مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 09 September 2004 – 08:00 10 September 2004

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Deaths	1	6	7	Incl. 2 children and 1 officer
Physical Assaults	2		2	Civilians severely beaten
Injuries	4	3	7	Incl. 1 female child run over
Air Attack	_	1	1	In Asira Ash Shamaliya in Nablus
Attacks	7	8	15	Incl. 8 in raids & 2 from mil. posts
Raids	25	3	28	Incl. cont. presence in N. Gaza
Air Patrols	_	2	2	Helicopters over Northern Gaza
Arrests (per person)	18		18	Incl. 1 child and 1 female civilian
Detentions	6		6	Incl. in residential compounds
Destruction of Property	6		6	Incl. 1 vehicle
Confiscation of Property	4		4	Incl. 1 vehicle, 1 computer & files
Land Levelling	2		2	Near the Ibrahimi Mosque
Wall Construction	17		17	Jer., Jenin, Ramallah, Beth. Hebron
House Occupation	_	1	1	Several houses in Northern Gaza
Curfew	1		1	In Asira Ash Shamaliya, Nablus
Checkpoints	All		All	
Flying Checkpoints	(Dozens)	(Dozens)		Closing all districts
Closure (per District)	(All)	(All)	(All)	Hebron city closed military zone
Closure of Main Roads	(Most)	(6)	(Most)	Esp. connecting cities
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)		(All)	Permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points	_	5	5	1 partially open
Medical Obstructions	2		2	Incl. detaining 1 staff nurse
School Disruption	1		1	Firing 1 sound grenade in school
Settler Violence	2	1	3	Incl. running over 1 civilian
Palestinian Attacks	_	4	4	4 Qassam mortars
TOTAL	98	34	132	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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ALL DISTRICTS

Since 22 March 2004, the Israeli army has imposed a total closure on the West Bank and Gaza Strip, prevented civilians from crossing the Green Line and entering Jerusalem, and restricted movement between cities in the West Bank.

WEST BANK

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JERUSALEM	 Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. Wall Gates: The Israeli army closed the iron Wall gate to Kubsa junction, leading to the towns of Al 'Eizariya, Abu Dis and As Sawahira Ash Sharqiya, and detained hundreds of civilians at both sides of the gate. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues along the main road between Qalandiya checkpoint and Ar Ram, the area of Al Aqbat, north of the village of 'Anata, in the area between the villages of Jaba' and Hizma, the area of Ash Shayyah, and in the town of As Sawahira Ash Sharqiya. Wall construction in the villages of Qatanna and Biddu remains suspended following an Israeli Supreme Court order. Raids: At dawn on 9 September 2004, the Israeli army raided Qalandiya refugee camp, searched 1 house, severely beat its residents, and arrested 1 civilian. The Israeli army raided the village of Kafr 'Aqab and arrested 1 civilian. Arrests: The Israeli army arrested Shadi Hussein Hammad in Qalandiya refugee camp. The Israeli army arrested an unidentified civilian in the village of Kafr 'Aqab.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	 Closure: The Israeli army set up dozens of flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Budrus, Al Midya, Ni'lin, Deir Qaddis, Beit Liqya, and Beituniya.

