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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 11 May 2011 – 08:00 12 May 2011

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Attacks	2	3	5	Incl. 3 from mil. posts & 1 by the navy
Raids	23	1	24	Incl. 7 in Ramallah and 1 in Gaza
Air Patrol	—	1	1	Reconnaissance aircraft over Gaza
Arrests (per Person)	11	—	11	Incl. 2 children
Detentions	13	—	13	Incl. a Palestinian security officer
House Demolitions	*	—	—	Notices for demolition of 7 houses
Land Levelling	1	1	2	In Ramallah and Gaza
Wall Construction	13	—	13	Incl. in Jerusalem, Qalqiliya, & Hebron
Destruction of Property	2*	—	2	Incl. street lamps and olive trees damaged
Attack on Property	1	—	1	Farmers denied access to their land
Closure of Checkpoints	11	—	11	Incl. access impeded at 8 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	19	—	19	Incl. 5 in Qalqiliya and 5 in Jericho
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	—	4	4	Incl. food supplies and gas allowed in
Settler Violence	2	—	2	Incl. fire set to farmland in Jerusalem
Demonstrations	2	—	2	In solidarity with political prisoners
TOTAL	151	10	161	

DISTRICT	EVENTS
WEST BANK	
JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to Jerusalem city and to prevent civilians from other Palestinian districts from entering the city, only allowing access to civilians holding special permits. (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. • <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>Raid:</u> At 18:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Al Jib village. • <u>Settler Violence/Destruction of Property:</u> At 23:40, a group of Israeli settlers set fire to agricultural land in Mikhmas village, damaging several olive trees. Civilians managed to extinguish the fire and the Israeli army evacuated settlers from the area at a later time. • <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 was resumed in the area north of Qalandiya village; south of Az Za’ayyem village; and in Wadi al ‘Eizariya west of Ma’ale Adumim settlement.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<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 Checkpoint:</u> At 16:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between ‘Abwein and ‘Arura towns and searched civilians and vehicles.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raids/Destruction of Property:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:35, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Deir as Sudan village. (ii) At 11:00, and again at 02:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Beituniya town. (iii) At 14:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Deir Jarir village. (iv) At 21:30, the Israeli army raided An Nabi Salih village, searched a number of houses, and damaged street lamps. (v) At 00:50, the Israeli army raided Kharbatha al Misbah village and patrolled it until 01:30. (vi) At 02:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Dura al Qar' village. • <u>Land Levelling:</u> At 13:00, the Israeli army levelled civilian land near the overpass to 'Atara town north of Bir Zeit town. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction was resumed in the area west of 'Abud town in the area surrounding 'Ofarim settlement and north of Al Lubban al Gharbi and Rantis villages.
JENIN	<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>Demonstration:</u> At 10:30, families of political prisoners held a sit-in demonstration in front of offices of the International Committee of the Red Cross in Jenin city in solidarity with their relative prisoners. Protestors also demanded that all political prisoners be released from Israeli jails. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> 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"> • <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. • <u>Arrest:</u> At 17:30, Israeli troops positioned at Tayasir checkpoint arrested Mustafa Khalil Zawahreh, while he was grazing sheep near the checkpoint.
TULKAREM	<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 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. • <u>Checkpoint:</u> At 08:25, and again at 16:00, the Israeli army intensified restrictions and impeded civilian access at 'Einav checkpoint on the Tulkarem-Nablus main road. • <u>Raid:</u> At 10:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Dahiyat Shuweika in Tulkarem city. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
QALQILYA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Roads:</u> The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun.

- **Flying Checkpoints/Confiscation of Property:**

- (i) At 08:30, and again at 15:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the junction to Jit village and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 11:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Hajja village, searched civilians and vehicles, and arrested a civilian.
- (iii) At 15:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to ‘Azzun town and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iv) At 23:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Immatin village and searched civilians and vehicles.

- **Raids:**

- (i) At 23:55, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the villages of Jit, Hajja, and Immatin.
- (ii) At 00:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Kafr Qaddum village.
- (iii) At 01:35, the Israeli army raided ‘Azzun town, searched a number of houses, and arrested 3 civilians, including a child.

- **Arrests:**

- (i) At 18:40, the Israeli army arrested Mohammed Fahed Shubeir, while he was ploughing his land near Jinsafut village.
- (ii) Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up at the entrance to Hajja village arrested Mahmoud Sharif Yousef Houtari.

The Israeli army arrested three civilians in ‘Azzun town:

- (iii) Mohammed Ali ‘Adwan, 17 years old;
- (iv) Sa’d Ahmed Hussein; and
- (v) Ihab Wasfi Mustafa.

- **Detentions:** At 18:40, the Israeli army detained two civilians (a father and son), while they were harvesting crops on their land near Kedumim settlement in Kafr Qaddum village:

- (i) Abdullah Abdul Rahim Jum’ah; and
- (ii) Sayel Abdullah Jum’ah.

The Israeli army claimed that both civilians had accessed their land without prior coordination. Both were released after coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO).

- **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.

