مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT 08:00 15 July 2004 – 08:00 16 July 2004

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Deaths	1	_	1	In Hebron
Injuries	3	1	4	Incl. 3 children
Attacks	10	4	14	7 during raids, 4 at security posts
Raids	18	4	22	Incl. isolation of Beit Hanun
Air Patrols	2		2	Helicopters, Kafr ad Dik & Tulk.
Arrests (per person)	7	1	8	Incl. 1 child & 1 officer
Detentions	2	1	3	Incl. 4 civilians as human shields
Land Levelling	_	3	3	In Beit Hanun and south Gaza
Wall Construction	15	_	15	Jerusalem, Jenin, Ramallah, Beth.
Destruction of Property		1	1	Crops in Beit Hanun
Land Confiscation	1		1	6 dunums in Kafr Laqif
Curfew	1	_	1	Kafr Ad Dik
Checkpoints	All	_	All	
Flying Checkpoints	(Dozens)	(Dozens)		Closing all districts
Closure (per District)	(All)	(All)	(All)	Jericho closed military zone
Closure of Main Roads	(Most)	(5)	_	Esp. connecting cities
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)	_	(All)	Permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points	_	4	4	3 partially open
Provocation of Pal. Forces		4	4	Open fire at sec. post & checkpoint
Palestinian Attacks		2	2	2 Qassam mortars
Demonstrations	1		1	In the city of Salfit against the Wall
TOTAL	61	25	86	

DISTRICT	EVENT	
ALL DISTRICTS	Since 22 March 2004, the Israeli army has imposed a total closure over the West Bank and Gaza Strip. The Israeli army prevented civilians from crossing the Green Line and entering Jerusalem and restricted movement between cities in the West Bank.	

WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	 <u>Closure</u>: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction continues in Abu Dis, Al Eizariya, Al Sawahira al Sharqiya, Sur Bahir, along the main road between Jerusalem and Ramallah (Dahiyat Al Bareed, Ar Ram), the villages of Qatanna and Biddu, the area surrounding Qalandiya Airport and the village of Anata.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	 Closure: The Israeli army set up dozens of flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Rantis, Budrus, Midya, Ni'lin, Deir Qaddis, Beit Liqya and Beituniya. Raids: At 15:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Deir Ghassana. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. At 04:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Kafr Ein.
JENIN	 Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact economic and livelihood activities and impedes access to health facilities. Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction continues in Jalbun towards Al Mutilla, Raba, Al Mughayyir, Bardala and 'Ein al Beida and towards the Jordan River.

	 Raid: At 01:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Qabatiya, searched several houses, and arrested 2 civilians. Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the town of Qabatiya: Mahmoud Ali Abu ar Rub; and Mushref Adeeb Zakarna.
JERICHO	• <u>Closure</u> : The Israeli army set up dozens of checkpoints throughout the city, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and prevented civilians from crossing. The Israeli army declared the city of Jericho a closed military zone and prevented all Israeli ID card holders from entering the city.
BETHLEHEM	 Closure: (i) The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing civilians from crossing. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the only road leading to the village of Al Nu'man, northeast of the Bethlehem district, isolating the village and placing it together with the adjacent village of Al Khas under the jurisdiction of the Jerusalem municipality. The Israeli army considers the civilian's presence in the villages illegal. Wall Construction: (i) Construction of the Wall continues north of the district of Bethlehem, west of Wadi Hilwa, near the Armenian monastery, on the Jerusalem-Bethlehem road and along the tunnel road (Gilo) and road #60 towards the village of Husan. (ii) The Israeli Supreme Court ruled for the cancellation of construction of a portion of the Wall in the area parallel to 'Ayda refugee camp. Raids: (i) At 17:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Beit Jala and Ayda camp. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. At 23:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Beit Jala again and opened indiscriminate fire. (ii) At 20:50, the Israeli army raided the city of Bethlehem, opened indiscriminate fire, searched several houses, and arrested 1 civilian. At 23:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Harmala and arrested 1 civilian. Arrests: (i) The Israeli army arrested Issam Khalaf Al Sha'er in the city of Bethlehem. (ii) The Israeli army arrested Wajih Ibrahim Attalla in the village of Harmala.

TULKAREM	 Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact economic and livelihood activities and impedes access to health facilities. Raids: At 14:35, the Israeli army raided the city of Tulkarm and its suburbs, opened indiscriminate fire, raided several barber shops, and detained 7 civilians until 22:00. At 00:40, the Israeli army raided the city again
	 and opened indiscriminate fire. (ii) At 00:20, the Israeli army raided Tulkarem camp and opened indiscriminate fire, injuring 1 child. Air Patrol: At 10:30, Israeli reconnaissance aircraft patrolled the skies over the district of Tulkarm.
NABLUS	 Closure: The Israeli army set up dozens of flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. Raid: At 20:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Furik. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during which the Israeli army injured 2 children. Arrest: At 23:00, the Israeli army arrested Ibrahim Anwar at a checkpoint set up at the entrance to the town of Huwwara.
HEBRON	 Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. Raid: At 20:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, surrounded a 3-storey house, opened intensive fire towards the house, killing 1 civilian, and withdrew from the area at 23:00. Killing: The Israeli army killed Malik Abd Al Salam Naser Addien in the city of Hebron.
QALQILYA	 Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact economic and livelihood activities and impedes access to health facilities. Raid: At 20:45, the Israeli army raided the town of Jayyus, searched 1

