مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 03 August 2005 - 08:00 04 August 2005

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assaults	3	_	3	Incl. 1 female civilian severely beaten
Injuries	3	_	3	Incl. 1 civilian beaten with rifle butts
Attacks	4	10	14	2 during raids & 12 from mil. posts
Raids	21	1	22	Incl. 5 in Ramallah & 1 in C. Gaza
Air Patrols	3	_	3	Incl. helicopters over Bethlehem
Arrests	16	1	17	Incl. 2 children & 3 security officers
Detentions	14	2	16	At checkpoints & in residential areas
Land Levelling	1	1	2	Incl. in the area south of Jericho
Wall Construction	24	_	24	Incl. Jer., Ram'lh., Beth., Salfit, Qalq.
Checkpoints	(All)	_	(All)	
Flying Checkpoints	13	_	13	Incl. 4 in Tulkarem & 2 in Nablus
Closure (per District)	5	_	5	Incl. Jerusalem & Jericho (partially)
Closure of Main Roads	(Unidentified)	(8)	_	Incl. 1 partially
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)	_	(All)	Incl. searches at 'Azzun 'Atma gate
Closure of Crossing Points	_	3	3	Incl. 2 partially open
Settlement Activity	1	_	1	4 caravan placed in Al Khadr
Palestinian Attacks	1	2	3	Incl. open fire towards 1 checkpoint
Pal. Security Measure	1	_	1	1 illegal bus handed over in Ramallah
TOTAL	110	20	130	

DISTRICT	EVENT		
ALL DISTRICTS	Beginning at 23:55 on 12 July 2005, the Israeli army continues to impose a total closure on the West Bank and Gaza Strip, preventing civilians and workers from crossing the Green Line, following the suicide attack carried out in the Israeli city of Netanya.		

WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	 Closure: Israeli troops positioned at checkpoints set up at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem continue to prevent civilians from other districts from entering the city. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Qalandiya and An Nabi Samwil checkpoints and impede civilian access. Wall Gates: The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Dahiyat al Aqbat, from the village of Hizma to 'Anata, along the Hizma-Jaba' road, the area of Al 'Eizariya to Ash Shayyah, near Al Quds University, in the town of As Sawahira ash Sharqiya, from the village of Beit Surik to Biddu, and in the areas of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina. Attack: Israeli troops positioned at Qalandiya checkpoint opened fire and fired tear gas grenades towards civilians, injuring a number of civilians as a result of tear gas inhalation. Arrests/Physical Assault: At 21:35, the Israeli army arrested Mohammed Subhi Abu al 'Eish in the city of Jerusalem. Israeli troops positioned at Qalandiya checkpoint arrested Nihad Suleiman Gharouf. Israeli troops severely beat and injured Gharouf with rifle butts.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	 Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the areas of Al Midya to Budrus, Al Midya to Ni'lin, Bil'in to Saffa, in the village of Beit Liqya, and in the town of Beituniya. Flying Checkpoint/Air Patrol: Israeli troops, dispatched by Israeli army helicopters, set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Deir Dibwan, searched civilians and vehicles, and served summons to a number of civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence Service. Raids: At 08:25, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the cities of El Bireh and Ramallah.

	 (ii) At 23:50, the Israeli army, including 20 jeeps, raided the village of Deir Abu Mash'al and searched 1 house. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during which the Israeli army injured 1 civilian. (iii) At 02:20, the Israeli army raided the city of Ramallah, searched a number of houses, and arrested 2 university students. At 07:30, the Israeli army raided the city again and patrolled the area. • Air Patrol: At 03:15, an Israeli army reconnaissance aircraft patrolled the skies over the cities of Ramallah and El Bireh. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 unidentified university students in the city of Ramallah. • Palestinian Security Measure: At 13:55, Palestinian security forces handed over an illegal bus, confiscated in the city of Ramallah, to the Israeli authorities (through the DCO).
JENIN	 Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. Checkpoint: The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Al Jalama checkpoint north of the city of Jenin. Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint have also been preventing civilians from crossing in both directions from 19:00 until 07:00 daily. Raid: At 03:30, the Israeli army, including 20 jeeps, raided the city of Jenin and Jenin refugee camp, searched 2 houses, arrested 2 children, and withdrew at 05:30. Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 children in the city of Jenin and Jenin refugee camp: Ahmed Shafiq Abu Zeineh, 17 years old; and Nasser Mohammed al Jamal, 17 years old.
TULKAREM	 Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close the iron gate set up on the junction to the settlement of 'Einav along the Tulkarem-Nablus road, preventing civilian vehicles from crossing. Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. Flying Checkpoints: At 09:30, the Israeli army set up 3 flying checkpoints at the entrances to the towns of Bal'a and 'Anabta and in the area of Ash Sha'rawiya and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids/Physical Assault/Detention: At 09:30, and again at 18:50, the Israeli army raided Dahiyat Shuweika in the city of Tulkarem, set up a checkpoint, and searched civilians and vehicles. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during which the Israeli army injured 1 civilian by live fire. The Israeli army also severely beat 1 civilian, after which he was transported to hospital for treatment of injuries sustained. At

