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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00, 18 November 2007 – 08:00, 18 November 2007

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	1		1	A child in Hebron
Arrests	11		11	Incl. 3 in Jenin; 3 in Nablus
Detentions	16		16	At checkpoints & in residential areas
Raids	32		32	Incl. 5 in Jenin; 5 in Tulkarem
Checkpoints	15		15	Closure of checkpoints, stricter measures
Flying Checkpoints	10		10	Incl. 2 in Jerusalem; 1 in Ramallah
Attacks	8	2	10	During 4 raids; 3 confrontations
Air Attacks		1	1	Helicopters fire 5 missiles - Khan Younis
Air Patrols		1	1	Combat helicopters in Khan Younis
Provocation of Pal. Forces	2		2	Civil Defense denied access to Beit Jala
Confiscation of Property	3		3	3 hunting rifles in Salfit
Demolition of Property	1	1	2	Electric network in Qalandya
Wall construction	25		25	Continues in the West Bank
Closures	7		7	Partial in Jerusalem, 3 areas in Jenin
Closure of Main Roads	35		35	Incl. 3 in Jerusalem, 5 in Tulkarem
Closure of Crossing Points		7	7	Except for humanitarian cases
Palestinian Attacks		5	5	9 mortars fired towards Green Line
TOTAL	166	17	183	

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. 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.

• Closure of Main Roads:

- (a) 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.
- (b) The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting Dahiyat al-Bareed to the town of al-Ram in order to complete Wall construction in the area.
- (c) 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.

• Checkpoints:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to consider Qalandya 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.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Rafat and Ramot checkpoints, as well as the checkpoint set up near the village of Jaba'

• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 20:30, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Hizma, and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) The Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the western entrance to the village of Beit 'Anan, and searched civilians and vehicles.
- Raids: At 00:40, the Israeli army raided the refugee camp of Qalandya where clashes with civilians broke out. In addition, the Israeli army opened fire intensively which in damaging the electric network. The Israeli army withdrew at 03:00.

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 al-Shayyah road in the area between the villages of al-Sawahira al-Sharqiya and al-Sawahira al-Gharbiya, only allowing civilians

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	 holding Jerusalem IDs to cross, after subjecting them to thorough searches using electronic devices. Wall Construction: 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 al-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.
RAMALLAH	 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 western entrance to the village of Saffa. Checkpoints: 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. Flving checkpoints: At 20:25, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Burqa, and searched civilians and vehicles. At 22:15, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the entrance to the refugee camp of al-Jalazon, and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids: At 02:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Ramallah. The Israeli army raided the village of Jiba, and searched 2 civilian houses. The Israeli army raided the village of Deir Abu Mashal, and arrested one civilian. Attacks: At 17:00, the Israeli army stationed at the watch tower that overlooks the town of Silwad opened fire indiscriminately in the area near the watch tower. Arrests: The civilian arrested in the village of Deir Abu Mashal is Ibrahim Ali Zeinah. Wall Construction: 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.
JENIN	 Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to close Tayaseer 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. Flying Checkpoints: At 17:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the junction of the town of Arraba, and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids: At 11:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the refugee camp of al-

	Far'a. (ii) At 15:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of al-Zababdeh. (iii) At 19:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Deir Ghazaleh. (iv) At 22:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Mithlon. (v) At 23:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Iqaba, searched a number of houses, and withdrew at 24:00 • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians who are residents of the village of Fahma during work inside the Green Lline under the pretext of not possessing entry permits. They were sentenced to 2-months imprisonment and a fine of 2000 NIS. The civilians are: (a) Sa'eed Ragheb Sa'abneh; (b) Awad Abed Sa'eed Sa'abneh; and (c) Hindi Sammeh Sa'abneh. • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits, which affects the educational and health conditions of civilians living behind the Wall.
TULKAREM	 Closure: 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 Dahiyat Iktaba-Bal'a road; the entrance to the village of Saffarin; the road connecting the town of Deir al Ghusun to 'Attil's plain; the road to the town of Deir al-Ghusun's plain; and the entrance to the village of 'Izbat Abu Khamish. Checkpoints: 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). At 17:00, the Israeli army denied civilians between the age of 16 and 35 access through the 'Einav checkpoint. Raids:
	 (i) At 12:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Tulkarem and patrolled it until 12:30. (ii) At 12:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Deir al-Ghusun. The raid recurred at 19:40 during which the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the entrance to the town. (iii) At 14:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Bal'a and fired sound bombs during patrol. (iv) The Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Kafr al-Lubbad. Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits, which affects the educational and health conditions of civilians living behind the Wall.
QALQILIYA	• Closure of Roads: (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun as well as the road that connects the town of 'Azzun to the village of 'Izbat at Tabib.

