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1. Casualties

Palestinians: 16 deaths

144 injured

Israelis: 1 death

5 injured

Sources: OCHA FCU, PRCS, IDF website, Israeli MoFA.

2. Incidents involving ambulances and medical teams

Denial of access: 2 incidents (an ambulance was transporting two children, one of them with cancer).

Delay (55-150 mins): 3 incidents

Physical/Verbal abuse of Medical team: 1 incident Shooting/Damage to Ambulance: 2 incidents

Sources: PRCS

3. Curfews

Curfews were reported in the following locations:

Date	Location	Number of days/hours
15-17 April	Tulkarm Refugee Camp	3 days
15 April	Beit Ijza, Jerusalem	Few hours
17 April	Kifl Haris, Salfit	1 day
18 & 19 April	Silat ad Daher, Jenin	1 day
18 April	Rummana, Jenin	1 day
18 April	Burqa, Nablus	1 day
19 April	Deir Istiya, Salfit	1day
20 April	Silwad	Few hours

Sources: OCHA FCU, UNRWA

4. House demolitions/Demolition Orders

Date	Location	Completely demolished	Partially demolished	Partially damaged
14/04/2004	Rafidia	1-storey house (two flats)	0	0
15/04/2004	As Salam and al Baraham area in Rafah	32 houses	0	5 houses
15/04/2004	Tulkarm	1 house and 1 vehicle workshop	0	0
15/04/2004	Beit Jala	1 house	0	0
15/04/2004	Bethlehem city	1 house	0	0
17/04/2004	Tulkarm refugee camp	Top floor of a three-storey building	0	0
19/04/2004	Deir al Balah	4-storey building	0	0
20/04/2004	Wadi as Salqa, Deir al Balah	1 house	0	0
Total		36 houses, a 4-storey building, a 1-storey building, a car workshop and the top flour of a 3-storey building	0	5

Sources: OCHA FCU, Al Mezan Centre for Human Rights, PCHR

5. Land levelling/Confiscation¹

West Bank:

- **14 April**: The IDF entered the village of Qarawat Bani Zeid in Salfit district at approximately 9.30 in the morning and uprooted a large ancient oak tree. The IDF also disturbed some 40 Palestinian graves.
- The construction of the Barrier has been suspended in most areas in the Ramallah/Al Bireh governorate pending an Israeli High Court decision. Construction, however, continues in Beituniya.
- The IDF bulldozed a small plot of land in Kafr Ein, reportedly for the construction of a new military base.
- 13 and 15 April: The IDF levelled land and erected a 2 metre-high razor wire fence in the area of Ash Shrafa near Husan village, along the northern side of the 375-bypass road, Bethlehem District
- **14 April:** Settlers re-established an outpost Ghiborim by placing a caravan in the area near Kiryat Arba settlement, Hebron District.
- 19 April: The IDF levelled 5 dunums of land in Wadi Al Ghorouz between Kiryat Arba and Kharsina Settlements, Hebron District.

Gaza:

- 15 April: 2 IDF bulldozers supported by a tank uprooted 1.5 dunums of olive trees in Deir Al Balah next to Kfar Darom settlement.
- 16 April: an IDF bulldozer entered the area of Al Qarara and levelled 16 dunums of agricultural land.
- **16 April**: 2 IDF bulldozers uprooted 8 dunums of olive trees and tomatoes in Deir Al Balah next to Kfar Doom settlement.
- 18 April: IDF bulldozers levelled 3 dunums of olive and palm trees near Kissufim passage in Deir Al Balah.
- 19 April: IDF bulldozers levelled 6 dunums of wheat in Beit Hanoun.

