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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 19 May 2011 – 08:00 20 May 2011

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Attacks	5	—	5	Incl. 2 in raids and 1 from a mil. post
Raids	19	—	19	Incl. 6 in Nablus and 3 in Salfit
Arrests (per Person)	10	—	10	Incl. 4 children
Detentions	14	—	14	At checkpoints and in residential areas
Wall Construction	13	—	13	Incl. in Jerusalem, Qalqiliya, & Hebron
Confiscation of Property	1	—	1	A hunting rifle in Qalqiliya
Attack on Property	1	—	1	Shepherds to evacuate Wadi al Malih
Curfew	1	—	1	Over Madama village in Nablus district
Closure of Checkpoints	10	—	10	Incl. access impeded at 7 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	21	—	21	Incl. 4 in Tulkarem and 4 in Hebron
Closure (per District)	8	—	8	Incl. Jerusalem and 5 areas in Hebron
Closure of Main Roads	44	—	44	Incl. 10 in Nablus and 14 in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points	—	4	4	Incl. food supplies allowed access
Settlement Activity	*	—	—	Building 1,550 housing units approved
Settler Violence	1	—	1	Civilian vehicles stoned in Nablus
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	—	1	A Presidential Guard vehicle detained
TOTAL	149	4	153	

DISTRICT	EVENTS
WEST BANK	
JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to Jerusalem city and to prevent civilians from other Palestinian districts from entering the city, only allowing access to civilians holding special permits. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the ‘demarcation area’ along the Wall in the area surrounding Jerusalem city and restrict access to the area to local residents as well as to civilians holding special permits. (iii) The Israeli army continues to impose a blockade and deny civilian access to a hill between Biddu and Beit Ikksa villages. • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and dirt barricades the entrance to the village of Jaba’. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the iron gate along the Wall section, separating the area of Dahiyat al Bareed from the town of Ar Ram. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with an iron gate the eastern entrance to Beit Ikksa village and force civilians to access Jerusalem city through Qalandiya checkpoint. • Checkpoint: The Israeli authorities continue to consider Qalandiya checkpoint a “border crossing point” and designates a special crossing lane for holders of Jerusalem IDs and those possessing permits to access Jerusalem city. • Settlement Activity: On 19 May 2011, the Planning and Building District Committee of the Israeli Jerusalem Municipality approved the construction of 1,550 housing units in Pisgat Ze’ev and Har Homa settlements in East Jerusalem. • Wall Gates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the Wall gate in Abu Dis town. (ii) The Israeli army continues to deny civilian access through the Wall gate on Ash Shayyah road in the area between As Sawahira ash Sharqiya and As Sawahira al Gharbiya villages, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem IDs to cross, after subjecting them to thorough searches using electronic devices. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area north of Qalandiya village; south of Az Za’ayyem village; and in Wadi al ‘Eizariya west of Ma’ale Adumim settlement.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to Sinjil town and Saffa village as well as the junction to Kafr Malik and ‘Ein Samiya villages. • Flying Checkpoint: At 14:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Sinjil town and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raid: At 19:00, the Israeli army raided Al Jalazun refugee camp and arrested a civilian.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Arrest:</u> The Israeli army arrested Mohammed ‘Uthman ‘Asfour ‘Amouri in Al Jalazun refugee camp. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues in the area west of ‘Abud town in the area surrounding ‘Ofarim settlement and north of Al Lubban al Gharbi and Rantis villages.
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Road:</u> The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to the town of ‘Arraba east of Dotan settlement. • <u>Raids:</u> At 18:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Ya’bad town and Bir al Basha village. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> 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.
TUBAS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Checkpoint:</u> Though allowing civilian access to the Northern Jordan Valley between 06:00 and 22:00, the Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint east of the city of Tubas. • <u>Attack on Property:</u> At 20:15, the Israeli army demanded that shepherds evacuate Wadi al Malih area in the Northern Jordan Valley, ostensibly because of recurrent military training exercises in the area.
