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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT
 08:00 13 May 2006 – 08:00 14 May 2006

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Attacks	4	5	9	Incl. 2 in raids & 5 from military posts
Raids	20	—	20	Incl. 4 in Jenin & 4 in Hebron
Air Patrol	—	1	1	Helicopters over northern area, N. Gaza
Arrests	7	—	7	Incl. 1 officer & 3 university students
Detentions	12	—	12	At checkpoints & in residential areas
Wall Construction	32	—	32	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Beth.
Destruction of Property	3	—	3	Incl. 1 civilian vehicle destroyed
Closure of Checkpoints	10	—	10	Incl. Huwwara & Beit Iba partially
Flying Checkpoints	10	—	10	Incl. 3 in Ramallah & 3 in Jenin
Closure (per District)	6	1	7	Incl. a buffer zone in Northern Gaza
Closure of Main Roads	29	—	29	Incl. Ash Shuhada' Street, Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points	—	5	5	Incl. Beit Hanun and Rafah partially
Attack on Religious Site	1	—	1	Civilians denied access to a mosque
Settler Violence	1	—	1	1 quarry attacked & barracks burnt
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	1	2	Incl. shelling near 1 Pal. security post
Palestinian Attacks	—	2	2	2 unidentified mortars fired
Demonstration	1	—	1	In Dahiyat al Bareed against the Wall
TOTAL	137	15	152	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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<p style="text-align: center;">ALL DISTRICTS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beginning on 11 March 2006, the Israeli army has continued to impose a complete closure on the West Bank and Gaza Strip districts and to prevent civilians with permits, including workers, from crossing into areas inside the Green Line and into the city of Jerusalem. • Beginning on 17 April 2006, and following the suicide attack carried out in the city of Tel Aviv inside the Green Line, the Israeli army has intensified its restrictions at checkpoints set up on the main roads connecting the West Bank districts, thereby isolating the northern districts from the southern districts as well as the Jericho district and the Jordan Valley from the remainder of the West Bank.
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WEST BANK

