

## مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



## PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

## DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 13 August 2007 – 08:00 14 August 2007

## SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Deaths	—	4	<b>4</b>	Incl. a 70-year-old female civilian
Injuries	—	20	<b>20</b>	Incl. 4 civilians in critical condition
Air Attack	—	1	<b>1</b>	1 missile fired by a UAV, Khan Yunis
Attacks	4	8	<b>12</b>	Incl. 7 in raids and 3 from military posts
Raids	27	2	<b>29</b>	Incl. 4 in Jenin and 7 in Hebron
Air Patrols	—	9	<b>9</b>	Incl. 5 by combat aircraft & 3 by UAVs
Arrests (per person)	11	4	<b>15</b>	Incl. 2 in Jerusalem and 5 in Ramallah
Detentions	14	1	<b>15</b>	At checkpoints and in residential areas
Land Levelling	—	1	<b>1</b>	Agricultural land in Khan Yunis
Wall Construction	25	—	<b>25</b>	Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Hebron, Beth.
Destruction of Property	3	1	<b>4</b>	Incl. a commercial shop set on fire, Jenin
House Occupations	1	15	<b>16</b>	1 in Nablus and 15 in Khan Yunis
Closure of Checkpoints	14	—	<b>14</b>	Incl. access impeded at 7 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	10	—	<b>10</b>	Incl. 2 in Jerusalem and 2 in Ramallah
Closure (per District)	6	—	<b>6</b>	Incl. Jerusalem and Tulkarem partially
Closure of Main Roads	38	—	<b>38</b>	Incl. 2 in Bethlehem & 12 in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points	—	7	<b>7</b>	Humanitarian cases & fuel allowed
Medical Obstruction	—	1	<b>1</b>	Ambulances denied access, Khan Yunis
Attack on Religious Site	1	—	<b>1</b>	The Ibrahimi Mosque closed, Hebron
Settlement Activity	1	—	<b>1</b>	A road constructed in Qalqiliya district
Settler Violence	1	—	<b>1</b>	Olive groves set on fire in Salfit
Palestinian Attacks	—	4	<b>4</b>	16 mortars fired towards the Green Line
Pal. Security Measures	2	—	<b>2</b>	2 illegal vehicles handed over, Jenin
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>236</b>	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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## WEST BANK