TULKAREM	<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 road connecting Kafr al Labad town to Shufa village as well as the road connecting Shufa and ‘Izbat Shufa villages. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the detour road leading to Ramin village along the Tulkarem-Nablus main road. • <u>Checkpoint:</u> At 11:35, the Israeli army intensified restrictions and impeded civilian access at ‘Einav checkpoint on the Tulkarem-Nablus main road. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between ‘Attil and Deir al Ghusun towns and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 22:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Al Jarushiya village and searched civilians and vehicles until 24:00. (iii) At 01:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Far’un village and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raid:</u> At 09:30, the Israeli army raided Tulkarem city, set up a checkpoint, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area until 13:55. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
QALQILYA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Roads:</u> The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks agricultural roads east of the town of ‘Azzun. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to ‘Azzun town and searched civilians and vehicles.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) At 12:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Qalqiliya city and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 20:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near ‘Azzun ‘Atma village and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raids/Attack/Confiscation of Property:</u> At 02:30, the Israeli army raided ‘Azzun town and fired sound grenades, while it was searching a number of houses. The Israeli army also arrested six civilians, including four children, and confiscated a hunting rifle. • <u>Arrests:</u> The Israeli army arrested six civilians in ‘Azzun town: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Sameh Mahmoud Hussein, 17 years old; (ii) Mustafa Abdullah ‘Umran, 17 years old; (iii) Ahmed Ali Rashed Radhwan, 17 years old; (iv) ‘Urwah Abdul Salam ‘Umran, 17 years old; (v) Mohammed ‘Imad Mohammed Radhwan; and (vi) Mahmoud Abdul ‘Aziz Khirfan. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at ‘Azzun ‘Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal detector. (ii) The Israeli army continues close with an iron gate the entrance to the village of Wadi ar Rasha and to deny civilian access. The Israeli army allows residents to access the village through Gate #109. Having removed the iron gate at the entrance to the village of Ras ‘Atiya, the Israeli army only allows students to cross to their schools outside the village through the Habla gate. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues in Kafr Laqif village north of Karnei Shomron settlement; in Immatin village northeast of Imanuel settlement; and east of Kafr Thulth town near Ma’ale Shomron settlement.
NABLUS	<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 the roads of Till-Burin and Beit Furik-Salem; the settler bypass road connecting the village of Deir al Hatab to the settlement of Alon Moreh; the road connecting the town of ‘Aqraba to the village of Osarin; and the detour road between the town of Qabalan and the village of Osarin. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the northern entrance to the town of Qabalan; the southern entrances to the town of Jamma’in and the villages of Duma and Qaryut; and the western entrance to An Naqura village opposite the settlement of Shavei Shomron. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At Tur neighbourhood 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 neighbourhood only between 07:00 and 02:00.

	<p>(ii) At 'Awarta commercial checkpoint, civilians are allowed to cross between 05:00 and 20:00, but between 05:00 and 15:00 on Fridays. All civilian vehicles are allowed to access the city of Nablus, but only commercial vehicles and ambulances can leave the city through the checkpoint.</p> <p>(iii) At 10:15, the Israeli army closed Shavei Shomron checkpoint and impeded civilian access.</p> <p>(iv) At 15:10, the Israeli army closed Huwwara checkpoint and impeded civilian access.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <p>(i) At 13:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between Talluza and Yasid villages and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> <p>(ii) At 19:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Yitzhar settlement and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> <p>(iii) At 20:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Beit Furik town and impeded civilian access.</p> <p>(iv) At 05:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Deir Sharaf village and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> • <u>Raids/Detentions/Attack/Curfew:</u> <p>(i) At 09:40, the Israeli army raided Al Lubban ash Sharqiya village, detained Ahmed Mousa Ahmed Samarah, and released him at 19:00.</p> <p>(ii) At 10:00, the Israeli army raided Beit Imrin village. Meantime, Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians.</p> <p>(iii) At 11:00, the Israeli army raided Yasid village and fired sound grenades, while it was searching a house. The Israeli army also patrolled the area.</p> <p>(iv) At 12:00, the Israeli army raided Talluza village, detained a number of civilians, and released them after interrogation. At 12:55, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.</p> <p>(v) At 20:20, the Israeli army raided Madama village and imposed curfew, allegedly because a Molotov cocktail had been thrown at an Israeli army patrol near the village. The Israeli army also searched two houses and withdrew at 23:30.</p> <p>(vi) At 02:35, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Nablus city.</p> • <u>Arrests:</u> At 18:55, Israeli troops positioned at a checkpoint set up on the Nablus-Ramallah main road arrested two residents of Nablus city: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Jasser As'ad Nasouh Hamameh; and (ii) Saher Mahmoud Yousef Abu Nafiseh. • <u>Settler Violence:</u> At 23:15, a group of Israeli settlers threw stones at civilian vehicles travelling along the main near the junction to Yitzhar settlement.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <p>(i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the northern entrance to Salfit city and with cement blocks the northern entrance to the Bruqin town.</p> <p>(ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the entrance to two detour roads connecting Marda village to respective farmland.</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (iii) Beginning on 14 November 2010, the Israeli army has continued to open the northern entrance to Salfit city to civilian buses only. The entrance had been closed for seven years. • Checkpoint: At 15:05, the Israeli army intensified restrictions and impeded civilian access at the Za'tara junction checkpoint. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:00, the Israeli army raided Az Zawiya town and patrolled it until 09:00. (ii) At 18:25, the Israeli army raided Haris village and patrolled it until 20:00. (iii) At 20:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Deir Istiya town. • Arrest: At 10:00 on 19 May 2011, the Israeli army arrested Abdullah Ibrahim Bouziyyeh during its raid into Kifl Haris town. • Provocation of Palestinian Forces: At 22:10, Israeli troops positioned at the Za'tara junction checkpoint detained a Palestinian Presidential Guard vehicle, transporting 11 officers. Following coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO), Israeli troops allowed the vehicle to cross. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area north of Deir Istiya town southeast of Emmanuel settlement.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between Jericho city and Al 'Auja village with cement blocks. • Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Al Hamra checkpoint set up along Al Badhan road connecting Jericho and Nablus districts, only allowing access to residents of Jericho district of the Jordan Valley area. (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the junction to Al 'Auja village along Al-Mu'arrajat road connecting Jericho and Ramallah districts, only allowing access to residents of Jericho district as well as to others holding access permits. • Flying Checkpoints: At 10:00, and again at 12:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to Jericho city. At 02:50, the Israeli army set up another checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles until 03:30. • Raid: At 16:55, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Al 'Auja village.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close roads to An Nu'man village, with the exception of the road leading to the Wall gate in the south-eastern area of the village. (ii) Beginning on 15 September 2007, the Israeli army has continued to prevent civilians from accessing or staying on 22 <i>dunums</i> of confiscated land in Al Mazmuriya area in Beit Sahur and Bethlehem cities.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> The Israeli army continues to close the Beit Jala-Wadi Ahmad road; a road east of Beit Fajjar town; the road connecting Tuqu' town to Khirbet al Baq'a village; and the detour road connecting Wadi Fukin and Al Jab'a villages. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Battir village. (ii) At 21:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Harmala village. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues in the area northwest of Beit Jala city; around Al Walaja village; and east of Efrat settlement.
Hebron	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close Ash Shuhada' Street, As Sahleh and Khuzq al Far areas, and the old gold market in the old city of Hebron. In addition to closing the entrance to Al Qeisi neighbourhood, the Israeli army continues to close the entrances to the area of Al Hisba (the fruits and vegetables market) with an iron gate and Al Laban Market with iron plates. (ii) Beginning on 05 January 2009, the Israeli army has continued to close the area located along the Green Line south of the town of Yatta. Having seized land for Wall construction, the Israeli army evacuated residents and denied civilian access to the area. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to Adh Dhahirriya and As Samoa' towns, Al 'Arrub refugee camp, and At Tuwani and Al Karmil villages. (ii) The Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from travelling along Ash Shalala Old Street in the old city of Hebron. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close all roads leading to Road # 60 as well as detour roads along the settler bypass road leading to Yatta town. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the old city of Hebron, searched civilians and vehicles, and served summonses on a number of civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. (ii) At 12:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in Yaqin area near the entrance to Bani Na'im town and searched civilians and vehicles. Meantime, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during which 70-year-old Ali Salem Ballout sustained injuries as a result of tear gas inhalation. (iii) At 12:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the entrance to Al 'Arrub Agriculture College, detained a number of students, and released them at a later time. (iv) At 20:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the northern entrance to Hebron city (along Road # 35 near the overpass to Halhul town) and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Attack:</u> At 11:15, Israeli troops guarding the Wall section near Sansana settlement south of Ar Ramadin village opened fire on Palestinian workers, who opened a hole through the Wall in an attempt to gain access into Israel.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 01:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Yatta town. (ii) At 04:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Adh Dhahiriya town. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area surrounding Eshkolot settlement west of Adh Dhahiriya town.
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GAZA STRIP

ALL DISTRICTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At 02:00 on 18 January 2009, the unilateral ceasefire declared by the Israeli authorities came into effect. At a later time on the same day, armed Palestinian groups announced an agreement to cease fire. The ceasefire has been further renewed on 10 April 2011.
NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing was partially open to previously-coordinated critically ill civilians, foreign journalists, international organisations staff, merchants, businesspeople, and civilians intending to travel to Jordan through Al Karama (Allenby) Bridge in the West Bank.
GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Points: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 02 March 2011, the Crossing has been effectively closed upon an Israeli unilateral decision. (ii) Ash Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 04 January 2010, the Crossing has been closed upon an Israeli unilateral decision.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Points: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah (<i>Al 'Awdah</i>) Crossing was open to allow civilians, students, and others holding visas and residence cards abroad to depart the Gaza Strip. Access was also allowed to patients who had received medical attention at Egyptian hospitals and civilians arriving from other countries via Egypt. (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed. (iv) Karm Abu Salem (Karem Shalom) Crossing was partially open for transportation of 279 truckloads of food supplies, goods, humanitarian aid, and construction cargo designated to internationally-funded projects.