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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 08 September 2006 – 08:00 09 September 2006

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assaults	18	_	18	Incl. international peace activists beaten
Injury		1	1	1 civilian in the Khan Yunis district
Incursion	_	1	1	Into areas east of the city of Rafah
Attacks	4	5	9	Incl. 4 in raids & 3 from military posts
Raids	21	1	22	Incl. 6 in Ramallah & 5 in Nablus
Air Patrol	1	_	1	Troops dispatched by combat helicopters
Arrests	7	_	7	Incl. 2 children (brothers) in Hebron
Detentions	20	_	20	At checkpoints & in residential areas
Land Levelling	_	1	1	Agricultural land east of Khuza'a town
Destruction of Property	_	1	1	Agricultural crops damaged, Khan Yunis
Confiscation of Property	1	_	1	1 Police officer's motorcycle in Hebron
Closure of Checkpoints	10	_	10	Incl. 'Atara, Tayasir & 'Einav partially
Flying Checkpoints	20	_	20	Incl. 7 in Jenin & 4 in Hebron
Closure (per District)	6	_	6	Incl. An Nu'man village in Bethlehem
Closure of Main Roads	37	_	37	Incl. 5 in Jerusalem & 10 in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points	_	7	7	Incl. Beit Hanun (Erez) partially
Construction of Mil. Post	1	_	1	1 military post constructed in Nablus
Settler Violence	1	_	1	1 mosque stoned in the old city of Hebron
Palestinian Attack	1	_	1	Fire opened towards Israeli patrols
Demonstration	1	_	1	In Bil'in against Wall construction
TOTAL	149	17	166	

DISTRICT	EVENT

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 intensified its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem, set up several checkpoints in the old city of Jerusalem and around Al Aqsa Mosque compound, impeding civilian access to Al Aqsa Mosque to perform Friday prayers.

• 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.

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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 was suspended for the 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 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.

• Flying Checkpoints:

(i) At 13:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Dahiyat Beit Hanina in the city of Jerusalem and searched civilians and vehicles.

	 (ii) At 15:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Beit Iksa and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raid: At 11:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Biddu. • Arrests/Physical Assaults: At 08:00, Israeli Special Forces arrested 2 civilians in the vicinity of the village of Beit Surik, after severely beating them: (i) Theeb Mohammed al Jamal; and (ii) Ribhi Mohammed al Jamal.
	Closure of Main Roads:
RAMALLAH	(i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to the village of Saffa as well as the road 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 was suspended for the weekend 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 Beit Sire
&	'Abud and the village of Beit Sira.
EL BIREH	 Raids: (i) At 19:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the villages of An Nabi Salih, Kafr 'Ein, and Mazari' an Nubani. (ii) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the cities of Ramallah and El Bireh and surrounded as well as searched 1 building. The Israeli army also served a summons to 1 civilian to report to the Israeli Intelligence. (iii) The Israeli army raided the town of Beituniya and arrested 1 civilian. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Ramez Dar Hajj in the town of Beituniya. Demonstration/Attack/Physical Assaults: A mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in the village of Bil'in in protest against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which the Israeli army fired rubber-coated steel bullets as well as tear gas and sound grenades. The Israeli army also beat protestors with clubs, leaving 16 civilians and international peace activists with scratches and contusions.
JENIN	 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. At 09:00, the Israeli army completely closed the checkpoint, forced civilians to strip, and reopened it at a later time.

	 Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. Flying Checkpoints: At 13:00, the Israeli army set up 6 flying checkpoints on the junctions to the towns of 'Arraba, Az Zababida, and Meithalun as well as the villages of Fahma, Sanur, and Misliya and searched civilians and vehicles. At 20:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the town of Tammun and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids: At 12:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Jenin. At 19:50, the Israeli army raided the town of Tubas, searched 1 house, and served a summons to 1 civilian to report to the Israeli Intelligence. At 21:30, the Israeli army, including 7 jeeps, raided the town of Qabatiya and searched 2 houses under construction. An armed confrontation took place between the Israeli army and armed Palestinian individuals. At 01:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the
TULKAREM	 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 following roads: the Dahiyat Dhinnaba- Kafr al Labad road; the Kafr al Labad-Shufa road; the entrance to the village of Saffarin; the Kafr Sur-Wadi at Tin road; the road connecting the town of Deir al Ghusun to 'Attil plain; and the road connecting the town of Deir al Ghusun to the village of Al Masqufa. The Israeli army also continues to close with cement blocks the road connecting the town of Beit Lid to the village of Kur. Checkpoints: 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. Flving Checkpoint: At 14:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Far'un and searched civilians and vehicles.
QALQILIYA	 Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun. 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.

