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#### PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

#### **DAILY SITUATION REPORT**

08:00 13 August 2006 - 08:00 14 August 2006

#### **SUMMARY OF EVENTS**

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	_	3	3	Incl. 1 child and his mother, Central Gaza
Incursion	_	1	1	Into areas east of the city of Rafah
Attacks	5	7	12	Incl. 3 in raids & 6 from military posts
Raids	19	1	20	Incl. 4 in Ramallah & 4 in Hebron
Air Patrol	_	1	1	F16 combat aircraft over Gaza city
Arrests	7	_	7	Incl. 1 child in Kafr Ra'i town, Jenin
Detentions	18	_	18	At checkpoints and in residential areas
House Demolitions	_	3	3	3 houses in the district of Rafah
Land Levelling	_	2	2	In Central Gaza and Rafah districts
Wall Construction	27	_	27	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Beth.
Destruction of Property	_	7	7	Incl. 2 watchtowers in 'Arafat Airport
House Occupation	_	1	1	Converted into a military post in Rafah
Closure of Checkpoints	10	_	10	Incl. Huwwara & Beit Iba partially
Flying Checkpoints	24	_	24	Incl. 3 in Jerusalem and 14 in Jenin
Closure (per District)	6	_	6	Incl. An Nu'man village, Bethlehem
Closure of Main Roads	40	_	40	Incl. 5 in Jerusalem & 4 in Qalqiliya
Closure of Crossing Points	_	6	6	Incl. Beit Hanun (Erez) partially
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	_	1	Pal. Police officers detained in Tubas
Palestinian Attack	_	1	1	1 mortar fired towards the Green Line
TOTAL	157	33	190	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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#### 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. Closure: 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 Agsa 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 on the main road near the village of Jaba' and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 12:30, 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.

	(iii) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Qalandiya and searched civilians and vehicles.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul> <li>Closure of Main Roads: <ol> <li>The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil and the road connecting Dahiyat al Mu'allimin to Al Jalazun refugee camp.</li> <li>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).</li> <li>Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the overpass to the town of 'Atara and to impede access to the city of Ramallah for civilians holding IDs issued in the northern districts of the West Bank.</li> <li>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.</li> <li>Raids/Attack/Detention: <ol> <li>At 17:35, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided and patrolled the city of El Bireh.</li> <li>At 01:50, the Israeli army raided the city of Ramallah, opened fire, fired sound grenades, and searched 1 building after detaining residents. At 04:45, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.</li> <li>At 02:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Al Am'ari refugee camp.</li> <li>The Israeli army raided the village of Mazari' an Nubani and searched 3 houses.</li> </ol> </li> </ol></li></ul>
JENIN	<ul> <li>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.</li> <li>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.</li> <li>Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> <li>Flving Checkpoints: <ol> <li>At 08:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the village of Az Zawiya and another near the town of Jaba' on the Jenin-Nablus road through which it denied civilian access until the evening.</li> <li>At 16:10, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints at the entrances to the town of Tammun and the village of 'Atuf and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>At 18:00, the Israeli army set up 5 flying checkpoints: 1 on the junction to the town of 'Arraba on the Jenin-Nablus road and 4 at the entrances</li> </ol> </li> </ul>

- to the towns of Meithalun, Tubas, and Az Zababida as well as the village of Sanur. Israeli troops positioned at these flying checkpoints searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iv) At 02:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the towns of Tammun and Tubas and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (v) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up 3 flying checkpoints, 2 on the junctions to the town of 'Arraba and the village of 'Ajja and 1 at the entrance to the village of Misliya, and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (vi) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the villages of Zabda and Dhahr al 'Abed and searched civilians and vehicles.