	 01:50, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. (ii) At 03:35, the Israeli army raided the town of 'Attil, searched 1 house, arrested 2 civilians, and detained 2 others for several hours. The Israeli army remains positioned in the area as of 08:00 this morning. Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the town of 'Attil: Thamer Zuhdi Abu Khalil; and Mahmoud Jamal Abu Khalil. Detention: At 09:00, Israeli troops positioned at the town of Qaffin checkpoint detained 4 buses transporting children participating in a trip organized by summer camps until 17:30. Palestinian Attack: At 23:35, armed Palestinian individuals opened fire towards an Israeli army checkpoint set up at the eastern entrance to the town of 'Anabta. The Israeli army responded by opening indiscriminate fire. The Israeli army also raided the eastern quarter of the town and withdrew at 01:00.
QALQILYA	 Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and search civilians with a metal detector. Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction continues in the village of Immatin and in the area east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and 'Azzun. Flying Checkpoints: At 10:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the northern entrance to the town of 'Azzun and searched civilians and vehicles. At 22:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the eastern entrance to the city of Qalqiliya and searched civilians and vehicles.
NABLUS	 Flying Checkpoints: At 13:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the villages of Talfit and Jurish and searched civilians and vehicles. The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint along Al Badhan road east of the city of Nablus and searched civilian vehicles. Raids: At 12:20, Israeli army infantry forces, accompanied by Police dogs, raided the village of Qusra, set up a checkpoint, and searched civilians and vehicles. At 01:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Nablus. Arrest: On 29 July 2005, Israeli troops positioned at Huwwara checkpoint arrested Nizar Burhan 'Arqawi, a Palestinian Police officer.

Closure of Main Roads: (i) The Israeli army continues to close the north-eastern entrance to the city of Salfit through the village of Yasuf with cement blocks. The Israeli army opens the road from 06:00 until 18:00 only. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the main north-western entrance to the city of Salfit with dirt barricades. The road has been closed since the beginning of the current *Intifada* (Uprising). **Checkpoints:** (i) The Israeli army continues to close Deir Ballut checkpoint overnight and open it at various times in the morning, impeding civilian movement. **SALFIT** (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Za'tara checkpoint and impede civilian access in both directions, claiming to be conducting thorough searches. The Israeli army also closed the checkpoint on several occasions. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the town of Deir Ballut and the villages of Az Zawiya and Rafat near the Green Line, northwest of the city of Salfit, and in the villages of Marda and Kifl Haris north of the settlement of Ari'el. Flying Checkpoint: At 10:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the overpass to the village of Iskaka and searched civilians and vehicles until 11:30. **Closure:** The road between the city of Jericho and the village of Al 'Auja (Road # 90) is closed with cement blocks. The Israeli army continues to prevent farmers not holding Jericho IDs from reaching their agricultural land, forcing them to apply for access permits. At various times, the Israeli army also impeded civilian movement into the city of Jericho. **Checkpoint:** At 20:00, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at the checkpoint set up at the southern entrance to the city of Jericho (the DCO checkpoint), searched civilian vehicles leaving the city, and impeded civilian access, ostensibly to conduct thorough searches, violating the **JERICHO** protocol by which security responsibility over the area of Jericho was transferred back to the Palestinian Authority. The protocol allows the Israeli army to search civilian vehicles leaving the city of Jericho on a selective basis, without impeding civilian movement. Raid/Land Levelling: At 15:00, an Israeli army bulldozer raided Palestinian Authority controlled area at the southern entrance to the city of Jericho 300 meters opposite a Palestinian National Security checkpoint and levelled land. **Arrest:** Israeli troops positioned at Al Karamah (Allenby) Bridge arrested Abdullah Jameel Abu Hadwan while he was returning from Jordan.