	(ii) The Israeli army continued to close the northern entrance to the town of
	'Azzun with an iron gate.
	• Raids: At 23:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Qalqilya.
	• Wall Gates:
	(i) Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special
	Israeli permits.
	(ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma
	Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal
	detector.
	• Wall Construction: Land leveling for Wall construction continues in the
	villages of Immatin and Kafr Laqif as well as east of the towns of Kafr
	Thulth and 'Azzun.
	Closure of Main Roads:
	(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.
	(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.
	(iii) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the village of al-
	Lubban al-Sharqiya with dirt barricades and cement blocks.
	(iv) The Israeli army continues to block the roads leading to the town of al-
	Jama'een with dirt barricades.
	• <u>Checkpoints</u> : The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing
	checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus:
	(i) At Tur neighborhood checkpoint (set up on Jerzim 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 neighborhood only.
NABLUS	(ii) Beit Furik checkpoint is open to civilian residents of the town of Beit
MIDLOS	Furik and the nearby village of Beit Dajan.
	(iii) 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 al-Shamaliya and to prevent civilians from crossing,
	only allowing access to humanitarian cases.
	• <u>Raids</u> :
	(i) At 01:25, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus and patrolled it until
	05:00.
	(ii) The Israeli army raided the village of Sebastia where clashes with
	civilians broke out. The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians, including a
	child.
	• Arrests:
	(i) The Israeli army arrested at Beit Iba checkpoint military officer Fadi
	Abdel Rahman Khalid from the Palestinian National Security Forces.
	(ii) The 2 civilians arrested in the village of Sebastia are:
	(a) Abdel Karim Mohammad Abdel Karim al-Sha'er, 16;
	and

	(b) Tihad Mahammad Daia at Cha'ar
	(b) Jihad Mohammad Raja al-Sha'er.
SALFIT	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close the main north-western entrance to the city of Salfit with dirt barricades since the beginning of the current Intifada (Uprising). 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 al-Dik. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Deir Ballut and Za'tarah checkpoints and to deny civilian access. At 13:10, the Israeli army closed Za'tarah checkpoint and opened it at 13:40. The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at the junction of the town of Za'tarah and impede traffic. Raids: At 12:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Kafr al-Dik and patrolled it until 12:40. At 16:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Brouqin. Arrests: At 17:50, the Israeli army arrested 4 civilians during a hunting trip after confiscating their hunting rifles in the mountainous area near the city of Salfit. The civilians are: Ya'coub Jamil Qumsieh; Charlie Ya'coub Hanania; and Tawfiq Ya'coub Hanania. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the city of Salfit, and in the village of Marda and the town of Kafr Hares north of the settlement of Ari'el.
JERICHO	 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 IDs. Checkpoints: 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.
BETHLEHEM	Closure: (i) 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. (ii) Since September 15, 2007, the Israeli army has been preventing civilian access, according to military order 07.02.S, to the 22-dunum land

that has been confiscated in accordance with confiscation order number 07.31.T. The 22-dunum area has been set to construct a passage in the area of Mazmouriyyeh that is located in the cities of Beit Sahour and Bethlehem.

- <u>Closure of Main Roads</u>: 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.
- <u>Checkpoints</u>: At 19:00, the Israeli army intensified restrictions at the alcontainer chekpoint and impeded traffic.

