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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 03 September 2006 – 08:00 04 September 2006

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assault	1	_	1	Pal. Preventive security officers beaten
Injuries	4	1	5	Incl. 1 child & 1 Palestinian Police officer
Incursion	_	1	1	Into areas east of the city of Rafah
Air Attacks	_	2	2	Missiles fired by combat helicopters
Attacks	5	5	10	Incl. 4 in raids & 3 from military posts
Raids	15	5	20	Incl. 4 in Nablus & 3 in Northern Gaza
Air Patrols	_	5	5	Incl. combat helicopters over Gaza city
Arrests	17	1	18	Incl. 1 injured Palestinian Police officer
Detentions	16	1	17	Incl. 2 fishing boats & fishermen, C. Gaza
House Demolitions	1	1	2	Incl. 1 house during air attack, Jabalya RC
Land Levelling		2	2	East of Jabalya town in Northern Gaza
Wall Construction	29	_	29	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Beth.
Destruction of Property	1	_	1	Furniture of 1 house damaged, Jerusalem
Land Confiscation	1	_	1	715 dunums in Beit Ummar, Hebron
House Occupation	1	_	1	Converted into a military post in Jenin
Closure of Checkpoints	10	_	10	Incl. 'Atara, Tayasir & 'Einav partially
Flying Checkpoints	11	_	11	Incl. 3 in Jenin & 2 in Qalqiliya
Closure (per District)	6	_	6	Incl. An Nu'man village in Bethlehem
Closure of Main Roads	39	_	39	Incl. 5 in Jerusalem & 10 in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points	_	7	7	Incl. Beit Hanun & Karnei partially
Provocation of Pal. Forces	2	_	2	Incl. 1 Pal. Police station raided, Jenin
Palestinian Attacks	_	2	2	2 unidentified mortars fired
TOTAL	159	33	192	

DISTRICT EVENT	DISTRICT
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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, 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 barbed wire and deny civilian access.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the road connecting Dahiyat al Bareed to the town of Ar Ram.
- (iii) The Israeli army continues to close the eastern entrance to the town of Bir Nabala with cement slabs, thereby completing the Wall section in the area.
- (iv) 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.
- <u>Checkpoint</u>: 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.

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.
- Raid/Destruction of Property: At 17:00, the Israeli army raided the village of As Sawahira ash Sharqiya and searched 2 houses, damaging the furniture of 1 house. The Israeli army also arrested 1 civilian.
- <u>Arrest</u>: The Israeli army arrested Iyad Fahed Abu Hilal in the village of Ash Sawahira ash Sharqiya.

Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the eastern (i) entrance to the village of Sinjil. The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to (ii) the village of Saffa as well as the Ramallah-Jericho road (the segment between the town of Silwad and the village of Yabrud). 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 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 **RAMALLAH** Beit Sira. æ Flying Checkpoint: At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at EL BIREH the entrance to the village of Rantis, searched civilian vehicles, and served summons to a number of civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence. **Raids:** (i) At 19:10, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the town of Beit Rima. Confrontations took place between civilians and the Israeli army, while it was patrolling the area. At 19:50, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. At 01:50, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Ramallah and (ii) patrolled the area. At 03:00, the Israeli army, including 8 jeeps, raided the city of El Bireh (iii) and patrolled the area until 03:15. Arrest: Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint set up on the overpass to the town of 'Atara arrested Zaki Marwan Radhwan. 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. **JENIN** Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. **Flying Checkpoints:** At 08:40, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints, one in the area (i) between the town of 'Arraba and the village of Fahma and the other at the entrance to the village of Al Jarba, and searched civilians and vehicles. The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town (ii) of Tammun, searched civilian vehicles, and impeded civilian access.

• Raids/Injuries/House Occupation/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:

- (i) At 00:45, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the city of Jenin and Jenin refugee camp. While patrolling the refugee camp, an armed confrontation took place between the Israeli army and armed Palestinian individuals. At 01:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
- (ii) At 02:30, the Israeli army, including 4 jeeps, raided the village of Kafr Dan. While patrolling the area, an armed confrontation took place between the Israeli army and armed Palestinian individuals, during which the Israeli army injured 1 civilian. At 04:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
- (iii) At 04:00, the Israeli army, including 20 jeeps, raided the town of Qabatiya, occupied 1 house, and converted it into a military post. While searching a number of houses, an armed confrontation took place between the Israeli army and armed Palestinian individuals, during which the Israeli army injured 2 civilians, including 1 child, as well as 1 Palestinian Police officer. Of those injured, Rabee' 'Abed Turkman was in critical condition. The Israeli army also raided the town's Palestinian Police station, arrested 4 civilians, including 3 brothers, and 1 Palestinian Police officer after he had sustained injuries, and partially demolished 1 house. The Israeli army remains positioned in the area as of 08:00 this morning.
- <u>Arrests</u>: The Israeli army arrested 4 civilians and 1 Palestinian security officer in the town of Qabatiya:
- (i) Hatem Omar Tazaz'ah, an injured Palestinian Police officer;
- (ii) Anas Hisham 'Assaf;
- (iii) Mu'min Hisham 'Assaf;
- (iv) Yousef Hisham 'Assaf; and
- (v) Thaer Munther Abu ar Rub.
- <u>House Demolition</u>: The Israeli army partially demolished 1 house in the town of Qabatiya belonging to Ziyad Mahmoud Nazzal.