	(ii) Israeli authorities decided to change the route of the Wall in the village of Rantis.
	• Raids:
	(i) At 10:30, and again at 14:25, Israeli army patrols raided the city of Ramallah and searched 1 civilian building. An Israeli army jeep intentionally ran over (twice) and killed 1 civilian at the entrance to Al 'Am'ari refugee camp.
	(ii) At 09:15, an Israeli army patrol raided the village of Kafr 'Ein and patrolled the area.
	(iii) At 19:10, the Israeli army raided the town of Beituniya, searched 1 civilian building, and withdrew at 19:50.
	(iv) At 20:10, the Israeli army raided the town of Silwad. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians.
	(v) At 23:50, the Israeli army raided Al Jalazun refugee camp and patrolled the area.
	 <u>Killing</u>: An Israeli army jeep intentionally ran over (twice) and killed Mohammed Abdullah Jad Al Haqq, 18 years old, in the city of Ramallah. <u>Arrests</u>: The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the town of Silwad: (i) Ibrahim Nasser Hammad; and (ii) Saed Dahish Hammad.
	Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing.
	Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact education, economic and livelihood activities and impedes access to health
JENIN	facilities. (ii) The Israeli army set up 1 iron gate and 1 permanent checkpoint at the eastern portion of the Wall in order to control civilians' access to their land.
	Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction continues in Jalbun towards Al Mutilla, Raba, Al Mughayyir, Bardala and 'Ein al Beida, and towards the Jordan River.
	• Raids/Destruction of Property: (i) At 21:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Tubas. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. The Israeli army destroyed 1 civilian vehicle, which was parked at the northern entrance to the town, using explosives, arrested 2 civilians, and withdrew at 03:00.
	(ii) An Israeli army patrol raided the village of 'Anin and arrested 1 civilian.

	 Arrests: (i) At 15:30, the Israeli army arrested Mohammed Yaseen Sweitat, a university student, at a checkpoint set up near the settlement of Shavei Shomron on the Nablus-Jenin road. The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the town of Tubas: (ii) Abdullah Mohammed Abdul Razzaq; and (iii) 1 unidentified civilian. (iv) The Israeli army arrested an unidentified civilian in the village of 'Anin.
TULKAREM	 Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact education, economic and livelihood activities and impedes access to health facilities. Flving Checkpoint: At 12:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the junction to the town of Bal'a, searched civilian vehicles, and examined civilians' IDs until 17:00. Raids/Destruction of Property: At 12:40, the Israeli army raided the city of Tulkarem and its suburbs, set up a checkpoint in the centre of the city, searched civilian vehicles, examined civilians' IDs, and searched 1 civilian building after detaining its residents in one apartment. At 04:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city again. At 16:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Iktaba, searched 1 house, set fire to 1 civilian vehicle which was parked in the house yard, and confiscated another vehicle. The Israeli army also threw 1 civilian vehicle into the area of the quarries next to the town and arrested 1 child. At 24:00, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of 'Attil, opened indiscriminate fire, and patrolled the area. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Raed Sa'id 'Amara, 16 years old, in the town of Iktaba. Medical Obstruction: At 12:00, the Israeli army stopped 1 ambulance from the Palestinian Red Crescent Society while transporting 1 ill civilian from Tulkarem Public Hospital to Nablus Hospital at the checkpoint set up near the village of Deir Sharaf. The Israeli army detained 1 nurse who was in the ambulance for an extended period of time before releasing her.
QALQILYA	• <u>Closure</u> : The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing.

	<u>Wall Gates:</u> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact education, economic and livelihood activities and impedes access to health facilities.
NABLUS	 Closure: The Israeli army set up dozens of flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. Raids/Confiscation of Property/Curfew: At 12:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus, searched 1 civilian building after destroying its doors, raided the office of Hussam Khadr, a Palestinian Legislative Council member and political prisoner, and confiscated a number of files and documents. The Israeli army also raided the office of the Islamic Society for the Relief of the Orphans and Needy and confiscated 1 computer and several files and documents. At 17:30, the Israeli army raided the town of 'Asira Ash Shamaliya, opened indiscriminate fire, imposed curfew, and remains positioned in the town as of 08:00 this morning. At 21:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Qusin and arrested 1 Palestinian General Intelligence officer. Arrests: At 16:00, the Israeli army arrested Hanan Yousef Hanani, a female civilian, at Huwwara checkpoint. At 17:30, the Israeli army arrested Rami Ali Al Qur'an at the checkpoint set up at the entrance to the village of Beit Furik. The Israeli army arrested Mohamed Wasfi Zabadi, a Palestinian General Intelligence officer, in the village of Qusin. Detentions: At 11:00, the Israeli army detained Khulud Yousef, a female civilian, at a checkpoint set up at the junction to the village of Ijnisinya and released her at 14:00. The Israeli army detained hundreds of civilians for several hours at Huwwara checkpoint and prevented ambulances from transporting ill civilians in both directions from the city of Nablus to the city of Ramallah.
SALFIT	 Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction west of the village of Iskaka, north of the city of Salfit (around the settlement of Ariel) and in the villages of Al Zawiya and Deir Ballut remains suspended due to changes in the Wall route following an Israeli Supreme Court order.

