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08:00 08 August 2006 - 08:00 09 August 2006

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	11	_	11	Incl. 7 children and 1 female civilian
Attacks	8	9	17	Incl. 43 artillery shells fired, N. Gaza
Raids	27	1	28	Incl. 6 in Ramallah & 7 in Bethlehem
Arrests	17	_	17	Incl. 1 school teacher & 4 brothers
Detentions	15	_	15	Incl. 2 Palestinian security officers
House Demolitions	_	10	10	1 in Northern Gaza and 9 in Rafah
Wall Construction	27	_	27	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Beth.
Destruction of Property	_	1	1	1 poultry farm destroyed, Rafah district
House Occupation	1	_	1	Converted into a military post in Nablus
Closure of Checkpoints	10	_	10	Incl. Tayasir and Al Hamra partially
Flying Checkpoints	27	_	27	Incl. Jenin (11), Jericho (1), & Hebron (6)
Closure (per District)	6	_	6	Incl. 3 areas in the district of Hebron
Closure of Main Roads	39	_	39	Incl. 4 in Ramallah & 7 in Tulkarem
Closure of Crossing Points	_	7	7	Incl. Beit Hanun (Erez) partially
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	_	1	Weapons aimed at Pal. security officers
Palestinian Attack	_	2	2	3 mortars fired towards the Green Line
Pal. Security Measure	_	1	1	Attempt to fire mortars blocked, N. Gaza
TOTAL	189	31	220	

DISTRICT	EVENT

WEST BANK

ALL DISTRICTS

• The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints set up on the main roads connecting the West Bank districts, thereby isolating the northern districts from the southern districts as well as the Jericho district and the Jordan Valley from the remainder of the West Bank.

• <u>Closure</u>: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem, in the old city of Jerusalem, and around Al Aqsa Mosque compound.

• Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance opposite the junction to Dahiyat al Bareed in the city of Jerusalem with barbed wire and deny civilian access.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the road connecting Dahiyat al Bareed to the town of Ar Ram.
- (iii) The Israeli army continues to close the eastern entrance to Dahiyat Bir Nabala with cement slabs, thereby completing the Wall section in the area.
- (iv) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to the village of Jaba', which connects the village to the cities of Jerusalem, Ramallah, and Jericho.
- <u>Checkpoint</u>: The Israeli army continues to consider Qalandiya checkpoint a "border crossing point" and has designated a special crossing for holders of Jerusalem IDs and those possessing permits to access the city of Jerusalem.

JERUSALEM

• Wall Gates:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to deny civilian access through the Wall gate on Ash Shayyah road in the area between the villages of As Sawahira ash Sharqiya and As Sawahira al Gharbiya, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem IDs to cross, after subjecting them to thorough searches using electronic devices.
- 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, in the areas of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina, west of the village of Al Jib, and in the vicinity of the village of Qatanna.

• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 09:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the village of Jaba' and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 11:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of 'Anata and searched civilians and vehicles.

	 (iii) At 16:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Dahiyat Beit Hanina in the city of Jerusalem and searched civilians and vehicles. (iv) The Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints at the entrances to Dahiyat Bir Nabala in the city of Jerusalem and the village of Hizma and searched civilians and vehicles.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil. The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to the village of Saffa as well as the Ramallah-Jericho road (the segment between the town of Silwad and the village of Yabrud). At 01:20, the Israeli army closed with dirt barricades the road connecting Dahiyat al Mu'allimin to Al Jalazun refugee camp. Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the overpass to the town of 'Atara and to deny access to the city of Ramallah for civilians holding IDs issued in the northern districts of the West Bank. 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, in the town of Beituniya, and west of the town of 'Abud and the village of Beit Sira. Raids: At 20:30, Israeli army infantry forces raided the villages of An Nabi Salih and Kafr 'Ein and patrolled the area until 23:45. At 02:10, the Israeli army, including 25 jeeps, raided the city of Ramallah and Al Am'ari refugee camp, and arrested 3 civilians, including 1 child and 1 school teacher. The Israeli army also served a summons to 1 civilian to report to the Israeli Intelligence and withdrew at 03:30. At 03:55, the Israeli army raided the city of El Bireh, searched 1 building, and withdrew at 05:45. The Israeli army raided the village of Deir Jarir, set up a checkpoint, and searched civilians and vehicles. Confrontations also took place between the Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in Al Am'ari refugee camp: Mohammed Fat'hi al Qatari, 17 years old; Bilal Abu 'Aydiyyeh; and Salameh Freihan.
JENIN	 Closure of Road: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the unpaved detour road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan. Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to close Tayasir checkpoint east of the town of Tubas, denying civilian access to the Northern Jordan Valley, except for civilians whose IDs indicate that their place of residence is the

Northern Jordan Valley. The Israeli army also continues to operate a surveillance camera in order to observe the area surrounding the checkpoint.

• Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.

• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 08:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the town of Tubas and the village of 'Aqqaba and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 18:00, the Israeli army set up 6 flying checkpoints: 4 at the entrances to the towns of 'Arraba, Az Zababida, Tammun, and Meithalun; 1 at the eastern entrance to the town of Qabatiya; and 1 on the junction to the village of Sanur. Israeli troops positioned at these flying checkpoints searched civilians and vehicles.

• Raids/Injuries/Attacks:

- (i) Beginning at 07:00 on 08 August 2006, the Israeli army remained positioned in the town of Qabatiya, set up checkpoints on the town's internal junctions and at its entrances, and searched a number of houses. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during which the Israeli army injured 7 civilians, including 3 children and 1 female civilian. The Israeli army also arrested 1 Palestinian Police officer, detained 1 Palestinian General Intelligence officer, and released him at a later time. At 10:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
- (ii) At 15:30, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the town of Tubas and opened intensive fire, injuring 3 children.
- (iii) At 24:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Jenin.
- <u>Arrest</u>: The Israeli army arrested Mohammed Adeeb Hanaysheh, a Palestinian Police officer, in the town of Qabatiya.

TULKAREM

- <u>Closure</u>: The Israeli army continues to declare the district of Tulkarem a closed military zone and to impede civilian access to and from the district.
- Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the following roads: the Dahiyat Dhinnaba- Kafr al Labad road; the Kafr al Labad-Shufa road; the southern entrance to the town of Baqa ash Sharqiya; the entrance to the village of Saffarin; the Kafr Sur-Wadi at Tin road; and the road connecting the town of Deir al Ghusun to 'Attil plain. The Israeli army also continues to close with cement blocks the road connecting the town of Beit Lid to the village of Kur.
- <u>Checkpoints</u>: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Einav checkpoint on the Tulkarem-Nablus road as well as at Jubara checkpoint (the southern entrance to the city of Tulkarem) and to deny access to civilians under 35 years of age. At 'Einav checkpoint, the Israeli army has confined crossing times to the period between 07:00 and 17:00 every day.
- <u>Wall Gates</u>: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.

Raids/Attack/Injury: At 22:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Tulkarem and (i) Tulkarem refugee camp. The Israeli army raided the town of Deir al Ghusun. While it was (ii) patrolling the area, the Israeli army fired 1 sound grenade towards 1 house, lightly injuring 1 female child. Arrest: At 14:30, Israeli troops positioned at Jubara checkpoint (the southern entrance to the city of Tulkarem) arrested Akram Taher 'Awadh. **Closure of Main Roads:** The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the northern (i) entrance to the town of 'Azzun as well as the agricultural roads east of the town. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the eastern entrance to the village of 'Izbat at Tabib. **Wall Gates:** Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special (i) Israeli permits. The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma (ii) Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal **QALQILIYA** Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction continues in the village of Immatin and east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and 'Azzun. Flying Checkpoint: At 08:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of An Nabi Elyas and searched civilians and vehicles. **Raids:** At 13:45, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the city of (i) Qalqiliya, searched 1 carpenter's workshop, and withdrew at 14:45. At 19:00, the Israeli army raided the town of 'Azzun. Confrontations (ii) took place between civilians and the Israeli army, while it was patrolling the area. **Closure of Main Roads:** The Israeli army continues to close the Jenin-Nablus main road (i) between the junction to the village of Deir Sharaf and the settlement of Shavei Shomron. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades Al Badhan road, which is the north-eastern entrance to the city of Nablus. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus: **NABLUS** Huwwara and Beit Iba checkpoints (set up at the southern and western (i) entrances to the city of Nablus respectively) are closed at 23:00. Access to civilians between 15 and 30 years of age as well as holders of IDs issued in the districts of Jenin and Tulkarem is denied. Al Badhan checkpoint (set up at the eastern entrance to the city of (ii) Nablus) remains closed with dirt barricades. (iii) Nablus-'Asira ash Shamaliya checkpoint (set up at the northern entrance to city) is open from 06:30 to 20:00.

