# مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



## PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

# DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 17 October 2007 - 08:00 18 October 2007

### **SUMMARY OF EVENTS**

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Deaths		1	1	1 armed individual in Khan Younis
Injuries		10	10	Incl. 10 civilians in Khan Younis
Arrests	20	15	35	Incl. 4 civilians in Jenin, 9 in Nablus
Detentions	18	1	19	At checkpoints & in residential areas
Raids	23	3	26	Incl.5 in Jenin, 5 in Hebron
Checkpoints	19		19	Closure of checkpoints, stricter measures
Flying Checkpoints	13		13	Incl. 2 in Jerusalem, 3 in Ramallah
Attacks	2	5	7	7 raids, incl. 3 mortars
Air Attacks		2	2	2 missiles fired from helicopters
Air Patrols	1	3	4	Incl. 3 helicopters
Provocation of Pal. Forces				Checkpoint set up near police station
House Demolition		1	1	Two-storey house in Khan Younis
House Occupation	2	3	5	Incl. 1 house in 'Azzun, Qalqilya
Demolition of Property		8	8	Damage incurred to 5 houses
Land Leveling		1	1	Agricultural land razed in Khan Younis
Wall construction	26		26	Continues in Jerusalem, Bethlehem
Closures	6		6	Partial in Jerusalem, 3 areas in Jenin
Closure of Main Roads	36		36	Incl. 3 in Jerusalem, 3 in Ramallah
Closure of Crossing Points		7	7	Except for previously arranged cases
Settler Violence	1		1	Israeli settlers break into deserted house
Palestinian Attacks		1	1	2 mortars fired towards the Green Line
TOTAL	167	61	228	

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.

# • <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. The Israeli army prevented worshippers from holding Friday prayer in al-Aqsa 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:

### **JERUSALEM**

- (a) 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.
- (b) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Rafat and Ramot checkpoints, and the checkpoint set up near the village of Jaba'a, and impeded civilian access.
- (c) At 11:30, the Israeli army closed the checkpoint set up near the village of Jaba', impeded traffic and reopened it later in the day.
- Raids: The Israeli army raided the village of al-Issawiyyeh and opened fire at random during patrol.

### • 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 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	<ul> <li>Closure of Main Roads: <ol> <li>The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the western entrance to the village of Saffa.</li> <li>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> <li>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.</li> <li>Raids:</li> <li>At 15:50, the Israeli army raided the city of al-Bireh, set up a checkpoint, and searched on house. At 06:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of al-Bireh for the second time.</li> <li>At 03:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Qarawat Bani Zayd, searched one house, handed one civilian a notice to see the Israeli intelligence, and withdrew at 04:20.</li> <li>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.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
JENIN	<ul> <li>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.</li> <li>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.</li> <li>Flying Checkpoints: <ol> <li>At 09:30, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the junction of the village of al-Zawiyyeh, and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>At 09:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Arraba, and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>At 16:30, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint near the village of 'Anza, and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Raids: <ol> <li>At 14:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Tayaseer.</li> <li>At 16:30, land-dropped Israeli infantry raided the area located between the villages of 'Anza and al-Zawiyyeh, and did military training.</li> <li>At 00:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Jenin, and patrolled it until 05:00.</li> <li>At 02:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Qabatia, searched a</li> </ol> </li></ul>

