jeeps, raided the city of Ramallah. At 22:40, the Israeli army raided the city again and

	<p>searched a number of houses in the neighbourhood of Um ash Sharayet, after detaining residents. The Israeli army also took photographs of house owners and recorded the names and ID numbers of residents.</p> <p>(ii) At 17:30, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided and patrolled the city of El Bireh.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Air Patrol:</u> At 12:00, an Israeli army helicopter patrolled the skies over the neighbourhood of Um ash Sharayet in the city of El Bireh and landed opposite the neighbourhood of Samir Amis for a period of time.
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Wall Gates:</u> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues in Jalbun towards Al Mutilla, Raba, Al Mughayyir, Bardala and 'Ein al Beida, and towards the Jordan River. • <u>Raid:</u> At 10:00, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided the village of Wadi Al Far'a and searched 1 house.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Wall Gates:</u> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • <u>Raid:</u> At 19:20, the Israeli army raided Area (A) in the village of Seida, opened indiscriminate fire, set up a checkpoint south of the village, and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Palestinian Security Measures:</u> On 08 May 2005, Palestinian security forces handed over 1 illegal vehicle confiscated by Palestinian Police forces in the city of Tulkarem.
QALQILYA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Wall Gates:</u> <ol 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 Checkpoints/Detention:</u> At 12:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the village of An Nabi Elyas and detained Burhan Isma'il Mara'beh, a Palestinian Police officer, until 14:00.
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the town of 'Asira ash Shamaliya and the village of Al Badhan and prevented civilians from crossing in both directions. • <u>Raid:</u> At 02:10, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus, searched 1 house, and arrested 2 civilians. • <u>Arrests:</u> The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the city of Nablus:

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Husam Abu Tharifeh; and (ii) Asad ash Shanti. • Settler Violence: At 12:30, a group of Israeli settlers released a herd of pigs in the area between the villages of Till and 'Iraq Burin, intimidating civilians and risking damage to crops cultivated on their land.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Road: 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. • Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction continues in the town of Deir Ballut and the village of Az Zawiya near the Green Line.
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.
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 'Ayda refugee camp towards the area north of the city of Beit Jala, and west of the village of Husan. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 07:45 on 09 May 2005, an Israeli army patrol raided the village of Deir Salah. (ii) At 15:55, and again at 17:50, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Al Khadr, set up a checkpoint in the town centre, and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 16:05, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided and patrolled the town of Al 'Ubeidiya. (iv) At 17:45, an Israeli army patrol raided 'Ayda refugee camp and patrolled the area. (v) At 00:10, the Israeli army raided the village of Husan and served summons to a number of civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence Services.
HEBRON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close Ash 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.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Wall Construction:</u> 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. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 09:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Beit ‘Einun and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Attack:</u> At 22:00, Israeli troops positioned at the town of Beit ‘Awwa checkpoint opened fire and fired flares. • <u>Physical Assault/Confiscation of Property:</u> The Israeli army assaulted a number of civilians near the Wall in the village of Deir al ‘Asal. Israeli troops fired tear gas grenades towards civilians and severely beat a number of civilians, causing Siham Yousef Abu ‘Askar, a pregnant female civilian in her 9th month, to miscarry, and leaving another civilian with contusions. The Israeli army also arrested 3 civilians and confiscated 120 sheep belonging to Yousef Mahmoud ash Shawamreh and his brothers. • <u>Raids/Air Patrol/Physical Assault:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:00, an Israeli army patrol raided the area of Bab az Zawiya in the city of Hebron and examined civilians’ IDs. (ii) At 13:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Dura. (iii) At 15:00, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Hebron, set up a checkpoint in the neighbourhood of Nimrah, and searched civilians and vehicles. At 24:00, the Israeli army raided the city again and patrolled the area. (iv) At 21:15, the Israeli army, including 12 jeeps, raided the area between the towns of Idhna and Dura and searched a number of houses. An Israeli army helicopter patrolled the skies over the area. (v) At 01:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Yatta. (vi) The Israeli army raided the village of Beit ‘Einun. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and school students, during which the Israeli army detained a number of students and severely beat them. • <u>Arrests:</u> The Israeli army arrested 3 unidentified civilians in the village of Deir al ‘Asal. • <u>Settler Violence:</u> A group of Israeli settlers threw stones and empty bottles at civilian houses in the old city of Hebron, injuring 2 civilians.
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GAZA STRIP

