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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 22 May 2011 – 08:00 23 May 2011

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Attacks	2	1	3	2 in confrontations & 1 from mil. post
Raids	26	—	26	Incl. 4 in Ramallah and 11 in Hebron
Arrests (per Person)	8	—	8	Incl. a child
Detentions	15	—	15	Incl. 3 Palestinian security officers
Wall Construction	14	—	14	Incl. in Jerusalem, Qalqiliya, & Tulkarem
Destruction of Property	4	—	4	Incl. around 95 olive trees cut down
House Occupation	1	—	1	Converted into a mil. post in Hebron
Closure of Checkpoints	10	—	10	Incl. a checkpoint temporarily closed
Flying Checkpoints	33	—	33	Incl. 7 in Qalqiliya and 8 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. humanitarian cases allowed access
Settler Violence	5	—	5	Incl. a civilian severely beaten
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	—	1	2 National Security vehicles detained
TOTAL	171	5	176	

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 Ikxa 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 Ikxa 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. • Flying Checkpoint: At 22:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near Beit ‘Anan village, searched civilian vehicles, and arrested a civilian. • Arrest: Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up near Beit ‘Anan village arrested Mubin Mohammed Ibrahim Jumhour. • 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 was resumed 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 Checkpoints: At 15:40, and again at 20:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the overpass to ‘Atara town and searched civilians and vehicles.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 20:30, the Israeli army raided An Nabi Salih village. While patrolling the area, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. (ii) At 01:00, the Israeli army raided ‘Arura town and searched two houses. (iii) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Ramallah and El Bireh cities. • <u>Settler Violence/Destruction of Property:</u> On 20 May 2011, a group of Israeli settlers gained access to civilian land in Beitillu village and cut down 35 olive trees belonging to Fawzi Mousa Abdul ‘Aziz Bazzar. Settlers also severely beat Bazzar as he attempted to confront them. The Israeli army evacuated settlers from the area at a later time. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction was resumed 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>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.
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> The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions and impede civilian access at ‘Einav checkpoint on the Tulkarem-Nablus main road. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 21:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between Kafr al Labad and Hafasa villages and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 22:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near Al Jarushiya village, detained two civilians, and released them at a later time: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) ‘Imad Khamis; and (ii) Jamil Abu Sharqiyyeh. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 17:00, the Israeli army raided Al Jarushiya village, set up a checkpoint, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area. (ii) At 01:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Deir al Ghusun town. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: On 22 May 2011, the Israeli army began levelling land for adjustment of the Wall route in the area surrounding Jubara village. According to an Israeli High Court decision, the new Wall route will be constructed west of Jubara, placing the village and a portion of its land outside the Wall.
QALQILYA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks agricultural roads east of the town of ‘Azzun. • Flying Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between ‘Azzun town and ‘Izbat at Tabib village and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 10:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Jit village and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 19:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Hajja village and searched civilians and vehicles. (iv) At 19:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near ‘Azzun ‘Atma village and searched civilians and vehicles. (v) At 20:00, the Israeli army set up two flying checkpoints at the entrances to Jinsafut and Kafr Laqif villages and searched civilians and vehicles. (vi) At 21:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between ‘Azzun and Kafr Thulth towns and searched civilians and vehicles. • Settler Violence/Destruction of Property: At 08:00, a group of Israeli settlers gained access to civilian land in Kafr Qaddum village and cut down approximately 60 olive trees belonging to Mohammed Abdul Latif Ishteiwi. • Wall Gates: <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. • Wall Construction: Wall construction was resumed 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"> • Closure of Main Roads: <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.