- <u>Closure</u>: 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 Dhinnaba- Kafr al Labad road; the Kafr al Labad-Shufa road; the southern entrance to the town of Baqa ash Sharqiya; the entrance to the village of Saffarin; the Kafr Sur-Wadi at Tin road; and the road connecting the town of Deir al Ghusun to 'Attil plain. 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.

TULKAREM

	• Flying Checkpoint: At 08:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Deir al Ghusun and searched civilians and vehicles.
QALQILIYA	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun. The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road between the villages of Hajja and Kafr Qaddum. Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. 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 their parents. Wall Construction: 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. Flying Checkpoints: At 21:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the eastern entrance to the city of Qalqiliya and searched civilians and vehicles. The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the junction to the settlement of Kedumim on the Qalqiliya-Nablus main road and searched civilians and vehicles.
NABLUS	 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 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: The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus: Huwwara and Beit Iba checkpoints (set up at the southern and western entrances to the city of Nablus respectively) are closed at 23:00. 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 entrance to city) is open from 06:30 to 20:00. At Tur neighbourhood checkpoint (set up on Jirzim 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 neighbourhood only. Beit Furik checkpoint is open to civilian residents of the town of Beit Furik and the village of Beit Dajan until 17:30.

	 Flying Checkpoint: At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the settlement of Yitzhar and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids/Attack: At 02:10, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus as well as Balata and 'Ein Beit el Ma' refugee camps, opened indiscriminate fire, searched a number of houses, and arrested 4 civilians. At 05:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. The Israeli army raided the village of Till and arrested 1 civilian as well as 1 Palestinian National Security officer. Arrests: At 18:10, Israeli troops positioned at Huwwara checkpoint arrested Hussein Shams Hasan.
1	The Israeli army arrested 4 civilians in the city of Nablus as well as in Balata and 'Ein Beit el Ma' refugee camps:
	(ii) Jabr Kalbouneh;
	(iii) Lu'ay Ahmed Barakat; (iv) Ameer Muneer Abu Khaleefeh; and
	(v) Wajdi 'Adel 'Uleiwi.
	The Israeli army arrested 1 civilian and 1 Palestinian security officer in the village of Till:
	(vi) Haytham 'Izzat Yameen, a Palestinian National Security officer; and
	(vii) Yousef Taleb Silwadi.
	Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army has continued to close the main north-western entrance to the city of Salfit with dirt barricades since the beginning of the current <i>Intifada</i> (Uprising). The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western entrances to the towns of Bruqin and Deir Istiya and to the village of Marda. The Israeli army also continues to close with cement blocks the western entrance to the town of Kafr ad Dik.
SALFIT	Checkpoints: (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Deir Ballut checkpoint and to deny civilian access to the town of Kafr ad Dik. (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the Za'tara junction checkpoint and to deny access to civilians under 35 years of age.
	<u>Wall Construction</u> : 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.
JERICHO	• <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 deny access to the city to holders of Israeli IDs.

	 <u>Checkpoint</u>: 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. The Israeli army has also consolidated the checkpoint by setting up watchtowers and placing additional cement blocks around it.
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. Flying Checkpoint: At 11:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Tuqu' and searched civilians and vehicles. Raid: At 20:35, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided and patrolled the town of Al Khadr. Arrest: At 17:25, Israeli troops positioned at As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the "Container") checkpoint arrested Sameeh Salman Shanaytah.
HEBRON	 Closure: 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. 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: 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; Al Baq'a junction south of the town of Beit 'Awwa; 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. 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.

