# مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



# PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

# **DAILY SITUATION REPORT** 08:00 09 May 2011 – 08:00 10 May 2011

# SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Attacks	3	2	5	3 in confrontations & 2 from mil. posts
Raids	18		18	Incl. 5 in Tulkarem and 3 in Salfit
Arrests (per Person)	4	4	8	Incl. 2 brothers
Detentions	15		15	Incl. 3 Palestinian Police officers
Land Levelling	1		1	East of Deir al Hatab village, Nablus
Wall Construction	13		13	Incl. in Jerusalem, Ramallah, & Salfit
Destruction of Property	1		1	A civilian vehicle damaged, Salfit
Attack on Property	1		1	Civilians denied access to their land
House Occupation	1		1	Converted into a mil. post in Hebron
Closure of Checkpoints	10		10	Incl. access impeded at 7 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	26		26	Incl. 3 in Jerusalem and 5 in Hebron
Closure (per District)	8		8	Incl. Jerusalem and 5 areas in Hebron
Closure of Main Roads	43		43	Incl. 10 in Nablus and 13 in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points	_	6	6	Rafah Crossing open
Settler Violence	2		2	Incl. tents erected in Hebron
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1		1	A security vehicle detained in Salfit
TOTAL	147	12	159	

DISTRICT	EVENTS
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#### WEST BANK

# ALL DISTRICTS

• Beginning at 24:00 on 07 May 2011, the Israeli army has continued to impose a complete closure on the West Bank districts on the 63<sup>rd</sup> 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 has 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.

### • Closure:

- (i) Beginning at 24:00 on 07 May 2011, the Israeli army has continued to intensify 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 has 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 Iksa villages.

# • Closure of Main Roads:

- (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.

### • Attacks:

- (i) In the afternoon of 09 May 2011, Israeli troops positioned near Shu'fat checkpoint fired rubber-coated steel bullets and tear gas grenades on civilians near the entrance to Shu'fat refugee camp, allegedly for throwing stones.
- (ii) In the evening of 09 May 2011, Israeli troops positioned near the entrance to Al 'Isawiya village fired tear gas grenades on civilians, allegedly for throwing stones. A number of civilians sustained wounds as a result of tear gas inhalation.

### **JERUSALEM**

	<ul> <li>(iii) In the evening of 09 May 2011, the Israeli army fired tear gas grenades on civilians in Silwan neighbourhood in Jerusalem city, allegedly for throwing stones. A number of civilians sustained injuries as a result of tear gas inhalation.</li> <li>• Raid: At 14:00, the Israeli army raided Bir Nabala town and arrested a civilian.</li> <li>• Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Muhannad Idris in Bir Nabala town.</li> <li>• Wall Gates: <ol> <li>The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the Wall gate in Abu Dis town.</li> <li>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.</li> <li>• Wall Construction: 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.</li> </ol> </li></ul>
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul> <li>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.</li> <li>Flying Checkpoint: At 14:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to An Nabi Salih village and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>Raid: At 14:35, the Israeli army raided Deir Jarir village and searched a commercial premise.</li> <li>Wall Construction: 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.</li> </ul>
JENIN	<ul> <li>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.</li> <li>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.</li> </ul>
TUBAS	• <u>Checkpoint</u> : 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> <li>Closure of Main Roads:         <ul> <li>(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.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the detour road leading to Ramin village along the Tulkarem-Nablus main road.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions and impede civilian access at 'Einav checkpoint on the Tulkarem-Nablus main road.</li> </ul>

# • Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 12:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the detour road connecting Tulkarem city to Kafr al Labad village and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 19:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Beit Lid town and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iii) At 22:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Kafriyat road connecting Tulkarem and Qalqiliya districts and searched civilians and vehicles.

### • Raids:

- (i) At 11:50, and again at 21:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled 'Izbat al Jarad village.
- (ii) At 12:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Kafa village.
- (iii) At 17:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Ramin village.
- (iv) At 19:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Beit Lid town.
- <u>Wall Gates</u>: Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.

