

مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 14 May 2004 – 08:00 15 May 2004

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Deaths	—	1	1	Air attack in Rafah RC
Physical Assaults	2	—	2	
Injuries	4	15	19	Incl. 4 children
Incursion	—	1	1	Block O Rafah RC
Air Attacks	—	6	6	
Attacks	5	5	10	
Raids	14	—	14	
Air Patrols	1	6	7	
Arrests (per person)	6	—	6	
Detentions	2	—	2	
House Demolitions	—	100	100	Since 13 May, Rafah
Destruction of Property	—	2	2	2 charitable orgs. destroyed
House Occupation	1	—	1	
Curfews	1	—	1	
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	—	6	6	
Provocation of Pal. Forces	3	—	3	Incl. surrounding 2 posts
TOTAL	39	147	186	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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<p 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 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. The Israeli army prevented worshippers from other districts from entering the city for Friday prayers at Al Aqsa Mosque, forcing worshippers to pray at checkpoints. • Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend 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.
<p 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 was suspended for the weekend in Budrus, Deir Qaddis, Rantis, Ni'lin, Beit Liqya, Beituniya and near the village of Midya. • Attack: At 21:00, the Israeli army opened fire from the area surrounding the settlement of Pesagot towards civilian houses in the city of El Bireh. • Raids/Curfew: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Al Lubban al Gharbi and imposed curfew. (ii) At 17:40, the Israeli army raided the village of Kharbatha and detained civilians over the age of 15 in the village school yard for several hours. (iii) At 18:40, an Israeli army jeep raided the city of El Bireh and patrolled the area. (iv) At 00:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Ramallah and patrolled the area.

<p style="text-align: center;">JENIN</p>	<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 was suspended for the weekend south of Jalbun towards Al Mutilla, Raba, Al Mughayyir, Bardala and 'Ein al Beida and towards the Jordan River.
<p style="text-align: center;">JERICHO</p>	<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.
<p style="text-align: center;">BETHLEHEM</p>	<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 was suspended for the weekend 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). • Physical Assault: At 18:30, the Israeli army severely beat 2 children near Bilal bin Rabah mosque. The children were hospitalized for their injuries. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:30, an Israeli army jeep raided the city of Bethlehem and its suburbs and patrolled the area. (ii) At 03:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Khirbet Beit Ta'mir and arrested 1 civilian. • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Saoud Ibrahim al Wahsh in the village of Khirbet Beit Ta'mir.
<p style="text-align: center;">TULKAREM</p>	<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

	<p>granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact education, economic and livelihood activities and impede access to health facilities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 07:30 on 14 May 2004, the Israeli army raided Tulkarem refugee camp, occupied 1 house and converted it into a military post. At 14:50, the Israeli army opened indiscriminate fire. At 16:30, the Israeli army opened indiscriminate fire, injuring 3 civilians, including 2 children, and detained several civilians in a wedding hall and released them at 21:15. (ii) At 12:35, the Israeli army raided the city of Tulkarem and its suburbs, patrolled the area, detained a Civil Police vehicle, and examined Police officers' IDs before releasing them. At 19:35, the Israeli army opened indiscriminate fire and arrested 2 unidentified civilians. (iii) At 18:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Anabta and the village of Kafr al Labad and patrolled the area. (iv) At 19:40, an Israeli army jeep raided Nur Shams refugee camp and opened indiscriminate fire, injuring 1 child. • Air Patrol: At 07:35 on 14 May 2004, Israeli helicopters patrolled the skies over the city of Tulkarem.
NABLUS	<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. • Raid: At 23:25, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus and its suburbs and arrested 3 civilians. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in the city of Nablus, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Ibrahim Al Bizra; and (ii) Marouf Abdallah Eleiwi.
HEBRON	<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. • Raid: At 22:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron and its suburbs and patrolled the area. Several Israeli jeeps positioned themselves near a Palestinian National Security post and the Palestinian General Intelligence building.
QALQILYA	<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.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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.

GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: Beit Hanoun crossing is closed.
GAZA CITY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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 5th consecutive day. (iv) The Israeli army continues to prohibit all fishing boats from setting sail. • Air Attack: At 01:20, Israeli helicopters carried out 2 air attacks during which they fired missiles at 2 buildings in the city of Gaza, including a 3-storey building east of Shati refugee camp, which they fired missiles at 2 buildings in Gaza city including a 3 storey building east of Ash Shati' and a community services office, severely damaging the buildings. 10 civilians were injured during the attack, including 1 journalist. • Attack: At 16:00, an Israeli army tank opened intensive fire from machine guns towards civilians travelling along the coastal road connecting the city of Gaza to central Gaza, injuring 3 civilians, including a pregnant woman, Nisreen Al Nabrisi.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attack: At 10:30, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from the area near the settlement of Kfar Daroom towards the area north, west and south of Deir Al Balah, injuring 1 child.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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.

	<p>(iv) Abu Holi road is closed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attack: At 00:50, the Israeli army opened fire from the area surrounding the settlement of Neve Dakaleem towards civilian houses in Khan Yunis refugee camp, injuring 1 female civilian.
<p>RAFAH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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) in Rafah refugee camp. The Israeli army opened fire intensively towards civilian houses. Israeli army helicopters patrolled the skies over the area. The Israeli army demolished civilian houses before withdrawing at 06:10. According to initial estimates, the Israeli army partially and completely demolished 100 houses. • Air Attack: At 15:15, Israeli army helicopters fired missiles towards civilian houses in Block (O) of Rafah refugee camp. The air attack was repeated 3 times, during which 1 civilians was killed. • Killing: The Israeli army killed Akram Abu Al Naja in an air attack on Block (O) in Rafah refugee camp. • School Disruption: 6 schools serving 4202 students in the city of Rafah were closed due to the Israeli army incursion in Rafah. • House Demolitions: According to initial estimates, the Israeli army demolished 100 houses, including partial and complete demolitions, in Block (O) of Rafah refugee camp.

GENERAL

<p>POLITICAL PRISONERS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Solitary Confinement: The prison administration of Bir Al Sabe' Prison placed Nasir Oweis, who is serving 14 life sentences, in solitary confinement for a period of 2 years, reviewed and extended every 6 months, based on the claim that he is a 'security threat' within the prison. His 2 year isolation will end at the end of June 2004 and is expected to be renewed for another 6 months.
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