# مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



# PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

# **DAILY SITUATION REPORT**

08:00, 18 May 2008 – 08:00, 19 May 2008

# **SUMMARY OF EVENTS**

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	1		1	1 civilian in Hebron
Physical Assaults	5		5	4 civilians beaten in Bethlehem
Arrests	14		14	Incl. 5 civilians in Nablus
Detentions	14		14	At checkpoints & in residential areas
Raids	27		27	Incl. 5 in Ramallah & 7 in Hebron
Checkpoints	15		15	Incl. stricter measures at 10 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	19		19	Incl. 9 in Hebron
Attacks	5		5	During 3 raids & 2 confrontations
School Disruption	1		1	Tear gas fired at school in Ramallah
Demolition of Property	1		1	Electric post damage in Hebron
Wall Construction	25		25	Suspended for Jewish weekend
Closures	7		7	Partial in Jerusalem
Closure of Main Roads	53		53	Incl. 10 in Tulkarem & 6 in Nablus
Closure of Crossing Points		5	5	Except for humanitarian cases
Pal. Security Measures	1		1	Israeli settler handed over to Israeli side
Palestinian Attacks		1	1	Incl. 1 mortar fired at the Green Line
TOTAL	188	6	194	

DISTRICT	EVENTS
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# **WEST BANK**

ALL DISTRICTS	<ul> <li>The Israeli army continues to intensify 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.</li> </ul>
JERUSALEM	Closure: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem. The Israeli army also continued to close the entrances to al-Aqsa Mosque compound in the old city of Jerusalem and impede civilian access to the mosque.  Closure of Main Roads:  (i) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance opposite the junction to Dahiyat al-Bareed in the city of Jerusalem with a barbed wire gate and to deny civilian access.  (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting Dahiyat al-Bareed to the town of al-Ram in order to complete Wall construction in the area.  (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and dirt barricades the entrance to the village of Jaba', which connects the village to the cities of Jerusalem, Ramallah, and Jericho.  Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to consider Qalandya checkpoint a "border crossing point" and has designated a special crossing for holders of Jerusalem IDs and those possessing permits to access the city of Jerusalem.  Wall Gates:  (a) The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks.  (b) The Israeli army continues to deny civilian access through the Wall gate on al-Shayyah road in the area between the villages of al-Sawahira al-Sharqiya and al-Sawahira al-Gharbiya, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem IDs to cross, after subjecting them to thorough searches using electronic devices.  Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Dahiyat al-Bareed, Dahiyat al-Aqbat, from the village of Hizma to 'Anata, along the Hizma-Jaba' road, the area of al-'Eizariya to al-Shayyah, from the village of Beit Surik to Biddu, in the areas of al-Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina, west of the village of al-Jib, and in the vicinity of the village of Qatanna.
RAMALLAH	Closure of Main Roads:     (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil.     (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the western