• Raids:

- (i) At 12:20, the Israeli army raided the city of Bethlehem. The raid recurred at 16:15.
- (ii) At 01:05, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of al-Khader.
- (iii) At 05:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Beit Jala.
- (iv) At 08:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Dar Salah, and set up a checkpoint.
- **Provocation of Pal. Forces**: At 13:25, the Israeli forces prevented Palestinian Civil Defense Forces from reaching the house of Sarfandi family to put out the fire that broke out in it, under the excuse that the house is located in Area (C) in the tunnel area in the city of Beit Jala.
- Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the town of al-Khader; northwest of the city of Beit Jala; in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of the settlement of Ephrata; and in the area surrounding the village of al-Walaja.

• Closure:

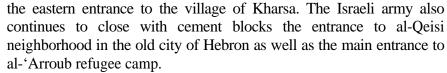
(i) The Israeli army continues to close the following locales in the old city of Hebron: al-Shuhada' Street and the area of al-Sahleh with cement blocks and barbed wire; the old gold market with an iron gate; the area of Khuzq al-Far near the settlement of Abraham Avino with a dirt barricade and an iron 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 al-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.

(ii) Although it expired on 07 May 2006, the Israeli army continues to implement a military order stipulating the prohibition of civilian vehicles from traveling 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:

(i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the following locales: the entrance to the town of al-Samoa'; the area of al-Hawawir leading to the town of Halhoul; 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

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- (ii) In accordance with Military Order # 378, the Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from traveling 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.
- (iii) At 13:00, the Israeli army closed the entrance to the town of Beit 'Ummar with an iron gate after clashes with civilians.

• Raids:

- (i) At 08:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Hebron. The raid recurred at 10:50 during which the Israeli army searched a garage. In addition, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint in the area of Ras alJora.
- (ii) At 09:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Surif.
- (iii) At 17:45, the Israeli army raided the area of Wadi al-Shajneh in the town of Dura and fired illumination bombs.
- (iv) At 20:30, the Israeli army raided the refugee camp of al-'Arroub where clashes with civilian broke out during house search, which resulted in the injury of one child.
- (v) At 01:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Edna.
- (vi) The Israeli army raided the town of Halhoul and searched one civilian house.
- <u>Provocation of Pal. Forces</u>: At 09:00, the Israeli army stormed into and searched the Palestinian police station in the old city of Hebron.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: 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 al-Ramadin, and near the village of Imneizil southeast of the town of Yatta.

GAZA STRIP

	• <u>Closure of Crossing Point</u> : Beit Hanoun (Erez) Crossing is partially open (to
	allow previously coordinated humanitarian access).
	• Attacks: At 18:45, the Israeli army fired a tank missile from its location inside the
NORTHERN	Green Line, which fell in the al-Banat Street in the town of Beit Hanoun.
GAZA	• Palestinian Attacks:
	(i) At 08:30, one (unidentified) mortar was fired towards the Green Line.
	(ii) At 11:30, two (unidentified) mortars were fired towards the Green Line.
	(iii) At 21:00, five (unidentified) mortars were fired towards the Green Line.
	• Closure of Crossing Points:
GAZA	(i) Al-Muntar (Karni) Crossing is closed.
	(ii) Al-Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is partially open to let in fuel.
KHA YOUNIS	• Air Attacks: On the dawn of October 18, Israeli combat helicopters fired 5
	missiles towards a civilian vehicle carrying armed individuals in the area of

	 al-Fukhari east of the town of al-Qarara, resulting in the damage of the vehicle. The armed individuals managed to escape. Palestinian Attacks: At 16:55, armed individuals fired an anti-tank missile towards the Israeli army alongside the Green Line east of the area of al-Qarara. At once the Israeli army opened fire towards Palestinian areas.
RAFAH	 Closure of Crossing Points: Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. Rafah (al-Awdah) Crossing is closed. Sufa Crossing is partially open. Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is partially open to let in food and goods.

Prisoners' Conditions

• On the dawn of October 18, Palestinian prisoners in Huwara detention camp south of the city of Nablus launched a hunger strike because of the deteriorated conditions they are living in and in protest of the severe measures taken against them by the prison administration.