	number of houses, arrested 4 civilians, and withdrew at 05:30.  (v) At 03:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Arraba, searched 2 houses, handed 2 civilians notices to see the Israeli intelligence, and withdrew at 05:00.  • Arrests: The 4 civilians arrested in the town of Qabatia are:  (a) Yasser Arafat Zakarneh;  (b) Mu'tasem Mohammad zzakarneh;  (c) Aysar Sa'eed Zakarneh; and  (d) Omar Alo Orrabi.  • 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	<ul> <li>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.</li> <li>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.</li> <li>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.</li> <li>Raids: <ol> <li>At 15:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Anabta.</li> <li>At 09:20, the Israeli army raided the town of Bal'a, and patrolled it until 12:00</li> <li>At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Tulkarem and arrested 2 civilians.</li> <li>Arrests: The 2 civilians arrested in the city of Tulkarem are: <ol> <li>Abdel Nasser Sweis; and</li> <li>Bilal Mustafa Rajab.</li> <li>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.</li> </ol> </li> </ol></li></ul>
QALQILIYA	<ul> <li>Closure of Roads: 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> <li>Flying Checkpoints: At 08:00, the Israeli army set up 2 checkpoints at the eastern and southern entrances to the city of Qalqilya.</li> <li>Raids: At 08:00, the Israeli army raided the town of 'Azzun, occupied one house and turned it into a military post.</li> <li>Arrests: At 02:50 on October 17, the Israeli army arrested 3 civilians during a raid on the city of Qalqilya. They are:</li> <li>(a) Ibrahim Abdel Rahman Nazzal;</li> </ul>

Mousa Abdel Rahim Nazzal; and (b) Mujahed Issam Saleh. (c) Settler Violence: A bunch of settlers broke into a deserted house near the village of Jeet. **Wall Gates:** Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special (i) Israeli permits. The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma (ii) 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:** 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. The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the settler (ii) 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. The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the village of al-(iii) Lubban al-Sharqiya with dirt barricades and cement blocks. Checkpoints: 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. Beit Furik checkpoint is open to civilian residents of the town of Beit (ii) Furik and the nearby village of Beit Dajan. **NABLUS** Beginning on 23 November 2006, the Israeli army continues to close (iii) 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. At 14:00, the Israeli army closed Huwara checkpoint and denied (iv) civilian access in both direction claiming there was a suspicious object. In addition, the Israeli army arrested one civilian, and reopened the checkpoint at 15:00. Flying Checkpoints: At 18:15, the Israeli army set up checkpoint on Nablus-Jenin maid road. Raids: At 02:10, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus and its refugee camp of Balata, and opened fire intensively towards civilian houses in the camp, arrested 8 civilians and withdrew at 05:00. Arrests: (i) The civilian arrested at Huwara checkpoint has not been identified.

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Balata are:

The 8 civilians arrested in the city of Nablus and the refugee camp of

	(a) Saif ali al-Najmi;
	(b) Ra'ed Sa'di Abu Rmeileh;
	(c) Ihab Adel al-Madbouh;
	(d) Ihsan Adel al-Madbouh;
	(e) Khalil Bashar al-Hanbali;
	(f) Ali Mohammad al-Tawil;
	(g) Hassan Shaker Abu Ayyash; and
	(h) Mohammad Shaker Abu Ayyash.
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	Intifada (Uprising).  (ii) The Israeli array continues to close with dirt harricades the western
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	entrance to the village of Marda and, with cement blocks, the western entrance to the town of Kafr al-Dik.
	• Checkpoints:
	(i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Deir Ballut
	and Za'tara checkpoints and to deny civilian access.
	(ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Za'tara
SALFIT	junction checkpoint and impede traffic
SALTII	• Flying Checkpoints:
	(i) At 13:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint between the towns of
	Kafr al-Dik and Deir Ghassanah, and searched civilians and
	vehicles until 16:10.
	(ii) At 14:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint between the town of
	Brouqin and the village of Qarawat Bani Zayd, detained a military
	officer and released his at 16:10.
	• Raids: At 12:15, the Israeli army raided the village of Marda, occupied one
	house and turned it into a military post.
	• <u>Wall Construction</u> : 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.
	• <u>Closure</u> : 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
JERICHO	deny access to the city to holders of Israeli IDs.
022202	• <u>Checkpoints</u> : 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.
	• <u>Closure</u> : The Israeli army continues to close the roads to the village of
BETHLEHEM	An Nu'man, with the exception of the road leading to the Wall gate in
	the south-eastern area of the village.