<p style="text-align: center;">JERUSALEM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem, in the old city of Jerusalem, and around Al Aqsa Mosque compound. • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army closed the entrance opposite the junction to Dahiyat Al Bareed in the city of Jerusalem with barbed wire and has denied civilian access. The Israeli army allows access to the city of Jerusalem through Dahiyat al Bareed checkpoint only to vehicles bearing Israeli-issued license plates and from the lane previously designated for VIPs. (ii) The Israeli army closed the eastern entrance to Dahiyat Bir Nabala with cement slabs, thereby completing the Wall section in the area. • Checkpoint: According to new measures implemented at Qalandiya checkpoint, which the Israeli army has converted into a “border crossing point”, the Israeli army has designated a special crossing for civilians holding Jerusalem-issued IDs and those possessing permits to access the city of Jerusalem. The Israeli army has allowed other civilians to access the main road leading to the junction to the village of Jaba’, which branches off to other districts. • Wall Gates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks. (ii) The Israeli army continues to deny civilian access through the Wall gate on Ash Shayyah road in the area between the villages of As Sawahira ash Sharqiya and As Sawahira al Gharbiya, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem-issued IDs to cross, after subjecting them to thorough searches using electronic devices. • Wall Construction: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Wall construction was resumed in Dahiyat al Aqbat, from the village of Hizma to ‘Anata, along 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, in the areas of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina, and west of the village of Al Jib.
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	<p>(ii) The Israeli army began land levelling for Wall construction on land belonging to the village of Qatanna.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raid: At 01:30, an Israeli army patrol raided Qalandiya refugee camp and patrolled the area. • Demonstration/Detention: At 10:30, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in Dahiyat al Bareed in protest against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which the Israeli army detained a number of civilian protestors and international peace activists.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil with dirt barricades. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the overpass to the town of 'Atara and to deny access to the city of Ramallah for civilians holding IDs issued in the northern districts of the West Bank. • Wall Construction: Wall construction was resumed in the areas of Al Midya to Budrus, Al Midya to Ni'lin, Bil'in to Saffa, in the village of Beit Liqya, in the town of Beituniya, and west of the town of 'Abud and the village of Beit Sira. • Flying Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 12:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the village of Surda and Al Jalazun refugee camp and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 23:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the Ramallah-Bir Zeit main road, searched civilian vehicles, and impeded civilian access until 00:25. (iii) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the town of Silwad and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 20:30, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the area of Khirbet at Tut near the village of Kafr 'Ein and patrolled the area until 21:00. (ii) At 24:00, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided and patrolled the city of El Bireh. (iii) At 02:35, the Israeli army raided the town of Abu Shukheidim and served summons to 2 civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence Service. (iv) At 02:50, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided and patrolled the city of Ramallah.
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Road: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the unpaved detour road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to close Tayasir checkpoint east of the town of Tubas, denying civilian access to the Northern Jordan Valley, except for holders of IDs issued in the Northern Jordan Valley and commercial trucks.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Wall Gates:</u> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of 'Arraba and arrested 1 civilian. (ii) At 11:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Sanur and arrested 1 civilian. (iii) At 06:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the town of Az Zababida and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raids/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 23:00, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided and patrolled the town of As Silat al Harithiya. (ii) At 01:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Tubas, took position in front of the town's Palestinian Police station for a period of time, patrolled the area, and withdrew at 02:00. (iii) At 05:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Jalqamus. (iv) The Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the town of Ya'bad. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. • <u>Arrests:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up at the entrance to the town of 'Arraba arrested Dhiya' Mahmoud Abu al Hasan. (ii) Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up on the junction to the village of Sanur arrested Ahmed Kayed Habaybeh.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> The Israeli army continues to impose a complete closure on the district of Tulkarem and to declare it a closed military zone following a suicide attack carried out on the junction to the village of Far'un. The Israeli army continues to impede civilian access to and from the district. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the following roads: the road connecting Dahiyat Dhinnaba in the city of Tulkarem to the town of Kafr al Labad; the road connecting the town of Kafr al Labad to the village of Shufa; the southern entrance to the town of Baqa ash Sharqiya; and the Kafr Sur-Wadi at Tin road. The Israeli army also continues to close with cement blocks the road connecting the town of Beit Lid to the village of Kur. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close 'Einav checkpoint on the Tulkarem-Nablus road, denying access to civilian vehicles. The Israeli army prevents civilian residents of the Tulkarem district from leaving the district, except for those residing in towns and villages east of the checkpoint. (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Jubara checkpoint (the southern entrance to the city of Tulkarem) and to prevent civilians holding IDs issued in the districts of Jenin and Tulkarem from crossing towards the southern districts of the West Bank. Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint only allow civilian residents of villages located south of the city of Tulkarem in the

	<p>Tulkarem district to cross on foot, only after examining civilians' places of residence.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • Raid: Israeli army infantry forces raided Dahiyat Shuweika in the city of Tulkarem, took position near the Wall section north of the area, and opened fire towards a number of civilians.
<p style="text-align: center;">QALQILIYA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Gates: <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 to search civilians, including students, with a metal detector. • Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction was resumed in the village of Immatin and east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and 'Azzun. • Flying Checkpoint/Destruction of Property: At 09:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the northern entrance to the town of 'Azzun and searched civilians and vehicles. Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint also used explosives to destroy 1 civilian vehicle near the entrance to the town, allegedly for suspecting it. • Raid: At 13:10, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Qalqiliya and patrolled the area.
<p style="text-align: center;">NABLUS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the main road leading to the district of Jenin between the junction to the village of Deir Sharaf and the settlement of Shavei Shomron. Instead, the Israeli army has forced civilians to travel along an unpaved 1.5-km-long road, which branches off from the Nablus-Tulkarem road and intersects with the Nablus-Jenin road opposite the village of Sabastiya. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades Al Badhan road, which is the north-eastern entrance to the city of Nablus. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the village of Beita with dirt barricades. • Checkpoints: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing Huwwara, Beit Iba, At Tur Mountain, and Beit Furik checkpoints around the city of Nablus. The Israeli army closes the checkpoints overnight and reopens them at various morning hours. (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Beit Iba and Huwwara checkpoints and to deny access to civilians between 15 and 30 years of age as well as holders of IDs issued in the districts of Jenin and Tulkarem. (iii) Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint set up in the area between the city of Nablus and the town of 'Asira ash Shamaliya continue to prevent civilians from crossing, only allowing access to civilian