<p style="text-align: center;">NORTHERN GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open (to humanitarian cases and VIPs only). • <u>Arrests:</u> At 16:10, the Israeli army arrested 3 civilians as they were attempting to gain access to areas inside the Green Line, including Abdul ‘Aziz ‘As’ad Dawwas.
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Palestinian Attack/Palestinian Security Measures:</u> At 00:10, 2 unidentified mortars were fired from the area east of the town of Beit Hanun towards the Green Line. Palestinian security forces pursued and opened fire towards the vehicle transporting the Palestinian individuals who fired the 2 mortars, attempting to arrest them.
GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Nitsareem junction remains closed. (ii) Al Shuhada Junction-Al Muntar Crossing road is closed. • <u>Raid/Land Levelling:</u> At 10:20, the Israeli army, including 2 bulldozers, raided Palestinian territory opposite the western gate to the settlement of Nitsareem, levelled land, and set up a dirt barricade, measuring 180 meters in length and 1.5 meters in height, along the coastal road north of Sheikh 'Ajlin junction south of Gaza city. • <u>Palestinian Security Measures:</u> At 07:35, a Palestinian security patrol evacuated a number of civilians tending their sheep near Point 100 on the Green Line in Wadi Gaza.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Palestinian Attack:</u> At 03:00, 1 unidentified mortar was fired from the area of Abu 'Arif towards the Settlement Bloc of Gosh Katif.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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 closed. (v) Morag road, connecting Khan Yunis' eastern and western roads, is closed. (vi) Abu Holi road is open. At 14:30, the Israeli army closed Salah ad Din road between Al Matahin and Abu Holi checkpoints, preventing civilians from crossing until 16:25. • <u>Attacks:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 17:30, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 11 towards West Khan Yunis refugee camp. (ii) At 18:30, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 9 towards West Khan Yunis refugee camp. • <u>Detention:</u> The Israeli army prevented civilians residing in the area east of Abu Holi checkpoint from entering or exiting the area after 19:00. • <u>Construction of Military Post:</u> At 15:00, the Israeli army set up a military surveillance tower near Point 10 opposite West Khan Yunis refugee camp. • <u>Palestinian Security Measures:</u> At 17:00, a Palestinian security patrol evacuated a number of civilians near Point 16 opposite the area of Qizan an Najjar.

RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Yasser Arafat International Airport remains closed. (ii) Al Mawasi/Rafah road is partially open. (iii) Sufa Crossing is partially open to construction cargo only. (iv) Alon – Tall as Sultan checkpoint, at the entrance to Al Mawasi/Rafah, south of the city of Deir al Balah, is partially open. • <u>Attack:</u> At 21:45, 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. • <u>Palestinian Security Measures:</u> At 16:15, a Palestinian security patrol evacuated a number of civilians near Point 18 opposite the area of ‘Ureibah.
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GENERAL

POLITICAL PRISONERS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Administrative Detention Orders:</u> The Israeli military court at Salim Military Detention Camp issued administrative detention orders (arrest without charge or trial) against 10 political prisoners, several of whom have had their detention renewed for the 4th consecutive time.
WORK PERMITS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>West Bank:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Israeli authorities renewed 9,750 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> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Israeli authorities renewed 818 work permits for workers to enter the Industrial Zones. All workers with work permits were allowed access to the Industrial Zones. (ii) Israeli authorities renewed 5,453 work permits for workers to cross the Green Line. However, workers have not been allowed access into the Green Line since 24 April 2005.