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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT 08:00 28 May 2011 – 08:00 29 May 2011

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assault	1	_	1	A civilian severely beaten in Hebron
Injury	_	1	1	A civilian in Gaza district
Attacks	2	1	3	Incl. 1 in a raid and 1 from a mil. post
Raids	20	_	20	Incl. 3 in Bethlehem and 5 in Hebron
Arrests (per Person)	6	_	6	Incl. 3 in Jenin and 2 in Tulkarem
Detentions	14	_	14	Incl. children and 3 int'l peace activists
House Demolition	1	_	1	A civilian forced to demolish his house
Wall Construction	14	_	14	Incl. in Jerusalem, Qalqiliya, & Tulkarem
Destruction of Property	4	_	4	Incl. a bedroom burnt in Nablus
House Occupation	1		1	Converted into a mil. post in Nablus
Closure of Checkpoints	9	_	9	Incl. access impeded at 6 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	29	_	29	Incl. 7 in Qalqiliya and 6 in Hebron
Closure (per District)	9	_	9	Incl. Jerusalem and a village in Nablus
Closure of Main Roads	44	_	44	Incl. 10 in Nablus and 14 in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points	_	6	6	Only Rafah Crossing open
Settler Violence	7	_	7	Incl. olive trees and grapevines cut
Demonstrations	3	_	3	Incl. in solidarity with prisoners
TOTAL	150	8	158	

DISTRICT EVENTS

WEST BANK

• Closure:

- (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 Iksa villages.

• Closure of Main Roads:

- (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 Iksa village and force civilians to access Jerusalem city through Qalandiya checkpoint.
- <u>Checkpoint</u>: 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.

• <u>Arrest</u>: On 27 May 2011, the Israeli army arrested Mohammed Sider in Ras al 'Amud neighbourhood in Jerusalem city.

- <u>House Demolition</u>: On 28 May 2011, and in order to avoid exorbitant fines imposed by the Israeli authorities, Mahmoud 'Aramin was forced to demolish his own house in Wadi al Joz neighbourhood near the vegetables and fruits market on the road to the Olive Mount in Jerusalem city. The Israeli authorities issued a military order on the demolition of 'Aramin's house, allegedly because it had been built without the required construction licence.
- <u>Settler Violence</u>: At 12:45, a group of Israeli settlers erected a tent in a forested area opposite Ma'ale Adumim settlement on the Jerusalem-Jericho main. Settlers also threw stones at civilian vehicles.

• Wall Gates:

- (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.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the area north of Qalandiya village; south of Az Za'ayyem village; and in Wadi al 'Eizariya west of Ma'ale Adumim settlement.

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RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	 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 13:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Al Janiya village and searched civilians and vehicles. At 20:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between Beit Rim and 'Abud towns and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids/Attack: At 12:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Deir as Sudan village. At dawn on 29 may 2011, the Israeli army raided Bil'in village and fired sound grenades, while it was patrolling the area. Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the area west of 'Abud town in the area surrounding 'Ofarim settlement and north of Al Lubban al Gharbi and Rantis villages.
JENIN	 Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of Dotan settlement. Flying Checkpoint: At 11:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Misliya village and searched civilians and vehicles until 12:15. Arrests: On 28 May 2011, Israeli troops arrested three residents of Kafr Ra'i town, while they were present at their workplaces in Israel: Basem Riyadh Mahmoud Milhem; Ayman Tareq Sharif Milhem; and Mu'tassem Wael Ahmed Milhem. 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.
TUBAS	• <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	 Closure of Main Roads: 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. The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the detour road leading to Ramin village along the Tulkarem-Nablus main road. Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions and impede civilian access at 'Einav checkpoint on the Tulkarem-Nablus main road. Flying Checkpoints/Detentions: At 09:05, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Kafriyat road connecting Tulkarem and Qalqiliya districts and searched civilians and vehicles.

