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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT 08:00 18 July 2004 – 08:00 19 July 2004

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Deaths	2	2	4	Incl. 1 child & 1 from heart attack
Injuries	_	2	2	Incl. 1 child
Incursion	1	_	1	In 'Illar and Seida
Attacks	7	6	13	Incl. 4 from helicopters
Raids	22	2	24	Incl. isolation of Beit Hanun
Air Patrols	2	1	3	In Tulkarm and Jabalya
Arrests (per person)	17	1	18	Incl. 1 journalist and 1 officer
Detentions	3	_	3	Hundreds of civilians
House Demolitions	_	3	3	Partially in Beit Hanun
Land Levelling	_	1	1	Agricultural land in Beit Hanun
Wall Construction	15	_	15	Jerusalem, Jenin, Ramallah, Beth.
Destruction of Property	_	4	4	In Beit Hanun
Curfews	2	_	2	In 'Illar and Seida
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)	Belgian delegation denied access
Closure of Crossing Points	_	4	4	2 partially open
Medical Obstruction	2	_	2	In Bizzariya and Seida
Settlement Activity	1	_	1	Expansion of Ma'ale Adummim
Settler Violence	3	_	3	Incl. demonstration in Hebron
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	1	2	In Salfit and Jabalya
Palestinian Attack		1	1	2 'Qassam' mortars at Green Line
TOTAL	78	28	106	

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	 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: 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. 	
	Settlement Activity: The Israeli authorities began expanding the settlement of Ma'ale Adummim.	
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 Flying Checkpoint: The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the village of Burqa and the settlement of Ofra on Al Mu'arrajat road leading to the city of Jericho and detained hundreds of civilians for an extended period of time, searched vehicles and examined civilian IDs. Raids: At 21:30, an Israeli army jeep raided the village of Kafr Ein. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. At 4:00, the Israeli army raided the village again and arrested 1 civilian. At 22:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Silwad, searched several houses, and arrested 3 civilians. At 23:00, an Israeli army patrol raided and patrolled the city of 	

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	 (iv) At 23:25, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Rima. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. (v) At 03:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Mazari' an Nubani, searched 1 house and arrested 2 civilians. (vi) At 01:00, the Israeli army, including 20 jeeps, raided the town of Beituniya, searched several houses, and arrested 2 civilians, including 1 journalist. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 1 civilian in the village of Kafr Ein: (i) Muhanad Sa'id Suliman; The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in the town of Silwad: (ii) Mohammad Najeeb Mar'i; (iii) Adeeb Mar'i; and (iv) Na'im Mar'i. The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the village of Mazari' an Nubani: (v) Khaled Hussein Musfer; and (vi) Ibrahim Hussein Musfer. The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the town of Beituniya: (vii) Mohammad Harish; and (viii) The Journalist Ibrahim an Nashif.
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. Raids: At 20:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Tammun, patrolled the area, and withdrew at 20:30. At 24:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Tubas, patrolled the area, and withdrew at 01:00.
JERICHO	 Closure: 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 civilians carrying Israeli ID cards from entering the city, including tourist bus drivers. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Jawad Mohammad Abd An Nabi, a Palestinian General Intelligence officer, at a checkpoint set up at the southern entrance to the city of Jericho.

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. The Israeli army continues to close the only road leading to the village (ii) 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** 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 13:50, the Israeli army raided the city of Beit Jala, searched 1 house, and withdrew from the area at 16:00. At 02:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Bethlehem (ii) until 04:30. Arrest: At 02:30, on 18 July 2004, the Israeli army arrested Emad Shukri Sarhan during a raid on the city of Beit Sahur. **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. Incursion/Curfew: At 04:00, the Israeli army, supported by helicopters, raided the town of Illar and the village of Seida, imposed curfew and opened intensive fire, killing 1 civilian in the village of Seida. The Israeli TULKAREM army also prevented ambulances from accessing the area and searched several houses. The Israeli army remains present in the area as of 08:00 this morning. **Raids:** (i) At 11:25, the Israeli army raided the city of Tulkarm and its suburbs. At 19:00, the Israeli army raided the city again, arrested 3 civilians and withdrew at 08:00. At 19:00, the Israeli army raided Tulkarm refugee camp, took position (ii) at its entrances, and withdrew at 08:00. At 19:15, an Israeli army patrol raided Nur Shams refugee camp. At (iii)