#### Raids/Provocation of Palestinian Forces/Attack:

- (i) At 14:00, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the village of Fahma. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians.
- (ii) At 16:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Tubas. At 02:45, the Israeli army raided the town again, detained Palestinian Police officers while they were carrying out their security duties, and took them to Tayasir checkpoint. After coordination through the DCO, the Israeli army released the Palestinian Police officers.
- (iii) At 22:00, the Israeli army, including 10 jeeps, raided the town of Al Yamun, opened fire, fired sound grenades, and searched a number of houses. At 23:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
- (iv) At 03:00, the Israeli army, including 7 jeeps, raided the town of Kafr Ra'i, searched 3 houses, and arrested 2 civilians, including 1 child. Israeli troops also served a notice to the family of Nael Mustafa Jawabreh stating that he should surrender himself to the Israeli army within 48 hours. At 04:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
- Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the town of Kafr Ra'i:
- (i) 'Uthman Zuheir Milhem, 17 years old; and
- (ii) Ahmed Omar 'Aref.

### 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). At 'Einav checkpoint, the Israeli army has confined crossing times to the period between 07:00 and 17:00 every day.

	Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted     special Israeli parmits		
	<ul> <li>special Israeli permits.</li> <li>Flying Checkpoint: At 20:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Ramin and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> </ul>		
QALQILIYA	<ul> <li>Closure of Main Roads: <ol> <li>The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the northern entrance to the town of 'Azzun as well as the agricultural roads east of the town.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the eastern entrance to the village of 'Izbat at Tabib.</li> <li>At 17:00, the Israeli army closed with dirt barricades the road between the villages of Hajja and Kafr Qaddum.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Wall Gates: <ol> <li>Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal detector.</li> <li>Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction continues in the village of Immatin and east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and 'Azzun.</li> <li>Raid: At 20:00, the Israeli army raided the town of 'Azzun. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. Israeli troops also arrested 1 civilian, claiming that he had thrown stones at the Israeli army.</li> <li>Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Zakariyya Abdul Hadi Sweidan in the town of 'Azzun.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>		
NABLUS	<ul> <li>Closure of Main Roads: <ol> <li>The Israeli army continues to close the Jenin-Nablus road between the junction to the village of Deir Sharaf and the settlement of Shavei Shomron.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades Al Badhan road, which is the north-eastern entrance to the city of Nablus.</li> <li>Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus: <ol> <li>Huwwara and Beit Iba checkpoints (set up at the southern and western entrances to the city of Nablus respectively) are closed at 23:00.</li> <li>Al Badhan checkpoint (set up at the eastern entrance to the city of Nablus) remains closed with dirt barricades.</li> <li>Nablus-'Asira ash Shamaliya checkpoint (set up at the northern entrance to city) is open from 06:30 until 20:00.</li> <li>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.</li> <li>Beit Furik checkpoint is open to civilian residents of the town of Beit Furik and the village of Beit Dajan until 17:30.</li> <li>At 16:50, the Israeli army closed Beit Iba checkpoint and denied civilian access, after having arrested 1 civilian. At 17:20, the Israeli army reopened the checkpoint.</li> </ol> </li> </ol></li></ul>		

#### **Flying Checkpoints:** At 08:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area (i) between the town of 'Asira ash Shamaliya and the village of Talluza and searched civilians and vehicles. At 11:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to (ii) the town of Huwwara and impeded civilian access on the Nablus-Ramallah road. At 13:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area (iii) between the villages of Till and Burin and searched civilians and Raids: At 02:15, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus and Balata refugee camp and patrolled the area until 03:10. (i) At 21:00, Israeli troops positioned at Huwwara checkpoint arrested Jalal Khalil Ahmed. Israeli troops positioned at Beit Iba checkpoint arrested an unidentified (ii) civilian. **Closure of Main Roads:** (i) 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 *Intifada* (Uprising). (ii) 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: SALFIT** The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Deir Ballut (i) 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 (ii) junction checkpoint and to deny access to civilians under 35 years of 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. Closure: 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. **Checkpoints: JERICHO** (i) 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. At 07:40, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions and impeded (ii) civilian access at the DCO checkpoint set up at the southern entrance to the city of Jericho as well as at the checkpoint set up on the junction to