	 (ii) At 11:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Far'un village and searched civilians and vehicles. The Israeli army also detained a civilian and two Palestinian Police officers and released them after coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO). • Raid: At 02:55, the Israeli army raided Nur Shams refugee camp in Tulkarem city, searched a number of houses, arrested two civilians, and withdrew at 04:05. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested two civilians in Nur Shams refugee camp in Tulkarem city: Fadi Omar Tarif; and Ali Kheiri Mohammed Abu Salah. • Wall Gates: Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • Wall Construction: Land levelling for adjustment of the Wall route was suspended for the weekend in the area surrounding Jubara village.
	According to an Israeli High Court decision, the new Wall route will be constructed west of the village.
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	 Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun. Flying Checkpoints/Detentions: At 12:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the eastern entrance to Qalqiliya city, searched civilian vehicles, detained a number of civilians, and released them at a later time. At 17:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Al Funduq village and searched civilians and vehicles. At 18:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the junction to Jinsafut village and searched civilians and vehicles. At 19:20, and again at 21:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Jit village and searched civilians and vehicles. At 20:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near Hajja village
QALQILYA	and searched civilians and vehicles. (vi) At 21:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to
	Immatin village and searched civilians and vehicles.
	• Raids:
	(i) At 14:00, the Israeli army raided Qalqiliya city and patrolled it until 14:30.
	(ii) At 04:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Jit village.
	• <u>Demonstration</u> : At 10:30, families of political prisoners held a sit-in
	demonstration in front of offices of the International Committee of the Red
	Cross (ICRC) in Qalqiliya city in solidarity with their relative prisoners. Protestors also demanded that all political prisoners be released from Israeli
	prisons.
	• Wall Gates:
	(i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma
	Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal
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- (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 suspended for the weekend 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.

• Closure of Main Roads:

- (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:
- (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 21:00, the Israeli army intensified restrictions and impeded civilian access at Huwwara checkpoint.

• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 08:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between 'Iraq Burin and Til villages and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 17:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the road connecting Nablus city and Til village and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iii) At 02:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Deir Sharaf village and searched civilians and vehicles until 06:30.
- Raid: At dawn on 28 May 2011, the Israeli army raided Madama village, searched a number of houses, and served summonses on three civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency.

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• <u>Demonstrations/Raid/House Occupation/Attack/Detentions:</u>

- (i) At 11:00, families of political prisoners held a sit-in demonstration in front of offices of the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) in Nablus city in solidarity with their relative prisoners. Protestors also demanded that all political prisoners be released from Israeli prisons.
- (ii) At 16:50, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in 'Iraq Burin village in protest against land confiscation for construction of settlement projects. Meantime, the Israeli army raided the village, occupied the roof of a house, and converted it into a military post. The Israeli army also fired tear gas grenades on protestors, preventing them from accessing land under the threat of confiscation, which it declared a close military zone. A number of civilians sustained injuries as a result of tear gas inhalation. A tear gas grenade landed on a house belonging to Haydar Isma'il Qadous, setting fire to the bedroom. Additionally, the Israeli army detained three international peace activities and released them at a later time.

• Closure of Main Roads:

- (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.
- <u>Checkpoint</u>: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions and impede civilian access at the Za'tara junction checkpoint.
- <u>Flying Checkpoint</u>: At 20:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between Deir Istiya town and Zeita Jamma'in village and searched civilians and vehicles until 21:00.

Raids:

- (i) At 01:00, the Israeli army raided Biddya and Qarawat Bani Hassan towns and patrolled both areas until 04:00.
- (ii) At 01:30, the Israeli army raided Az Zawiya town, searched a house, and served a summons on Husam Abdul Latif Mohammed Shuqeir to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. At 02:20, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
- (iii) At 01:50, the Israeli army raided Kafr ad Dik town, searched a house, and served a summons on Samer Nour Mustafa ad Dik to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. At 02:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.

• Settler Violence:

(i) At 15:40, a group of Israeli settlers from Kfar Tappuah settlement threw stones at civilian vehicles travelling along the main road near the settlement.

