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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT 08:00 16 October 2010 – 08:00 17 October 2010

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Deaths	_	2	2	Armed individuals in Northern Gaza
Physical Assault	1	_	1	A civilian severely beaten in Jericho
Injury	_	1	1	An armed individual in Northern Gaza
Air Attack	_	1	1	A missile fired by a UAV on N. Gaza
Attacks	4	_	4	1 in a raid and 3 during confrontations
Raids	17	_	17	Incl. 2 in Tubas and 2 in Nablus
Air Patrol	_	1	1	By a UAV over Northern Gaza
Arrests (per person)	4		4	Incl. a child in Jerusalem city
Detentions	14	_	14	Incl. a Palestinian security officer
Destruction of Property	*	_	_	Notices to demolish makeshift houses
Closure of Checkpoints	8		8	Incl. access impeded at 5 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	19	_	19	Incl. 4 in Qalqiliya and 5 in Hebron
Closure (per District)	7		7	Incl. Jerusalem & 2 areas in Bethlehem
Closure of Main Roads	42	_	42	Incl. 10 in Nablus and 13 in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points	_	6	6	Only Rafah Crossing open
Settler Violence	7	_	7	Incl. vehicles and civilians stoned
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	_	1	A checkpoint set up near Police station
Demonstrations	3	_	3	Incl. against settlement activity & Wall
TOTAL	127	11	138	

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 districts from entering the city, only allowing access to civilians holding special permits.
- (i) On 05 January 2009, the Israeli authorities issued Military Order # S/02/09 on the closure of the "demarcation area" along the Wall in the area surrounding Jerusalem city. Access would be restricted to residents of the area as well as to civilians holding permits through crossings and gates defined in the military order.
- (ii) 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 army continues to consider Qalandiya checkpoint a "border crossing point" and has designated a special crossing lane for holders of Jerusalem IDs and those possessing permits to access the city of Jerusalem.

- Raid/Provocation of Palestinian Forces: At 20:00, the Israeli army raided Abu Dis town, set up a checkpoint in front of the town's Palestinian Police station, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area.
- Arrest: At 05:00, the Israeli army arrested 11-year-old 'Umran Mohammed Mansour in Silwan neighbourhood in Jerusalem city. As was reported on 09 October 2010, an Israeli settler vehicle deliberately ran over Mansour.

• 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.
- Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in Al 'Eizariya area to Ash Shayyah, from Beit Surik village to Biddu; in the areas of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina; west of Al Jib village; near Qatanna village; south of Beit Hanina village; and in the area surrounding the checkpoint set up at the entrance to Shu'fat refugee camp.

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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. Raid: At 09:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Al Mughayyir village. Settler Violence: At 22:50, a group of Israeli settlers beat Zeidan 'Awadh Ahmed Dar Mohammed near Al Mughayyir village. Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend west of the town of 'Abud; in the village of Bil'in; and in the areas of Al Midya to Ni'lin and Ni'lin to Deir Qaddis.
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. Raid: At 16:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Az Zababida town. 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	 Checkpoint: 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. Raids: (i) At dawn on 16 October 2010, the Israeli army raided Al Buqei'a area east of Tammun town and searched three houses. (ii) At 12:05, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Khirbet 'Atuf village.
TULKAREM	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road connecting the town of Kafr al Labad to the village of Shufa as well as the road connecting the villages of Shufa and 'Izbat Shufa. Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at 'Einav checkpoint set up on Tulkarem-Nablus main road. Raids: At 01:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Zeita and 'Attil towns. Arrest: At 19:15, Israeli troops positioned at the Wall gate leading to Khirbet Jubara village arrested Tamir Mohammed Taher 'Awadh, a resident of Kafr Sur village. Wall Gates: Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
QALQILYA	 Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun. Flying Checkpoints: At 14:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between Al Funduq and Jinsafut villages and searched civilians and vehicles. At 16:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the vicinity of Mohammed Mountain area near Kedumim settlement and prevented farmers from accessing their houses, after had harvested olive crops. At 19:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Hajja village and searched civilians and vehicles.

(iv) At 21:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Al Funduq village and searched civilians and vehicles.