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	entrance to the village of Safa.
	(iii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to
	the village of Ras Karkar.
	(iv) The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting the villages of
	Ras Karkar and Kharbatha Bani Hareth, the western entrance to the
	village of Ain Yabroud, and the junction of Kafr Malik – Ein Samiah
	with dirt barricades and cement blocks.
	• <u>Checkpoints</u> : The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at the
	checkpoint set up on the overpass to the town of 'Atara and impede civilian
	access.
	• Raids:
	(i) At 10:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Beitunia and fired tear
	gas bombs towards a school courtyard, and then withdrew at 12:00.
	(ii) At 15:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of
	Badros.
	(iii) At 15:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Aroura.
	(iv) At 01:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Deir Nizam and
	searched a number of houses.
	(v) At 01:40, the Israeli army raided the city of al-Bireh, opened fire
	intensively during house search, arrested 1 civilian, and handed a
	number of civilians notifications to report to the Israeli military
	intelligence. The Israeli army withdrew at 04:20.
	• Arrests: The civilian arrested in the city of al-Bireh is called Imad Eddin
	Mousa Fawzi.
	• Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area west of the
	town of 'Abud as well as in the areas of al-Midya to Ni'lin and Ni'lin to
	Deir Qaddis.
	• Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt
	barricades the road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the settlement of
	Dotan.
	• <u>Flying Checkpoints</u> :  (i) At 13:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint on the junction of
	Arraba, and searched civilians and vehicles.
	(ii) At 16:30, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint on the junction of al-
	Shuhada', and searched civilians and vehicles.
	(iii) At 17:30, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint on the junction of al-
JENIN	Jarba, and searched civilians and vehicles.
021(11)	• Raids:
	(i) At 17:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of
	Mithelon.
	(ii) At 17:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the area around the
	debris of Bezek military camp near the town of al-Zababdeh.
	(iii) At 23:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Jenin and its refugee
	camp, opened fire during house search, arrested 2 civilians, and
	withdrew at 04:20.
	• Arrests: The 2 civilians arrested in the refugee camp of Jenin are:
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	(a) Hussein Qassem Mustafa; and
	(b) Ammar Abu Ghalyoun.
	• Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted
	special Israeli permits, which affects the educational and health conditions
	of civilians living behind the Wall.
	• <u>Checkpoints</u> : The Israeli army continues to close Tayasir checkpoint east
TOUBAS	of the town of Tubas, denying civilian access to the Northern Jordan
1002120	Valley, except for civilians whose IDs indicate that their place of residence
	is the Northern Jordan Valley.
	• <u>Closure</u> : The Israeli army continues to declare the district of Tulkarem
	a closed military zone and to impede civilian access to and from the district.
	• <u>Closure of Main Roads</u> :
	(a) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the
	Dahiyat Iktaba-Bal'a road; the entrance to the village of
	Saffarin; the road connecting the town of Deir al Ghusun to
	'Attil's plain; the road to the town of Deir al-Ghusun's
	plain; and the entrance to the village of 'Izbat Abu Khamis.
	(b) At 20:00, the Israeli army closed the road connecting the
TULKAREM	villages of Ramin and Bazaria with dirt barricades.
	(c) At 17:00, the Israeli army closed the northern entrance to
	the town of 'Azzun with barbed wires.
	• <u>Checkpoints</u> : The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Einav
	checkpoint that is set up on Tulkarem-Nablus road and at Jubaa checkpoint
	• Raids: At 21:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Zeita and patrolled it
	until 21:45.
	• Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted
	special Israeli permits, which affects the educational and health conditions
	of civilians living behind the Wall.
	• <u>Closure of Roads</u> :
	(i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the agricultural
	roads east of the town of 'Azzun
	(ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road
	connecting the town of 'Azzun to the village of 'Asla.
	(iii) At 21:00, the Israeli army removed the dirt barricades in the road that
	connects the town of 'Azzun and the village of Izbet al-Tabib.
	• <u>Checkpoints</u> : The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at the
QALQILYA	checkpoint that is set up at the eastern entrance to the city of Qalqilya and
	impede civilian access.
	• Raids:
	(i) At 18:50, the Israeli army raided the town of 'Azzun and patrolled
	it until 22:45.
	(ii) At 01:50, the Israeli army raided the city of Qalqilya, searched a
	number of civilian houses, arrested 4 civilians, and withdrew at
	02:40.
	• Arrests: The 4 civilians arrested in the city of Qalqilya are:
	(a) Ashraf Salmi;