- <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>Raids</u>: At 04:00, the Israeli army raided the cities Bethlehem and Beit Jala, and patrolled them until 04:25.
- 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 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 neighborhood in the old city of Hebron as well as the main entrance to al-'Arrub refugee camp.
- (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.

### • Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 14:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint in the area of al-Nabi Younis, and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 17:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint on the bridge of the town of Halhoul, and searched civilians and vehicles.

### • Raids:

(i) At 17:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the area of Ras al-Jorah in the

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city of Hebron.

- (ii) At 22:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Edna.
- (iii) At 23:10, the Israeli army raided the town of Yatta, searched 2 houses, and arrested a military officer form the Palestinian National Forces.
- (iv) At 01:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Hebron.
- (v) At 02:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of al-Thahiriyyeh.
- Arrests:
- (i) The civilian arrested in the town of Edna is Malek Khaled Ziyyad.
- (ii) The military officer arrested in the town of Yatta is Issa Talab Abu Fanous.
- <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.

Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanoun (Erez) Crossing is partially open (to

### **GAZA STRIP**

<ul> <li>allow previously coordinated humanitarian access).</li> <li>Raids: In the evening of October 17, a number of Israeli tanks raided our areas west of the town of Beit Lahia</li> <li>Attacks: In the evening of October 17, the Israeli army fired 3 tank missiles from its location inside the Green Line and fell in our areas north-west of the town of Beit Lahia.</li> <li>Air Attacks: In the morning of October 18, Israeli military helicopters fired a missile targeting armed individuals in the town of Beit Hanoun.</li> <li>Closure of Crossing Points:</li> </ul>
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(i) Al-Muntar (Karni) Crossing is closed.
GAZA (ii) Al-Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed.
• Palestinian Attacks: At 06:45, 2 mortars were fired towards the Green Line.
Raids: At dawn on October 17, Israeli tanks and military vehicles, backed
up by helicopters and surveillance aircrafts, raided the area of al-Farraheen
in the town of Abbasan and opened fire intensively towards civilian houses,
occupied roofs a a number of houses. In addition, the Israeli army searched
a number of houses and detained and investigated civilians. Furthermore,
the Israeli army engaged in armed confrontations with individuals from
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armed groups resulting in the death of one civilian, the injury of 10
<b>KHAN</b> civilians, including 6 armed individuals and 5 civilians seriously injured
YOUNIS (female civilian Lina Jamal Afour, Ahmad Kamel Abu Teir, Mohammad
Yihya Abu Hamra, Sufyan Abu Teir, Mahmoud Shaaban). Furthermore, the
Israeli army arrested 15 civilians, demolished a 2-storey house, and incurred
material damage to 5 houses and to a telephone and electrical network. The
Israeli army also razed agricultural land, and withdrew in the evening of
October 17.
• <b>Deaths</b> : The civilian killed in the town of Abbasan is Hazem Jammal
Asfour.

	<u>Arrests</u> : The 15 civilians arrested in the town of Abbasan have not been identified.
	• <u>House Demolition</u> : The house demolished by the Israeli army in the area of al- Farraheen belonged to Mohammad Shaaban Abu Duqqah.
RAFAH	<ul> <li>Closure of Crossing Points:         <ul> <li>Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed.</li> <li>Rafah (al-Awdah) Crossing is closed.</li> <li>Sufa Crossing is closed.</li> <li>Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Raids: At 18:00, the Israeli army raided al-Nahda neighborhood east of the city of Rafah and engaged in armed confrontations with Palestinians.</li> </ul>

# **CONDITIONS OF LABORERS**

WEST BANK	The number of permits given to Palestinian laborers working inside the Green Line has reached 16,535. The number of laborers who were allowed entry has not been identified.
GAZA STRIP	The number of permits given to Palestinian laborers working inside the Green Line has reached 10.