	<p>residents of the town of ‘Asira ash Shamaliya as well as the villages of Talluza, Sabastiya, Burqa, Beit Imrin, and Ijnisinya.</p> <p>(iv) At 08:00, Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint set up at the entrance to the town of Beit Furik prevented taxis from the town of Beit Furik and the village of Beit Dajan from crossing unless they possess access permits.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raids:</u> <p>(i) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided Balata refugee camp. An armed confrontation took place between armed Palestinian individuals and the Israeli army, while it was patrolling the area.</p> <p>(ii) At 02:40, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus, searched 1 building, and arrested 3 university students.</p> • <u>Arrests:</u> On 13 May 2006, the Israeli army arrested 3 civilians, including 2 university students, during its raid on the city of Nablus, in addition to the civilian reported to have been arrested yesterday. The other 2 arrested civilians were identified as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Firas Mahmoud Abu Maryam; and (ii) ‘Izzat Ma’rouf az Zaqzouq. <p>The Israeli army arrested 3 university students in the city of Nablus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (iii) Wisam Ma’rouf az Zaqzouq; (iv) Fadi Jam’ah ar Rami; and (v) Bashar Sa’eed Salameh. • <u>Settler Violence/Destruction of Property:</u> On 12 May 2006, a group of Israeli settlers attacked Al Qatouni stone quarry near Huwwara checkpoint and burnt a number of barracks therein.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <p>(i) The Israeli army has continued to close the main north-western entrance to the city of Salfit with dirt barricades since the beginning of the current <i>Intifada</i> (Uprising).</p> <p>(ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western entrances to the town of Bruqin and the village of Marda. The Israeli army also continues to close with cement blocks the western entrance to the town of Kafr ad Dik and with an iron gate the northern entrance to the village of Qarawat Bani Hassan.</p> • <u>Checkpoints:</u> <p>(i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Deir Ballut checkpoint and to deny civilian access to the town of Kafr ad Dik.</p> <p>(ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the Za’lara junction checkpoint and to prevent civilians holding IDs issued in the districts of Jenin and Tulkarem from crossing towards the southern districts of the West Bank.</p> • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction was resumed near the Green Line in the town of Deir Ballut and the villages of Az Zawiya and Rafat, northwest of the city of Salfit, and in the village of Marda and the town of Kifl Haris north of the settlement of Ari’el.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the town of Bruqin and the village of Qarawat Bani Zeid and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the Trans-Samaria Highway and searched civilians and vehicles.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between the city of Jericho and the village of Al 'Auja with cement blocks and to prevent farmers not holding Jericho-issued IDs from reaching their land, forcing them to apply for access permits. The Israeli army also continues to deny access to the city to holders of Israeli-issued IDs. • <u>Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army continues to close Al Hamra checkpoint set up on the Jericho-Nablus road, denying civilian access, except for farmers holding Jericho-issued IDs. • <u>Arrest:</u> At 09:00, Israeli troops positioned on Al Karama (Allenby) Bridge arrested Al Mu'taz Billah Salah al Hajj Salah, a Palestinian National Security officer, while he was returning from Jordan.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> The Israeli army continues to close the roads to the village of An Nu'man, with the exception of the road leading to the Wall gate in the south-eastern area of the village. The Israeli army considers the civilians' residence in the village illegal because they hold West Bank identity cards while their village is located within the Israeli-defined municipal boundaries of Jerusalem. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> The Israeli army continues to close all roads to Road # 60 leading to the city of Jerusalem, thereby isolating the city of Bethlehem from its towns and villages located west of Road # 60. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction was resumed north of 'Ayda refugee camp and in the Everest area, northwest of the city of Beit Jala. • <u>Raids:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 22:25, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Al 'Ubeidiya and patrolled the area. (ii) At 23:25, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Beit Jala. (iii) At 03:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Bethlehem.
HEBRON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the following locales in the old city of Hebron: Ash Shuhada' Street and the area of As Sahleh with cement blocks and barbed wire; the old gold market with an iron gate; the area of Khuzq al Far near the settlement of Abraham Avino with a dirt barricade and an iron gate; and the entrance to the area of Al Khan with an electronic gate, isolating the area from Al Laban Market and the area of As Sahleh. (ii) Although it expired on 07 May 2006, the Israeli army continues to implement a military order stipulating the closure of civilian commercial shops on both sides of the road connecting the settlement of Kiryat Arba' to the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron.