	(b) Adnan Dhiab;
	(c) Khader Hotari; and
	(d) Ahmad al-Rai'.
	• Wall Gates:
	(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 leveling for Wall construction continues in
	villages of Immatin and Kafr Laqif as well as east of the towns of Kafr
	Thulth and 'Azzun.
	Closure of Main Roads:
	(i) The Israeli army continues to close the Jenin-Nablus road between the
	junction to the village of Deir Sharaf and the settlement of Shavei
	Shomron.
	(ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the settler
	bypass road connecting the village of Deir al-Hatab to the settlement of
	Alon Moreh as well as the southern entrance to the village of Qaryut.
	(iii) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the village of
	al Lubban al-Sharqiya with dirt barricades and cement blocks.
	• Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing
	checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus:
	(i) At Tur neighborhood checkpoint (set up on Jerzim Mount) is closed on
	Fridays and Saturdays as well as during Jewish holidays. On all other
	days, it is open for civilian residents of the neighborhood only.
	(ii) Beit Furik checkpoint is open to civilian residents of the town of Beit
NABLUS	Furik and the nearby village of Beit Dajan.
NADLOS	(iii) Beginning on 23 November 2006, the Israeli army continues to close the
	checkpoint set up in the area between the city of Nablus and the town
	of 'Asira al-Shamaliya and to prevent civilians from crossing, only
	allowing access to humanitarian cases.
	• Raids: At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the village of al-Lubban al-
	Sharqiyyeh, searched a number of civilians houses, arrested 5 civilians,
	and handed 3 civilians notifications to report to the Israeli military
	intelligence. The Israeli army withdrew at 04:30.
	• Arrests: The 5 civilian arrested in the village of al-Lubban al-
	Sharqiyyeh are:
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	<ul><li>(a) Bader Adnan Daraghmeh;</li><li>(b) Hatem Hussein Rashid Daraghmeh;</li></ul>
	(c) Murad Hassan Ahmad Eweis;
	(d) Ahmad Mousa Samara; and
	(e) Iyad Mohammad Jaber Eweis.
CAI EIT	• Closure of Main Roads:  (i) The Israeli army continues to close the main north western entrance to
SALFIT	(i) The Israeli army continues to close the main north-western entrance to
	the city of Salfit with dirt barricades since the beginning of the current

	<ul> <li>Intifada (Uprising).</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western entrance to the village of Marda and Hares. In addition, the Israeli army continues to close the eastern entrance to the village of Yassouf and the southern entrance to the village of Deir Istiyya with dirt barricades, as well as the southern entrance to the town of Kafl hares and the 2 northern entrances to the town of Bruqin and the village of Qarawa Bani Hassan.</li> <li>(iii) At 21:50, the Israeli army removed the dirt barricade set up at the western entrance to the village of Marda.</li> <li>• Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Deir Ballut and Za'tara checkpoints and prevent civilian vehicles from traveling towards the town of Kafr al-Dik. At 17:00, the Israeli army closed Za'tara checkpoint and impeded traffic upon the arrest of a civilian under the pretext of finding a suspicious object with him. The checkpoint was reopened at 17:40.</li> <li>• Raids: <ol> <li>(i) At 20:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Kafl Hares.</li> <li>(ii) At 23:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Deir Ballout.</li> <li>• Arrests: At 21:10, the Israeli army arrested at Za'tara checkpoint a civilian called Ramo Rateb Mustafa al-Dik.</li> <li>• Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the city of Salfit, and in the village of Marda and the town of Kafr Hares north</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
JERICHO	<ul> <li>Closure: 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 Governorate 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 IDs.</li> <li>Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions and impede civilian access at al-Hamra checkpoint set up along al-Badhan road connecting the districts of Jericho and Nablus as well as on the checkpoint set up on the junction to the village of al-'Auja along al-Mu'arrajat road that connects the districts of Jericho and Ramallah.</li> <li>Flying Checkpoints: At 14:30, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint on the entrance to the village of Ein al-Dyouk, and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>Raids: The Israeli army raided the village of Fasayel and arrested 1 civilian.</li> <li>Arrests: The civilian arrested in the village of Fasayel is called Mohammad</li> </ul>
BETHLEHEM	Ismail Salameh Ibayyat.  • Closure:  (i) 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.  (ii) Since September 15, 2007, the Israeli army has been preventing

civilian access, according to military order 07.02.S, to the 22-dunum land that has been confiscated in accordance with confiscation order number 07.31.T. The 22-dunum area has been set to construct a passage in the area of Mazmouriyyeh that is located in the cities of Beit Sahur and Bethlehem.

#### • Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) 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.
- (ii) At 12:50, the Israeli army closed the road that connects the city of Beir Sahour and the area of 'Ush Ghurab with dirt barricades.

## • Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 14:15, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint on the junction of the town of Za'tara and physically attacked 4 civilians.
- (ii) At 20:40, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint on al-Nashash junction (southern entrance to the city of Bethlehem), and searched civilians and vehicles until 21:25.

