مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 04 August 2005 - 08:00 05 August 2005

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assaults	2	_	2	1 female civilian beaten in Hebron
Attacks	3	7	10	Incl. 1 tank shell and flares fired
Raids	20	_	20	Incl. 5 in Ramallah & 6 in Tulkarem
Arrests	24	2	26	Incl. 3 children & 2 security officers
Detentions	9	_	9	At checkpoints & in residential areas
Wall Construction	24	_	24	Incl. Jer., Ram'lh., Beth., Salfit, Qalq.
Land Confiscation	2	_	2	Incl. 162 dunums in Artas
House Occupation	1	_	1	In the old city of Hebron
Checkpoints	(All)	_	(All)	
Flying Checkpoints	6	_	6	Incl. 1 in Qalqiliya & 2 in Hebron
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	_	4	4	Incl. 2 partially open
Settler Violence	1	_	1	80 olive trees uprooted in Sussia
Provocation of Pal. Forces	_	1	1	Open fire towards 1 Pal. location
Demonstrations	2	_	2	Incl. in Deir Ballut against checkpoint
TOTAL	99	14	113	

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.
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: At 10:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint along the detour route between the villages of Ras Karkar and Kafr Ni'ma and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids: At 17:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the cities of El Bireh and Ramallah. At 02:35, Israeli army patrols raided the city of El Bireh, Al Am'ari refugee camp, and the town of Beituniya, patrolled the area, and withdrew at 03:10.
JENIN	 Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. Flying Checkpoint: At 19:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the towns of Az Zababida and Qabatiya and searched civilians and vehicles.

	• Raid: At 00:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Al Yamun until 01:00.
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 Checkpoint/Detention: At 19:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Baqa ash Sharqiya, searched civilian vehicles, and detained a number of civilians. Raids: Beginning at 03:30 on 04 August 2005, the Israeli army remains positioned in the town of 'Attil. The Israeli army also arrested 1 civilian. At 15:35, an Israeli army patrol raided Dahiyat Shuweika in the city of Tulkarem and patrolled the area until 16:15. At 22:30, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the town of Bal'a, searched 1 house, and patrolled the area. At 23:10, the Israeli army raided the city of Tulkarem and Tulkarem and Nur Shams refugee camps. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians in the city of Tulkarem. At 02:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Mahdi Omar Imneizil in the town of 'Attil.
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 Checkpoint: At 22:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to the town of Kafr Thulth, searched civilians and vehicles, and withdrew at 00:30. Attack: At 22:15, the Israeli army fired flares towards the area south of the city of Qalqiliya.
NABLUS	 Raids: (i) At 13:00 on 03 August 2005, the Israeli army raided the village of Madama and arrested 2 civilians.

