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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 03 October 2006 - 08:00 04 October 2006

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	_	5	5	5 civilians in the Northern Gaza district
Incursion	_	1	1	Into areas east of the city of Rafah
Air Attacks	_	2	2	On 2 vehicles & 1 house, Gaza Strip
Attacks	6	1	7	Incl. 2 in raids and 3 from military posts
Raids	22	2	24	Incl. 5 in Nablus & 6 in Hebron
Air Patrols	2	2	4	1 by a UAV and 3 by combat helicopters
Arrests	9	_	9	Incl. 1 child & 2 Pal. security officers
Detentions	18	_	18	Incl. 1 mentally challenged civilian
House Demolition	_	1	1	1 house during an air attack, Khan Yunis
Land Levelling	_	1	1	East of 'Abasan as Saghira, Khan Yunis
Wall Construction	29	_	29	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Beth.
Destruction of Property	_	3	3	2 civilian vehicles & a number of houses
House Occupations	3	_	3	Incl. 1 house in Balata refugee camp
Curfew	1	_	1	Over the village of Fasayil in Jericho
Closure of Checkpoints	10	_	10	Incl. Tayasir, 'Einav, & Jubara partially
Flying Checkpoints	8	_	8	Jenin (3), Jericho (1), and Hebron (4)
Closure (per District)	6	_	6	Incl. Jerusalem & Tulkarem partially
Closure of Main Roads	35	_	35	Incl. 8 in Tulkarem & 9 in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points	_	7	7	Incl. Beit Hanun & Al Muntar partially
Attack on Religious Site	1	_	1	Ibrahimi Mosque closed, Hebron
Provocation of Pal. Forces	2	_	2	Incl. 1 Pal. checkpoint raided & searched
TOTAL	152	25	177	

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.
JERUSALEM	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 Aqsa 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 a barbed wire gate and to deny civilian access. (ii) 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. (iii) 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. Checkpoint: 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. 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 Bareed, 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.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	 Closure of Main Roads: (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the western entrance to the village of Saffa. 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

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	 access to the city of Ramallah for civilians holding IDs issued in the northern districts of the West Bank. 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. Attack: At 15:00, Israeli troops guarding the Wall section south of Um ash Sharayit neighbourhood in the city of El Bireh opened fire towards a number of children, claiming that they threw stones at the Israeli army. Raids/Provocation of Palestinian Forces: At 01:00, the Israeli army, including 13 jeeps, raided the city of El Bireh, after having demanded (through the DCO) that Palestinian security forces not leave their positions. The Israeli army also searched 1 blacksmith's workshop and 1 building, arrested 1 civilian, and withdrew at 03:00. At 01:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Beituniya and searched 1 building. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Nathem Hamed 'Awwad in the city of El
	Bireh.
JENIN	 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. 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. Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. Flving Checkpoints: At 08:30, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints, one at the entrance to the town of Az Zababida and the other on the junction to the town of 'Arraba on the Jenin-Nablus main road, and searched civilians and vehicles. At 01:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Qabatiya and searched civilians and vehicles. Raid: At 01:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Jenin. Arrest: At 13:00, Israeli troops positioned at a checkpoint arrested Murad Mohammed Sweidan, while he was travelling from the district of Qalqiliya to his workplace in the city of Jenin.
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 following roads: the Dahiyat Iktaba-Bal'a road; the Dahiyat Dhinnaba-Kafr al Labad road; the Kafr al Labad-Shufa road; the entrance

	to the village of Saffarin; the Kafr Sur-Wadi at Tin road; the road
	connecting the town of Deir al Ghusun to 'Attil plain; and the road connecting the town of Deir al Ghusun to the village of Al Masqufa. 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 permits.
	Raids: At 13:15, the Israeli army raided the village of Al Jarushiya, raided 1 gas station, and examined the IDs of civilians present at the station. At 22:10, the Israeli army raided the village again and searched 1 house.
	• <u>Closure of Roads</u> : The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun.
	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 'Agrup 'Atmo-
	(ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal
	detector. The Israeli army also continues to deny access to school
	students under 16 years of age unless they are accompanied by one of
QALQILIYA	their parents.
	<u>Wall Construction</u> : 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.
	• Raid/House Occupation: At 03:00, the Israeli army raided the city of
	Qalqiliya. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians.
	The Israeli army also occupied the roofs of a number of houses, searched 2 other houses, and arrested 1 child. At 04:15, the Israeli army withdrew from
	the area.
	Arrest: The Israeli army arrested 17-year-old Samer al Aqra' in the city of
	Qalqiliya.
	• Closure of Main Roads:
NABLUS	(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 Al Badhan
	road, which is the north-eastern entrance to the city of Nablus, as well
	 as the southern entrance to the village of Qaryut. Checkpoints/Physical Assault/Detention: The Israeli army continues to
	regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus:
	(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.

(ii) Al Badhan checkpoint (set up at the eastern entrance to the city of Nablus) remains closed with dirt barricades. Nablus-'Asira ash Shamaliya checkpoint (set up at the northern (iii) entrance to city) is open from 06:30 to 20:00. At Tur neighbourhood checkpoint (set up on Jirzim Mount) is closed (iv) on Fridays and Saturdays as well as during Jewish holidays. On all other days, it is open for civilian residents of the neighbourhood only. Beit Furik checkpoint is open to civilian residents of the town of Beit (v) Furik and the village of Beit Dajan until 17:30. Attack: At 03:40, Israeli troops positioned at the military post on At Tur Mount opened fire towards civilian houses in Balata refugee camp. Raids/House Occupation/Attack: At 19:30, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Nablus and patrolled (i) the area. (ii) At 02:00, the Israeli army, including 20 jeeps and 1 bulldozer, raided Balata refugee camp, occupied 1 house, and converted it into a military post. An armed confrontation took place between armed Palestinian individuals and the Israeli army while it was searching a number of houses. The Israeli army also arrested 2 civilians and withdrew at 04:15. At 02:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Nablus as (iii) well as 'Ein Beit el Ma' refugee camp. The Israeli army raided the village of Osarin and opened indiscriminate (iv) fire while patrolling the area. **Arrests:** The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in Balata refugee camp: Mohammed Suleiman Abu 'Amer; and (i) 'Imad Ziyad Husni. (ii) **Closure of Main Roads:** The Israeli army has continued to close the main north-western (i) 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 (ii) entrances to the town of Bruqin and 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:** The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Deir Ballut (i) **SALFIT** 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 age. 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. Raid/Air Patrol: At 22:25, Israeli troops, dispatched by combat helicopters,

