مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية

PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 13 May 2004 – 08:00 14 May 2004

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Deaths	—	3	**3**	Incl. 1 child
Injuries	1	30	**31**	
Attacks	2	17	**19**	Incl. tank shells & navy boats
Raids	20	5	**25**	
Air Patrols	1	1	**2**	
Arrests (per person)	10	—	**10**	Incl. coll. student & 2 officers
Detentions	3	—	**3**	
House Demolitions	1	1	**2**	Incl. prisoner's house, 6 warn.
Wall Construction	14	—	**14**	Jer'lm, Ramallah, Jenin, Beth.
Destruction of Property	—	1	**1**	Wheat crops burnt
House Occupations	1	2	**3**	Incl. building
Curfews	4	—	**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	1	—	**1**	Al Khadr due to curfew
TOTAL	**58**	**65**	**123**	

DISTRICT	EVENT
ALL DISTRICTS	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.

WEST BANK

DISTRICT	EVENT
JERUSALEM	• **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. • **Arrest:** The Israeli army arrested Samir Abdul Latif Ahmad, a college student, in the city of Jerusalem.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	• **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/Curfew:** (i) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the cities of Ramallah and El Bireh, and demolished a 2-storey house belonging to 2 political prisoners. (ii) At 03:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Rantis and imposed curfew. • **House Demolition:** The Israeli army demolished a 2-storey house belonging to Ahmad Al Shu'ani, the father of 2 political prisoners.
JENIN	• **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. • **Raids/Curfew:** (i) At 11:00, the Israeli army raided the village of 'Arabbuna and distributed house demolition warnings to 6 civilians. (ii) At 14:45, the Israeli army raided the village of 'Anza, imposed curfew and conducted a house search campaign before withdrawing at 17:00.
JERICHO	• **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. • **Arrest:** On 11 May 2004, the Israeli army arrested 2 Palestinian National Security officers at the Allenby crossing to Jordan as they were travelling back from a visit to Iraq: (i) Radwan Muhammad Eid; and (ii) Ibrahim Mustafa al Daour.
BETHLEHEM	• **Closure:** (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). • **Raids/Curfews:** (i) At 10:40, the Israeli army raided the town of Al Khadr, imposed curfew, forcing the suspension of classes in the town's schools, and detained several civilians. (ii) At 10:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Nahhalin, opened indiscriminate fire, imposed curfew and detained several civilians. (iii) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Bethlehem and its suburbs, searched several houses, arrested 1 civilian and patrolled the area until 05:00. • **Arrest:** The Israeli army arrested Ibrahim Muhammad Hassan in the city of Bethlehem.

TULKAREM	• **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. • **Raids:** (i) At 10:40, the Israeli army raided the city of Tulkarem and its suburbs and arrested 2 civilians. At 16:50, and again at 21:00, the Israeli army patrolled the area. (ii) At 12:00, the Israeli army raided Tulkarem refugee camp and took position at its northern entrance. (iii) At 20:10, an Israeli army jeep raided the town of Anabta and patrolled the area. (iv) At 20:30, an Israeli army jeep raided the town of Kafr al Labad and opened indiscriminate fire. (v) At 00:20, the Israeli army raided the town of Bal'a and patrolled the area. • **Air Patrol:** At 12:10, Israeli reconnaissance aircraft patrolled the skies over the district of Tulkarem. • **Detention:** At 13:50, the Israeli army detained dozens of civilians at a checkpoint set up on Al Kafriyat road and prohibited civilians from entering and exiting the city of Tulkarem. • **Arrests:** The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the city of Tulkarem: (i) Tamir Abu Sukar; and (ii) Wahid Al Nabatiti.
NABLUS	• **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. • **Raids:** At 10:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Tell. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during which the Israeli army injured 1 civilian.
HEBRON	• **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. • **Raid:** Beginning at 24:00 on 13 May 2004, the Israeli army remains positioned in the town of Beit Ur, occupied 1 house and converted it into a military post.

QALQILYA	• **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.
SALFIT	• **Closure:** 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. • **Raids:** (i) At 08:15, 2 Israeli army jeeps raided the city of Salfit and patrolled the area. (ii) At 14:40, the Israeli army raided the village of Marda, arrested 2 civilians, and detained 2 teachers from the town's school. (iii) At 03:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Iskaka and searched several houses. • **Arrests:** The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the town of Marda: (i) Adli Abdallah Hujeir; and (ii) Ramzi Abdallah Hujeir. On 12 May 2004, the Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in village of Sarta: (iii) Munir Ahmad Hasan; and (iv) Samir Hasan.

GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA	• **Closure:** Beit Hanoun crossing is closed. • **Attacks:** (i) At 15:30, Israeli marine boats opened intensive fire and fired 1 shell towards the area of Al Sudaniya, west of the town of Beit Lahiya. (ii) At 00:40, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from Point 24 on the Green Line towards the area north of the town of Beit Hanoun. (iii) At 00:50, the Israeli army opened fire and fired from machine guns towards civilian houses in Al Nada towers and the area of Al Qaraya al Badawiya in the town of Beit Lahiya. • **Raid:** At 20:20, the Israeli army, including 2 tanks and 1 jeep, raided the area near Point 52 and took position near the area of Abu Safiya, east of Jabalya.

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 4th. consecutive day. (iv) The Israeli army continues to prohibit all fishing boats from setting sail. • **Attacks:** (i) At 12:30, Israeli marine boats opened intensive fire towards the harbour in Gaza city. (ii) At 21:30, the Israeli army opened intensive fire towards civilian houses in the village of Al Mughraqa and a Palestinian National Security location south of Gaza city. At 17:40, the Israeli army opened fire again towards the same area.
CENTRAL GAZA	• **Attack:** At 23:30, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from the area surrounding the settlement of Kfar Daroom towards the areas north, south and west of the city of Deir Al Balah. • **Raid:** At 16:00, an Israeli army tank raided 50 meters into the area of Al Ja'fariya, opened intensive fire, and fired 1 tank shell towards civilian houses near Abu Holi checkpoint, south of Deir Al Balah, setting fire to vast areas of land cultivated with wheat.
KHAN YUNIS	• **Closure:** (i) Abu al Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) remains closed. (ii) Western road (Khan Yunis) remains closed. (iii) Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis road (Al Tuffah checkpoint) was open to pedestrians only. (iv) Abu Holi road is closed. • **Attack:** At 14:00, the Israeli army, positioned at Abu Holi checkpoitng, opened fire and fired tear gas towards civilians, injuring 7 civilians. • **Raid/House Occupation:** At 00:10, the Israeli army raided 300 meters into the area of Abu Haddaf, east of Al Qarara, occupied 1 house, detained its 15 residents, including 9 children, in the house and prevented them from leaving.
RAFAH	• **Closure:** (i) The Gaza International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah crossing is closed. (iii) The Sufa crossing is closed. • **Incursion:** Beginning at 03:00 on 13 May 2004, the Israeli army remains positioned in Block O of Rafah refugee camp. The Israeli army opened

intensive fire sporadically towards civilian houses, killing 1 civilian and injuring 20 others, surrounded a 3-storey house, home to 20 civilians, and prevented its residents from leaving. The Israeli army demolished 1 house while its owner, who was killed by the Israeli army when they opened fire at him for refusing to evacuate the house, was still in the house. Several Israeli army snipers took up positions in a civilian house and converted it into a military post. The Israeli army remains present in Rafah refugee camp as of 08:00 this morning.

- **Attacks:**
(i)   At 15:30, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from Point 7 towards civilian houses near Al Salah ad Din Gate, injuring 1 civilian.
(ii)   At 03:00, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from the area surrounding the settlement of Rave Yam towards civilian houses in Al Barazil neighbourhood, injuring 2 civilians.
- **Raid:** At 12:00, the Israeli army, including 4 tanks and 1 bulldozer, raided 100 meters into the neighbourhood of Al Barazil and opened intensive fire towards civilian houses, killing 1 civilian.
- **Killings:** The Israeli army killed 2 civilians in Block (O) in Rafah refugee camp:
(i)   Mahmoud Al Saksak, 17 years old; and
(ii)   Ashraf Qishta.
The Israeli army killed 1 civilian in Al Barazil neighbourhood:
(iii)   Ahmad Al Ya'qubi in Al Barazil neighbourhood.
- **House Demolition** The Israeli army demolished 1 house in Block (O) in Rafah refugee camp belonging to Ashraf Qishta, a civilian who was killed by the Israeli army because he refused to evacuate his house for demolition.