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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 03 September 2007 – 08:00 04 September 2007

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	7	_	7	Incl. 1 child in critical condition in Nablus
Attacks	6	4	10	Incl. 6 in raids and 1 from a military post
Raids	31	2	33	Incl. 7 in Jenin and 8 in Hebron
Air Patrols	1	3	4	3 by helicopters & 1 by reconnaissance
Arrests (per person)	14	_	14	Incl. a university student in Nablus
Detentions	17	_	17	Incl. a Palestinian security officer
House Demolitions	2	_	2	In Beit Hanina & 'Anata, Jerusalem
Wall Construction	26	_	26	Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Hebron, Beth.
Closure of Checkpoints	16	_	16	Incl. access impeded at 9 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	13	_	13	Incl. 2 in Jerusalem and 4 in Jenin
Closure (per District)	6	_	6	Incl. Jerusalem and Tulkarem partially
Closure of Main Roads	36	_	36	Incl. 5 in Tulkarm & 12 in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points	_	7	7	Humanitarian cases and fuel allowed
Construction of Mil. Post	1	_	1	A military watchtower erected, Bethlehem
Provocation of Pal. Forces	2	_	2	Taking position near 2 Pal. security posts
Palestinian Attacks	1	3	4	Incl. fire opened towards a military post
TOTAL	179	19	198	

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.

• 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 and dirt barricades the entrance to the village of Jaba', which connects the village to the cities of Jerusalem, Ramallah, and Jericho.

• Checkpoints:

JERUSALEM

- (i) 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.
- (ii) The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at the checkpoints set up near the village of Jaba' as well as at the entrance to the village of Beit Iksa and impeded civilian access.

• 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, 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.

	• Raids:
	(i) At 01:50, the Israeli army raided Qalandiya refugee camp. While searching 2 houses, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians.
	(ii) The Israeli army raided Dahiyat Beit Hanina north of the city of Jerusalem and demolished 1 house, claiming that it was located in close proximity to a settler bypass road connecting the cities of Jerusalem and Tel Aviv.
	House Demolitions:
	(i) At 11:00, the Israeli army demolished a house belonging to Sa'eed Khalil Sa'eedeh in the town of 'Anata, claiming that it was built without the required construction licence.
	(ii) The Israeli army demolished a house belonging to Mustafa Mahmoud as Shareef in Dahiyat Beit Hanina north of the city of Jerusalem.
	Closure of Main Roads:
	(i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil and with cement blocks the western entrance to the village of Saffa.
	(ii) The Israeli army continues to close the settler bypass road connecting 'Assur Hill in the village of Kafr Malik to Alon settler bypass road.
	 <u>Checkpoint</u>: 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.
	• <u>Wall Construction</u> : 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
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	 Deir Qaddis. Flying Checkpoint: The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the town of Beit Liqya and the village of Kharbatha al Misbah, searched civilians and vehicles, and impeded civilian access.
	• Raids:
	(i) At 22:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of El Bireh.
	(ii) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided Al Jalazun refugee camp and arrested
	1 civilian. (iii) At 02:30, the Israeli army raided Qaddura refugee camp in the city of
	El Bireh, searched 1 house, and served a summons to a civilian to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency.
	(iv) The Israeli army raided the town of Turmus' ayya and served summons
	to 2 civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency.
	 Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Sami 'Aref Nofal in Al Jalazun refugee camp.
	Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt
JENIN	barricades the road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan.

- <u>Checkpoint</u>: 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.
- <u>Wall Gates</u>: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
- Flying Checkpoints: At 08:00, the Israeli army set up 3 flying checkpoints: 2 on the junctions to the town of 'Arraba and the village of Al Jarba and 1 in the area between the town of Az Zababida and the village of Al Kufeir. Israeli troops positioned at these flying checkpoints searched civilians and vehicles.

• Raids/Provocation of Palestinian Forces/Attack:

- (i) At 09:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the area east of Al Far'a refugee camp.
- (ii) At 00:20, the Israeli army, including 4 jeeps, raided the city of Jenin and patrolled the area until 04:40.
- (iii) At 03:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Kafr Ra'i and arrested 3 civilians.
- (iv) At 03:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of 'Arraba.
- (v) At 05:00, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided the town of Tubas, took position near a Palestinian Police station as well as a Palestinian National Security location, and patrolled the area.
- (vi) The Israeli army raided the village of 'Aba, patrolled the area, opened fire, and fired flares.
- (vii) The Israeli army raided the village of Tayasir and searched 1 house. The Israeli army also set up a checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles.

• Arrests:

(i) On 02 September 2007, Israeli troops positioned at a checkpoint set up on the junction to the village of Al Jarba arrested Haroun Ahmed Yousef.

The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in the town of Kafr Ra'i:

- (ii) Nidhal Mohammed Milhem;
- (iii) Saed Omar Milhem; and
- (iv) Mahmoud Hafeth Milhem.

TULKAREM

- <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.
- <u>Closure of Main Roads</u>: 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.
- <u>Checkpoints</u>: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Jubara checkpoint (the southern entrance to the city of Tulkarem) as well as at 'Einay checkpoint (the eastern entrance to the city).