BETHLEHEM	 Closure: The Israeli army continues to close the road to the village of An Nu'man, in the north-eastern Bethlehem district, isolating the village. The Israeli army considers civilians' residence in the village illegal. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues north of 'Ayda refugee camp towards the area north of the city of Beit Jala. Raids: At 10:15, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Al Khadr and patrolled the area. At 22:55, the Israeli army raided the city of Beit Sahur, set up a checkpoint, searched civilians and vehicles, and withdrew at 23:10. At 02:45, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Bethlehem and patrolled the area. At 06:00, the Israeli army raided 'Ayda refugee camp, searched 1 house, and arrested 1 Palestinian officer. Air Patrol: At 11:30, Israeli army helicopters patrolled the skies over the district of Bethlehem. Arrests: At 20:00 on 02 August 2005, Israeli troops positioned at As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the 'Container') checkpoint arrested Ayman Radhi Ibrahim, a Palestinian National Security officer. The Israeli army arrested Ala' Ahmed Abu Sha'irah, a Palestinian officer, in 'Ayda refugee camp. Settlement Activity: A group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of Efrat
HEBRON	 Closure: The Israeli army continues to close Ash Shuhada' Street and the area of As Sahleh in the H2 section of the city of Hebron with cement blocks and barbed wire, denying civilians and vehicles access. The Israeli army continues to close Ash Shallala old and new streets in the H1 section of the city of Hebron with cement blocks located 300 meters inside the H1 section. Closure of Roads: At 10:00, the Israeli army set up 3 iron gates on Az Zahed arcade, Ash Shibli arcade, and in the area near Diwan an Natsheh in the old city of Hebron. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues west of the town of Surif to Beit Ula, in the town of Idhna, from the village of Deir Samit to Beit 'Awwa, from Beit 'Awwa to the village of Al Burj, and south of the towns of Adh Dhahiriya and as Samoa'. Flying Checkpoint: At 14:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to the town of Halhul and searched civilians and vehicles until 14:30.

• Physical Assault: At 15:00, the Israeli army severely beat Nofah Younes
Nofal, 40 years old, in the area of An Nasbah in the town of Halhul, after
which she was transported to hospital for treatment of injuries sustained.
• Raids:
(i) At 11:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Yatta. At
18:20, the Israeli army raided the town again and arrested 2 civilians.
(ii) At 19:15, Israeli army patrols raided the city of Hebron and patrolled
the area.
• Arrests: At 14:00 on 02 August 2005, the Israeli army arrested 2 civilians
in the old city of Hebron:
(i) Amjad Eliasa' Gheith; and
(ii) Jalal Mohammed Gheith.
The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the town of Yatta:

Ali Issa Dawoud; and

Issa Mohammed 'Odeh.

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NORTHERN GAZA	 <u>Closure</u>: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open to humanitarian cases and VIPs only. <u>Arrest</u>: At 20:30, the Israeli army announced (through the DCO) that it had arrested Mohammed ar Rantissi, claiming that he attempted to gain access into areas inside the Green Line.
GAZA	 Closure: (i) Ash Shuhada' - Nitsareem Junction remains closed. (ii) Ash Shuhada' Junction - Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing road is closed.
CENTRAL GAZA	 Raid/Land Levelling: At 14:45, the Israeli army, including 1 tank and 2 bulldozers, raided 100 meters into Palestinian territory opposite Points 114, 117, and 118 on the Green Line east of Al Bureij refugee camp and levelled land. Palestinian Attack: At 23:55, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.
KHAN YUNIS	 Closure of Main Roads: (i) Abu Al 'Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) is closed. (ii) Western road (Khan Yunis) is closed. (iii) Morag road, connecting Khan Yunis' eastern and western roads, is closed.

	(iv) Deir al Balah junction to Abu Holi checkpoint (Kfar Darom road) is
	closed.
	(v) Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis road (At Tuffah Checkpoint) is closed.
	(vi) Abu Holi road is open. At 17:10, the Israeli army closed Salah ad Din
	road between Al Matahin and Abu Holi checkpoints, preventing
	civilians from crossing until 17:30. The Israeli army closed the road
	again at 17:55.
	• Attacks:
	(i) At 09:35, and again at 12:15 and 15:35, the Israeli army opened fire
	from Point 9 towards Palestinian territory in West Khan Yunis refugee
	camp.
	(ii) At 11:35, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 12 towards
	Palestinian territory in An Namsawi neighbourhood in the city of
	Khan Yunis.
	(iii) At 16:20, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 10 towards
	Palestinian territory in West Khan Yunis refugee camp.
	(iv) At 17:00, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 148 on the Green
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	Line towards Palestinian territory east of the area of Al Qarara.
	• Palestinian Attack: At 23:00, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the
	settlement of Netzer Hazani.
	• Closure:
	(i) Yasser Arafat International Airport remains closed.
	(ii) Al Mawasi/Rafah road is partially open.
	(iii) Rafah Crossing is closed to Palestinian civilians under the age of 35.
DARATI	• Attacks:
RAFAH	(i) At 15:30, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 19 towards the area
	of 'Ureibeh.
	(ii) At 15:40, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 22.5 towards civilian
	houses in Tall as Sultan neighbourhood in the city of Rafah.
	(iii) At 17:45, the Israeli army opened fire from Tall Zu'rub military post
	towards Palestinian territory to the north and east.

GENERAL

	Abuse of Political Prisoners: Political prisoners held in Ad Damon Prison		
POLITICAL	increasingly suffer from kidney infection due to drinking polluted water.		
PRISONERS	Additionally, prisoners' cells are not properly ventilated and do not receive		
	adequate sunlight.		