Sources: OCHA FCU

6. Checkpoints/Roadblocks/ Barrier/Restrictions on movement

Tulkarm/Qalqiliya governorates:

- The status of high alert announced at the beginning of the Jewish Passover holiday will continue until the end of the Israeli Independence Day on 26 April. Following the killing of Hamas leader Abdul Aziz Rantisi, flying checkpoints were established in numerous places affecting the movement between Palestinian towns and villages. The IDF has been present in Tulkarm town most of the week with flying checkpoints established at the main entrances. The presence lasted until 18 April, when a complete withdrawal took place.
- The two villages of Ramin and Shufa are still under closure. However, for the village of Shufa, the Palestinian DCL negotiated permission for six taxis to transport the local residents in and out of the village.
- The DCO office is still open for the issuance of magnetic cards.
- Construction of the tunnel between Habla and Qalgilya town is ongoing.
- Opening statistics of Barrier gates are listed below in the table. There were frequent delays in the opening of the agricultural gates.
- Only severe medical cases were granted permission to Israel for urgent treatment through coordination with the Palestinian DCL.

Nablus/Jenin/Tubas governorates:

- Long delays witnessed at checkpoint around Nablus mainly with students and young people.
- 18 April: Flying checkpoints were erected along the northern part of the Jordan Valley in Tubas Governorate.
- **19 April**: Flying checkpoints were erected near the villages of Ajja, Sanur, 'Araba, Jaba'a and 'Anza in Jenin governorate.
- 19-20 April: The majority of checkpoints in Nablus governorate were closed for all Palestinians except for humanitarian needs.

Ramallah/al-Bireh/Beituniya governorates:

• **18 April**: Atara Bridge was closed for Palestinians; only media and humanitarian staff were permitted to use the road.

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¹ 4 dunums = 1 acre

Jerusalem/Jericho governorates:

- The closure imposed on the West Bank and Gaza has prevented people from entering Jerusalem as well as Jericho. Numerous flying checkpoints in East Jerusalem were established.
- Construction of the Barrier is continuing in different sections from Khallet an Nu'man northwards near Har Hommah settlement, Ash Sheikh Sa'ad, Sur Baher, Sawahriya ash Sharqiya, Abu Dis and Al 'Eizariya.
- The construction of the Barrier in Al 'Eizariya east towards Mount of Olives near Beit Fagi monastery is moving rapidly and will close the remaining section of the passage from al 'Eizariya to the Mount of Olives.
- The construction of the Barrier opposite Al Quds University is moving rapidly.
- The construction of the Barrier ongoing opposite az Za'yem Checkpoint with land levelling east of the valley towards Ma'ale Adumim settlement.
- Land levelling for the construction of the Barrier in the north western villages of Beit Surik, Biddu Beit Duqqu and Beit Ijza has continued during the week.
- The stretch of concrete slabs in the middle of the road between Dahiet al Barid and Qalandiya checkpoint is now 800m long.

Bethlehem/Hebron governorates:

- **15 April:** Palestinians below the age of 45 were prevented from crossing at Gilo checkpoint to attend Friday prayers at Al Agsa mosque in Jerusalem.
- **15 April:** The only access road to the village of An Nu'man, Bethlehem District, was reopened for 3 hours and then closed again by the contractor working on the new bypass road. An Nu'man village remained closed until 18 April after which the road was reopened.
- **18 April:** The IDF closed the gates on Halhoul Bridge, Hebron District preventing movement of Palestinians between the urban area of Hebron and Halhoul.
- **18 April:** The IDF closed the gates at the Sa'ir Halhoul junction preventing movement of Palestinians across bypass road 60. On 19 April, the gates were reopened on the Sa'ir side.
- 18 April: The IDF closed the gate at the entrance of Dura and put an earth mound at the entrance of Al Fawwar Camp, Hebron District. Movement of Palestinians to and from Yatta is restricted
- 18 April: The IDF closed Ras Al Jura CP and opened it on 19 April.
- The number of valid permits for the Hebron national bus company is 34, of which 26 for public transport between Hebron and Bethlehem and 8 for movement between Hebron and Jericho. At Gush Etzion checkpoint random checks took place. On 18 and 19 buses could not move in or out of Hebron because IDF closed the gates on Halhoul Bridge and Sa'ir Halhoul junction. No buses headed to Jericho this week since the "Container" checkpoint has remained closed since 22nd of March.

