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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 12 May 2004 – 08:00 13 May 2004

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Deaths	—	23	23	Incl. 4 children
Physical Assaults	2	1	3	Incl. civilian run over by jeep
Injuries	1	93	94	Incl. many children
Incursion	—	1	1	Al Zeitun withdrew at 00:30
Air Attacks	—	6	6	Al Zeitun & Yabna
Attacks	6	10	16	Incl. during 6 air attacks
Raids	24	3	27	
Air Patrols	3	8	11	9 helicopters & 2 recon.
Arrests (per person)	62	1	63	Incl. 1 child & 2 officers
Detentions	—	(Dozens)	—	
House Demolitions	1	4	5	3 houses, 2 metalwork shops
Land Levelling	—	1	1	Agricultural land, Al Zeitun
Wall Construction	14	—	14	Jer'lm, Ramallah, Jenin, Beth.
Destruction of Property	—	5	5	
House Occupations	—	(Many)	—	Al Zeitun, Gaza
Curfews	3	1	4	
Checkpoints	All	—	All	
Flying Checkpoints	(Dozens)	(Dozens)	—	Closing all districts
Closures (per District)	(All)	(All)	(All)	
Closure of Main Roads	Most	(6)	Most	Esp. connecting governorates
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)	—	(All)	Permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points	—	5	5	
School Disruption	2	1	3	Al Khadr, Beit Awwa, Zeitun
Settler Violence	1	—	1	Civilian beaten
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	—	1	Security car detained
Palestinian Attack	—	1	1	4 mortars towards settlements
TOTAL	120	164	284	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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<p style="text-align: center;">ALL DISTRICTS</p>	<p>Since 22 March 2004, the Israeli army has imposed a total closure over the West Bank and Gaza Strip. The Israeli army prevented civilians from crossing the Green Line and entering Jerusalem, closed crossing points to workers, and restricted movement between cities in the West Bank.</p>
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WEST BANK

<p style="text-align: center;">JERUSALEM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the city, closing all roads connecting towns and villages and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Al Eizariya, Abu Dis, Al Sawahira al Sharqiya, Sur Bahir, Qatanna, Biddu, and along the main road between Dahiyat Al Bareed checkpoint and Qalandiya checkpoint. • House Demolition: The Israeli army demolished a 270m² house located in the area of Al Aqaba, north of Beit Hanina, belonging to Walid Al Rajabi, claiming that the house was constructed without a license. • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested 9 unidentified civilians at a checkpoint set up at the entrance to Shu'fat refugee camp.
<p style="text-align: center;">RAMALLAH & EL BIREH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all roads connecting towns and villages and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. • Wall Construction: Construction of the western portion of the Wall continues in Budrus, Deir Qaddis, Rantis, Ni'lin, Beit Liqya, Beituniya and near the village of Midya. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 20:30, 2 Israeli army jeeps raided the village of Kafr 'Ein and patrolled the area. (ii) At 22:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Ramallah and arrested 1 Palestinian National Security officer. (iii) The Israeli army raided the village of Al Mughayyir and arrested 1 civilian. • Arrests: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army arrested Towfiq Wajdi, a Palestinian National Security officer, in the city of Ramallah.

	<p>(ii) The Israeli army arrested Tha'er Riziq al Na'san in the village of Al Mughayyir.</p>
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact education, economic and livelihood activities and impede access to health facilities. • Wall Construction: Construction of the Wall continues south of Jalbun towards Al Mutilla, Raba, Al Mughayyir, Bardala and 'Ein al Beida and towards the Jordan River. • Raid: At 02:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Qabatiya, opened indiscriminate fire, searched several houses and arrested 4 civilians. • Arrests: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army arrested Mohammad Bsharat, a college student, at a checkpoint set up at the entrance to the town of Tammun. <p>The Israeli army arrested 4 civilians in the town of Qabatiya:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) Muhammad Khaled Kamil; (iii) Wael Yusif Kamil; (iv) Abdul Rahman Mahmoud Samadi; and (v) Omar Abu Shreem.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up dozens of checkpoints throughout the city, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages and prevented civilians from crossing.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages and preventing civilians from crossing. (ii) 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 completely and placing the villages of Nu'man and Al Khas under the jurisdiction of the Jerusalem municipality, making its inhabitants illegal residents in Jerusalem because they carry West Bank ID cards. • Wall Construction: Construction of the Wall continues north of the district of Bethlehem, west of Wadi Hilwa, near the Armenian monastery, on the Jerusalem-Bethlehem road and along the tunnel road (Gilo). • Attacks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 22:45, the Israeli army opened indiscriminate fire towards civilians