	<p>(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.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checkpoints: 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. (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 vehicles can access the city of Nablus, but only commercial vehicles and ambulances can leave the city through the checkpoint. (iii) At 07:15, the Israeli army intensified restrictions and impeded civilian access at Huwwara checkpoint. • Flying Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 12:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Deir Sharaf village and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 16:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction Deir al Hatab village and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 00:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Badhan road (the eastern entrance to Nablus city) and searched civilians and vehicles. (iv) At 01:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Yitzhar settlement and denied access to civilian vehicles until 02:30. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 18:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Jamma'in town. (ii) At 00:25, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Madama village. (iii) At 00:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled 'Asira al Qibliya village. (iv) At 03:00, the Israeli army raided the eastern quarters of Nablus city and patrolled them until 03:40.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the entrance to two detour roads connecting Marda village to respective farmland. (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: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions and impede civilian access at the Za'tara junction checkpoint. At 23:15, the Israeli army closed the checkpoint and reopened it at a later time. • Raid: At 10:20, the Israeli army raided Yasuf village and patrolled the area until 10:50.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Detention:</u> At 09:50, Israeli troops positioned at the Za'tara junction checkpoint detained Ayman Abdul Razzaq Saleem Mahmoud, a Palestinian National Security officer, and released him at 10:20 after coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO). • <u>Provocation of Palestinian Forces:</u> At 11:00, Israeli troops positioned at the Za'tara junction checkpoint detained two Palestinian National Security vehicles and allowed them to cross at 11:20 after coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO). • <u>Settler Violence:</u> At 23:15, a group of Israeli settlers threw stones at civilian vehicles near the Za'tara junction checkpoint. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction was resumed in the area north of Deir Istiya town southeast of Emmanuel settlement.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Road:</u> The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between Jericho city and Al 'Auja village with cement blocks. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> <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'arajat road connecting Jericho and Ramallah districts, only allowing access to residents of Jericho district as well as to others holding access permits. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to Jericho city. At 15:15, the Israeli army set up another checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles until 17:40. (ii) At 20:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near 'Ein ad Duyuk village (the northern entrance to Jericho city) and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 16:50, the Israeli army raided Suteih area in Jericho city and patrolled it until 18:45. (ii) At 21:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Al 'Auja village. • <u>Detentions:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 15:20, Israeli troops positioned at Al Hamra checkpoint detained Ali Abu 'Udeileh, a Palestinian Preventive Security officer, and released him at a later time. (ii) At 16:10, Israeli troops positioned at Al Hamra checkpoint detained 'Anan Hussein 'Ass'ous, a Palestinian National Security officer, allegedly for locating a knife in his bag. At 20:45, 'Ass'ous was released after coordination with Israeli authorities (through the DCO).
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <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.

	<p>(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.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: 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. • Flying Checkpoints: <p>(i) At 08:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the north-western entrance to Beit Jala city and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> <p>(ii) At 15:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on An Nashash junction (the southern entrance to Bethlehem city). At 20:30, the Israeli army set up another checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles until 22:35.</p> • Raids: At 13:55, the Israeli army raided Tuqu' town. While patrolling the area, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. At 01:25, the Israeli army raided the town again, searched three houses, and served a summons on Mohammed Jamal al 'Umour to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. • Arrest: At 11:05, Israeli troops positioned at As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the 'Container') checkpoint detained Hamzeh Abu Hitteh. • Destruction of Property: At 12:00, the Israeli army demolished three agricultural facilities on farmland belonging to Mohammed Saleh Abu Swayy near the junction to Kfar 'Etzion settlement. Abu Swayy is a resident of Artas village. • Settler Violence: At 20:00, a group of Israeli settlers threw stones at civilian vehicles near the junction to Efrat settlement, breaking the windshield of a vehicle belonging to Abdul Qader Masharqah. • Wall Construction: Wall construction was resumed in the area northwest of Beit Jala city; around Al Walaja village; and east of Efrat settlement.
Hebron	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <p>(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.</p> <p>(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.</p> • Closure of Main Roads: <p>(i) The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to Adh Dhahiriya and As Samoa' towns, Al 'Arrub refugee camp, and At Tuwani and Al Karmil villages.</p>

