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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT
 08:00 12 May 2005 – 08:00 13 May 2005

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Death	1	—	1	1 female civilian in Hebron
Physical Assaults	4	—	4	Incl. 1 elderly civilian severely beaten
Attacks	4	4	8	Incl. 1 during a raid & 7 from posts
Raids	16	1	17	Incl. 5 in Tulkarem & 5 in Bethlehem
Arrest (per person)	1	—	1	1 civilian at a checkpoint in Ramallah
Detentions	5	—	5	At checkpoints & in residential comp.
Wall Construction	23	—	23	Incl. Jer., Jenin, Ram'lah, Beth., Salfit
Destruction of Property	2	—	2	Incl. olive trees set on fire in Salim
Checkpoints	(All)	—	(All)	
Flying Checkpoints	10	—	10	Incl. 3 in Ramallah and 8 in Jenin
Closure (per District)	5	—	5	Incl. complete closure on all districts
Closure of Main Roads	(Unidentified)	(9)	—	Incl. 2 partially
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)	—	(All)	Incl. searches at 'Azzun 'Atma
Closure of Crossing Points	—	4	4	Incl. 1 partially
Settler Violence	4	—	4	Incl. 1 female child stoned in Hebron
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	—	1	Position near 1 Pal. checkpoint
Palestinian Attacks	2	—	2	Incl. open fire towards Dotan post
Pal. Security Measures	1	10	11	Incl. 3 civilians arrested
Demonstration	1	—	1	In 'Asira ash Shamaliya
TOTAL	80	19	99	

DISTRICT	EVENT
<p style="text-align: center;">ALL DISTRICTS</p>	<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. • Beginning at 24:00 on 10 May 2005, the Israeli army continues to impose a total closure on all Palestinian districts due to celebrations of the 57th anniversary of the proclamation of the State of Israel. The Israeli army prevented civilians from travelling among districts in the West Bank and Gaza Strip and from entering the city of Jerusalem. The Israeli army also prevented workers from accessing their workplaces in areas inside the Green Line. The closure will be in effect until the evening of 14 May 2005.

WEST BANK

<p style="text-align: center;">JERUSALEM</p>	<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. • 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, from the village of Hizma to 'Anata, the Hizma-Jaba' road, the area of Al 'Eizariya to Ash Shayyah, near Al Quds University, in the town of As Sawahira ash Sharqiya, from the village of Beit Surik to Biddu, and in the areas of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina.
<p style="text-align: center;">RAMALLAH & EL BIREH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the areas of Al Midya to Budrus, Al Midya to Ni'lin, Bil'in to Saffa, in the village of Beit Liqya, and in the town of Beituniya. • Flying Checkpoints: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 17:50 on 11 May 2005, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Kafr Ni'ma and arrested 1 civilian. (ii) At 09:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint along the Ramallah-Bir Zeit road and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 17:25, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the city of Ramallah and patrolled several neighbourhoods.

	<p>(ii) At 18:40, Israeli army infantry forces raided the village of 'Ein Yabrud, set up 2 flying checkpoints at its eastern and western entrances, and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrest: Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up at the entrance to the village of Kafr Ni'ma arrested Hikmat 'Adnan Abu 'Adi.
<p style="text-align: center;">JENIN</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area of Jalbun to Al Mutilla, Raba to Al Mughayyir, from Bardala to 'Ein al Beida, and towards the Jordan River. • Flying Checkpoint: At 17:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Silat adh Dhahr and prevented civilians from crossing in both directions. • Settler Violence: At 17:30, over 200 Israeli settlers held a protest at the junction to the settlement of Halamish along the main Nablus-Jenin road against the Israeli Disengagement Plan to withdraw from Israeli settlements. • Palestinian Attack: At 02:00, armed Palestinian individuals opened fire towards Dotan military post. The Israeli army responded by opening fire and raided a number of civilian houses near the military post. At 03:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
<p style="text-align: center;">TULKAREM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • Flying Checkpoint: At 21:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint east of the city of Tulkarem and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids/Destruction of Property: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 19:30, the Israeli army raided Area (B) in Dahiyat Shuweika in the city of Tulkarem. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. (ii) At 12:15, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided the village of Al 'Atara, set up a checkpoint, and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 20:00, an Israeli army patrol raided Area (A) in the village of Ramin and patrolled the area until 20:20. (iv) At 23:25, an Israeli army patrol raided the village of An Nazla al Wusta and collided with a civilian vehicle while patrolling the area, causing damage to the vehicle. (v) At 23:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Shufa. • Settler Violence: At 11:50, a group of 10 Israeli settlers attempted to raid Area (A) in the town of Kafr Rumman. Palestinian security forces coordinated with the Israeli authorities to prevent settlers from raiding the town.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Provocation of Palestinian Forces:</u> At 09:40, an Israeli army jeep took position near 1 Palestinian National Security checkpoint east of the town of ‘Anabta. Israeli troops positioned themselves outside the jeep for a period of time. • <u>Palestinian Attack/Palestinian Security Measures:</u> At 21:05, armed Palestinian individuals opened fire towards Israeli troops positioned at the DCO offices west of the city of Tulkarem. The Israeli army responded by opening indiscriminate fire. Palestinian security forces arrested 3 civilians suspected for opening fire towards Israeli troops.
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.
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Physical Assaults:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 17:30, Israeli troops positioned along Wadi al Badhan road severely beat Mahmoud Yousef Ishtayyeh, a Palestinian Police officer, breaking his arm. (ii) At 22:00, Israeli troops positioned at Huwwara checkpoint severely beat Nidhal Jum’ah Dweikat. • <u>Settler Violence:</u> At 14:20, a group of Israeli settlers set fire to olive trees north of the village of Salim and severely beat 60-year-old Sameeh Khalil Hamdan, after which he was transported to hospital for treatment of injuries sustained. • <u>Demonstration:</u> At 08:15, a mass demonstration, including Israeli peace activists, took place in the town of ‘Asira ash Shamaliya in protest against the Israeli army’s continuous closure of the road leading to the city of Nablus. Protestors managed to remove the dirt barricade. The Israeli army, however, closed the road again at a later time.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Road:</u> 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. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues in the town of Deir Ballut near the Green Line and in the villages of Az Zawiya and Rafat. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 00:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Bruqin and searched civilians and vehicles.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> 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.