	<p>at Al Sawahira ash Sharqiya checkpoint.</p> <p>(ii) At 02:35, the Israeli army fired sound bombs and tear gas towards civilian houses in Al ‘Aza refugee camp.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raids/Curfews:</u> <p>(i) At 12:55, an Israeli army jeep raided the city of Beit Sahur and patrolled the area. At 17:25, the Israeli army, including 8 jeeps, raided the area again, opened indiscriminate fire, searched 1 house and arrested 1 civilian.</p> <p>(ii) At 15:15, the Israeli army raided the city of Bethlehem, searched 1 hotel, set up checkpoints throughout the city, searched civilian vehicles and examined IDs. At 18:20, and again at 23:30, the Israeli army raided the Electricity Company near Bilal Bin Rabah mosque.</p> <p>(iii) At 15:30, an Israeli army jeep raided the city of Beit Jala and patrolled the area.</p> <p>(iv) At 16:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Tuqu’ and arrested 1 Palestinian Preventive Security officer.</p> <p>(v) At 20:45, the Israeli army raided the town of Al Khadr and imposed curfew. At 07:30, the Israeli army prevented students from reaching their schools. The Israeli army remains positioned in the area and continues to impose curfew as of 08:00, this morning.</p> <p>(vi) At 05:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Nahhalin, imposed curfew, carried out a house search campaign, and continues to impose curfew as of 08:00 this morning.</p> • <u>Arrests:</u> <p>(i) The Israeli army arrested Adnan Omar Abu Zarif in the city of Beit Sahur.</p> <p>(ii) The Israeli army arrested Zuheir Al Arouj, a Palestinian Preventive Security officer, in the town of Tuqu’.</p> • <u>Settler Violence:</u> On 11 May 2004, several Israeli settlers from the settlement of Kfar Etzion severely beat 1 civilian, Ibrahim Ali Atallah, while he was in his house in the village of Khirbet Beit Sakariya. He was hospitalised for injuries sustained during the attack.
<p>TULKAREM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact education, economic and livelihood activities and impede access to health facilities. • <u>Raids:</u> <p>(i) At 10:20, the Israeli army raided the city of Tulkarem and its suburbs, set up checkpoints throughout the area, examined civilian IDs and searched vehicles. At 00:35, the Israeli army searched several houses</p>

	<p>and arrested 1 civilian.</p> <p>(ii) At 00:10, the Israeli army raided Tulkarem refugee camp, searched several houses and arrested 2 civilians.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Air Patrols:</u> <p>(i) At 10:15, Israeli army helicopters dispatched 15 soldiers near the town of Anabta. Israeli army soldiers set up a checkpoint on the main road, searched and examined passenger's IDs.</p> <p>(ii) At 14:40, an Israeli army helicopter dispatched Israeli troops west of the town of Kafr Al Labad.</p> <p>(iii) At 15:50, Israeli reconnaissance aircraft patrolled the skies over the district of Tulkarem.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Arrests:</u> The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in Tulkarem refugee camp: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Ziyad Al Mansuri; and (ii) Abu Nael Al Badawi. <p>The Israeli army arrested 1 civilian in the city of Tulkarem:</p> <p>(iii) Samir Khaled Ghanim</p> <p>At 02:30 on 12 May 2004, the Israeli army arrested 1 child in the town of Anabta:</p> <p>(iv) Muhammad Budeir, 17 years old.</p>
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. • <u>Raids:</u> <p>(i) At 11:10, the Israeli army raided Balata refugee camp. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during which the Israeli army injured 1 child and arrested 1 civilian. At 18:15, an Israeli army jeep ran over 2 civilians, including 1 child, both of whom were transferred to hospital.</p> <p>(ii) At 12:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus, its suburbs and 'Ein Beit Al Ma' refugee camp, searched several houses and detained 1 Palestinian National Security vehicle for several hours.</p> <p>(iii) At 01:00, the Israeli army raided Askar refugee camp and arrested 2 civilians.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Arrests:</u> <p>(i) The Israeli army arrested Hammuda Taysir Khaled in Balata camp. The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in Askar refugee camp:</p> <p>(ii) Murad Muhammad Fadil; and</p> <p>(iii) Muhammad Abdallah Jum'a.</p>
HEBRON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raids/Curfew:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 24:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron and its suburbs and patrolled the area. (ii) At 24:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Awwa, opened fire, fired sound bombs, imposed curfew, searched several houses, and arrested 37 civilians after detaining them in the village school and transferring them to an undisclosed location. Schools were closed throughout the town as a result of the imposed curfew. The Israeli army remains positioned in the area and continues to impose curfew as of 08:00 this morning. (iii) At 03:00, the Israeli army aided the town of Bani Na'im and patrolled the area. • <u>Arrests:</u> The Israeli army arrested 37 unidentified civilians in the town of Beit Awwa.
QALQILYA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact education, economic and livelihood activities and impede access to health facilities.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing dozens of entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. • <u>Raid:</u> At 08:25, the Israeli army raided the city of Salfit and patrolled the area.

GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> Beit Hanoun crossing is closed. • <u>Attack:</u> At 15:00, the Israeli army opened intensive fire towards the area of Abu Safiya, east of the city of Jabalya, killing 1 child and injuring 1 civilian. • <u>Killing:</u> The Israeli army killed Ahmad Obeid, 12 years old, in the area of Abu Safiya. • <u>Palestinian Attack:</u> At 17:50, 4 Qassam mortars were fired towards the settlements of Dokeet and Eli Seniay.
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GAZA CITY

- **Closure:**
 - (i) The junction of Nitsareem remains closed.
 - (ii) Al Muntar crossing (Karni) is closed.
 - (iii) The coastal road remains closed by dirt barricades for the 3rd consecutive day.
 - (iv) The Israeli army continues to prohibit all fishing boats from setting sail until further notice.
- **Incursion:** Beginning at 18:10 on 10 May 2004, the Israeli army remains positioned in Al Zeitun neighbourhood in Gaza city. The Israeli army was supported by helicopters and reconnaissance aircraft that opened intensive fire towards civilian houses, damaging communications and electricity networks and causing an electrical blackout. The Israeli army imposed curfew over the area. Israeli snipers took position on rooftops of several houses and converted the houses to military posts after detaining families in one room. The Israeli army forced entry using explosives and searched several houses. Israeli army soldiers severely beat several civilians and levelled vast areas of cultivated land. The Israeli army opened fire and carried out several air attacks. Ambulances and Civil Defence crews were prohibited from accessing the area to transfer the injured to hospital and to extinguish fires resulting from Israeli army attacks. Israeli army helicopters fired missiles towards crowds of civilians and civilian houses, killing 3 civilians and damaging several houses. The Israeli army demolished 2 houses and 2 blacksmith workshops before withdrawing at 00:30. The total number of civilians killed during the incursion was 16, including 3 children, and 185 civilians were injured, including many children and critical injuries.
- **Killings:** The Israeli army killed 10 civilians in Al Zeitun neighbourhood.
 - (i) Hamdi Muhsin, 15 years old;
 - (ii) Muhammad Hasan Yasin, 16 years old;
 - (iii) Ihab Muhammad Amir, 21 years old;
 - (iv) Yusif Kamal Al Jirjawi, 18 years old;
 - (v) Fowzi Misbah al Madhun; 32 years old;
 - (vi) Muhammad Abdul Aziz Mushtaha, 25 years old;
 - (vii) Midhat Al Banna, 35 years old;
 - (viii) Walid Azzam. 23 years old;
 - (ix) Ihab Muhammad Malaka, 24 years old; and
 - (x) Rami Abu 'Aon, 23 years old.
- **House Demolitions:** The Israeli army demolished 2 houses and 2 workshops in Al Zeitun neighbourhood belonging to:
 - (i) Ehab Muhammad Amir, a 4-storey house;
 - (ii) The Saqallah family, a 3-storey house;
 - (iii) The Khuweiter family, a blacksmith workshop; and
 - (iv) The Hasanein family, a blacksmith workshop.
- **School Disruption:** 11 schools serving 6974 were closed for the 3rd

	consecutive day as a result of the Israeli army incursion in Al Zeitun neighbourhood.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attack: At 17:30, an Israeli Marines boat opened intensive fire towards civilians on the coastal road between Al Nuseirat and Al Sheikh Ajlein.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Abu al Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) remains closed. Western road (Khan Yunis) remains closed. Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis road (Al Tuffah checkpoint) was open to pedestrians only. Abu Holi road is closed. • Raid/Destruction of Property: At 15:00, the Israeli army raided the area of Abu Haddaf, east of Al Qarara, and destroyed tents housing civilians whose houses were demolished by the Israeli army
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The Gaza International Airport remains closed. Rafah crossing is closed. The Sufa crossing is closed. • Air Attack: At 01:30, Israeli army helicopters fired 1 missile towards a crowd of civilians in Yabna refugee camp. At 05:30, Israeli army helicopters fired 3 missiles towards the same area. At 07:15, and again at 07:50 and 08:00, the Israeli army fired missiles towards crowds of civilians, killing 12 civilians and injuring 30 others, including 3 critically. • Raids: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> At 18:15, the Israeli army, supported by helicopters, raided Al Qassas neighbourhood, 70 meters into the city of Rafah. At 03:00, the Israeli army, including tanks and bulldozers, and supported by helicopters, raided the area of Yabna refugee camp in the city of Rafah, opened intensive fire and levelled several houses and shops. • Arrest: At 12:10 on 11 May 2004, the Israeli army arrested Walid Abul Nada as he was travelling back from Sudan through the Rafah Crossing. • Killings: The Israeli army killed 12 civilians in Yabna refugee camp, including: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Wael Abul 'Einien; Ramiz Abu Ali; Muhammad Al Buji; Ihab Yusif; Hani Al Mughayyir; Foad Abu Hashim;

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (vii) Mahmoud Al Sabi’; (viii) Sami Abu Jazar; (ix) Mahmoud Wafi; (x) Hasan Awaja; (xi) Raed Abu Hamra.
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GENERAL

WORK PERMITS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>West Bank:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli authorities cancelled all work permits and stated that new permits will be issued after the closure is lifted. Workers have been prohibited from crossing the Green Line since 22 March 2004. • <u>Gaza Strip:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) 5,002 workers carry valid permits to enter the Erez Industrial Zone; however, no workers have been allowed to enter the area since 18 April 2004. (ii) 11,425 workers carry valid permits to cross the Green Line; however, no workers have been allowed to cross the Green Line since the closure imposed on 22 March 2004.
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