- <u>Wall Construction</u>: 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.
- <u>Flying Checkpoint</u>: At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Deir Samit, searched civilian vehicles, and impeded civilian access.
- Raids/Provocation of Palestinian Forces/Physical Assault:
- (i) At 02:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Tarqumiya, raided the offices of the Palestinian Preventive Security agency, and beat Palestinian Preventive officers. The Israeli army also searched a number of houses and arrested 2 civilians. At 03:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
- (ii) The Israeli army raided the town of Dura, set up a checkpoint, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area.
- Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the town of Tarqumiya:
- (i) Mohammed Jamal al Mragtan; and
- (ii) Mahdi Mohammed Shahrour.
- Land Confiscation: On 03 July 2006, the Israeli army issued a military order renewing Military Order # T/133/05 for confiscation of 715 *dunums* (178.75 acres) of land belonging to the town of Beit Ummar instead of 466 *dunums* (116.5 acres) stated in the old military order, which had been issued on 17 July 2005. The new amount of confiscated land, measuring 6,600 metres in length and ranging between 100 250 metres in width, will be designated for construction of the Wall as well as a crossing on the junction to the settlement bloc of Gosh 'Etzion.

GAZA STRIP

Beginning on 25 June 2006, the Israeli army has reinforced the concentration of its armed forces along the northern and eastern borders **ALL** of the district of Northern Gaza and imposed a sea blockade that has **DISTRICTS** prevented Palestinian fishing boats from sailing. 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. Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open only to foreign nationals, VIPs, and humanitarian cases. **NORTHERN** Air Attacks: GAZA (i) At 23:00, an Israeli combat helicopter fired 1 missile towards agricultural land near the Eastern Line in the area surrounding the town of Beit Hanun.

	 (ii) At 00:40, an Israeli combat helicopter fired missiles towards and destroyed 1 house in Jabalya refugee camp, after the Israeli army had notified residents (by telephone) to evacuate. • House Demolition: The house that was destroyed during the Israeli air attack on Jabalya refugee camp belongs to Khalil Abu al Ful. • Attacks: Between 08:00 on 03 September 2006 and 08:00 on 04 September 2006, the Israeli army fired 10 artillery shells from its locations inside the Green Line towards Palestinian territory north of the town of Beit Lahiya. • Raids/Land Levelling: (i) At 10:35, the Israeli army, including 2 armoured vehicles and 1 bulldozer, raided 20 metres into Palestinian territory near Points 56 and 59 on the Green Line east of the eastern cemetery east of the town of Jabalya and levelled land. (ii) At 16:55, the Israeli army, including 5 armoured vehicles and 6 bulldozers, raided 700 metres into Palestinian territory near Point 60 on the Green Line east of the town of Jabalya, levelled land, and withdrew at 17:40. (iii) At 17:30, the Israeli army, including 5 armoured vehicles and 6 bulldozers, raided Palestinian territory near Point 53 on the Green Line in Tallet Abu Safiya east of the town of Beit Hanun.
	Palestinian Attack: At 11:30, armed Palestinian individuals failed to fire an unidentified mortar towards the Green Line. The mortar exploded in the area from which it was launched.
GAZA	 Closure of Crossing Point: Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is partially open for the transportation of food supplies. Ash Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. Air Patrols: At 22:10, Israeli combat helicopters patrolled the skies over Palestinian territory east of Ash Shuja'iya neighbourhood east of Gaza city. At 01:00, Israeli combat helicopters patrolled the skies over Gaza city.
CENTRAL GAZA	 Attacks/Detention/Injury: (i) At 16:45, Israeli navy boats opened fire towards Palestinian fishing boats opposite the beach of the city of Deir al Balah, detained 2 fishing boats along with fishermen, and released them at a later time. (ii) At 19:15, the Israeli army opened fire from its location on the Green Line towards civilian houses in the area of Juhor ad Dik, injuring 1 civilian.
KHAN YUNIS	 <u>Raid/Attack</u>: At 06:00, the Israeli army, including a number of armoured vehicles, raided Palestinian territory east of the town of Khuza'a. Israeli combat helicopters opened fire towards civilian houses. The Israeli army also arrested 1 civilian. <u>Arrest</u>: The Israeli army arrested 'Eid Hamad Qdeih east of the town of Khuza'a.

• Closure of Crossing Points:

- (i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed.
- (ii) Rafah Crossing is closed.
- (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed.
- (iv) Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed.

• <u>Incursion</u>: Beginning at 18:20 on 07 August 2006, the Israeli army has remained positioned in and around Yasser 'Arafat International Airport east of the city of Rafah. At 18:45, the Israeli army carried out another incursion into the Airport. The Israeli army remains positioned in the area around the Airport as of 08:00 this morning.

• <u>Attack</u>: At 03:15, the Israeli army fired a number of artillery shells from its locations inside the Green Line towards Palestinian territory around Yasser 'Arafat International Airport east of the city of Rafah.

- <u>Raids</u>: At 03:50, the Israeli army, including 10 armoured vehicles, raided 200 metres into Palestinian territory near Point 197 on the Green Line north of Sufa Crossing.
- <u>Palestinian Attack</u>: At 20:00, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.

RAFAH