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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 01 September 2005 – 08:00 02 September 2005

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assault	1	_	1	1 civilian severely beaten in Hebron
Injuries	2	_	2	1 child and 1 female civilian
Attacks	5	9	14	Incl. 1 during a raid & 9 from posts
Raids	22	1	23	Incl. 6 in Hebron & 1 in Rafah
Arrests	12	2	14	Incl. 3 children & 1 security officer
Detentions	15	_	15	At checkpoints & in residential areas
Land Levelling	_	1	1	South of Sufa Crossing in Rafah
Wall Construction	24	_	24	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Beth., Salfit, Qalq.
Destruction of Property	3	_	3	Incl. 1 taxi damaged in Qalqiliya
House Occupation	1	_	1	1 house near Kiryat Arba' in Hebron
Checkpoints	(All)	_	(All)	Access restricted to permit holders
Flying Checkpoints	23	_	23	Incl. 7 in Tulkarem & 9 in Hebron
Closure (per District)	5	_	5	Incl. Jerusalem and Jericho (partially)
Closure of Main Roads	*	(8)	_	*Incl. vicinity of settlements in Jenin
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)	_	(All)	Incl. Um ar Rihan Wall gate closed
Closure of Crossing Points	_	4	4	Incl. 3 partially open
Settler Violence	1	_	1	A settler vehicle collided with a taxi
Provocation of Pal. Forces	2	2	4	Incl. open fire towards 1 Pal. location
TOTAL	116	19	135	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	 Closure: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem and has set up several checkpoints in the old city of Jerusalem and in the vicinity of Al Aqsa Mosque compound. Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Qalandiya checkpoint and to impede civilian access. Wall Gates: The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in 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, and in the areas of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina. 	
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	 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, and in the town of Beituniya. Raid/Provocation of Palestinian Forces: At 02:50, the Israeli army, including 15 jeeps, raided the city of El Bireh and demanded (through the DCO) the withdrawal of Palestinian security patrols to the area surrounding Al Muqata'a. The Israeli army also searched a number of houses, arrested 1 Palestinian National Security officer, and withdrew at 04:30. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Hamadeh Rashid Baghdadi, a Palestinian National Security officer, in the city of El Bireh. 	
JENIN	 Closure of Settlement Evacuation Areas: The Israeli army continues to close all roads leading to Israeli settlements that were evacuated in the district of Jenin. The Israeli army has designated alternate roads, including detour routes, connecting towns and villages to the city of Jenin for civilian access. The Israeli army continues to close the main entrance to the town of 'Arraba with cement blocks. The Israeli army continues to close the iron gate set up in the vicinity of the village of Imreiha south of the town of Ya'bad, along the road connecting the districts of Jenin and Tulkarem, and to deny civilian access in both directions. The Israeli army continues to close Al Jalama Commercial Crossing, preventing civilians from crossing. The Israeli army has opened Salim Crossing as an alternative, which is open 3 days a week from 09:00 until 13:00. 	

(v)	The Israeli army continues to restrict civilian movement (except for
	humanitarian cases) through Um ar Rihan (Shaked) gate to 3 hours
	daily from 07:00–08:00, 12:00–13:00, and 14:00–15:00.

- **Checkpoint:** The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint east of the town of Tubas and to impede civilian access.
- Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
- Flying Checkpoint: At 18:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the town of Tammun and denied access to civilians. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. At 19:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
- Raid: At 21:40, the Israeli army, including 7 jeeps, raided the town of Kafr Ra'i, searched 1 house, and withdrew at 24:00.

Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close the iron gate set up on the junction to the settlement of 'Einav along the Tulkarem-Nablus road, preventing civilians from crossing in both directions.
- The Israeli army continues to close the main entrance to the town of (ii) Oaffin with cement blocks and barbed wire.
- The Israeli army continues to close the main entrance to the village of (iii) Shufa with cement blocks and dirt barricades.
- The Israeli army continues to close the road between the town of Bal'a (iv) and the village of Al 'Atara with dirt barricades.
- (v) The Israeli army continues to close Al Kafriyat road at Jubara checkpoint, rerouting Palestinian civilian traffic through a new 3-kmlong tunnel connecting the districts of Qalqiliya and Tulkarem.
- Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.

Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 12:00, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints at the entrances to the towns of Bal'a and Deir al Ghusun and searched civilians and vehicles until 17:00.
- At 18:00, the Israeli army set up 4 flying checkpoints along Al Kafriyat (ii) road, at the entrances to the town of Deir al Ghusun and the village of Far'un, and along Ash Sha'rawiya road, and searched civilians and vehicles.
- Attack/Provocation of Palestinian Forces: At 04:00, an Israeli army patrol opened fire in the vicinity of 1 Palestinian National Security checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Kafr al Labad.