ALL DISTRICTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>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.</li> </ul>
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JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Closure:</b> The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem. The Israeli army also continues to close the entrances to Al Aqsa Mosque compound in the old city of Jerusalem and impede civilian access to the mosque.</li> <li><b>Closure of Main Roads:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Israeli army continues to close the entrance opposite the junction to Dahiyat al Bareed in the city of Jerusalem with a barbed wire gate and to deny civilian access.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting Dahiyat al Bareed to the town of Ar Ram in order to complete Wall construction in the area.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and dirt barricades the entrance to the village of Jaba', which connects the village to the cities of Jerusalem, Ramallah, and Jericho.</li> </ol> </li> <li><b>Checkpoint:</b> 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.</li> <li><b>Wall Gates:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks.</li> <li>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.</li> </ol> </li> <li><b>Wall Construction:</b> Wall construction continues in Dahiyat al Bareed, Dahiyat al Aqbat, from the village of Hizma to 'Anata, along the Hizma-Jaba' road, the area of Al 'Eizariya to Ash Shayyah, 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.</li> <li><b>Raids:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Israeli army raided the towns of Al 'Eizariya and Abu Dis and arrested 2 civilians.</li> <li>The Israeli army raided the village of Hizma and searched 2 houses.</li> </ol> </li> <li><b>Arrests:</b> The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the towns of Al 'Eizariya and Abu Dis: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Amin Mohammed Badr; and</li> <li>Dhiya' Dawoud al 'Urouj.</li> </ol> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>
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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>RAMALLAH &amp; EL BIREH</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure of Main Roads:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil and with cement blocks the western entrance to the village of Saffa.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army continues to close the settler bypass road connecting 'Assur Hill in the village of Kafr Malik to Alon settler bypass road.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Checkpoint:</u></b> The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the overpass to the town of 'Atara and to impede civilian access.</li> <li>• <b><u>Wall Construction:</u></b> Wall construction continues in the area west of the town of 'Abud as well as in the areas of Al Midya to Ni'lin and Ni'lin to Deir Qaddis.</li> <li>• <b><u>Flying Checkpoints:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 15:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of 'Ein 'Arik, searched civilians and vehicles, and arrested 1 civilian.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint along the settler bypass road near the village of Deir Nidham and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Raids:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 00:40, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the town of Beituniya and patrolled the area until 01:00.</li> <li>(ii) At 02:10, the Israeli army raided Al Jalazun refugee camp and arrested 3 civilians.</li> <li>(iii) At 02:10, the Israeli army raided the town of Bir Zeit and arrested 1 civilian.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Arrests:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up on the junction to the village of 'Ein 'Arik arrested an unidentified civilian.</li> </ul> <p>The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in Al Jalazun refugee camp:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(ii) Ibrahim Ahmed Ghawanmeh;</li> <li>(iii) Mohammed Abu Samrah; and</li> <li>(iv) Ramadhan Mohammed Humeidat.</li> <li>(v) The Israeli army arrested Ash Sheikh Abdullah in the town of Bir Zeit.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>JENIN</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure of Main Road:</u></b> The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan.</li> <li>• <b><u>Checkpoint:</u></b> 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.</li> <li>• <b><u>Wall Gates:</u></b> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> <li>• <b><u>Flying Checkpoints:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 09:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the town of Az Zababida and the village of Al Kufeir and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<p>(ii) At 19:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the town of 'Arraba and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Raids/Destruction of Property:</u></b></li> <li>(i) At 00:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Al Far'a.</li> <li>(ii) At 01:30, the Israeli army, including 7 jeeps, raided and patrolled the city of Jenin and Jenin refugee camp.</li> <li>(iii) At 02:25, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the town of Tubas, patrolled the area, and set fire to a commercial shop.</li> <li>• <b><u>Arrest:</u></b> At 02:15, the Israeli army arrested Mujahed as Sayes during its raid into the city of Jenin and Jenin refugee camp, in addition to those reported yesterday.</li> <li>• <b><u>Destruction of Property:</u></b> The Israeli army demolished barracks used for residence and livestock in the village of Khirbet Humsa in the area of the Northern Jordan Valley.</li> <li>• <b><u>Palestinian Security Measure:</u></b> At 12:10, Palestinian security forces handed over 2 illegal vehicles, seized in the city of Jenin, to the Israeli authorities (through the DCO).</li> </ul>
<b>TULKAREM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure:</u></b> The Israeli army continues to declare the district of Tulkarem a closed military zone and to impede civilian access to and from the district.</li> <li>• <b><u>Closure of Main Roads:</u></b></li> <li>(i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the Dahiyat Iktaba-Bal'a road; the entrance to the village of Saffarin; the road connecting the town of Deir al Ghusun to 'Attil plain; the road connecting the town of Kafr al Labad to the village of Shufa; the road to the town of Deir al Ghusun's plain; and the entrance to the village of 'Izbat Abu Khamish.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road connecting the town of Kafr al Labad to Dahiyat Dhinnaba in the city of Tulkarem.</li> <li>• <b><u>Checkpoints:</u></b> The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Jubara checkpoint (the southern entrance to the city of Tulkarem) as well as at 'Einav checkpoint (the eastern entrance to the city).</li> <li>• <b><u>Wall Gates:</u></b> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> <li>• <b><u>Raids:</u></b></li> <li>(i) At 10:00, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided Nur Shams refugee camp and patrolled the area until 11:30.</li> <li>(ii) At 10:35, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the village of Zeita and patrolled the area until 11:15.</li> <li>(iii) At 03:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Tulkarem.</li> </ul>
<b>QALQILIYA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure of Roads:</u></b> The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun as well as the road connecting the town of 'Azzun to the village of 'Izbat at Tabib.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Wall Gates:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at ‘Azzun ‘Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal detector.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Wall Construction:</u></b> Land levelling for Wall construction continues in the villages of Immatin and Kafr Laqif as well as east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and ‘Azzun.</li> <li>• <b><u>Flying Checkpoint:</u></b> At 09:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the towns of Jayyus and ‘Azzun and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>• <b><u>Attack:</u></b> At 22:00, Israeli troops guarding the Wall section in the vicinity of the village of Falamyia opened fire towards 16-year-old Rakad ‘Ata al As’ad, while he was attempting to jump over the Wall. Whether Al As’ad was injured during the attack has not been reported.</li> <li>• <b><u>Settlement Activity:</u></b> At 13:30, the Israeli army began construction of a road on land belonging to the village of Kafr Qaddum. The new road will connect the settlement of Kedumim to the Qalqiliya-Nablus main road.</li> </ul>