#### Raids:

- (i) At 12:10, the Israeli army raided the village of Deir Salah and set up a checkpoint. The raid recurred at 16:20. The Israeli army withdrew at 17:00.
- (ii) At 20:20, the Israeli army raided the town of al-Khader. The raid recurred at 23:20 during which the Israeli army patrolled the town until 24:00.
- (i) <u>Palestinian Security Measures</u>: At 15:00, the Palestinian security forces handed to the Israeli side through the D.C.O. a settler who entered into the city of Bethlehem by mistake
- Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the town of al-Khader; northwest of the city of Beit Jala; in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of the settlement of Ephrata; and in the area surrounding the village of al-Walaja.

#### • <u>Closure</u>:

# HEBRON

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close the following locales in the old city of Hebron: al-Shuhada' Street and the area of al-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 al-Sahleh. The Israeli army also continues to install an iron gate at the entrance to the area of al-Hisba (the fruits and vegetables market) in the old city of Hebron, thereby controlling civilian access in the area.
- (ii) Although it expired on 07 May 2006, the Israeli army continues to implement a military order stipulating the prohibition of civilian vehicles from traveling along the road connecting the settlement of Kiryat Arba' to the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron unless they possess access permits.

#### • Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the following locales: the entrance to the town of al-Samoa'; the area of al-Hawawir leading to the town of Halhoul; 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 road connecting the town of Surif to the village of al-Jab'a; the entrance to the village of Beit 'Einun; and the eastern entrance to the village of Kharsa. The Israeli army also continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to al-Qeisi neighborhood in the old city of Hebron as well as the main entrance to al-'Arroub refugee camp.
- (ii) In accordance with Military Order # 378, the Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from traveling along Shalala Old Street that leads to the old city of Hebron, only allowing Israeli vehicles as well as Israeli army vehicles to travel along this street.

## • Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 09:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint on Wadi Qaff road that leads to the town of Tarqumia, and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 09:30, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint on the town of Halhoul overpass, and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iii) At 09:40, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint on al-Fawwar junction, and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iv) At 13:40, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint on the junction of the village of Zeef and physically attacked a civilian called Khaldoun Mustafa Shreiteh, who was taken to hospital for treatment.
- (v) At 18:30, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint on the entrance to the town of Tafouh, and searched civilians and vehicles.

## • Raids:

- (i) At 11:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Kriseh and clashed with civilians during patrol.
- (ii) At 16:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Hebron and set up a checkpoint on al-Salam road. The raid recurred at 19:40 during which the Israeli army set up 3 checkpoints in the areas of Ras al-Jora, al-Jalada, and al-Aalam road.
- (iii) At 18:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Tafouh and clashed with civilians during patrol. The Israeli army withdrew at 18:30.
- (iv) At 23:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Safa north of the town of Beit 'Ummar.
- (v) At 23:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Bani Na'im.
- (vi) At 03:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Sammou' and its winch bumped against an electric post in the main street in the town resulting in the injury of a civilian called Ali Radi al-Mahariq, who was taken to

an Israeli hospital for treatment.

• <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction continues in the section of Tarqumiya checkpoint terminal, the remaining section of the Wall route that separates the settlement of Eshkolot from the village of al-Ramadin, and near the village of Imneizil southeast of the town of Yatta.

## **GAZA STRIP**

	• Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanoun (Erez) Crossing is partially open (to
NORTHERN	allow previously coordinated humanitarian access).
GAZA	Palestinian Attacks: In the morning of May 18, one
	unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.

GAZA	<ul> <li>Closure of Crossing Points:         <ul> <li>Al-Muntar (Karni) Crossing is closed.</li> <li>Al-Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is partly open to let in limited amounts of fuel.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
RAFAH	Closure of Crossing Points: (All closed)     (i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed.     (ii) Rafah (al-Awdah) Crossing is closed.     (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed.     (iv) Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) is closed.	

## PRISONERS CONDITIONS

• The Israeli military court at Salem detention camp sentenced prisoner Anas Tal'at Masarweh to 10 months in jail and a fine of 2000 shekels equivalent to 560 dollars.. In addition, the court extended the administrative detention of 5 prisoners from Tulkarem district.