23:10, the Israeli army raided the camp again. Confrontations took

	place between the Israeli army and civilians. • Air Patrol: At 19:15, Israeli army helicopters patrolled the skies over the district of Tulkarm. • Killing: The Israeli army killed Basil Abu Shehab in the village of Seida. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in the city of Tulkarm: (i) Sa'ada A'abed; (ii) Yasser Mahmoud Al Najjar; and (iii) Jaser Al A'abodi.
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: The Israeli army raided the village of Bizzariya and opened indiscriminate fire, leading 1 female civilian to suffer a heart attack. The Israeli army prevented ambulances from transferring her to hospital, killing her as a result of the delay. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Ayman Al Zubaidi at Huwwara checkpoint.
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. Settler Violence: Israeli settlers from the settlement of Kiryat Arba demonstrated in the streets of the old city of Hebron, calling for the killing and expulsion of all Arabs. A group of armed Israeli settlers from the settlement of Kiryat Arba pursued civilians, prohibited civilians from travelling on the main road west of the settlement, and threw stones at civilian houses.
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. The Israeli army prohibited a Belgian delegation from entering the village of Azzun Atma through the village Wall gate. Raid: At 21:50, the Israeli army raided the city of Qalqiliya and took position in several neighbourhoods. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. The Israeli army withdrew at 22:25.

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	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:

(i) At 13:00, an Israeli army patrol raided the village of Iskaka, set up a checkpoint between the village and the city of Salfit, and searched vehicles and pedestrians.

(ii) At 18:00, an Israeli army jeep raided the city of Salfit and set up a checkpoint at its southern entrance. At 02:15, the Israeli army, including 10 armoured vehicles, raided the city again, raided a Palestinian National Security location, searched several houses, and arrested 3 civilians.

- (iii) At 21:50, an Israeli army jeep raided the village of Yasuf, opened intensive fire, and withdrew at 22:30.
- Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in the city of Salfit:
- (i) Ahmad Sameh Abu Hajla;
- (ii) Abd Al Hadi Dawahqa; and
- (iii) Aziz Al Fattash.

GAZA STRIP

SALFIT

Closure: The Beit Hanun Crossing is partially open. Attack: At 22:00, Israeli army helicopters opened intensive fire from machine guns towards Salah ad Din Street and agricultural land near the road, in the area of Al Sekka, at the headquarters of the College of Agriculture in Beit Hanun, and at the headquarters of the Palestinian Military Intelligence north of the town of Jabalya. **Raids/Land Levelling: NORTHERN** Beginning at 18:30 on 28 June 2004, the Israeli army continues to (i) **GAZA** 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, partially demolished 3 houses, 1 shop, and chicken farms, in addition to destroying infrastructure in the area. The Israeli army continues to impose a siege on the area as of 08:00 this morning. (ii) At 18:00, the Israeli army raided the area west of Salah ad Din Street,

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	set up a checkpoint, opened fire at workers returning home, arrested 1 civilian. • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Nafiz Al Namnam on the Salah ad Din Street west of the town of Beit Hanun. • House Demolition: The Israeli army partially demolished 3 houses in the town of Beit Hanun belonging to: (i) Mo'ath Abu Awda; (ii) Sa'ad Abu Awda; and (iii) Munir Abu Awda. • Palestinian Attack: At 21:30, 2 Qassam mortars were fired towards the Green Line.
GAZA CITY	• <u>Closure</u> : The junction of Nitsareem remains closed.
CENTRAL GAZA	Activities not yet reported.
KHAN YUNIS	 Closure: (i) Abu al Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) is closed. (ii) Western road (Khan Yunis) remains closed. (iii) Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis road (Al Tuffah checkpoint) is closed. (iv) Abu Holi road is partially open.
RAFAH	 Closure: The Gaza International Airport remains closed. The Rafah crossing is closed. The Sufa Crossing is partial open to construction cargo only. Attack: At 21:00, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location at Salah ad Din Gate towards the areas north of the gate, killing 1 civilian and injuring 2 others, including 1 child. Killings: The Israeli army killed an unidentified civilian north of Salah ad Din Gate. At 22:00, Samar Nemir Fujo, a female child, died due to injuries she sustained on 08 July 2004 during an Israeli army raid in Tal Zu'rob neighbourhood in the city of Rafah.

GENERAL

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	• 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.
	(ii) The Israeli authorities continue to refuse to renew work permits for
	workers in the district of Jericho to cross the Green Line.
WORK	(iii) The Israeli authorities restricted the issuing of work permits to civilians
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 473 workers, 48%
	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 2,497 workers; however, only 1,183 workers, 48% of the total
	number of permits issued, were permitted to cross the Green Line.
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