Gaza

The enclosed areas in Gaza:

As-Seafa: Movement remains restricted by the IDF with the entry-exit gate opening twice daily for As-Seafa ID holders from 06:30 to 08:30 and 14:00 to 16:30. Motor vehicles are not allowed to enter since November 2000, with the exception of international agencies that have undertaken prior coordination with the IDF. Since 28 January 2004, IDF started to allow women to get in and out of Al Seafa but movement is subject to body search and with 24 hours prior coordination.

Since 17 April 2004, As-Seafa gate completely closed, with no movement allowed.

AI-Mawassi: IDF imposed restrictions remain, with the entry-exit gate at Tuffah checkpoint opening twice daily for AI Mawassi ID holders from 07.00 to 09.00 and 14.30 to 17.00.

No passage is possible for male Al Mawassi ID holders aged 15-23 without prior coordination. Youths aged below 15 must be accompanied by a guardian. Motor vehicles are not allowed to enter, with the exception of international agencies that have undertaken prior coordination with the IDF.

- 14 April: Tel Es-Sultan checkpoint was closed but Toufah checkpoint was open for Al Mawasi residents. Male Palestinians aged between 18 40 could only return with prior coordination with the IDF.
- 15 April: Tel Es-Sultan checkpoint was closed but Toufah checkpoint was open for Al Mawasi residents. Male Palestinians aged between 18 – 40 could only return with prior coordination with the IDF.
- Since 18 April: both Tel Es-Sultan and At Toufah check points completely closed.

Kfar Darom: The Palestinian area adjacent to Kfar Darom settlement was declared a Closed Military Zone following a suicide attack on 27 February 2004. Since 20/7/2002 no vehicular movement was allowed as the IDF erected a fence around the area. Movement restricted by the IDF with the entry-exit gate opening four times daily for Al Ma'ni ID holders from 06:30 to 07:30, 10:30 to 11:30, 13:00 to 14:00 and 16:00 to 17:00. Sources: OCHA FCU, UNSCO, UNRWA

7. Education

• Tulkarm/Qalqiliya:

 According to UNICEF there have been no major incidents or delays for teachers and children in reaching their schools over the past week. On 18 April, most schools in all three districts suspended their classes due to the mourning announced following the killing of Hamas leader Abdul Aziz Rantisi. All schools have been reported open again from 20 April. On 15 April, UNRWA reported on severe difficulties for the children in reaching their schools during the curfew of Tulkarm refugee camp.

Nablus:

- **18 April**: IDF fired at Yabad secondary school. No casualties reported.
- **19 April**: IDF entered Silat ad Daher girls' secondary school and Silat ad Daher boys' secondary and forced students and teachers to leave due to curfew.

• Jerusalem:

 Access for students and staff to schools/universities have been greatly restricted due to the strict closure imposed 22 March. This has been especially noticeable for students/staff coming from the south of the West Bank trying to reach Al Quds University in Abu Dis and for non-residential teachers in Jericho.

Sources: OCHA FCU, UNRWA, UNICEF

8. <u>Labour movement to Israel</u>

West Bank:

- Tulkarm/Qalqilya: All work and trade permits have been suspended since 22 March until further notice.
- Nablus/Jenin/Tubas: No work and trade permits were issued due to the closure announced till 26
 April.
- Jerusalem: Labour movement was denied thought the week.

<u>Gaza:</u>

11,429 workers holding valid work permits were not allowed to cross the Green Line due to the imposed closure. Since 22 March 2004, Erez checkpoint has been closed for Palestinian workers but partially reopened for some tens of Palestinian traders aged 28 and above, on 28 March 2004 and re-closed on 18 April 2004.

306 workers crossed into the Erez Industrial zone on 14 April, 7% of a total of 5,014 workers who hold valid work permits.