Raids/School Disruption: At 12:00, an Israeli army jeep raided the town of Haris and fired 1 (i) sound grenade inside the Elementary Boys School during school hours. At 13:00, an Israeli army jeep raided the city of Salfit, set up a (ii) checkpoint at its southern entrance, searched civilian vehicles, and examined civilians' IDs. At 07:15, the Israeli army raided the city again and patrolled the area. (iii) At 22:30, an Israeli army tank raided the villages of 'Ammuriya and Khirbet Qeis and set up a checkpoint on the road leading to the city of Salfit. **Closure:** The Israeli army set up dozens of checkpoints throughout the city, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and prevented civilians from crossing. The Israeli army also **JERICHO** prevented truck drivers holding Palestinian Authority-issued IDs from entering the city, while allowing trucks to either unload or have their drivers replaced. **Closure:** The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, (i) closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing civilians from crossing. The Israeli army continues to close the only road leading to the village (ii) of Al Nu'man, northeast of the Bethlehem district, isolating the village and placing it, together with the adjacent village of Al Khas, under the jurisdiction of the Jerusalem municipality. The Israeli army considers the civilian presence in the villages illegal. Wall Construction: Construction of the Wall continues north of the district of Bethlehem, west of Wadi Hilwa, along 'Ayda refugee camp, **BETHLEHEM** along the tunnel road (Gilo), along road # 60 towards the village of Husan, in Bir 'Ona and the village of Al Walaja. Raids: (i) At 19:20, an Israeli army patrol raided 'Ayda refugee camp. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. At 20:50, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. The Israeli army raided the village of Beit Ta'mar, searched 1 house, (ii) and arrested 1 civilian. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Hamid Mohammed Hamid in the village of Ta'mar. **Attack on Cemeteries:** At 10:30, the Israeli army destroyed several tombs in the Islamic cemetery near Bilal Bin Rabah Mosque (Rachel's Tomb) by using explosives, which led to the scattering of corpses outside the tombs.

- <u>Closure</u>: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. The Israeli army declared the city of Hebron a closed military zone.
- Wall Construction: Land levelling for wall construction continues west of the towns of Idhna and Beit 'Awwa in the area between the villages of Khirbet Ba'er, north of the town of Beit 'Awwa, and Khirbet Um Al 'Aqaf, south of the village of As Sikka.

• Land Levelling:

- (i) The Israeli army levelled 5 *dunums* (1.25 acres) of agricultural land belonging to civilians in the town of Bani Na'im near the settlement of Bani Hever.
- (ii) The Israeli army levelled land near the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron and left a heap of soil and rubble from demolished houses in Al Ibrahimiya School yard.

• Raid/Detentions: At 23:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, opened fire, and fired sound grenades, injuring 3 civilians. The Israeli army detained 40 civilians, took them to the settlement outpost of Beit Hadassah, interrogated them, and severely beat several of them. The Israeli army also searched several houses and arrested 5 civilians.

- Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 5 civilians in the city of Hebron:
- (i) Ismai'l Al Hashlamoun;
- (ii) Mus'ab Isam'il Al Hahslamoun:
- (iii) Ala' Mohammed Al Herbawi;
- (iv) Rabi' Salah Ash Shobaki; and
- (v) Ahmed Al Qudsi.