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	 (ii) At 18:00, a group of Israeli settlers from Kfar Tappuah settlement severely beat two civilians, while they were working on their land near the settlement: (i) Mahdi Husam As'ad; and (ii) Mahran Iyad Abdul Qader. • Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the area north of Deir Istiya town southeast of Emmanuel settlement.
JERICHO	 Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between Jericho city and Al 'Auja village with cement blocks. Checkpoints: 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. 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. Flving Checkpoints: At 20:00, and again at 21:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to Jericho city and searched civilians and vehicles. At 21:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near 'Ein ad Duyuk village (the northern entrance to Jericho city) and searched civilians and vehicles. Raid: At 01:50, the Israeli army raided 'Aqbat Jaber refugee camp in Jericho city and served summonses on two civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency: Ali Khalil Abu al 'Asal; and Kamal Sa'id al Lad'ah. At 02:40, the Israeli army withdrew from the refugee camp.
BETHLEHEM	 Closure: 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 southeastern area of the village. Beginning on 15 September 2007, the Israeli army has continued to prevent civilians from accessing or staying on 22 dunums of confiscated land in Al Mazmuriya area in Beit Sahur and Bethlehem cities. 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.

• <u>Flying Checkpoint</u>: At 15:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the north-western entrance to Beit Jala city and searched civilians and vehicles.

• Raids:

- (i) At 13:15, the Israeli army raided Khallet al Luza village, set up a checkpoint, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area.
- (ii) At 02:30, the Israeli army raided Bethlehem and Beit Jala cities, searched a house, and withdrew at 04:10.
- <u>Settler Violence</u>: At 12:10, a group of Israeli settlers threw stones at civilian vehicles near the entrance to Tuqu' town.
- Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the area northwest of Beit Jala city; around Al Walaja village; and east of Efrat settlement.

• Closure:

- (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.

• Closure of Main Roads:

- (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.
- (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.

• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 09:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Sa'ir town and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 10:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Deir al 'Asal at Tahta village and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iii) At 11:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Al Maid village and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iv) At 15:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Bani Na'im town and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (v) At 16:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to An Nabi Yunis area on the Hebron-Bethlehem main road and searched civilians and vehicles.

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- (vi) At 19:20, 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.
- <u>Physical Assault</u>: At 02:50, Israeli troops severely beat Mahmoud Mohammed al Battat, a resident of Adh Dhahiriya town, near Ar Ramadin village. At Battat was transported to hospital for treatment of contusions sustained.

• Raids:

- (i) At 12:15, the Israeli army raided Beit 'Amra village and searched a house
- (ii) At 19:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Abu al 'Asja village.
- (iii) At 00:25, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Nuba town.
- (iv) At 00:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Yatta and As Samoa' towns.
- <u>Detentions</u>: At 19:45, Israeli troops detained a number of civilians, including children, while they were working on their land near Bat 'Ayin settlement in Khirbet Safa village, claiming that they had accessed a closed military zone. Israeli troops all detained civilians after coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO).
- Settler Violence/Destruction of Property:
- (i) On 28 May 2011, a group of Israeli settlers from Bat 'Ayin settlement gained access to civilian farmland in 'Ein al Beida area in Beit Ummar town. In addition to uprooting 17 olive seedlings, settlers cut down three olive trees and 20 grapevines belonging to Hammad Abdul Hamid Jaber as Salibi.
- (ii) At 24:00, a group of Israeli settlers threw stones at civilian vehicles travelling along Ash Shalala Street in the old city of Hebron, breaking the windshield of a vehicle belonging to 'Umran al Ja'bari.
- Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the area surrounding Eshkolot settlement west of Adh Dhahiriya town.

GAZA STRIP

ALL DISTRICTS

- 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.
- <u>Flying Checkpoints</u>: The Israeli army opened fire from its location on the Green Line on Gaza district, injuring a civilian.

NORTHERN GAZA

• Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing was closed.

GAZA	 Closure of Crossing Points: 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. Attack/Injury: At dawn on 29 May 2011, the Israeli army opened fire from its location on the Green Line on Palestinian territory east of Az Zaytun neighbourhood southeast of Gaza city, injuring a civilian. 		
CENTRAL GAZA	Activities not reported.		
KHAN YUNIS	Activities not reported.		
RAFAH	 Closure of Crossing Points: Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. Rafah (Al 'Awdah) Crossing is open between 10:00 and 16:00 for departure and arrival of civilians. Sufa Crossing is closed. Karm Abu Salem (Karem Shalom) Crossing was closed. 		