Date	Israel	Erez Industrial Estate	
14/04/2004	63		306
15/04/2004	28		2,228
16/04/2004	39		1,158
17/04/2004	7		2,745
18/04/2004	0		0
19/04/2004	0		0
20/04/2004	0		0

Sources: OCHA FCU, UNSCO

9. Other:

- 14 April: The IDF dismantled 5 caravans near Ma'on settlement, Hebron District.
- 14 April: The IDF dismantled the Hazon David outpost between Kiyat Arba and Hebron city for the ninth time.
- **14 April:** Settlers re-established an outpost Ghiborim by placing a caravan in the area near Kiryat Arba settlement, Hebron District.

Sources: OCHA FCU

Appendix: Checkpoints Status 07 – 13 April 2004

Checkpoints

Check Point	Status
Tulkarm/Qalqiliya	
Taybeh	Due to the suspension of movement into Israel, the checkpoint has been operational on a minimum level, only allowing the back-to-back system to remain operational. All other traffic through the checkpoint is suspended.
Kafriat	The IDF imposed restricted access on this checkpoint over the past week allowing only teachers, students, official employees, medical staff and international organisations to cross. On 17 April, the checkpoint was reported closed the whole day. 20 April, the checkpoint was re-opened allowing everyone to cross again.
Qalqiliya DCO	The checkpoint has been manned around the clock since the killing of Abdul Aziz Rantisi. Major delays in the crossing have occurred since all pedestrians and vehicles have been searched carefully.
Jaljoulia	Has been manned whole week 24 hours. Access is only permitted for holders of permit into Israel and in principle residents of Ras Tira, Ad Daba, Wadi Ar Rasha, Ramadin and Arab Abu Farda. Ambulances need prior co-ordination with DCL. Still, only vehicles leaving the West Bank are subjects for security checks.
Deir Ballout	The checkpoint is manned 24 hours.
Nablus	
Huwwara Southern main entrance	Generally open for holders of Nablus ID-cards over 35 years old, students, teachers and medical doctors. 19 and 20 April the checkpoint was closed for all Palestinians except for humanitarian needs.
Beit Iba Western entrance, mainly for trade	Same as Huwwara
Sarra South western entrance, before the closure regime main road to Qalqiliya	Closed except for villagers from Sarra or Qusin, who occasionally are let through. 19 and 20 April the checkpoint was closed for all Palestinians except for humanitarian needs.
Qusin Internal closure Between Sarra and Nablus	Closed by a gate and an earth mound since the mid of March, forcing people to go through Beit Iba check point.
Al Tur Southern checkpoint connecting the Samaritan district of Jarzim with Nablus city	Only open for Samaritans. The gate is occasionally open for vehicles.
Beit Furik Eastern gate and checkpoint. After the closure regime main gateway Between Nablus and the Jordan valley	Occasionally open for villagers from Beit Furik, Beit Dajjan, Azmout, Deir al Hatab and Salem. Teachers with IDs from Ministry of Education (about 70) are usually let through. 19 and 20 April the checkpoint was closed for all Palestinians except for humanitarian needs.
Shave Shomeron (Sabastia) North west, main road to Jenin	Closed for Palestinians unless they have special permits. 19 and 20 April the checkpoint was closed for all Palestinians except for humanitarian needs.
Maale Efrayim South east connecting Jericho and Nablus	Closed for Palestinians unless they have special permits.
Hamra East, before closure regime main road to Jordan, Tobas, Jenin	Closed for Palestinians unless having special permits, or coming from these villages: Frush Beit Dajjan, Al Jiftlik, Bardala, Kardala, Ein Shibli, Al Nassaria and Al Aqrabania (from which villagers occasionally are let through).
Zaatara (Tappouah) South, main road to Ramallah	Generally open, frequently manned through the reporting period.
Salem Main entrance to Salem, Deir Al Hatab and 'Azmut villages	Checkpoint closed since 11 March forcing the residents to use Beit Furik checkpoint instead.
"17" ('Asira) North entrance for the villages of 'Asira ash-Shamaliyah and the neighboring villages.	Closed for all Palestinians except medical personnel and ambulances since 27 December.
Jenin	
Al Jalama Main entrance to Israel	Open 24 hours for Palestinians with permits.
Dahiat Sabah al Khayr "al Amn al Watani"	Open for traders and workers with permits to Israel Between 07:00-19:00