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure of Main Roads:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) 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>(ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the settler bypass road connecting the village of Deir al Hatab to the settlement of Alon Moreh as well as the southern entrance to the village of Qaryut.</li> <li>(iii) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the village of Al Lubban ash Sharqiya with dirt barricades and cement blocks.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Checkpoints:</u></b> The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Huwwara and Beit Iba checkpoints (set up at the southern and western entrances to the city of Nablus respectively) are closed at 23:00. The Israeli army only allows civilian vehicles possessing access permits to cross these checkpoints. The Israeli army also searches civilians using metal detectors at Beit Iba checkpoint, impeding their access.</li> <li>(ii) 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>(iii) 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>(iv) Beginning on 23 November 2006, the Israeli army continues to close the checkpoint set up in the area between the city of Nablus and the town of ‘Asira ash Shamaliya and to prevent civilians from crossing, only allowing access to humanitarian cases.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Flying Checkpoints:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 10:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the villages of Odala and 'Awarta and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>(ii) At 17:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the settlement of Yitzhar and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Raids/House Occupation/Attack:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 10:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus, occupied 1 house, and converted it into a military post.</li> <li>(ii) At 02:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus and 'Ein Beit el Ma' refugee camp. While surrounding a building in the city, the Israeli army opened fire. At 06:35, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Arrest:</u></b> Israeli troops positioned at Huwwara checkpoint arrested Khaldoun Mohammed Mustafa.</li> </ul>
<b>SALFIT</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure of Main Roads:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(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 <i>Intifada</i> (Uprising).</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western entrance to the village of Marda and, with cement blocks, the western entrance to the town of Kafr ad Dik.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Checkpoints:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Deir Ballut checkpoint and to deny civilian access to the town of Kafr ad Dik.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the Za'tara junction checkpoint and impeded civilian access.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Wall Construction:</u></b> Wall construction continues 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 Ari'el.</li> <li>• <b><u>Raid:</u></b> At 00:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Kafr ad Dik and patrolled the area until 01:00.</li> <li>• <b><u>Settler Violence:</u></b> At 19:20, a group of Israeli settlers set fire to civilian olive groves in the vicinity of the town of Kifl Haris and the village of Haris.</li> </ul>
<b>JERICHO</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure:</u></b> 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 IDs.</li> <li>• <b><u>Checkpoints:</u></b> The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions and impede civilian access at Al Hamra checkpoint set up along Al Badhan road connecting the districts of Jericho and Nablus as well as on the checkpoint set up on the junction to the village of Al 'Auja along Al Mu'arrajat road connecting the districts of Jericho and Ramallah.</li> </ul>
<b>BETHLEHEM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure:</u></b> 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> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure of Main Roads:</b> 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>• <b>Wall Construction:</b> Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the town of Al Khadr, northwest of the city of Beit Jala, and in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of the settlement of Efrat.</li> <li>• <b>Raids/Attack:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 10:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Tuqu' and opened indiscriminate fire, while patrolling the area.</li> <li>(ii) At 19:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Bethlehem.</li> <li>(iii) At 02:20, the Israeli army raided Wadi al 'Araiyis in the town of Al 'Ubeidiya and patrolled the area until 02:40.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>HEBRON</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <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. The Israeli army also continues to install an iron gate at the entrance to the area of Al Hisba (the fruits and vegetables market) in the old city of Hebron, thereby controlling civilian access in the area.</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> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Closure of Main Roads:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the following locales: the entrance to the town of As Samoa'; 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 road connecting the town of Surif to the village of Al Jab'a; the entrance to the village of Beit 'Einun; and the eastern entrance to the village of Kharsa. The Israeli army also continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to Al Qeisi neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron as well as the main entrance to Al 'Arrub refugee camp.</li> <li>(ii) In accordance with Military Order # 378, the Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from travelling along Shalala Old Street that leads to the old city of Hebron, only allowing Israeli vehicles as well as Israeli army vehicles to travel along this street.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Wall Construction:</b> Wall construction continues in the section of Tarqumiya checkpoint terminal, 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.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Raids:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 04:00 on 13 August 2007, the Israeli army raided the town of Idhna and arrested 2 civilians.</li> <li>(ii) At 11:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Hebron. At 17:15, the Israeli army raided the city again, set up a checkpoint, and searched civilians and vehicles. At 01:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city for the third time.</li> <li>(iii) At 20:25, the Israeli army raided the town of Sa'ir. While patrolling the area, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians.</li> <li>(iv) At 00:55, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Beit 'Einun.</li> <li>(v) At 01:55, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Adh Dhahiriya.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Arrest:</b> The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the town of Idhna: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) 'Adnan Ibrahim 'Awadh; and</li> <li>(ii) Safwat 'Abed Rabbu Abu Zalatah.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Attack on Religious Site:</b> On 13 August 2007, the Israeli army closed the Ibrahim Mosque in the old city of Hebron and denied civilian access. Meanwhile, the Israeli army allowed access to Israeli settlers, allegedly for celebrating the 1<sup>st</sup> of Elul on the Jewish calendar.</li> </ul>
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### GAZA STRIP