- **Wall Construction:** Wall construction was resumed 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"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ol 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. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus: <ol 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 14:25, the Israeli army intensified restrictions and impeded civilian access at Shavei Shomron checkpoint. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Beit Furik town and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 08:00, 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 15:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Qabalan town and searched civilians and vehicles until 16:30. • <u>Attack:</u> At 20:45, Israeli troops positioned on the military post on At Tur Mount south of Nablus city opened fire indiscriminately. • <u>Raid:</u> At 01:40, the Israeli army raided ‘Askar refugee camp in Nablus city and arrested a civilian. • <u>Arrest:</u> The Israeli army arrested ‘Amer Sa’id Yousef al Masri in ‘Askar refugee camp in Nablus city. • <u>Attack on Property:</u> At 10:00, the Israeli army prevented civilians from accessing their land east of Deir al Hatab village. • <u>Settler Violence:</u> At 17:30, a group of Israeli settlers gained access, under protection of the Israeli army, to civilian land in the area between Sabastiya and Burqa villages, erected a number of tents, and hoisted Israeli flags.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ol 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.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions and impede civilian access at the Za'tara junction checkpoint. • Raid: At 10:25, the Israeli army raided Haris village and delivered a notice for the demolition of a barracks belonging to Abdullah Mohammed Dawoud. • Wall Construction: Wall construction was resumed 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 08:45, and again at 12:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to Jericho city. At 20:55, the Israeli army set up another checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles until 21:30. (ii) At 11:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Fasayil village and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 19:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Al 'Auja village and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raid: At 01:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled 'Ein as Sultan refugee camp in Jericho city. • Arrests: At 12:55, the Israeli army arrested two civilians, while they were working in an Israeli settlement in Jericho district: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Bakr 'Awadh Mousa Johar; and (ii) Salam Taye' Sadeq Zein ad Din. • Detention: At 12:40, Israeli troops positioned on Al Karama (Allenby) Bridge detained Mahmoud Fu'ad Haroun, a Palestinian National Security officer, while he was returning from Jordan. Haroun was released after coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO).
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.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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. • Raid: At 20:30, the Israeli army raided 'Ein Juweira area in Al Walaja village and distributed notices for the demolition of seven houses, some of which are still under construction. These belong to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) 'Adel Abu Surour; (ii) Ahmed Khalifeh; (iii) Mohammed Khalifeh; (iv) Yousef Shihadeh; (v) Mahmoud Mohammed Radhwan; (vi) Fadi Mohammed Abu Rizq; and (vii) 'Atallah Mohammed Abu Rizq. • Demonstration: At 11:00, families of political prisoners held a sit-in demonstration in the square of the Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem city in solidarity with their relative prisoners. Protestors also demanded that all political prisoners be released from Israeli jails. • Wall Construction: Wall construction was resumed in the area northwest of Beit Jala city; around Al Walaja village; and east of Efrat settlement.
Hebron	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <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: <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. • Flying Checkpoints/Detention: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to As Samoa' town and searched civilians and vehicles.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) At 13:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Sa'ir town and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 16:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Fawwar junction and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:30, the Israeli army raided Al 'Arrub refugee camp. While patrolling the area, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. (ii) At 10:45, and again at 00:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Hebron city. (iii) At 20:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Wadi al Kilab village north of Adh Dhahiriya town. (iv) At 03:20, the Israeli army raided Beit 'Awwa town, searched a number of houses, and arrested two civilians, including a child. The Israeli army also served summonses on three civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested two civilians in Beit 'Awwa town: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Bahjat Mohammed as Suweiti, 17 years old; and (ii) Nour 'Awadh Salah as Suweiti. • Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended in the area surrounding Eshkolot settlement west of Adh Dhahiriya town.
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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. • Violation of the Ceasefire: The Israeli army raided Palestinian territory in Northern Gaza. Israeli troops opened fire from its location on the Green Line on Central Gaza and Khan Yunis. Israeli navy officers opened fire on Palestinian fishing boats at sea off the Northern Gaza beach.
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<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. • Attack: At 08:30, the Israeli navy opened intensively on Palestinian fishing boats at sea off As Sudaniya beach west of Beit Lahiya town.
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<p style="text-align: center;">GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Points:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Al Muntar (Karnai) 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. • <u>Raid/Air Patrol/Land Levelling:</u> In the morning of 11 May 2011, the Israeli army, including several armoured vehicles and bulldozers covered by reconnaissance aircraft, raided approximately 250 metres into Palestinian territory east of Ash Shuja'iyah neighbourhood east of Gaza city and levelled land.
<p style="text-align: center;">CENTRAL GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Attack:</u> In the evening of 11 May 2011, the Israeli army opened fire from its location on the Green Line on agricultural land east of Deir al Balah city.
<p style="text-align: center;">KHAN YUNIS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Attack:</u> In the morning of 11 May 2011, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location on the Green Line on farmland east of 'Abasan as Saghira town.
<p style="text-align: center;">RAFAH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Points:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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 partially open for transportation of food supplies, goods, humanitarian aid, and cooking gas. 10 truckloads of cement 30 truckloads of construction cargo designated to UNRWA projects were transported to Gaza. A truckload of flowers was also exported through the Crossing.