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| | <p>(ii) The Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from travelling along Ash Shalala Old Street in the old city of Hebron.</p> <p>(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.</p> <p>• <u>Flying Checkpoints/Detention:</u></p> <p>(i) At 09:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Fawwar junction and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> <p>(ii) At 10:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near Wadi ‘Ubeid village and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> <p>(iii) At 11:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Adh Dhahiriya town and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> <p>(iv) At 17:30, and again at 07:20, 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.</p> <p>(v) At 20:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Tarqumiya town and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> <p>(vi) At 23:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Kharsa village and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> <p>(vii) At 07:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to Halhul town and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> <p>• <u>Raids/House Occupation:</u></p> <p>(i) At 09:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Dura town and Deir Samit village.</p> <p>(ii) At 12:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled As Simiya village.</p> <p>(iii) At 15:00, the Israeli army raided Hebron city, occupied the roof of a building under construction in Bab az Zawiya area, and converted it into a military post in order to provide protection to Israeli settlers, who visited Otniel Tomb. At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the city again.</p> <p>(iv) At 20:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Yatta town.</p> <p>(v) At 20:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Al Fawwar refugee camp.</p> <p>(vi) At 01:30, the Israeli army raided Tarqumiya town and arrested two civilians, including a child.</p> <p>(vii) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Halhul town.</p> <p>(viii) At 02:30, the Israeli army raided Al ‘Arrub refugee camp and arrested three civilians.</p> <p>(ix) At 06:00, the Israeli army raided Dura town and arrested a civilian.</p> <p>• <u>Arrests:</u> The Israeli army arrested two civilians in Tarqumiya town:</p> <p>(i) Mu’ath Mohammed Abdul Mun’em Shalalfeh, 17 years old; and</p> <p>(ii) Abdul Mun’em Shakir Abdul Mun’em Shalalfeh.</p> <p>The Israeli army arrested three civilians in Al ‘Arrub refugee camp:</p> <p>(iii) Hasan Nayef ar Ra’i;</p> <p>(iv) Omar Zuhdi Mahfouth; and</p> <p>(v) As’ad Thiyab al Badawi.</p> <p>(vi) The Israeli army arrested Khadher Mohammed Yousef al Huroub in Dura town.</p> |
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Wall construction was resumed in the area surrounding Eshkolot settlement west of Adh Dhahiriya town.
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GAZA STRIP

<p>ALL DISTRICTS</p>	<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. • Violation of the Ceasefire: The Israeli army opened fire from its location on the Green Line on Khan Yunis district.
<p>NORTHERN GAZA</p>	<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.
<p>GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Points: <ol 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.
<p>CENTRAL GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
<p>KHAN YUNIS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attack: In the morning of 23 May 2011, the Israeli army opened fire from its location on the Green Line on farmers while they were harvesting wheat and malt crops near the Border Fence in Al Farahin area.
<p>RAFAH</p>	<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 (<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.

	<p>(iii) Sufa Crossing is closed.</p> <p>(iv) Karm Abu Salem (Karem Shalom) Crossing was partially open for transportation of 267 truckloads of food supplies, goods, humanitarian aid, and construction cargo designated to internationally-funded projects. Cooking gas was also transported through the Crossing.</p>
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POLITICAL PRISONERS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sentence: The Israeli military court at ‘Ofar Detention and Interrogation Centre sentenced Amjad ‘Ayed Abu Rahmeh, a 15-year-old boy from Bil’in village in Ramallah district, to a jail term of six months, allegedly because he participated in the weekly peaceful demonstrations against land confiscation and Wall construction in the village. Amjad had been detained for four months. • Abuse of Political Prisoners: The Palestinian Minister of Detainees and Released Detainees announced that the Israeli Prisons Authority made a decision, depriving approximately 800 political prisoners held in ‘Asqalan, Eshel, Ramon, and Nafha prisons of pursuing higher education. Of these, 150 prisoners are held in ‘Asqalan prison. The Israeli Prisons Authority also prevented high school prisoners from sitting for high school (Tawjihi) examinations. In response to prisoner protests, Israeli officials imposed collective punishment on prisoners. This included depriving prisoners from the canteen service, preventing family visits for two months, reducing the time out of cells for a one hour instead of three for a period of two months.
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