<p style="text-align: center;">BETHLEHEM</p>	<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. • Attack: At 21:00, the Israeli army fired flares towards the town of Tuqu'. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:10, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Al Khadr, set up a checkpoint in the town centre, and searched civilians and vehicles. At 18:50, and again at 07:00, the Israeli army raided the town again and patrolled the area. (ii) At 16:30, an Israeli army patrol raided 'Ayda refugee camp and patrolled the area until 17:40. (iii) At 22:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Tuqu' and searched 1 house, after detaining its residents.
<p style="text-align: center;">HEBRON</p>	<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. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues west of the town of Surif to Beit Ula, in the town of Idhna, from the village of Deir Samit to Beit 'Awwa, and from Beit 'Awwa to the village of Al Burj. • Death: At 23:00, the Israeli army raided Al Karantina neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron. Widad al Qa'oud, 60 years old, died of a heart attack as Israeli troops raided her house. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Rabud near the junction to the town of As Samoa' and searched 3 houses, after detaining their residents. At 09:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. (ii) At 19:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, set up a checkpoint, and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 19:50, the Israeli army raided the town of Dura and searched 1 house, after detaining its residents. • Settler Violence/Physical Assault: At 22:30, Israeli settlers threw stones at female civilian Nisreen an Najjar, 16 years old, in the old city of Hebron, injuring her in the arm.

GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open (to humanitarian cases and VIPs only). • Palestinian Security Measures: At 10:55, a Palestinian security patrol evacuated a number of civilians near Point 24 on the Green Line northeast of the town of Beit Hanun.
GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Nitsareem junction remains closed. (ii) Al Shuhada Junction-Al Muntar Crossing road is closed. (iii) Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed. • Palestinian Security Measures: At 18:05, a Palestinian security patrol evacuated a number of civilians near Point 73 on the Green Line east of Gaza city.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Abu Al 'Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) is closed. (ii) Western road (Khan Yunis) remains closed. (iii) Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis road (Al Tuffah checkpoint) is closed. (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. • Attack: At 18:55, the Israeli army opened fire from its location at Point 9.5 towards Palestinian territory in West Khan Yunis refugee camp. • Raid: At 10:55, an Israeli army tank raided 10 meters into Palestinian territory near Point 9.5 along West Khan Yunis refugee camp. • Palestinian Security Measures: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 15:20, a Palestinian security patrol evacuated a number of civilians near Point 12 opposite An Namsawi neighbourhood. (ii) At 20:00, a Palestinian security patrol combed the area of Qizan an Najjar, searching for suspicious objects. (iii) At 02:10, a Palestinian security patrol evacuated a number of civilians near the security line opposite West Khan Yunis refugee camp. (iv) At 06:30, a Palestinian security patrol evacuated a number of civilians near Point 141 on the Green Line east of the area of Al Qarara. (v) At 07:45, a Palestinian security patrol evacuated a number of civilians near Point 7 opposite Al Amal neighbourhood.

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 closed. (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>Attacks:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 16:00, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location at Point 7 along the Egyptian border towards Palestinian territory in the area surrounding Salah ad Din gate. (ii) At 18:10, the Israeli army opened intermittent fire from its location at Point 10 along the Egyptian border towards civilian houses in Zu'rub neighbourhood in Rafah refugee camp. (iii) At 18:55, the Israeli army opened fire from its location at Point 19.5 towards civilian houses in the area of 'Ureibeh. • <u>Palestinian Security Measures:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 14:55, a Palestinian security patrol evacuated a number of civilians near Point 7.5 along the Egyptian border in the area of surrounding Salah ad Din gate. (ii) At 16:15, a Palestinian security patrol evacuated a number of civilians near Points 6 and 10 along Egyptian border opposite Al Barazil neighbourhood in Rafah refugee camp. (iii) At 22:00, a Palestinian security patrol evacuated a number of civilians near Point 218 on the Green Line south of Sufa Crossing.
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GENERAL

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. However, none of the workers were allowed access to the Industrial Zones due to the imposed closure. (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. (iii) Israeli authorities issued permits for 1,232 workers to stay overnight inside the Green Line.
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