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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 10 May 2011 – 08:00 11 May 2011

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Attacks	1	1	2	In confrontations and from a mil. Post
Raids	15	—	15	Incl. 3 in Ramallah and 5 in Nablus
Arrests (per Person)	7	—	7	Incl. a Police officer and 3 brothers
Detentions	14	—	14	At checkpoints and in residential areas
Destruction of Property	1	—	1	Wheat crops damaged in Nablus
Confiscation of Property	1	—	1	A cellular telephone in Qalqiliya
Closure of Checkpoints	10	—	10	Incl. a checkpoint closed temporarily
Flying Checkpoints	39	—	39	Incl. 8 in Nablus and 11 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	7	—	7	Incl. workers & farmers denied access
Demonstration	—	1	1	Against the Seam Zone, Northern Gaza
TOTAL	146	8	154	

DISTRICT	EVENTS
WEST BANK	
ALL DISTRICTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 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 has denied access to civilians and workers, including those holding special permits, to Jerusalem city and areas inside the Green Line. The closure was lifted at 24:00 on 10 May 2011.
JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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: <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. • 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. • Attack: In the evening of 10 May 2011, the Israeli army fired rubber-coated steel bullets as well as sound and tear gas grenades on civilians, allegedly for throwing stones. A number of civilians sustained injuries as a result of tear gas inhalation. • Wall Gates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the Wall gate in Abu Dis town.

	<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 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 11:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Beit Rima town and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 11:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Deir Abu Mash'al village and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:20, the Israeli army raided Bir Zeit town and patrolled it until 14:00. (ii) At 22:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Bil'in village. (iii) At 23:00, the Israeli army raided 'Ein Siniya village, searched a house, and withdrew at 23:00. • Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended 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. • Settler Violence: At 15:40, a group of Israeli settlers gained access to the evacuated settlement of Homesh, performed religious rituals, and threw stones at Mohammed Musleh Badawi, who was present in the area. • 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.
<p>TUBAS</p>	<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. • Flying Checkpoint: At 00:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Wadi al Far'a road and searched civilians and vehicles until 01:00.
<p>TULKAREM</p>	<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 road connecting Kafr al Labad town to Shufa village as well as the road connecting Shufa and 'Izbat Shufa villages.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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 10:50, the Israeli army intensified restrictions and impeded civilian access at 'Einav checkpoint on the Tulkarem-Nablus main road. • Flying Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Far'un village and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 15:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between Deir al Ghusun and 'Attil towns and impeded civilian access until 16:15. • Raids: At 20:00, the Israeli army raided Tulkarem city and Far'un village and patrolled them until 20:55. • Settler Violence: At 13:50, a group of Israeli settlers gathered on the junction to Beit Lid town and threw stones at civilian vehicles travelling along the Tulkarem-Nablus main road. • Wall Gates: Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
<p style="text-align: center;">QALQILYA</p>	<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/Confiscation of Property: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 15:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Qalqiliya city, searched civilian vehicles, and arrested five civilians, including three brothers. (ii) At 18:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the entrance to Immatin village, searched civilians and vehicles, and confiscated a cellular telephone belonging to Wasim Subhi Suwwan. (iii) At 21:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Hajja village and searched civilians and vehicles. (iv) At 22:05, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Kafr Laqif village and searched civilians and vehicles. (v) At 07:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Jit village and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raid: At 20:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled 'Azzun town. • Arrests: Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up at the entrance to Qalqiliya city arrested five civilians: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) 'Abboud Shalash; (ii) Ibrahim Jamil Shalash; (iii) Saddam Bakr Dawoud; (iv) Hussein Bakr Dawoud; and (v) Sufyan Bakr Dawoud. • 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.