	(iv) At Tur neighbourhood checkpoint (set up on Jirzim 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.
	(v) Beit Furik checkpoint is open to civilian residents of the town of Beit Furik and the village of Beit Dajan until 17:30.
	• Raids/House Occupation:
	(i) At 02:35, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus, occupied 1 building, and converted it into a military post. The Israeli army also patrolled the area.
	(ii) At 03:45, the Israeli army raided Balata refugee camp in the city of Nablus. An armed confrontation took place between armed Palestinian individuals and the Israeli army, while it was searching a number of houses. The Israeli army also arrested 4 civilians (brothers) and withdrew at 05:45.
	• <u>Arrests</u> : The Israeli army arrested 4 civilians in Balata refugee camp:
	(i) Hani Shakir Abu 'Ayyash;
	(ii) Mohammed Shakir Abu 'Ayyash;
	(iii) Jihad Shakir Abu 'Ayyash; and
	(iv) Hussein Shakir Abu 'Ayyash.
SALFIT	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army has continued to close the main north-western entrance to the city of Salfit with dirt barricades since the beginning of the current <i>Intifada</i> (Uprising). The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western entrances to the towns of Bruqin and Deir Istiya and to the village of Marda. The Israeli army also continues to close with cement blocks the western entrance to the town of Kafr ad Dik. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Deir Ballut checkpoint and to deny civilian access to the town of Kafr ad Dik. The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the Za'tara junction checkpoint and to deny access to civilians under 35 years of age. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues near the Green Line in the town of Deir Ballut and the villages of Az Zawiya and Rafat, northwest of the city of Salfit, and in the village of Marda and the town of Kifl Haris north of the settlement of Ari'el. Raid/Attack: At 20:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Marda and fired sound grenades while patrolling the area. At 21:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
JERICHO	• <u>Closure</u> : The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between the city of Jericho and the village of Al 'Auja with cement blocks and to prevent farmers not holding Jericho Governorate IDs from reaching their land, forcing them to apply for access permits. The Israeli army also continues to deny access to the city to holders of Israeli-issued IDs.

Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to close Al Hamra checkpoint set up on the Jericho-Nablus road, denying civilian access, except for farmers holding Jericho IDs. Flying Checkpoint: At 19:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Al 'Auja on Al Mu'arrajat road connecting the districts of Jericho and Ramallah and searched civilians and vehicles. Closure: 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. The Israeli army considers the civilians' residence in the village illegal because they hold West Bank identity cards while their village is located within the Israeli-defined municipal boundaries of Jerusalem. Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close all roads to Road # 60 leading to the city of Jerusalem, thereby isolating the city of Bethlehem from its towns and villages located west of Road # 60. Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the "Container") checkpoint and to deny access to civilian vehicles, except for those possessing access permits. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the town of Al Khadr, north of 'Ayda refugee camp, and northwest of the city of Beit Jala. **Raids/Detention:** (i) At 13:50, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Beit Jala and patrolled (ii) At 18:55, an Israeli army patrol raided the village of Dar Salah, set up a checkpoint, and searched civilians and vehicles until 22:40. **BETHLEHEM**

- (iii) At 20:00, and again at 06:55, the Israeli army raided the city of Bethlehem, patrolled the area, set up a checkpoint, searched civilians and vehicles, and detained 3 civilians.
- At 20:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Al Khadr. (iv)
- (v) At 21:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the area of Al 'Ubayyat south of the city of Bethlehem.
- At 02:00, the Israeli army, including 7 jeeps, raided the town of Beit (vi) Fajjar and patrolled the area until 05:00.
- Arrests: At 02:15 on 08 August 2006, the Israeli army arrested 4 civilians in addition to those reported vesterday - during its raid on the town of Tuqu', while they were travelling to their workplaces in the city of Jerusalem:
- (i) Fu'ad Rateb Jaddou';
- Omar 'Adel Jaddou'; (ii)
- (iii) Hamzeh Khalaf Sabbah; and
- Abdullah Salem Jibreel.

At 20:30, the Israeli army arrested 2 civilians at the entrance to the city of Beit Jala, while they were travelling to their workplaces in the city of Jerusalem:

- Abdul Rahman Ibrahim an Nashash; and (v)
- Khaled Khalil Tayeh. (vi)