Raids:

- At 18:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Tulkarem and its suburbs, (i) set up a checkpoint in Dahiyat Shuweika, and patrolled the area.
- At 00:50, the Israeli army raided the town of 'Attil, searched 2 houses, (ii) and withdrew at 02:25.

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QALQILIYA	 Closure of Main Road: At 11:35, the Israeli army closed the Qalqiliya-Nablus road by setting up a checkpoint near the village of An Nabi Elyas and denying access to civilians in both directions. The Israeli army claimed to be investigating an illegal vehicle that caused a car accident near the village. The road was reopened at a later time. Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and to search civilians with a metal detector. At 11:30, the Israeli army prevented civilians from the town of Jayyus from accessing their land, which is located behind the Wall, through Wall gates, claiming that they do not possess access permits for their agricultural vehicles. Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction continues in the village of Immatin and in the area east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and 'Azzun. Flving Checkpoint: At 10:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Immatin and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids: At 20:30 and again at 22:50, the Israeli army raided the town of 'Azzun and searched 2 houses. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. At 21:50, the Israeli army raided the village of Hajja. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. At 01:00, the Israeli army raided and combed the area between the town of 'Azzun and the village of 'Asla. Settler Violence: At 20:00, an Israeli settler vehicle collided with a Palestinian taxi in the area between the town of 'Azzun and the village of Kafr Laqif, along the Qalqiliya-Nablus main road, injuring 1 female civilian and damaging the taxi.
NABLUS	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close the main road leading to the district of Jenin from the junction to the village of Deir Sharaf until the settlement of Shavei Shomron. The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting the city of Nablus and the town of 'Asira ash Shamaliya. Arrests: At 17:10, the Israeli army arrested 7 unidentified civilians, claiming that they were in the area surrounding the settlement of Homesh. At 19:00, the Israeli army arrested 13-year-old Mousa Ahmed Yamin along the Israeli settler bypass road near the village of Till, claiming that he was in possession of a number of bullets.

	(iii) At 19:30, Israeli troops positioned at Beit Iba checkpoint west of the city of Nablus arrested 'Adwan Mansour 'Adwan.
SALFIT	 Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close the main northwestern entrance to the city of Salfit with dirt barricades. The road has been closed since the beginning of the current Intifada (Uprising). Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to close Deir Ballut checkpoint overnight and open it at various times in the morning, impeding civilian movement. The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Za'tara checkpoint, impeding civilian movement. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the town of Deir Ballut and the villages of Az Zawiya and Rafat near the Green Line, northwest of the city of Salfit, and in the villages of Marda and Kifl Haris north of the settlement of Ari'el. Raid: At 03:30, Israeli army infantry forces, including 20 soldiers, raided the town of Deir Istiya, searched 1 house, and withdrew at 04:40. Arrest: At 19:00, Israeli troops positioned at Za'tara checkpoint arrested Amin Ahmed Bsharat. Destruction of Property: Palestinian security forces had coordinated with the Israeli army to defuse 32 old mortars located in the town of Biddya (as was reported yesterday). At 13:15, however, the Israeli army detonated the mortars in the area where they were located, which resulted in window glass breakage and other damages for a number of neighbouring houses. Mu'tassem Ahmed Kan'an, 14 years old, also sustained injuries to the leg by mortar shrapnel while he was in his house.
JERICHO	 Closure: The road between the city of Jericho and the village of Al 'Auja (Road # 90) is closed with cement blocks. The Israeli army continues to prevent farmers not holding Jericho ID cards from reaching their agricultural land, forcing them to apply for access permits. The Israeli army also sporadically impedes civilian movement into the city of Jericho, except for holders of Jerusalem and Jericho ID cards. Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Al Hamra checkpoint, connecting the districts of Jericho and Nablus, and to impede civilian access. Raid: At 11:30, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided several meters into the northern quarter of the village of 'Ein ad Duyuk, which is under Palestinian Authority control, set up a checkpoint, and searched civilians and vehicles until 11:50.
BETHLEHEM	Closure: The Israeli army continues to close the road to the village of An Nu'man, in the north-eastern Bethlehem district, isolating the village. The Israeli army considers civilians' residence in the village illegal.

- Wall Construction: Wall construction continues north of 'Ayda refugee camp towards the area north of the city of Beit Jala.
- Flying Checkpoint: At 15:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near 'Ush Ghurab military post, along the road to the town of Za'tara, and searched civilians and vehicles.

Raids:

- (i) At 15:10, Israeli Special Forces, driving a vehicle affiliated with the Palestinian Electricity Company, raided the village of Dar Salah and set up a checkpoint. At 21:30, an Israeli army patrol raided the village again, set up another checkpoint, and searched civilians and vehicles.
- At 19:40, the Israeli army raided 'Ayda refugee camp. Confrontations (ii) took place between the Israeli army and civilians.
- At 00:15, the Israeli army, including 6 jeeps, raided and patrolled (iii) Dahiyat ad Doha in the city of Bethlehem and the town of Al Khadr until 01:15.