	 house, and withdrew from the area at 21:30. Land Confiscation: The Israeli army confiscated 6 dunums (1.5 acres) of land at the entrance to the village of Kafr Laqif in order to expand the main road.
SALFIT	 Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. Wall Construction: Land levelling for construction of the Wall west of the village of Iskaka, north of the city of Salfit (surrounding the settlement of Ariel) and in the villages of Al Zawiya and Deir Ballut was suspended due to changes in the route of the Wall following an Israeli Supreme Court order. Raids/Curfew: Beginning at 07:20 on 15 July 2004, the Israeli army remains positioned in the village of Kafr Ad Dik and continues to impose curfew. Israeli army helicopters patrolled the skies over the village. The Israeli army used 4 civilians as human shields while conducting house searches, arrested 1 officer, and withdrew from the area at 20:00. At 12:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Bruqin. At 02:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Khirbet Qeis and withdrew from the area at 05:00. Arrests: At 23:00, the Israeli army arrested the Ahmad Bushkar, 17 years old, near the village of Mas-ha. The Israeli army arrested Jaber Rajeh, a Palestinian General Intelligence officer, in the village of Kafr Ad Dik. Demonstration: At 09:30, a mass demonstration including international peace activists took place in the city of Salfit against the continued construction of the Wall.

GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA	 <u>Closure</u>: The Beit Hanun Crossing is partially open. <u>Attack</u>: At 01:35, the Israeli army opened intensive fire towards a Palestinian National Security location north of a Bedouin village near the town of Beit Lahiya. <u>Raids/Land Levelling</u>: 	
	(i) Beginning at 18:30 on 28 June 2004, the Israeli army continues to impose a military siege on the town of Beit Hanun and isolate the town	
	from all other districts. The Israeli army levelled agricultural land on	

	the outskirts of the town. The Israeli army continues to impose a siege on the area as of 08:00 this morning. (ii) At 16:30, the Israeli army, including 25 armoured vehicles, raided the area of Abu Safia north of the town of Jabalya. (iii) At 20:00, the Israeli army, including 7 armoured vehicles and bulldozers, raided the area north of Al Maqbara ash Sharqiya, levelled land, and took position in the area. • Palestinian Attack: At 20:40, 1 Qassam mortar was fired towards the Green Line.
GAZA CITY	 Closure: The junction of Nitsareem remains closed. Attack: At 21:45, the Israeli army opened intensive fire towards a Palestinian National Security location north of the Sheikh 'Ijlin coastal road junction, south of Gaza city. Raid: At 17:40, the Israeli army, including 1 bulldozer, raided Palestinian Territory north of Sheikh 'Ijlin junction, south of Gaza city, near a Palestinian National Security location, erected a dirt barricade, and withdrew from the area at 18:40.
CENTRAL GAZA	Activities not yet reported.
KHAN YUNIS	 Closure: Abu al Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) is closed. Western road (Khan Yunis) remains closed. Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis road (Al Tuffah checkpoint) is closed. Abu Holi road is partially open. At 10:00, the Israeli army closed Salah ad Din road at Abu Holi checkpoint and arrested 1 civilian. At 13:20, the Israeli army reopened the road. Attack: At 16:50, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location at Point 9 towards a Palestinian National Security checkpoint near West Khan Yunis refugee camp. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Hussam Khalaf at Abu Holi checkpoint. Palestinian Attack: At 05:40, 1 Qassam mortar was fired towards the settlement of Gadid.
RAFAH	 Closure: The Gaza International Airport remains closed. The Rafah crossing is partially open to civilians under the age of 16 and above the age of 35. The Sufa Crossing is partially open to construction cargo only. Attack: At 01:00, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location at

the Point 8 on the Egyptian border towards civilian houses in Yabna camp, injuring 1 civilian.

GENERAL

West Bank: (i) The Israeli authorities renewed work permits to cross the Green Line for 4,422 workers. The total number of those allowed to cross is unknown. The Israeli authorities continue to refuse to renew work permits for (ii) workers in the district of Jericho to cross the Green Line. **WORK** The Israeli authorities restricted the issuing of work permits to civilians (iii) **PERMITS** over the age of 35, married and with children. **Gaza Strip:** (i) The Israeli authorities renewed work permits to cross into the Industrial Zones for 1,001 workers; however, only 96 workers, 10% of the total number of permits issued, were permitted to enter the area. (ii) The Israeli authorities renewed work permits to cross the Green Line for 1,984 workers; however, only 840 workers, 43% of the total number of permits issued, were permitted to cross the Green Line.