	• <u>Detention</u> : At 16:00, Israeli troops positioned at As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the "Container") checkpoint detained Ahmed Saleh Nimer al Hajj, a
	Palestinian security officer, and released him at 17:20.
HEBRON	 Closure: (i) The Israeli army continues to close the following locales in the old city of Hebron: Ash Shuhada' Street and the area of As Sahleh with cement blocks and barbed wire; the old gold market with an iron gate; the area of Khuzq al Far near the settlement of Abraham Avino with a dirt barricade and an iron gate; and the entrance to the area of Al Khan with an electronic gate, isolating the area from Al Laban Market and the area of As Sahleh. (ii) Although it expired on 07 May 2006, the Israeli army continues to implement a military order stipulating the prohibition of civilian vehicles from travelling along the road connecting the settlement of Kiryat Arba' to the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron unless they possess access permits. Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the following locales: the area of Al Hawawir leading to the town of Halhul; the area of Al Fahs south of the city of Hebron; the junction to the area of Farsh al Hawa leading to Road # 35 northwest of the city of Hebron; the entrance to the village of Beit 'Einun; Al Baq'a junction south of the town of Beit 'Awwa; and the entrance to the village of 'Arab ar Ramadin. The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to Al Qeisi neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues: in the area between the towns of Beit Ula and Idhna (a 2-km-long section between the area south of the town of Beit Ula and Tarqumiya Crossing Point); in the village of Ar Ramadin (the remaining section of the Wall route that separates the settlement of Eshkolot from the village of Ar Ramadin); and near the village of Inneizil southeast of the town of Yatta. Flving Checkpoints/Attack/Detention: (ii) At 20:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Fawwar junction and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 23:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the road to the vi

the city again and patrolled the area. After stepping out of the jeeps, Israeli troops aimed their rifles at Palestinian National Security officers, who were guarding the offices of the Temporary International Presence in Hebron (TIPH).

• Arrests:

- (i) At 20:30, the Israeli army arrested Fadhl Amjad Dandees, a 16-year-old mentally challenged child, in the old city of Hebron.
- (ii) The Israeli army arrested Sami Yousef Tneineh in the town of Tarqumiya.

GAZA STRIP

ALL DISTRICTS

- Beginning on 25 June 2006, the Israeli army has reinforced the concentration of its armed forces along the northern and eastern borders of the district of Northern Gaza and imposed a sea blockade that has prevented Palestinian fishing boats from sailing. Beginning on 28 June 2006, the Israeli army has also reinforced the concentration of its armed forces along the eastern border of the district of Rafah.
- <u>Closure of Crossing Point</u>: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open only to foreign nationals, VIPs, and humanitarian cases.

• Attacks:

(i) Between 08:00 on 08 August 2006 and 08:00 on 09 August 2006, the Israeli army fired 43 artillery shells from its locations inside the Green Line towards Palestinian territory in the area of Al Bura, in the area surrounding the College of Agriculture, in the area of Abu Safiya, and on Al Maqabir Street in the town of Beit Hanun. Artillery shells also landed in the area surrounding Al Qarya al Badawiya and near An Nada residential towers north of the town of Beit Lahiya. Of the fired shells, an artillery shell hit and completely destroyed 1 house in the town of Beit Hanun.

NORTHERN GAZA

- (ii) At 12:20, the Israeli army opened fire from one of its locations on the Green Line towards 3 children, claiming that they had approached the Green Line north of the town of Beit Lahiya.
- <u>House Demolition</u>: The house that was completely destroyed in the town of Beit Hanun as a result of the Israeli military attack belongs to Bakr Mahmoud 'Awadh.
- <u>Palestinian Attack</u>: At 18:40, 2 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line, of which 1 mortar landed on Palestinian territory.
- <u>Palestinian Security Measure</u>: At 11:00, Palestinian security forces blocked an attempt by armed Palestinian individuals to fire mortars from the area surrounding Al 'Atatra area northwest of the town of Beit Lahiya towards the Green Line. Palestinian security forces also seized 4 mortar-launching pads from the armed individuals.

GAZA	 Closure of Crossing Points: Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed. Ash Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. Palestinian Attack: At 18:40, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line, but it landed on Palestinian territory.
CENTRAL GAZA	Activities not reported.
KHAN YUNIS	• <u>Attack</u> : At 19:00, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 149 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory east of the area of Al Qarara.
RAFAH	 Closure of Crossing Points: Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. Rafah Crossing is closed. Sufa Crossing is closed. Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed. Raid/Attack/Destruction of Property: Beginning at 18:20 on 07 August 2006, the Israeli army has remained positioned in and around Yasser 'Arafat International Airport east of the city of Rafah and opened indiscriminate fire towards civilians. The Israeli army also demolished 9 houses as well as 1 poultry farm located southwest of the Airport. The Israeli army remains positioned in the area as of 08:00 this morning. House Demolitions: The Israeli army demolished 9 houses belonging to civilians from the families of Abu Shallouf and Abu Shousheh southwest of Yasser 'Arafat International Airport east of the city of Rafah.