Northern entrance of Ionia	
Northern entrance of Jenin Salem	Closed for Palestinians: "Military closed area".
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"Green Line"	
Qaddim (Al Suweitat)	Closed by earth mound. Partially manned.
South eastern entrance	
Tubas	
Bisan Main entrance to Israel	Closed for Palestinians unless holding special permits.
Tayasir Gate Gate to the Tubas eastern	Closed for Palestinians unless holding special permits.
agricultural lands in the Jordan	
Valley	
Ramallah/Al Bireh/Beituniya	
Beit El/DCO checkpoint	Open. No access for pedestrians. Vehicle access only for diplomatic/foreign/ UN/yellow plated cars, ambulances, some trucks and West Bank cars whose drivers carry permits.
Atara Bridge	Usually open daily from 6.00-22.00. Open. A semi-permanent checkpoint has been re-established on the bridge. Usually vehicle
Atara Bridge	& pedestrian access. The observation tower remains in place.
An Nabi Salih gate (partial)	Opened. Long delays sometimes experienced.
At Tayba	Open.
Makkabim checkpoint	Usually open for Israelis, Jerusalem ID holders, foreign passport holders and only those
Nillin also also also also also also also also	West Bank and Gaza Strip Palestinians with permits to enter Israel.
Ni'lin checkpoint	Usually open for Jerusalem ID holders, foreign passport holders and West Bank and Gaza Strip Palestinians with permits to enter Israel.
	Checkpoint at entrance to Ni'lin village: Usually only residents of Ni'lin and Al Midya and
	people with special permits can access the western villages through this checkpoint.
	Villagers are consistently reporting harassment by the soldiers at this checkpoint.
Rantis checkpoint	Usually open for Jerusalem ID holders, foreign passport holders and West Bank/Gaza Strip
	Palestinians with permits to enter Israel.
Jerusalem	
Qalandiya checkpoint	Open. Access usually only permitted for West Bank/Gaza Palestinians with permits,
	Jerusalem ID holders, and foreign passport holders. Vehicles with West Bank registration
	cannot pass unless they have a special permit. Ambulances and trucks with foodstuffs are
	usually permitted to cross. Open from 6.00-22.00.
Hizma North eastern entrance on	Open for Israelis, Palestinians with Jerusalem ID cards, West Bank and Gaza Strip Palestinians with permits and internationals.
Road 1.	ralestinians with permits and internationals.
Az Za'ayyem	Open for Israelis, Palestinians with Jerusalem ID cards, West Bank and Gaza Strip
Eastern entrance of junction	Palestinians with permits and Internationals.
Road 437/Psigat Ze'ev	
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Northern entrance on Road 60	Open for Israelis, Palestinians with Jerusalem ID cards, West Bank and Gaza Strip Palestinians with permits and Internationals. UN staff requested on several occasions to
North.	show personal national passports in addition to their UN ID Card.
Bir Nabala/Atarot	Open for Israelis, Palestinians with Jerusalem ID cards, West Bank and Gaza Strip
Northern entrance on Road	Palestinians with permits and Internationals.
404 / 45 Road Atarot	
Junction. Ramot Alon	Open all week for Israelis, Palestinians with Jerusalem ID cards, West Bank and Gaza Strip
North western entrance on	Palestinians with permits and Internationals.
Road 436	
Shufat Refugee Camp/ Anata	Open for Palestinians with Jerusalem ID cards, West Bank Palestinians with permits and
Checkpoint Container ("Wadi nar")	Internationals. Checkpoint has been closed for all Palestinian traffic, pedestrian and vehicle since the 22
East of Abu Dis, main transit	March. Only municipality trucks have been allowed passage. Palestinians trying to bypass
Between North and South	the checkpoint have been shot at. Reports on frequent harassment on Palestinian taxi
West Bank	drivers by Border Police.
Jericho	
DCO	Closed all week for all Palestinians, except for Jericho residents entering the city. Only open
Main checkpoint off Road 1 'Ein ad Duyuk al Foqa	for internationals and for humanitarian reasons.
Northern entrance	Closed all week for all Palestinians, except for Jericho residents entering the city. Only open for internationals and for humanitarian reasons.
Gate opposite Allenby CP off	Gate manned by IDF. Closed at all times. Soldiers open the gate for the Shuttle busses
Road 90	taking Palestinians to Allenby Border Crossing to Jordan.
Bethlehem	
Gilo	Open 24 hours for humanitarian erganizations. No Delectinion plated ears allowed Deader
North entrance to Bethlehem	Open 24 hours for humanitarian organizations. No Palestinian plated cars allowed. Border Police continue to request additional identification from both local and international UN staff.
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Ein Yalow Chemed 24 hours and only for Israeli plated cars and international organizations. Only Berthehem DCO Closed since of 03 March Closed to Palestinians with Jerusalem ID sallowed to cross.		Palestinians with permits are currently not allowed to cross. On 15 April, age restrictions (45+) enforced for Palestinians crossing to reach Al Aqsa mosue for Friday prayers.
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Entrance to Beit Jala Nogadim South-east of Bethichem on route 356 (Zalara area) Open 24 hours for all vehicles, with heavy delays during peak hours for commuting workers as this remains the only entrance to Bethichem from the south and the rest of the district. This is also the only available transit to the northern part of the West Bank (via "Contino checkpoint," on 18 April, the checkpoint closed for Palestinian vehicles, only humanitarian organizations and ambulances were allowed to cross. Tunnels Route 60 at Har Gilo Settlers' Checkpoint - Efrata Southern entrance to settlement of to settlement on the settlement of the sett		
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Closed to Palestinians.	On bypass road 60, at Etzion	Open 24 hours to all. Manned with random checks carried out on vehicles.
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Sufa	Since 28 March 2004, Sufa crossing was open for construction materials only. No workers	
	permitted to cross.	
	 From 18 April closed for construction materials. 	
Netzarim Junction	Closed since 08 October.	
Abu Houli junction	Open daily from 03:00 – 20:00, but several short closures were reported :	
	- 14 April: 14:30 – 15:30	
	- 15 April: 09:00 – 10:30	
	- 19 April: 07:30 – 18:00	
Abu al Ajin road	Closed.	
Beach road	Open.	
West Morag Junction	Closed	
Al Muntar Junction	Closed	
Rafah Passenger Terminal	Since 16 April: Rafah Terminal has been closed to male and female Palestinians aged 16 -	
_	35 years to depart to Egypt.	