	<p>(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.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended 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: <p>(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.</p> <p>(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.</p> • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus: <p>(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.</p> <p>(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.</p> <p>(iii) At 08:00, the Israeli army intensified restrictions and impeded civilian access at Shavei Shomron checkpoint.</p> <p>(iv) At 08:00, the Israeli army closed Huwwara checkpoint, allegedly because Israeli settlers were holding celebrations on the 63rd anniversary of the establishment of the State of Israel. Civilian vehicles had to travel along a detour road and cross 'Awarta checkpoint in order to access Nablus, Salfit, and Ramallah districts.</p> • Flying Checkpoints: <p>(i) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Beita town, searched civilians and vehicles, and prevented civilian vehicles from reaching the main road to Nablus city because Huwwara checkpoint was closed. To access the city, Israeli troops directed civilian vehicles through a detour road to 'Awarta checkpoint.</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Yitzhar settlement north of Huwwara town and searched civilians and vehicles. At 12:00, the Israeli army set up another checkpoint and denied civilian access. (iii) At 15:00, and again at 23:15, 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. (iv) At 22:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Badhan road (the eastern entrance to Nablus city) and searched civilians and vehicles until 00:15. (v) At 23:05, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to ‘Awarta village and searched civilians and vehicles. (vi) At 23:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Sarra village on the Nablus-Qalqiliya main road and searched civilians and vehicles. (vii) At 07:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Beit Furik town and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:00, the Israeli army raided Sabastiya village and provided protection to Israeli settlers, who visited the village’s archaeological site. At 15:20, Israeli troops and settlers withdrew from the area. (ii) At 20:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Burqa village. (iii) At 22:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled ‘Awarta village. (iv) At 23:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Salem village. (v) At 00:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the eastern quarters of Nablus city. • <u>Settler Violence:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 15:05, a group of Israeli settlers gathered near the junction to Yitzhar settlement and threw stones at civilian vehicles. (ii) At 15:15, a group of Israeli settlers set fire to civilian land cultivated with wheat crops in the area between Burqa and Ramin villages, damaging wheat crops. Civilians extinguished the fire.
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> At 08:00, the Israeli army intensified restrictions and impeded civilian access at the Za’tara junction checkpoint. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 11:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between Az Zawiya town and Rafat village and searched civilians and vehicles.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrests: At 20:00, Israeli troops positioned at the Za'tara junction checkpoint arrested a civilian and Palestinian Police officer: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Iyad Fakhri Yousef Abu Asmar, a Palestinian Police officer; and (ii) Tareq 'Issam As'ad ash Shayeb. • Settler Violence: At 13:25, a group of Israeli settlers gained access, under protection of the Israeli army, to Al 'Ein area north of Iskaka village, expelled workers who were constructing a cistern from the area, and prevented farmers from tending their land. At 16:40, Israeli settlers and troops withdrew from the area. • Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended 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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:30, and again at 13:15, and at 20:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to Jericho city and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 19:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Mu'arrajat road connecting Jericho and Ramallah districts and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the area near Hisham's Palace in Jericho city. (ii) At 21:55, the Israeli army raided Fasayil village and searched a number of houses.
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'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. • 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.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 15:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in ‘Ush Ghurab area east of Beit Sahur town and searched civilians and vehicles until 19:50. (ii) At 19:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on An Nashash junction (the southern entrance to Bethlehem city) and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raid:</u> At 02:25, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Beit Jala city. • <u>Detention:</u> At 17:20, Israeli troops positioned at As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the ‘Container’) checkpoint detained Abdullah Fahed Abu Sakout and released him after coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO). • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction was suspended 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. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul 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. • <u>Flying Checkpoints/Detention:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:00, and again at 17:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to Halhul town and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 08:30, and again at 20:30, 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. (iii) At 08:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Fawwar junction and searched civilians and vehicles. (iv) At 08:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to An Nabi Yunis area on the Hebron-Bethlehem main road and searched civilians and vehicles. (v) At 08:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Dura town and searched civilians and vehicles.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (vi) At 09:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Adh Dhahiriya town and searched civilians and vehicles. (vii) At 09:10, and again at 17:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Sa'ir town and searched civilians and vehicles. (viii) At 14:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in Abu Sneinah neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron and searched civilians and vehicles. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raid: At 18:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Adh Dhahiriya town. • Settler Violence: At 10:00, a group of Israeli settlers gained access to and hoisted Israeli flags on a piece of land belonging to Abu Heikal family in Tal Rumeida neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron. • Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended in the area surrounding Eshkolot settlement west of Adh Dhahiriya town.
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GAZA STRIP

ALL DISTRICTS	<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. • Violation of the Ceasefire: The Israeli army opened fire from its location on the Green Line on Northern Gaza district.
NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing was closed on the 63rd anniversary of the establishment of the State of Israel. • Attack: At 11:45, the Israeli army opened fire from its location on the Green Line on civilians, international peace activists, and participants in a peaceful demonstration against the Seam Zone north of Beit Hanun town. The Israeli army prevents landlords and farmers from accessing or tending their land within a distance of 300 metres from the Border Fence.
GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Points: <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: (i) Yasser ‘Arafat International Airport remains closed. (ii) 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. Access was also allowed to civilians, patients who had received medical attention at Egyptian hospitals, and civilians arriving from other countries via Egypt. (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed. (iv) Karm Abu Salem (Karem Shalom) Crossing was closed on the 63rd anniversary of the establishment of the State of Israel.
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POLITICAL PRISONERS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sentence: An Israeli military court sentenced Ihab Mahmoud ‘Ashour, a resident of Jerusalem city, to a jail term of two years.
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