	<p>Civilian vehicles continue to be prohibited from travelling along the road unless they possess access permits. Only Israeli settler vehicles are allowed unrestricted access on the road.</p> <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 following locales: the area of Al Hawawir leading to the town of Halhul; the area of Al Fahs south of the city of Hebron; the junction to the area of Farsh al Hawa leading to Road # 35 northwest of the city of Hebron; the entrance to the village of Beit 'Einun; Al Baq'a junction south of the town of Beit 'Awwa; and the entrance to the village of 'Arab ar Ramadin. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to Al Qeisi neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron with cement blocks. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction was resumed west of the towns of Surif and Beit Ula, south of the towns of Adh Dhahiriya and As Samoa', and southeast of the town of Yatta. The Israeli army has also completed construction of most sections of the Wall in the town of Idhna, from the village of Deir Samit to the town of Beit 'Awwa, from Beit 'Awwa to the village of Al Burj, and in the village of Ar Ramadin. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to the town of Halhul and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 14:55, and again at 01:50, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron and patrolled the area until 02:40. (ii) At 01:30, the Israeli army, including 6 jeeps, raided the town of Dura and patrolled the area until 03:30. (iii) At 07:50, the Israeli army, including 8 jeeps, raided the town of As Samoa' and searched a number of houses. • <u>Destruction of Property:</u> On 09 May 2006, the Israeli army issued an order for the cessation of construction of an 80-m² house belonging to Isma'il Mousa Abu Sbeih in the village of Zif, claiming that it was being built without the required license. • <u>Attack on Religious Site:</u> The Israeli army prevented civilians under 30 years of age from accessing and performing prayers at the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron.
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GAZA STRIP

ALL DISTRICTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beginning on 16 December 2005, the Israeli army has continued to impose a complete closure on the Gaza Strip ostensibly due to Palestinian individuals' firing of mortars towards the Green Line.
NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> Beginning at 18:00 on 28 December 2005, the Israeli army has continued to impose a buffer zone (through open fire as well as artillery and air attacks) in the area near the Green Line, including the area of the debris of evacuated settlements.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open to foreign nationals, VIPs, and humanitarian cases after prior coordination. • Attacks/Provocation of Palestinian Forces: Between 06:45 and 08:00, the Israeli army fired 10 artillery shells from its locations inside the Green Line towards Palestinian territory: near 1 Palestinian National Security location north of the town of Beit Lahiya; near the area of Al Jamarik west of the town of Beit Hanun; in the area of Abu Safiya east of the town of Beit Hanun; and east of the town of Jabalya. • Air Patrol: At 09:55, Israeli army combat helicopters patrolled the skies over the northern area of the district of Northern Gaza. • Palestinian Attack: At 23:40, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.
GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Point: Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is partially open for the transportation of construction cargo only. • Palestinian Attack: At 06:45, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line, but exploded on Palestinian territory.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attack: At 12:25, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 117 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory east of Al Bureij refugee camp.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Points: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah Crossing is partially open in both directions to passengers holding Palestinian IDs, humanitarian cases, as well as Arab and foreign diplomatic missions. (iii) Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed.

GENERAL

POLITICAL PRISONERS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Prison Section: The Israeli authorities established a new section in Nafha Desert Prison that accommodates up to 120 political prisoners and named it "Ramon". The Israeli Administration of the prison also refused to offer medical treatment to 2 political prisoners in the new section who are suffering from weak eyesight.
WORK PERMITS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • West Bank: The Israeli authorities issued new work permits to Palestinian workers for crossing the Green Line; however, the number of issued permits is unknown because the Israeli authorities have suspended contacts with the Palestinian employment offices. Additionally, the number of permit-holding workers who were allowed to access areas inside the Green Line is unknown. • Gaza Strip: Valid work permits that have been issued by the Israeli authorities for crossing the Green Line total 11. All the Palestinian workers possessing the valid work permits (11) were allowed to access areas inside the Green Line.