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	• <u>Wall Gates</u> : Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
	• Raid: At 23:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of 'Attil.
QALQILIYA	 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. 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. 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. Flving Checkpoint: At 15:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the eastern entrance to the city of Qalqiliya, searched civilians and vehicles, and arrested 1 civilian. Raids/Palestinian Attack: At 22:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of 'Azzun, after armed Palestinian individuals opened fire towards an Israeli military post near the town's entrance. The Israeli army also combed the area surrounding the town. At 00:15, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the city of Qalqiliya and patrolled the area until 01:30. Arrest: Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up at the eastern entrance to the city of Qalqiliya arrested Saber Abdul Fattah Dawoud.
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 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. The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the village of Al Lubban ash 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: 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.

(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 ash Shamaliya and to prevent civilians from crossing, only allowing access to humanitarian cases.

• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the villages of Deir Sharaf and An Naqura and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 09:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the settlement of Yitzhar and searched civilians and vehicles.

• Raids/Attack/Injuries:

- (i) At 21:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of 'Ammuriya.
- (ii) At 00:50, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus and 'Askar refugee camp. While surrounding and searching a building in the city, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during which the Israeli army injured 7 civilians, including 3 children. Of those injured, 8-year-old Rami al 'Akleek was in critical condition. The Israeli army also arrested 1 civilian.

• Arrests:

- (i) At 17:10, Israeli troops positioned at Beit Iba checkpoint arrested Ahmed 'Atiyyeh al Kuleibi, a university student.
- (ii) The Israeli army arrested Ahmed Yousef 'Awwad in the city of Nablus.
- <u>Detention</u>: At 15:00, Israeli troops positioned at Beit Iba checkpoint detained Ali Hasan Khouli, a Palestinian National Security officer, until 17:40.

• Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) 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 *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 ad Dik.

• **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 impeded civilian access.
- <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 Kifl Haris north of the settlement of Ari'el.
- <u>Flying Checkpoint</u>: At 21:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint along the road connecting the town of Bruqin and the village of Qarawat Bani Zeid and searched civilians and vehicles.

SALFIT

	 Raids/Attack: At 20:00, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided and patrolled the town of Kafr ad Dik. At 21:20, the Israeli army raided the area of Wadi Abdul Rahman near the settlement of Ari'el north of the city of Salfit. While combing the area, the Israeli army opened indiscriminate fire and fired flares.
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.
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. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the town of Al Khadr; northwest of the city of Beit Jala; in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of the settlement of Efrat; and in the area surrounding the village of Al Walaja. Flving Checkpoint: At 12:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Tuqu' and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids: At 20:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Harmala and searched a number of houses. At 00:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Al 'Ubeidiya. Arrests: At 02:30 on 03 September 2007, the Israeli army arrested 3 civilians during its raid into Ad Duheisha refugee camp in the city of Bethlehem: Ramzi 'Adnan Abu Yabis; Majdi 'Abed Mustafa Dar 'Isa; and Majdi 'Abed Mustafa Dar 'Isa; At 02:30 on 03 September 2007, the Israeli army arrested Suhayb 'Aziz al 'Assa during its raid into the town of Al 'Ubeidiya, as was reported yesterday. Construction of Military Post: At 16:50, the Israeli army erected a military watchtower near the junction to the town of Za'tara.

• 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. 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 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 entrance to the town of As 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 neighbourhood 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 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 of 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 Checkpoint:** At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the town of Adh Dhahiriya and searched civilians and vehicles.

• Raids/Air Patrol:

- (i) At 14:15, and again at 22:35, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Hebron.
- (ii) At 22:00, Israeli troops, dispatched by combat helicopters, raided and combed areas near the towns of Ash Shuyukh, Halhul, and Nuba as well as the area near Al Fawwar refugee camp.
- (iii) At 02:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Halhul, searched 1 house, and arrested 1 civilian.

HEBRON

(iv) At 03:45, the Israeli army raided the town of Adh Dhahiriya, searched 1 house, and arrested 1 civilian.
• Arrests:
(i) The Israeli army arrested Hakam Mohammed al Janazreh in the town of Halhul.
(ii) The Israeli army arrested Mohammed Nassr Allah in the town of Adh Dhahiriya.

GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA	 Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is closed. Only humanitarian cases are allowed access, after prior coordination. Attack/Air Patrol: In the morning on 03 September 2007, Israeli combat helicopters opened intensive machinegun fire towards agricultural land east of the town of Beit Hanun. Raid/Air Patrols: At dawn on 04 September 2007, Israeli Special Forces raided Palestinian territory east of the Eastern Cemetery east of the town of Jabalya. An armed confrontation took place between Israeli Special Forces troops and armed Palestinian individuals. Consequently, Israeli combat helicopters and reconnaissance aircraft patrolled the skies over the area. Palestinian Attacks: At 09:25, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line. At 22:25, 2 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line.
GAZA	 Closure of Crossing Points: Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed. Ash Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is partially open for transportation of fuel.
CENTRAL GAZA	Activities not reported.
KHAN YUNIS	• Raid: In the evening on 03 September 2007, Israeli army infantry forces raided the area of Al Farahin east of the city of Khan Yunis. An armed confrontation took place between the Israeli army infantry troops and armed Palestinian individuals.
RAFAH	 Closure of Crossing Points: Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. Rafah Crossing is closed. Sufa Crossing is closed Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed. Palestinian Attack/Israeli Attack: In the evening on 03 September 2007, armed Palestinian individuals opened fire towards Israeli troops positioned near Karm Abu Salem (Karem Shalom) Crossing on the Green Line. Consequently, Israeli troops opened intensive fire towards Palestinian territory.