	 (ii) At 16:20, the Israeli army raided the village of Rujeib and arrested 1 civilian. Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the village of Madama: (i) Ma'moun Ayman Nassar; and (ii) Amir Ayman Nassar. (iii) The Israeli army arrested Iyad Mohammed al Halabi in the village of Rujeib.
SALFIT	 Closure of Main Roads: 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. 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 <i>Intifada</i> (Uprising). Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to close Deir Ballut checkpoint overnight and open it at various times in the morning, impeding civilian movement. 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. Demonstration: At 11:00, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in the town of Deir Ballut in protest against the checkpoint set up by the Israeli army at the entrance to the town. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors.
JERICHO	 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. Arrests: On 02 August 2005, Israeli troops positioned at Al Karamah (Allenby) Bridge arrested Sami Mahmoud Hamad, a Palestinian Police officer, while he was returning from Jordan. Israeli troops positioned at Al Karamah (Allenby) Bridge arrested Salman Mohammed Nawawreh, a Palestinian General Intelligence officer, 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. Wall Land Confiscation: The Israeli army issued Military Order # T/137/05 confiscating 162 dunums (40.5 acres) of land belonging to the village of Artas for Wall construction in the area. Raids: At 08:30, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided and patrolled the cities of Beit Jala and Bethlehem. At 14:45, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Al Khadr and patrolled the area. At 02:00, the Israeli army patrol raided the town of Al Khadr and patrolled the area. Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 17 civilians, including 3 children, and withdrew at 05:00. Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 17 civilians in the town of Beit Fajjar: Mohammed Hussein Taqatqah, 17 years old; Mohammed Hussein Taqatqah, 17 years old; Mohammed 'Imad Thawabteh, 17 years old; Vi Isma'il Ali Diriyyeh; Vi Isma'il Ali Diriyyeh; Vii Akram Ali Diriyyeh; Viii Akram Ali Diriyyeh; Viii Jihad Mohammed Balu; Ahimed Mahmoud Taqatqah; Xi Ali Mohammed Taqatqah; Xii Ali Mohammed Taqatqah; Xii Ali Mohammed Taqatqah; Xiii Yousef Mohammed Taqatqah; Xiii Yousef Mohammed Taqatqah; Xiiii Yousef Mohammed Taqatqah; Xiiii Abdullah Ahmed Thawabteh. Demonstration: At 23:55, civilians confronted Israeli army bulldozers attempting to level their agricultural land in the area between the village of Wadi Fukin and the settlement of Beitar 'Ilit, forcing the bulldozers to halt
	 (xvi) 'Amer Mousa Diriyyeh; and (xvii) Abdullah Ahmed Thawabteh. • <u>Demonstration</u>: At 23:55, civilians confronted Israeli army bulldozers attempting to level their agricultural land in the area between the village of
HEBRON	Closure: (i) 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.

- (ii) 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.
- 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'.
- Wall Land Confiscation: The Israeli army issued Military Order # T/131/05 confiscating 112 *dunums* (28 acres) of land belonging to the town of Surif for Wall construction in the area.
- <u>Flying Checkpoint</u>: At 16:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Kharsa south of the town of Dura and searched civilians and vehicles.
- Raids/Detention:
- (i) At 11:00, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of As Samoa', set up a checkpoint, searched civilian vehicles, and detained a number of civilians.
- (ii) At 19:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Dura.
- <u>Arrest/Physical Assault</u>: At 13:20, the Israeli army arrested Mohammed Khalil Mustafa at Turk in the area of Qizun near the settlement of Kiryat Arba' in the city of Hebron, after severely beating him.
- House Occupation/Physical Assault/Detention: At dawn on 05 August 2005, the Israeli army occupied 1 house in the old city of Hebron and converted it into a military post. Israeli troops severely beat the female house owner, after which she was transported to hospital for treatment of injuries sustained, and detained her children in 1 room in the occupied house.
- <u>Settler Violence</u>: On 03 August 2005, a group of Israeli settlers uprooted 80 olive trees on land belonging to the village of Sussia south of the town of Yatta. Israeli settlers then planted fir trees in place of the uprooted olive trees.

GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA	 <u>Closure</u>: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open to humanitarian cases and VIPs only. <u>Attack/Provocation of Palestinian Forces</u>: At 07:20, the Israeli army opened intensive fire and fired 1 tank shell towards 1 Palestinian National Security location in the area of Al Waha northwest of the town of Beit Lahiya.
GAZA	 <u>Closure</u>: (i) Ash Shuhada' - Nitsareem Junction remains closed.

	 (ii) Ash Shuhada' Junction - Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing road is closed. Attack: At 23:55, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 110 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory in Wadi Gaza south of Gaza city. Arrests: At 18:45, the Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the vicinity of Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing east of Gaza city, claiming that they approached the Green Line: Nabil Salameh Abu Irkab; and Usamah Sha'ban Badran.
CENTRAL GAZA	Activities not reported.
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. Attacks: (i) At 09:35, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 178 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory east of the area of Khuza'a. (ii) At 23:05, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 164 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory.
RAFAH	 Closure: Yasser Arafat International Airport remains closed. Al Mawasi/Rafah road is partially open. Rafah Crossing is closed to Palestinian civilians under the age of 35. Sufa Crossing is closed. Attacks: At 15:30, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 19 towards civilian houses in Tall as Sultan neighbourhood in the city of Rafah. At 23:55, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 22 towards civilian houses in Tall as Sultan neighbourhood in the city of Rafah.