Commercial checkpoints:

Tulkarm/Qalqiliya		
Qalqiliya DCO	Following the killing of Abdul Aziz Rantisi, only food stuff has been allowed in and out of Qalqilya town. Other commodities have been allowed in to the town, but not out.	
Taybeh	The back-to-back system is currently only operational for food commodities going into Tulkarm. No other commodities (including food) are allowed to exit Tulkarm following the killing of Abdul Aziz Rantisi.	
Nablus Awarta checkpoint(the r	main commercial checkpoint in Nablus since July 2003), Open during day light hours only	
Awarta checkpoint	14-20 April: Open for incoming goods. Closed for outgoing goods.	
Jenin		
Al Jalama Northern entrance/ main commercial	Open for incoming goods. Closed for outgoing goods.	
Beituniya		
Beituniya commercial checkpoint	Checkpoint now closes at 14.00. Open for commercial goods and ICRC vehicles only – back-to-back system in operation.	
Jericho		
Back to Back CP/DCO CP	Closed all week.	

Road Gates

Gate	Status
Tulkarm/Qalqiliya	
Anabta	The gate is permanently closed for vehicles but open for pedestrians and therefore it functions as a back-to-back system for buses and taxis between 08:00 and 18:00. A flying checkpoint to control the movement in and out of Tulkarm was established all week at the Enav junction.
Azzun	The gate has been open during the whole reporting period.