Closure:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close Ash Shuhada' Street and the area of As Sahleh in the H2 section of the city of Hebron with cement blocks and barbed wire, denying access to civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close Ash Shallala old and new streets in the H1 section of the city of Hebron with cement blocks located 300 meters inside the H1 section.
- Wall Construction: Wall construction continues west of the town of Surif to Beit Ula, in the town of Idhna, from the village of Deir Samit to the village of Beit 'Awwa, from Beit 'Awwa to the village of Al Burj, and south of the towns of Adh Dhahiriya and As Samoa'.
- Flying Checkpoint: At 10:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Fawwar junction and searched civilians and vehicles.

Raids/Destruction of Property/Physical Assault/Detention:

- (i) At 09:50, Israeli army infantry forces raided and patrolled the area of Bab az Zawiya in the city of Hebron.
- (ii) At 11:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, searched 1 house, damaged furniture, and severely beat Ziyad Abu Halaweh, the house owner. At 16:40, the Israeli army raided the city again, set up a checkpoint, searched civilian vehicles, examined civilians' IDs, and detained a number of civilians. At 19:30, the Israeli army raided the city again, set up 6 checkpoints near the Palestinian Chamber of Commerce, along Bir As Sabe' Street, in the area of Al Hawouz, on Al Haras and University junctions, and along As Salaam Street, and searched civilians and vehicles.
- At 17:05, the Israeli army raided the town of Dura, set up a checkpoint (iii) in the town's centre, and searched civilians and vehicles. At 20:35, the Israeli army raided the town again and arrested 1 civilian.

HEBRON

- Arrest: The Israeli army arrested 'Amer Abu Shukheidim in the town of Dura.
- <u>House Occupation/Detention</u>: At 22:15, the Israeli army occupied 1 house belonging to Ribhi Dawoud ar Rajabi near the settlement of Kiryat Arba' and converted it into a military post, after detaining residents in 1 room.

GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA	 Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open to humanitarian cases and VIPs only. Arrests: At 11:30 on 31 August 2005, the Israeli army arrested 2 children, claiming that they entered the evacuated settlement of Dugit (in which settler houses were demolished): Majed Mohammed as Suweirki, 17 years old; Hasan Mohammed Shawish, 17 years old.
GAZA	 Closure of Main Roads: (i) Ash Shuhada' – Netzarim Junction remains closed. (ii) Ash Shuhada' Junction - Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing road is closed. Attack/Provocation of Palestinian Forces: At 22:00, the Israeli army fired flares over 1 Palestinian National Security location north of Malaka tower west of the Eastern Line south of Gaza city. Fire was set to equipment in the Palestinian location when 1 flare landed there.
CENTRAL GAZA	Attack: At 19:05, the Israeli army opened fire from Points 120 and 117 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory to the west.
KHAN YUNIS	 Closure of Main Roads: Abu Al 'Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) is closed. Western road (Khan Yunis) is closed. Morag road, connecting Khan Yunis' eastern and western roads, is closed. Deir al Balah junction to Abu Holi checkpoint (Kfar Darom road) is closed. Abu Holi road is closed. At 08:30, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 5.5 towards Palestinian territory in the area of As Satr al Gharbi. At 11:00, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 9 towards Palestinian territory in West Khan Yunis refugee camp.

	 (iii) At 18:55, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 5.5 towards a number of children, claiming that they approached the Security Line in the area of As Satr al Gharbi. (iv) At 00:05, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 5.5 towards 1 Palestinian National Security location in the area As Satr al Gharbi.
RAFAH	 Closure of Main Road: Al Mawasi/Rafah road is closed. Closure of Crossing Points: Yasser Arafat International Airport remains closed. Rafah Crossing is closed to Palestinian civilians under the age of 35. Sufa Crossing is partially open to construction cargo only. Attacks: At 11:55, the Israeli army opened fire from Tall Zu'rub military post towards Palestinian territory in Rafah refugee camp. At 18:55, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 8 along the Egyptian border towards Palestinian territory in Tall Zu'rub neighbourhood in Rafah refugee camp. At 19:45, the Israeli army opened fire from the evacuated settlement of Morag towards Palestinian territory north of the city of Rafah. Raid/Land Levelling: At 10:40, the Israeli army, including 4 bulldozers, raided Palestinian territory near Point 219 on the Green Line south of Sufa Crossing and levelled land.

GENERAL

WORK PRMITS	 Gaza Strip: Israeli authorities cancelled previously-issued access permits and issued special permits for some workers to work inside the Green Line during the current closure. Israeli authorities renewed 205 work permits for workers to enter the Industrial Zones. However, none of the workers possessing work permits were allowed to access the Industrial Zones. Israeli authorities renewed 265 work permits for workers to cross the Green Line. However, only 208 workers (approximately 79% of those possessing work permits) were allowed to access areas inside the Green Line.
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