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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 19 October 2007 - 08:00 20 October 2007

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	4		4	3 in Ramallah, 1 in Tulkarem
Arrests	7	4	11	Incl. 4 civilians in Rafah, 4 in Nablus
Detentions	17		17	At checkpoints & in residential areas
Raids	25	4	29	Incl.5 in Ramallah, 5 in Jenin
Checkpoints	19		19	Closure of checkpoints, stricter measures
Flying Checkpoints	15		15	Incl. 2 in Jerusalem, 3 in Hebron
Attacks	9	7	16	Incl. 9 raids, 4 confrontations,
Air Patrols		1	1	F16 flew over Gaza
Demolition of Property	2	1	3	Israeli army demolished gates in Jenin
Land Leveling	1		1	Land razed near Nahalin, Bethlehem
Wall construction				Suspended because of Jewish weekend
Closures	6		6	Partial in Jerusalem, 3 areas in Jenin
Closure of Main Roads	36		36	Incl. 3 in Jerusalem, 5 in Tulkarem
Closure of Crossing Points		7	7	Except for previously arranged cases
Settler Activity	1		1	Settlers beat civilian in Bethlehem
Demonstrations	2		2	In Bil'in against the Wall
Palestinian Attacks		6	6	8 mortars fired towards the Green Line
TOTAL	144	30	174	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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WEST BANK

ALL DISTRICTS

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.
- <u>Arrests</u>: The Israeli army arrested in the village of Sour Baher civilian Sa'eed Hashem Amireh

• 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.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction was suspended for the Jewish weekend 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. The Israeli army continues to close the settler bypass road connecting 'Assur Hill in the village of Kafr Malik to Alon settler bypass road. 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. Raids: At 15:20, the Israeli army raided the city of al-Bireh, and opened fire intensively towards a civilian car during patrol. The raid recurred at 23:45, and the Israeli army set up 2 checkpoints. At 22:45, the Israeli army raided the village of Joljolya and engaged in confrontations with civilians. At 00:40, the Israeli army raided the village of Qarawat Bani Zayd and patrolled it until 01:00. At 04:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Beitunia and patrolled it until 04:20. Attacks: At 20:30, the Israeli army opened from a control tower near Beit El settlement towards a residential building north of the city of I-Bireh. Demonstrations: At 13:00, a public march set out, with the participation of international peace activists, in the village of Bil'in in protest of the construction of the apartheid Wall. Confrontations between the Israeli army and civilians broke out resulting in the injury of 3 civilians with rubber bullets and the asphyxiation of many as a result of inhaling tear gas. Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the Jewish weekend 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 10:30, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the junction of the
	village of Sanour, and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 17:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the junction of the village of al-Jarba, and searched civilians and vehicles.

Raids: (i) At 09:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Marka. At 13:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Toubas and (ii) the village of Tayaseer. (iii) At 21:00, the Israeil army raided the village of Rumana and opened fire and fired sound bombs during patrol. The Israeli army withdrew at 22:00. (iv) At 01:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Jenin, searched one house, demolished two gates, and withdrew at 04:30. 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. **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 **TULKAREM** 'Einav checkpoint. Flying Checkpoints: At 19:20, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint between the towns of Ateel and Deir Ghusun, and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids: At 21:50, the Israeli army raided the village of Izbat al-Jarad, and (i) opened fire intensively resulting in the critical injury of a child called Rania Mohammad Miri, 8. At 23:10, the Israeli army raided the city of Tulkarem and searched one (ii) 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. 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. Raids: (i) At 13:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Habla. (ii) At 23:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Qalqilya, searched one **QALQILIYA** house, set up a checkpoint, arrested one civilian and withdrew at 01:40. **Arrests**: The civilian arrested in the city of Qalqilya is Nabil al-Halawan. **Wall Gates:** Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special (i)