Raids/Attack:

- (i) At 10:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Magharit ad Dab'a village.
- (ii) At 21:30, the Israeli army raided Qalqiliya city and fire flares, while it was patrolling the area along the Wall.
- <u>Settler Violence</u>: At 19:40, a group of Israeli settlers threw stones at civilian vehicles travelling near Karnei Shomron settlement along the Qalqiliya-Nablus main road.

• 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 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.

• 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 civilian vehicles are allowed to access the city of Nablus, but only commercial vehicles and ambulances can leave the city through the checkpoint.

• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 18:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Yatma village and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 19:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction of Bizzariya village and searched civilians and vehicles.

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	(iii) At 00:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Deir Sharaf village and searched civilians and vehicles.
	• Raids: (i) At 01:20, the Igreeli army reided Poit Furily town and natrolled the area.
	(i) At 01:30, the Israeli army raided Beit Furik town and patrolled the area until 03:00.
	(ii) At 10:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled 'Aqraba town.
	• <u>Arrests</u> : On 15 October 2010, Israeli troops positioned at Huwwara checkpoint arrested two civilians:
	(i) Saleh Riyash; and
	(ii) Mu'ath Qatshan.
	• <u>Settler Violence</u> : At 14:45, a group of Israeli settlers from Bracha settlement assaulted and prevented civilians from harvesting olive crops on their land in Burin village. Subsequently, the Israeli army evacuated settlers from the
	area.
	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
CALEIT	two detour roads connecting Marda village to respective farmland.
SALFIT	• <u>Checkpoint</u> : The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions and impede civilian access at the Za'tara junction checkpoint.
	• Settler Violence: On 16 October 2010, a group of Israeli settlers levelled
	civilian land for expansion of Bido'il settlement east of Deir Ballut town.
	Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the
	area northwest of the city of Salfit, and in the village of Marda and the town
	of Kifl Haris north of the settlement of Ariel.
	• <u>Closure</u> : The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between Jericho
	city and Al 'Auja village with cement blocks.
	• <u>Checkpoints</u> : (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
JERICHO	connecting Jericho and Ramallah districts, only allowing access to
	residents of Jericho district as well as to others holding access permits.
	• Flying Checkpoints: (i) At 17:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the junction to
	Vered Yericho settlement and searched civilians and vehicles.
	(ii) At 21:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern
	entrance to Jericho city and searched civilians and vehicles.
	• Physical Assault: At 21:45, Israeli troops positioned at Al 'Auja checkpoint
	detained and severely beat a civilian. After coordination with the Israeli
	authorities (through the DCO), Israeli troops released the civilian.

Closure: (i) The Israeli army continues to close the roads to the village of An Nu'man, with the exception of the road leading to the Wall gate in the south-eastern area of the village. According to Military Order # 07/02/S, the Israeli army has (ii) continued since 15 September 2007 to deny civilian access to an area measuring 22 dunums (5.436 acres) of land in the area of Mazmuriya in the cities of Beit Sahur and Bethlehem. The land was confiscated pursuant to Military Order # 07/31/T. Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road of Beit Jala-Wadi Ahmad; a road east of Beit Fajjar town; and a rural road connecting Tuqu' town to Khirbet al Baq'a village. **Flying Checkpoints:** At 09:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the north-(i) western entrance to Beit Jala city and searched civilians and vehicles. At 14:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to (ii) **BETHLEHEM** Za'tara town and searched civilians and vehicles. Raid: At 00:20, the Israeli army raided Ad Doha town, searched a number of houses, and served a summons on Mousa 'Atef Da'amseh to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. **Detention:** At 00:35, Israeli troops positioned at As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the 'Container') checkpoint detained Mohammed Ahmed Difda', a Palestinian National Security officer. After taking him to Ma'ale Adumim settlement, Israeli troops released Difda' at 02:40. **Demonstration:** At 12:20, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in Al Cremisan area northwest of Beit Jala city in protest against land levelling for the completion of Wall construction. Israeli troops obstructed the demonstration and prevented participants from accessing the affected land. Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the area northwest of the town of Al Khadr; northwest of the city of Beit Jala; in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of Efrat settlement; and in the area surrounding Al Walaja. **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 **HEBRON** with iron plates. (ii) On 05 January 2009, the Israeli army issued Military Order # 09/06/S on the closure of the area located along the Green Line south of the town of Yatta, evacuation of civilian residents, and prevention of civilian access to the area. According to Military Orders # 05/03/T and

05/04/T, land in this area was confiscated for Wall construction.

• Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to As Samoa' and Adh Dhahiriya, Al 'Arrub refugee camp, and At Tuwani village.
- (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 the road between Al Karmil and At Tuwani villages; all roads leading to Road # 60; and the road connecting Surif town to Al Jab'a village.

• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Deir Samit village and searched civilians and vehicles. At 17:30, the Israeli army set up another checkpoint. While searching civilians and vehicles, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. At 18:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
- (ii) At 18:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to Halhul town and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iii) At 20:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Zif village and searched civilians and vehicles.

• Raids/Attack:

- (i) At 11:20, the Israeli army raided Khirbet Shuweika village and opened indiscriminate, while it was patrolling the area.
- (ii) At 12:20, the Israeli army raided Kureise village. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. The Israeli army also set up a checkpoint, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area.
- (iii) At 24:00, the Israeli army raided Sikka village, searched a house, and served a summons on Najeeb Ahmed Saleem Ja'aydah to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency.
- (iv) At 01:00, the Israeli army raided Yatta town, searched a house, and served a summons on Wael Ahmed Abu Zahrah to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency.
- (v) At 03:00, the Israeli army raided Al Fawwar refugee camp and searched a house.
- <u>Destruction of Property</u>: At 18:00, the Israeli army distributed notices for the dismantlement of a number of makeshift houses and barracks used for raising animals in Wadi Juheish area south of Yatta town. The makeshift houses and barracks belong to:
- (i) Khalil Salameh an Nawaj'ah;
- (ii) Mohammed Khalil an Nawaj'ah; and
- (iii) Fawziyyah Jibreel an Nawaj'ah.

• Settler Violence:

- (i) At 11:15, a group of Israeli settlers assaulted and prevented civilians from harvesting olive crops on their land in Tal Rumeida neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron.
- (ii) At 14:55, a group of Israeli settlers threw stones and garbage on civilians in the old city of Hebron.

(iii) At 15:35, a group of Israeli settlers gathered near Zif junction and provoked civilians.

• Demonstrations/Attack:

- (i) At 14:30, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in Beit Ummar town in protest against settler violence. Protestors demanded that civilians be enabled to access and tend their farmland near Karmei Tzur settlement. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and participants, during which the Israeli army injured a number of protestors as a result of tear gas inhalation.
- (ii) At 16:00, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in the old city of Hebron. Protestors demanded that Ash Shuhada' Street be reopened and civilians allowed freedom of movement. Israeli troops obstructed the demonstration and prevented participants from accessing the Old Municipality square and Ash Shuhada' Street.
- Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the section of Tarqumiya checkpoint terminal; in the area surrounding the settlement of Eshkolot near the town of Adh Dhahiriya; and in the area between the villages of 'Arab ar Ramadin and Imneizil.

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 for a week. Later, armed Palestinian groups extended the ceasefire until 05 February 2009. The ceasefire continues to hold.
- <u>Violation of the Ceasefire</u>: An Israeli UAV fired a missile on an armed Palestinian group in Northern Gaza district, killing two armed individuals and injuring another.

NORTHERN GAZA

- Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is closed.
- <u>Air Attack/Injury</u>: At dawn on 17 October 2010, an Israeli UAV fired a missile on an armed Palestinian group in As Sudaniya area west of Beit Lahiya town, killing two armed individuals and injuring another.
- <u>Killings</u>: The Israeli air force killed two armed Palestinian individuals in As Sudaniya area west of Beit Lahiya town:
- (i) Mahmoud Jaber Washah; and
- (ii) Mohammed Hisham Zaqqout.

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• Closure of Crossing Points:

- (i) Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed.
- (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	Events not reported.		
KHAN YUNIS	Events not reported.		
RAFAH	 Closure of Crossing Points: Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. Rafah (Al 'Awdah) Crossing was open to allow civilians, patients, students, and civilians holding visas to depart the Gaza Strip. Access was also allowed to civilians and patients, who had received medical treatment at Egyptian hospitals. Sufa Crossing is closed. Karm Abu Salem (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed. 		

GENERAL