<b>ALL DISTRICTS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• At 15:00, Israeli combat aircraft patrolled the skies at low altitude over the Gaza Strip districts.</li> </ul>
<b>NORTHERN GAZA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure of Crossing Point:</b> Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is closed. Only humanitarian cases are allowed access, after prior coordination.</li> <li>• <b>Raid/Attack:</b> At 01:00, the Israeli army, including several tanks, armoured vehicles, and bulldozers, raided the area surrounding Al Waha Tourist Resort northwest of the town of Beit Lahiya. The Israeli army also opened intensive fire towards civilian houses. In addition, an armed confrontation took place between the Israeli army and armed Palestinian individuals.</li> <li>• <b>Palestinian Attack:</b> At 17:20, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.</li> </ul>
<b>GAZA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure of Crossing Points:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed.</li> <li>(ii) Ash Shuja'iyah (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is partially open for transportation of fuel.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>CENTRAL GAZA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Arrests:</b> In the morning on 13 August 2007, the Israeli army arrested 4 unidentified civilians near Kessufim gate on the Green Line, after they gained access into areas inside the Green Line.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Palestinian Attack/Israeli Attack/Air Patrols:</u></b> At 17:00, 9 mortars were fired towards the Green Line. Consequently, the Israeli army opened fire and fired tank shells towards Palestinian territory east of the area of Al Qarara. Additionally, Israeli combat helicopters and reconnaissance aircraft patrolled the skies over the area.</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>KHAN YUNIS</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Raids/Air Patrols/Attack/Air Attack/Injuries/Medical Obstruction:</u></b> At 01:00, the Israeli army, including several tanks, armoured vehicles, and bulldozers all covered by combat helicopters and reconnaissance aircraft, raided the town of Al Qarara, the area of Al Farahin, and the area east of the village of ‘Abasan as Saghira in the eastern Khan Yunis district. Israeli armoured vehicles and helicopters opened intensive fire and tanks fired shells towards civilian houses. An armed confrontation also took place between the Israeli army and armed Palestinian individuals. In addition, an Israeli UAV fired 1 missile towards an armed Palestinian group, killing 3 armed Palestinian individuals as well as an elderly female civilian (mother of a killed armed individual). The Israeli air attack also resulted in the injury of 11 other armed individuals and 9 civilians. Of those injured, 4 were in critical condition. Moreover, the Israeli army prevented ambulances from accessing the area to evacuate the injured, occupied the roofs of 15 houses and buildings, and converted them into military posts. The Israeli army also searched a number of houses and detained as well as interrogated many civilians above 15 years of age in a public place. Additionally, the Israeli army levelled land cultivated with olive and palm trees. The Israeli army remains positioned in the area as of 08:00 this morning.</li> <li>• <b><u>Killings:</u></b> The Israeli air force killed 3 armed Palestinian individuals and 1 female civilian on Palestinian territory east of the town of Al Qarara and the village of ‘Abasan as Saghira: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Sabhah al Qarra, a 70-year-old female civilian;</li> <li>(ii) Omar Mohammed al Qarra;</li> <li>(iii) Mohammed Musameh; and</li> <li>(iv) Ibrahim ash Shami.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Palestinian Attacks:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) In the evening on 13 August 2007, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.</li> <li>(ii) In the morning on 14 August 2007, 5 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>RAFAH</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure of Crossing Points:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Yasser ‘Arafat International Airport remains closed.</li> <li>(ii) Rafah Crossing is closed.</li> <li>(iii) Sufa Crossing is closed</li> <li>(iv) Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

**GENERAL**

<b>POLITICAL PRISONERS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Abuse of Political Prisoners:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) On 13 August 2007, the Israeli Administration of Nafha Desert Prison forced prisoners' families to sign on forms, according to which they will be prevented from visiting their relative prisoners for a period of 1 month. 730 political prisoners are held in Ramon Prison.</li> <li>(ii) At 03:00 on 14 August 2007, the Metzada Unit – Israeli Prisons Service's Special Intervention Force – raided isolation sections # 11, 15, and 17 in Nafha Prison, claiming to be searching for cellular telephones. Accompanied with Police dogs, Israeli troops used special equipment to remove tiles and dig walls in these isolation sections. Having forced them to strip for searches, Israeli troops also severely beat 4 prisoners and placed them in solitary confinement cells.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
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