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	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 was suspended for
	the Jewish weekend 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.
	• <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.
	(ii) Beit Furik checkpoint is open to civilian residents of the town of Beit
NA DE TIG	Furik and the nearby village of Beit Dajan.
NABLUS	(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.
	(iv) At 11:55, the Israeli army closed Huwara checkpoint and denied access
	in both directions claiming there was a suspicious object. The
	checkpoint was reopened at a later time.
	• Raids: At 01:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus and the refugee
	camp of Balata, searched a number of houses, arrested civilians including
	2 children, and withdrew at 05:30.
	• Arrests: The 5 civilians arrested in the city of Nablus and the refugee camp
	of Balata are:
	(a) Majdi Abdelatif Sufyan, 16;
	(b) Ra'ed Aquel al-Jawhari;
	(c) Iyad Shafiq al-Hashash;(d) Mohammad Abdel Rahman Bana; and
	(e) Khaled Abdel Khaleq Darwazah.
	• Closure of Main Roads:
a	(i) The Israeli army continues to close the main north-western entrance to
SALFIT	the city of Salfit with dirt barricades since the beginning of the current
	Intifada (Uprising).
	(ii) 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: (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 junction checkpoint and impede traffic Raids: (i) At 17:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Marda. (ii) At 23:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Deir Istiya (iii) The Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Masha. Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the Jewish weekend 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. At 17:30, the Israeli army intensified its measures at the D.C.O. checkpoint which is set up at the southern entrance to the city of Jericho, and impeded traffic in both directions. Flying Checkpoints: At 11:05, the Israeio army set up a checkpoint at the junction of the village of al-'Auja that connects Ramallah and Jericho districts, and searched civilians and vehicles. At 16:05, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Ein al-Dyouk.
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. Flying Checkpoints: At 16:55, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at near the village of al-Shawawreh, and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids: At 16:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Deir Salah and set up a

checkpoint.

- (ii) At 17:00, 4 Israeli military jeeps raided and patrolled the city of Bethlehem. The raid recurred at 18:00 and the Israeli army opened fire and fired sound bombs during patrol.
- <u>Settler Violence</u>: At 01:00, a bunch of settlers attacked civilian Ameen Ahmad Hamamreh near the village of Batir.
- <u>Land Leveling</u>: At 13:00, the Israeli army razed large areas of land alongside the apartheid Wall in the village of Nahalin.
- <u>Demonstrations</u>: At 13:00, a popular march, with the participation of international peace activists, set out in the village of Um Salmounah in protest of the construction of the apartheid Wall.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction was suspended for the Jewish weekend 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.

• <u>Closure</u>:

- (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:

HEBRON

- (i) At 10:45, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the entrance to the area of al-Nabi Younis.
- (ii) At 15:05, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Karma, and searched civilians and vehicles.

• Raids:

- (i) At 16:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Surif.
- (ii) At 23:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the refugee camp of al-Fawwar.
- (iii) At 02:40, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, patrolled it and set up a checkpoint.
- Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the Jewish weekend 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. The part of the Wall located near the village of Arab al-Ramadin has been completed.

GAZA STRIP

	• <u>Closure of Crossing Point</u> : Beit Hanoun (Erez) Crossing is partially open (to
	allow previously coordinated humanitarian access).
	• Raids: In the evening of October 19, Israeli tanks and vehicles, backed up
	by helicopters and surveillance aircrafts, raided the Industrial Zone and the
	area of al-Ghazalat north of the town of Beit Lahia and opened fire and fired
NODELLEDN	tank missiles resulting in the damage of the main electrical transformer that
NORTHERN	supplies the towns of Beit Hanoun and Beit Lahia with electricity. There
GAZA	was a total blackout and confrontations between the Israeli army and armed
	individual broke out.
	Palestinian Attacks:
	(i) In the morning of October 19, 3 mortars were fired towards the Green
	Line.
	(ii) At 12:00, 2 (unidentified) mortars were fired at the Green Line.
	• Closure of Crossing Points:
GAZA	(i) Al-Muntar (Karni) Crossing is closed.
GAZA	(ii) Al-Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed.
	• Air Patrols: At 11:00, F16 aircrafts flew over Gaza.
CENTRAL	• Palestinian Attacks: At 11:00, armed individuals opened fire towards the
GAZA	Green Line, and at once the Israeli army opened fire intensively towards our
GAZA	areas east of the city Deir al-Balah.
RAFAH	Cleaning of Chagging Dainter
	 Closure of Crossing Points: Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed.
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	(ii) Rafah (al-Awdah) Crossing is closed.(iii) Sufa Crossing is closed.
	(iv) Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed.
	• Raids:

- (i) At 09:30, Israeli tanks and military vehicles raided Arafat International Airport east of the city if Rafah and engaged in armed confrontations with Palestinians.
- (ii) On October 19, an Israel special force unit raided our areas east of the city of Rafah and arrested 4 civilians who were hunting near the Green Line.
- (iii) At dawn on October 20, the Israeli army raided the area of al-Shokeh east of the city of Rafah and engaged in armed confrontations with Palestinians.
- <u>Arrests</u>: The 4 civilians arrested east of Rafah are from al-Akhras and al-Arja families (their names were not identified).

• Palestinian Attacks:

- (i) A9 09:35, armed individuals opened fire and fired anti-tank missile towards the Green Line east of Arafat International Airport east of the city of Rafah, and at once the Israeli army opened fire intensively towards our areas.
- (ii) At 16:50, 2 (unidentified) mortars were fired towards the Green Line.