	the village of Al 'Auja (the northern entrance to the city of Jericho) on Al Mu'arrajat road, which connects the districts of Jericho and Ramallah.  • Flying Checkpoint: At 02:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the settlement of Vered Yericho, searched civilians and vehicles, and withdrew at 03:30.
BETHLEHEM	<ul> <li>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.</li> <li>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.</li> <li>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.</li> <li>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.</li> <li>Raids: <ul> <li>At 02:30, an Israeli army patrol raided the village of Dar Salah, set up a checkpoint, and searched civilians and vehicles until 02:45.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>(ii) At 02:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Bethlehem.</li> <li>(iii) At 03:00, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided and patrolled the city of Beit Sahur.</li> </ul>
HEBRON	<ul> <li>Closure: <ul> <li>(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.</li> <li>(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.</li> <li>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.</li> <li>Wall Construction: Wall construction continues: in the section between the</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	area south of the town of Beit Ula and Tarqumiya Crossing Point; the

remaining section of the Wall route that separates the settlement of Eshkolot from the village of Ar Ramadin; and near the village of Imneizil southeast of the town of Yatta.

#### • Raids:

- (i) At 01:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Adh Dhahiriya.
- (ii) At 03:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Halhul, searched 1 house, and arrested 1 civilian.
- (iii) The Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, searched 1 house, and arrested 1 civilian.
- (iv) The Israeli army raided the town of Dura. Confrontations took place between civilians and the Israeli army, while it was patrolling the area. The Israeli army also set up a checkpoint at the town's entrance and searched civilians and vehicles.

#### • Arrests:

- (i) The Israeli army arrested Sameeh Mohammed al Atrash in the town of Halhul.
- (ii) The Israeli army arrested As'ad Sa'di al Heimouni in the city of Hebron.

#### **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.
NORTHERN GAZA	<ul> <li>Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open only to foreign nationals, VIPs, and humanitarian cases.</li> <li>Attacks/Injury:         <ul> <li>(i) At 15:40, the Israeli army opened fire from one of its locations on the Green Line towards Beit Hanun (Erez) Industrial Zone, injuring 1 civilian.</li> <li>(ii) At 23:20, the Israeli army opened fire from one of its locations on the Green Line towards Al Qarya al Badawiya north of the town of Beit Lahiya.</li> <li>Palestinian Attack: At 08:00, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
GAZA	<ul> <li>Closure of Crossing Point: Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed.</li> <li>Attack: At 10:15, Israeli troops positioned at a military watchtower near Ash Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing on the Green Line opened fire towards a number of farmers working on their land, which is located at a long distance from the Green Line.</li> <li>Air Patrol: At 00:45, Israeli F16 combat aircraft patrolled the skies over Gaza city.</li> </ul>

#### **Attacks/Injuries:** (i) At 09:30, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 117 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory east of Al Bureij refugee camp, injuring 2 civilians (a 12-year-old child and his mother) while they were travelling to a sheep pen at a distance of 350 metres from the Green Line. **CENTRAL** At 14:00, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 116 on the Green Line (ii) GAZA towards Palestinian territory east of Al Bureij refugee camp. Raid/Attack/Land Levelling: At 13:20, the Israeli army, including 2 tanks and 2 bulldozers, raided 300 metres into Palestinian territory near Point 140 on the Green Line east of Al Maghazi refugee camp. The Israeli army also opened fire and levelled land. Activities not reported. **KHAN YUNIS Closure of Crossing Points:** Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. (i) Rafah Crossing is closed. (ii) Sufa Crossing is closed. (iii) Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed. (iv) Incursion/Destruction of Property/Land Levelling/House Occupation: 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. The Israeli army also destroyed 2 surveillance and guard watchtowers as well as 2 rooms in the Airport. At 17:30, the Israeli army expanded the scope of its incursion into the area east of the city of Rafah, levelled agricultural land, destroyed 2 commercial shops, and demolished 2 houses. In addition, the Israeli army occupied 1 house and converted it into **RAFAH** a military post. The Israeli army remains positioned in the area as of 08:00 this morning. Attack: At 00:20, the Israeli army fired a number of artillery shells from its locations inside Green Line towards 1 house in the area of Al Mahamreh near Sufa Crossing east of the city of Rafah, thereby completely destroying it. **House Demolitions:** The Israeli army demolished 2 houses belonging to the families of Abu (i) 'Adwan and al Qirsh east of the city of Rafah. The house that was destroyed during the Israeli air attack on the area (ii) near Sufa Crossing east of the city of Rafah belongs to Fawwaz Abu 'Ashour.