Barrier Gates

Jenin	
Um ar Rihan Western gate to the Barta'a ash-Sharqiya/ Um ar Rihan enclave	Open for Palestinians with "green permit".
Bartaa Southern gate to the Barta'a ash-Sharqiya/ Um ar Rihan enclave	Open for Palestinians with "green permit" between 04:30-21:00.
Anin Northern gate to the Barta'a ash-Sharqiya/ Um ar Rihan enclave	Closed for Palestinians.
At Tayba 1 North western gate	Military gate. Closed for Palestinians.

At Tayba 2 North western gate	Agricultural gate. Usually closed for Palestinians.
Jalboun Eastern gate	Military gate. Closed for Palestinians.
Tulkarm/Qalqiliya	
Nazlat Isa	The gate remains manned 24 hours. No one without a special permit is allowed to cross both into the West Bank and into Israel. The gate is currently only used by students and residents from Nazlat Isa on the other side of the Barrier and settlers from Khermesh and Mevo Dotan in Jenin.
Shweikah	The gate is officially open for farmers between 7:00-9:00 and 15:00-17:00 with a green permit, but in reality the gate is and has only been used by one family residing behind the Barrier. However, the IDF are rarely present on the announced opening hours, so more and more the family need to co-ordinate their movement in advance. This does also have an effect on the family's children who attend their classes in Tulkarm. Medical staff also needs prior co-ordination with IDF.
Kfar Sur/Kfar Jamal	The gate has been reported open for farmers with green permits at 07:00 and 16:00. Only few farmers use this gate.
Falamya North	The gate has been open for holders of green permits three times a day between 07:00-08:30, 12:30-13:30 and 17:00-18:30.
Jayyous North	The gate has been open on the following hours: 06:00-08:30, 12:30-13:30 and 17:00-18:30. Only farmers with green permits are allowed to cross.
Jayyous South	The gate is in principle only open for one family residing behind the Barrier on the following hours: 07:25-08:00, 12:55-13:20 and 16:40-16:50. Farmers with green permits who appear in front of the gate during these opening hours are sometimes allowed to cross.
Wadi Ar Rasha	The students are still being transported by a local bus company on the initiative of the IDF to the schools in Habla and Ras Atiya.
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Ras Tira	The gate has been open three times a day around 07:00, 12:30 and 16:00 for approximately one hour per time and is only accessible for holders of green permits. Teachers, school children and medical staff are exempted.
Azzun Atma	The gate has been open between 06:30 – 21:00. Access to Azzun Atma requires green permits. Residents of Azzun Atma as well as ambulances, teachers and school children from Beit Amin and Saniria are still exempted. The gate is manned by soldiers who also guard the adjacent gate into the Israeli settlement of Sha'are Tiqwa.
Jbara	All school children from Jbara are being collected by an IDF rented bus to bring the children to the schools in Kfar Sur and Ar Ras through Kafriat checkpoint. However, the bus only drops the children in Ar Ras and Kafr Sur; consequently school children who attend classes in Kfar Sibad must proceed and return to collection point with public transportation.
Qalqilya south (Habla)	The gate has been operational for farmers with green permits between 06:30–07:45, 12:00–13:15 and 15:45–17:00. In, principle, teachers are also allowed to use this gate, however, the movement restrictions on road 55 from Jaljoulia checkpoint force teachers to travel through DCO checkpoint and Azzun to reach the schools in Habla; therefore only farmers with green permits can use this gate.
Habla	The gate has been open for holders of green permits and ambulances between 06:30–07:45, 12:00–13:15 and 15:45 – 17:00. PRCS ambulances from Qalqilya need prior co-ordination with IDF through ICRC before access is granted. In, principle, teachers from Qalqilya are also allowed to use this gate. However, as in the case with the gate above, the movement restrictions on road 55 from Jaljoulia checkpoint force teachers to travel through DCO checkpoint and Azzun to reach the schools in Habla.