# • <u>Closure of Roads</u>: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun.

### • Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 17:05, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Qalqiliya city and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 22:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near Jinsafut village and searched civilians and vehicles.
- Raid/Detentions: At 22:15, the Israeli army raided Kafr Qaddum village and detained two Palestinian Police officers, while it was patrolling the area:
- (i) Riyadh Mohammed Shteiwi; and
- (ii) 'Awni Abdul Oader Shteiwi.

Israeli troops released both Police officers after coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO).

# • Attack on Property: At 12:10, the Israeli army prevented farmers from accessing their land near Kedumim settlement in Kafr Qaddum village, under the pretext of celebrating the 63<sup>rd</sup> anniversary of the proclamation of the State of Israel.

#### • Wall Gates:

- (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.

# **QALQILYA**

	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.
	<ul> <li>Closure of Main Roads:         <ul> <li>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.</li> </ul> </li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army continues to close the northern entrance to the town of</li> </ul>
	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.
	• <u>Checkpoints</u> : The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus:
	(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.
NADATIC	(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.
NABLUS	(iii) At 15:40, and again at 00:30, the Israeli army intensified restrictions at Huwwara checkpoint and impeded civilian access.
	• Flying Checkpoints:
	(i) At 13:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between Nablus city and 'Asira ash Shamaliya town and searched civilians and vehicles.
	(ii) At 15:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Majdal Bani Fadil village and searched civilians and vehicles.
	(iii) At 20:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Madama village and searched civilians and vehicles.
	(iv) At 20:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the junction o Deir Sharaf village on the Nablus-Tulkarem main road and searched civilians and vehicles until 23:50.
	(v) At 23:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Deir Sharaf village and searched civilians and vehicles.
	• Raids:
	(i) At 15:00, the Israeli army raided 'Aqraba town, searched a house, and arrested two civilians (brothers).
	(ii) At 15:40, the Israeli army raided Huwwara town and searched a shop selling vehicle spare parts.
	(iii) At 00:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled 'Awarta village.

	<ul> <li>Arrests: The Israeli army arrested two civilians in 'Aqraba town:         <ul> <li>(i) Kamel Fat'hi Mustafa Bani Jaber; and</li> <li>(ii) Ala' Fat'hi Mustafa Bani Jaber.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Land Levelling: At 09:00, the Israeli army levelled civilian land around caravans, installed by Israeli settlers near Alon Moreh settlement east of Deir al Hatab village.</li> </ul>
SALFIT	<ul> <li>Closure of Main Roads: <ol> <li>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.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the entrance to two detour roads connecting Marda village to respective farmland.</li> <li>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. At 08:00, the Israeli army closed the entrance and denied civilian access, allegedly to celebrate the 63rd anniversary of the proclamation of the State of Israel. At 08:30, the Israeli army reopened the entrance.</li> <li>Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions and impede civilian access at the Za'tara junction checkpoint.</li> <li>Flving Checkpoints: At 00:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between Yasuf and Iskaka villages and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>Raids: <ul> <li>At 23:30, the Israeli army raided Kifl Haris town and patrolled it until 00:30.</li> <li>At 23:55, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Yasuf village.</li> <li>Settler Violence: At 22:00, a group of Israeli settlers threw stones at civilian vehicles travelling near the junction to Kifl Haris town, causing damage to a vehicle belonging to Nidhal Mahmoud Kan'an.</li> <li>Provocation of Palestinian Forces: At 08:40, Israeli troops positioned at the Za'tara junction checkpoint detained a Palestinian National Security vehicle and allowed it to cross at 09:10, after coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO).</li> <li>Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area north of Deir Istiya town southeast of Emmanuel settlement.</li> </ul> </li> </ol></li></ul>
JERICHO	<ul> <li>Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between Jericho city and Al 'Auja village with cement blocks.</li> <li>Checkpoints:         <ul> <li>(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.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<ul> <li>(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.</li> <li>• Flving Checkpoints: <ol> <li>(i) At 13:05, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to Jericho city and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>(ii) At 16:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Mu'arrajat road connecting Jericho and Ramallah districts and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>(iii) At 17:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Road # 90 near Al 'Auja village and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>• Raid: At 20:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Fasayil village.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
BETHLEHEM	<ul> <li>Closure: <ol> <li>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 southeastern area of the village.</li> <li>Beginning on 15 September 2007, the Israeli army has continued to prevent civilians from accessing or staying on 22 dunums of confiscated land in Al Mazmuriya area in Beit Sahur and Bethlehem cities.</li> <li>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.</li> <li>Flving Checkpoints: <ol> <li>At 10:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Battir village and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>At 22:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on An Nashash junction (the southern entrance to Bethlehem city) and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>Raid: At 13:55, the Israeli army raided Beit Jala city, set up a checkpoint, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area.</li> <li>Arrest: At 01:00 on 09 May 2011, the Israeli army arrested Mansour 'Isa Ghareeb during its raid into Beit Sahur city, in addition to those reported yesterday.</li> <li>Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of Beit Jala city; around Al Walaja village; and east of Efrat settlement.</li> </ol> </li> </ol></li></ul>
Hebron	Closure:  (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/Detention:

- (i) At 11:35, and again at 07:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to Halhul town and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 17:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Kharsa village and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iii) At 20:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the northern entrance to Hebron city (along Road # 35 near the overpass to Halhul town) and searched civilians and vehicles.

# • Raids/House Occupation:

- (i) At 20:20, the Israeli army raided Hebron city, set up a checkpoint, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area.
- (ii) At 21:30, the Israeli army raided Tarqumiya town, occupied a house roof, converted it into a military post, and patrolled the area.
- (iii) At 00:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Adh Dhahiriya town.
- <u>Detention</u>: At 11:40, the Israeli army detained 'Ahed Jaber, a Palestinian Police officer, in Al Baq'a area east of the old city of Hebron and released him after coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO).
- <u>Settler Violence</u>: At 16:05, a group of Israeli settlers gained access to civilian land in Um al Kheir village east of Yatta town, erected tents, and withdrew at a later time.
- Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area surrounding Eshkolot settlement west of Adh Dhahiriya town.

### **GAZA STRIP**

# ALL DISTRICTS

- 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.
- <u>Violation of the Ceasefire</u>: The Israeli army opened fire from its location on the Green Line on Central Gaza and Khan Yunis districts. The Israeli army arrested four civilians in Northern Gaza and Central Gaza districts.

NORTHERN GAZA	<ul> <li>Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing was closed due to celebrations of the 63<sup>rd</sup> anniversary of the proclamation of the State of Israel.</li> <li>Arrest: In the morning of 30 April 2011, the Israeli army arrested Khaled Khalil Mousa as Silawi, allegedly because he had approached the Border Fence north of Beit Lahiya town.</li> </ul>	
GAZA	<ul> <li>Closure of Crossing Points:         <ul> <li>Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 02 March 2011, the Crossing has been effectively closed upon an Israeli unilateral decision.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Ash Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 04 January 2010, the Crossing has been closed upon an Israeli unilateral decision.</li> </ul>	
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul> <li>Arrests: Several days ago, the Israeli army arrested two civilians, allegedly because they had approached the Border Fence north of Beit Lahiya town:         <ol> <li>Ibrahim Omar al Maqadmeh; and</li> <li>Ramadan Rasmi ad Dayeh.</li> <li>In the evening of 04 May 2011, the Israeli army opened fire on and arrested Ayyoub 'Azzam Ahmed Abu Karim, a resident of Al Maghazi refugee camp, ostensibly because he had approached the Border Fence hast of Al Maghazi refugee camp.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>	
KHAN YUNIS	• Attack: In the morning of 09 May 2011, the Israeli army opened fire from its location on the Green Line on civilians, journalists, and international peace activists who provided protection to Palestinian farmers while they were harvesting crops on their land. The Israeli army prevents farmers and landlords from accessing their land in the Seam Zone, which is located at a distance of 300 metres near the Border Fence east of Khuza'a town.	
RAFAH	<ul> <li>Closure of Crossing Points:         <ul> <li>Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed.</li> <li>Rafah (<i>Al 'Awdah</i>) Crossing was open to allow civilians, students, others holding visas and residence cards abroad, and foreign nationals to depart the Gaza Strip.</li> <li>Sufa Crossing is closed.</li> <li>Karm Abu Salem (Karem Shalom) Crossing was closed due to celebrations of the 63<sup>rd</sup> anniversary of the proclamation of the State of Israel.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	