• Settler Violence:

- (i) At 13:00, an Israeli female settler's vehicle ran over 5-year-old Shaima' Al Karaki in the old city of Hebron, after which she was hospitalised.
- (ii) Israeli settlers from the settlement outpost of Ramat Shay threw stones and empty bottles at civilian houses in the neighbourhood of Tall Rumeideh.

GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA

HEBRON

- Closure: Beit Hanun Crossing remains closed.
- Attack: At 18:50, the Israeli army opened fire from its location inside Palestinian territory in the area surrounding the former Israeli Civil Administration building towards 1 Palestinian National Security location, north the town of Jabalya, killing 1 officer.
- Raids:
- (i) Beginning at 01:30 on 8 September, the Israeli army remains

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	positioned inside Palestinian territory south of the town of Beit Hanun, north of the town of Beit Lahiya and the area of Quleibu hill east of Sheikh Zayed city. Israeli army helicopters patrolled the skies over the area and opened fire, and tanks fired shells towards civilian houses, killing 2 civilians, including 1 child, and injuring 2 civilians, including 1 child. The Israeli army also occupied several houses, converted them into military posts, and remains positioned in the area as of 08:00 this morning. (ii) At 02:30 on 8 September 2004, the Israeli army raided the area surrounding the northern part of the town of Jabalya and Jabalya
	refugee camp. Israeli army tanks opened intensive fire and fired shells, and helicopters fired missiles, killing 3 civilians, including 1 child. The Israeli army occupied several houses, converted them into military posts, and remains positioned in the area as of 08:00 this morning. • Killings: The Israeli army killed 2 civilians in the area south of the town of
	Beit Hanun:
	(i) Munir Ad Daqs, 9 years old; and
	 (ii) Sami Thabet. (iii) The Israeli army killed Mohammed Abdul Razzaq Darbiyyeh, a
	Palestinian National Security officer, north of the town of Jabalya. The Israeli army killed 3 civilians in the area surrounding the northern part of the town of Jabalya and Jabalya refugee camp: (iv) Salih Abu Hazza', 17 years old;
	(v) Abdul 'Aziz Al Ashqar; and
	(vi) Abdullah Dhahi Nasr.
	 Palestinian Attacks: (i) At 08:55, 1 Qassam mortar was fired towards the Green Line. (ii) At 12:30, 1 Qassam mortar was fired towards the Green Line. (iii) At 21:40, 1 Qassam mortar was fired towards the Green Line. (iv) At 07:40, 1 Qassam mortar was fired towards the Green Line.
GAZA CITY	 Closure: (i) Nitsareem junction remains closed. (ii) Sheikh 'Ajlin coastal road remains closed. (iii) Al Muntar (Karni) Crossing remains closed. Raid: At 20:20, the Israeli army, including 2 tanks and 1 bulldozer, raided
	Palestinian territory near the entrance to Al Muntar (Karni) Crossing.
CENTRAL GAZA	Activities not reported.

KHAN YUNIS	 Closure: Abu al Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) is closed. Western road (Khan Yunis) remains closed. Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis road (Al Tuffah checkpoint) is closed. Abu Holi road remains closed. The Israeli army ordered that movement along the road for humanitarian reasons be coordinated in advance. Attack: At 22:15, the Israeli army opened intensive fire towards civilian houses in An Namsawi neighbourhood, injuring 1 female civilian.
RAFAH	 Closure: Gaza International Airport remains closed. Rafah Crossing is partially open. Sufa Crossing is closed. Settler Violence: At 18:00, an Israeli settler from the settlement of Rafiah Yam opened fire towards Palestinian workers inside the settlement, injuring 2 of them.

GENERAL

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PRISONERS

Prisoners' Appeal: 60 political prisoners in Binyamin Prison appealed to human rights organisations to rescue them from the harsh conditions they are suffering inside the prison. Prisoners confirmed that prison cells are overcrowded due to the increase of arrests, and complained of poor food quality, beatings during interrogations, and lack of necessary medical treatment for ill prisoners.