raided the area of Wadi as Saru north of the village of Khirbet Qeis. The

	Israeli troops also combed the area until they reached Wadi Kteil between the town of Deir Ghassana and the village of Kafr 'Ein in the district of Ramallah. At 01:10, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
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. Checkpoint: 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. Flying Checkpoint: At 13:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of 'Ein ad Duyuk, searched civilian vehicles, and impeded civilian access. Raids/Curfew: At 10:00, an Israeli army patrol raided the village of Al 'Auja and patrolled the area. At 22:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Fasayil, imposed curfew, and forced civilians above 16 years of age to gather in the yard of the village's school. The Israeli army also arrested 3 civilians, including 2 brothers, and withdrew at 00:30. Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in the village of Al 'Auja: Sami Mahmoud Nawawreh; Mousa Mahmoud Nawawreh; Mousa Mahmoud Nawawreh.
BETHLEHEM	 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. 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. 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. 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. Raids/Provocation of Palestinian Forces: At 18:40, the Israeli army raided the town of Tuqu'. Confrontations took place between civilians and the Israeli army while it was patrolling the area. At 24:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Beit Jala as well as raided and searched 1 Palestinian National Security checkpoint, after having detained Palestinian National Security officers and examined their IDs. Following liaison with the Israeli authorities through the DCO, the Israeli army withdrew from the area at a later time.

• Closure:

- (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.
- (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.

• Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) 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; 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.
- (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.
- Wall Construction: Wall construction continues: in the section between the
 area south of the town of Beit Ula and 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.

• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to the town of Halhul and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 14:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the area of An Nabi Yunis on the road to the town of Halhul and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iii) At 03:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Adh Dhahiriya, searched civilians and vehicles, and arrested 1 Palestinian National Security officer.

• Raids/Air Patrol:

- (i) At 22:50, Israeli troops, dispatched by a combat helicopter, raided and combed the area of Wadi as Suda near the town of Yatta.
- (ii) At 23:45, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, set up a checkpoint in the area of Ras al Jora, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area.

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- (iii) At 23:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the towns of As Samoa' and Adh Dhahiriya.
- (iv) At 03:15, the Israeli army raided Ash Sheikh neighbourhood in the city of Hebron and searched 1 house.
- (v) At 03:30, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided the town of Ash Shuyukh and searched 6 houses.
- <u>Arrest</u>: Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up at the entrance to the town of Adh Dhahiriya arrested Nidhal Mohammed Abu Sharkh, a Palestinian National Security officer.
- <u>Detention</u>: At 18:00, the Israeli army detained Nidhal Yousef Abu Zakyeh, a mentally challenged civilian, near the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron. Later, the Israeli army handed over Abu Zakyeh to the Palestinian authorities (through the DCO).
- Attack on Religious Site: At 18:00, the Israeli army closed the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron and denied access to worshippers, claiming to be celebrating Jewish holidays.

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. 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	 Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open only to foreign nationals, VIPs, and humanitarian cases. Air Attack/Injuries/Destruction of Property: At 20:15, an Israeli UAV fired 2 missiles towards 2 civilian vehicles at the entrance to the town of Beit Hanun, injuring 5 civilians and destroying the 2 vehicles. Attacks: Between 08:00 on 03 October 2006 and 08:00 on 04 October 2006, the Israeli army fired 5 artillery shells from its locations inside the Green Line towards Palestinian territory north of the town of Beit Lahiya. Raid: Beginning at 03:30 on 01 October 2006, the Israeli army, including a number of armoured vehicles, has remained positioned at a distance of 1 kilometre inside Palestinian territory on Tallet Abu Safiya east of the town of Beit Hanun. The Israeli army remains positioned in the area as of 08:00 this morning.
GAZA	 Closure of Crossing Points: (i) Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is partially open for the transportation of cement only. (ii) Ash Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed.
CENTRAL GAZA	Activities not reported.

Air Attack/Destruction of Property: At 23:45, an Israeli combat helicopter fired 1 missile towards and destroyed 1 house in the village of 'Abasan as Saghira, after the Israeli army had notified residents (by telephone) to evacuate. The air attack also resulted in the damage of neighbouring houses. House Demolition: The house that was destroyed during the Israeli air attack **KHAN YUNIS** on the village of 'Abasan as Saghira belongs to Khaled Abu 'Anzeh. Raid/Land Levelling: At 07:00, the Israeli army, including 5 armoured vehicles, raided 150 metres into Palestinian territory near Point 164 on the Green Line east of the village of 'Abasan as Saghira and levelled land. **Closure of Crossing Points:** (i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. Rafah Crossing is closed. (ii) Sufa Crossing is partially open for construction cargo only. (iii) **RAFAH** Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed. (iv) Incursion: Beginning at 18:20 on 07 August 2006, the Israeli army has remained positioned around Yasser 'Arafat International Airport east of the city of Rafah.