•	<u>Wall Construction</u> : Land levelling for Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the villages of Immatin and Kafr Laqif as well as east of the
(i) (ii)	towns of Kafr Thulth and 'Azzun. Flying Checkpoints: At 09:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the eastern entrance to the city of Qalqiliya and searched civilians and vehicles. At 19:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the villages of Jinsafut and Al Funduq and searched civilians and vehicles. Raid: The Israeli army raided the village of Kafr Laqif and arrested 1 civilian. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Ziyad Abdul Rahman Qaddumi in the village of Kafr Laqif.
(i) (ii) (ii) (iii) (iii) (iii) (iii) (iii)	entrance to city) is open from 06:30 to 20:00.

fired sound grenades, while patrolling the area.

	 (iii) At 23:15, Israeli troops, dispatched by Israeli combat helicopters, raided and combed the area of As Sirafi swimming pool, located along Wadi al Badhan road east of the city of Nablus. (iv) At 23:30, the Israeli army raided the village of As Sawiya and searched 1 house. (v) At 01:20, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus, opened indiscriminate fire, and searched 1 commercial shop as well as 1 building, after detaining civilians inside. At 04:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. • Construction of Military Post: At 23:00, the Israeli army constructed a military post over Ath Thahab hill in the area between the villages of Talluza, Al Badhan, and Al Far'a.
SALFIT	 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 Intifada (Uprising). The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western entrances to the town of Bruqin and the village of Marda. The Israeli army also continues to close with cement blocks the western entrance to the town of Kafr ad Dik. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Deir Ballut checkpoint and to deny civilian access to the town of Kafr ad Dik. 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. Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend 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	 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. Checkpoint: 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.
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 was suspended for the weekend in the area northwest of the town of Al Khadr, north of 'Ayda refugee camp, and northwest of the city of Beit Jala.

Raids:

- (i) At 10:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Al 'Ubeidiya and the village of Dar Salah.
- At 20:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Bethlehem. (ii)
- At 00:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Beit Jala. (iii)

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.
- Although it expired on 07 May 2006, the Israeli army continues to (ii) 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 (i) 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 (ii) 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.
- Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend: 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.

Flying Checkpoints/Detention/Confiscation of Property:

(i) At 18:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the town of Beit Ummar, detained 1 Palestinian Police officer, while he

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checkpoint also confiscated the motorcycle, after issuing a traffic ticket to the Police officer.

- (ii) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to the town of Halhul, searched civilian vehicles, and impeded civilian access.
- Raid: At 20:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, set up 2 checkpoints in the areas of Nimra and Ras al Jora, and searched civilians and vehicles. The Israeli army also patrolled the area.
- <u>Arrests</u>: At 21:00, the Israeli army arrested 3 civilians, including 2 children (brothers), near the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron:
- (i) Isam'il 'Awwad al Khateeb, 15 years old;
- (ii) Ahmed 'Awwad al Khateeb, 17 years old; and
- (iii) Hussam Jawad an Natsheh.
- <u>Detention</u>: At 13:00, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions in the area surrounding the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron and detained a number of civilians.
- <u>Settler Violence/Attack on Religious Site</u>: At 12:00, a group of Israeli settlers threw stones at Al Qazzazin Mosque in the old city of Hebron at the time when worshippers where about to perform Friday prayers.

GAZA STRIP

ALL DISTRICTS	 Beginning on 25 June 2006, the Israeli army has reinforced the concentration of its armed forces along the northern and eastern borders of the district of Northern Gaza. 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.
NORTHERN GAZA	 Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open only to foreign nationals, VIPs, and humanitarian cases. Attacks: Between 08:00 on 08 September 2006 and 08:00 on 09 September 2006, the Israeli army fired 11 artillery shells from its locations inside the Green Line towards Palestinian territory around the area of Al Hawuz north of the town of Beit Lahiya.
GAZA	 Closure of Crossing Point: (i) Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed. (ii) Ash Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed.
CENTRAL GAZA	Activities not reported.
KHAN YUNIS	 Attack: At 23:15, Israeli navy boats opened fire towards the beach of the city of Khan Yunis. Raid/Attack/Injury/Land Levelling: At 07:30, the Israeli army, including 10 armoured vehicles and 2 bulldozers, raided 700 metres into Palestinian territory near Point 187 on the Green Line east of the town of Khuza'a and opened intensive fire, injuring 1 civilian. The Israeli army also levelled agricultural land.

	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.		
RAFAH	• <u>Incursion</u> : Beginning at 18:20 on 07 August 2006, the Israeli army has remained positioned around Yasser 'Arafat International Airport east of the city of Rafah.		

locations inside the Green Line towards agricultural land on Palestinian territory north of Sufa Crossing as well as towards the area of Ad Dihniya south of Sufa Crossing.