# مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



# PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

# **DAILY SITUATION REPORT**

**08:00 09 September 2007 – 08:00 10 September 2007** 

### **SUMMARY OF EVENTS**

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Attacks	6	1	7	Incl. 4 in raids & 1 from a military post
Raids	21	_	21	Incl. 4 in Jenin & 3 in Hebron
Arrests (per person)	15	_	15	Incl. 3 children & 1 Pal. security officer
Detentions	20	_	20	At checkpoints & in residential areas
Wall Construction	26	_	26	Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Hebron, Beth.
Confiscation of Property	1	_	1	1 pistol from a civilian in Bethlehem
Closure of Checkpoints	17	_	17	Incl. access impeded at 9 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	17	_	17	Incl. 5 in Jenin and 3 in Nablus
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
Palestinian Attacks	_	5	5	Incl. 21 mortars fired towards Green Line
TOTAL	165	13	178	

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 checkpoint set up at the entrance to the village of Rafat as well as at Ramot checkpoint and impeded 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 16:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Bir Nabala and raided as
	<ul> <li>(i) At 16:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Bir Nabala and raided as well as searched the offices of the town's local council.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army raided the town of Abu Dis and searched a number of houses.</li> </ul>
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul> <li>Closure of Main Roads: <ol> <li>The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the western entrance to the village of Saffa.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to close the settler bypass road connecting 'Assur Hill in the village of Kafr Malik to Alon settler bypass road.</li> <li>Checkpoint/Detentions: At 20:10, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the overpass to the town of 'Atara, impeded civilian access, and detained 10 civilians.</li> <li>Wall Construction: 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 Deir Qaddis.</li> <li>Flying Checkpoints: The Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints at the entrances to the town of Deir Dibwan and village of Yabrud and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>Raids: <ol> <li>At 19:40, the Israeli army raided the town of Beituniya and patrolled the are until 20:20.</li> <li>At 23:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Al Lubban al Gharbi.</li> <li>At 04:50, the Israeli army, including 4 jeeps, raided and patrolled the city of El Bireh.</li> </ol> </li> </ol></li></ul>
JENIN	<ul> <li>Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan.</li> <li>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.</li> <li>Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> <li>Flying Checkpoints/Attack:</li> <li>(i) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Az Zababida and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>(ii) At 12:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint along the road to the village of Sanur, searched civilians and vehicles, and arrested 1 civilian.</li> <li>(iii) At 13:20, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint on the junction to the village of Al Kufeir and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> </ul>

	<ul> <li>(iv) At 15:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the town of 'Arraba, searched civilians and vehicles, and impeded civilian access.</li> <li>(v) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the village of Bir al Basha, searched civilians, and opened fire towards civilian vehicles.</li> <li>• Raids: <ol> <li>(i) At 22:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Jenin.</li> <li>(ii) At 01:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Qabatiya.</li> <li>(iii) At 02:30, the Israeli army, including 25 jeeps, raided the city of Jenin and Jenin refugee camp. An armed confrontation also took place between the Israeli army and armed Palestinian individuals. At 05:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.</li> <li>• Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Haytham Mustafa Rabay'a in the village of Sanur.</li> </ol> </li></ul>
TULKAREM	<ul> <li>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.</li> <li>Closure of Main Roads: 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.</li> <li>Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Jubara checkpoint (the southern entrance to the city of Tulkarem) as well as at 'Einav checkpoint (the eastern entrance to the city).</li> <li>Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> <li>Flving Checkpoint: At 10:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the villages of Bizzariya and Ramin, searched civilians and vehicles, and impeded civilian access.</li> <li>Raids/Attack: <ul> <li>(i) At 19:00, the Israeli army raided Dahiyat Shuweika in the city of Tulkarem and fired sound grenades, while searching a house.</li> <li>(ii) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the Nur Shams refugee camp, searched 4 houses, arrested a Palestinian Preventive Security officer, and withdrew at 04:00.</li> <li>(iii) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Tulkarm and arrested 1 civilian.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Arrests: <ul> <li>(i) The Israeli army arrested Ashraf Anwar Daghash, a Palestinian Preventive Security officer, in Nur Shams refugee camp.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army arrested Karem Azzam Al Jallad in the city of Tulkarm.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
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:**

- (i) Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
- The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma (ii) 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.
- Raids/Detentions: At 18:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of 'Azzun. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. The Israeli army also arrested 3 children, allegedly for throwing stones. At 02:10, the Israeli army raided the town again and searched a house, after having detained residents outside. At 03:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
- **Arrests:** The Israeli army arrested 3 civilian in the town of 'Azzun:
- Majdi Ma'moun Radhi; (i)
- Sanad Mahmoud Shubeitah; and (ii)
- Abdul Rahman Baseem Abu Haniya. (iii)

#### **Closure of Main Roads:**

- The Israeli army continues to close the Jenin-Nablus road between the (i) junction to the village of Deir Sharaf and the settlement of Shavei Shomron.
- (ii) 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 (iii) Lubban ash Sharqiya with dirt barricades and cement blocks.
- Checkpoints/Attack: 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 (i) 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 (ii) Furik and the village of Beit Dajan until 17:30.
- Beginning on 23 November 2006, the Israeli army continues to close (iii) 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.
- At 09:10, the Israeli army closed Beit Iba checkpoint and denied (iv) civilian access in both directions, after having arrested a civilian ostensibly for locating explosives in his possession. Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint also opened fire and fired sound grenades towards civilians waiting on both sides of the checkpoint to cross. At 12:00, Israeli troops reopened the checkpoint.

# **NABLUS**

#### • Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the settlement of Yitzhar and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 11:45, the Israeli army set up 2 checkpoints, one between the town of 'Asira ash Shamaliya and the village of Talluza and the other between the villages of Talluza and Al Badhan, and searched civilians and vehicles.
- Raid/Attack: At 01:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus and 'Ein Beit el Ma' refugee camp, searched a number of houses, and arrested 4 citizens, In the refugee camp, the Israeli army also opened fire. At 04:05, the Israeli army withdrew from these areas.

#### • Arrests:

- (i) At 20:30, Israeli troops positioned at Beit Iba checkpoint arrested Ma'en Zahi Shabaru.
- (ii) Israeli troops positioned at Beit Iba checkpoint an unidentified civilian, claiming to have located explosives in his possession.

The Israeli army arrested 4 civilians in the city of Nablus and in 'Ein Beit el Ma' refugee camp:

- (iii) Taha Mohammed al Bishtawi;
- (iv) 'Assem Jamil Ghnaim;
- (v) Mohammed Sadiq Ashur; and
- (vi) Baha' ad Din Mahmoud 'Adili.

#### • 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 to impede civilian access.
- Wall Construction: 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.

#### • Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Az Zawiya and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 06:00 on 10 September 2007, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the towns of Kafr Ad Dik and Bruqin and searched civilians and vehicles.
  - Raid: At 22:45, the Israeli army raided the town of Kafr Ad Dik and patrolled the area until 23:45.

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JERICHO	<ul> <li>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.</li> <li>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.</li> <li>Arrest: Israeli troops positioned on Al Karama (Allenby) Bridge arrested Abdullah Hatem Jarrar, a university student, while he was travelling to study in Syria via Jordan.</li> </ul>
BETHLEHEM	<ul> <li>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.</li> <li>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.</li> <li>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.</li> <li>Raid/Confiscation of Property: At 20:40, the Israeli army, including 8 jeeps, raided the village of Ash Shawawra, searched a number of houses, and arrested 2 civilians, after having confiscated a pistol from one of them. At 21:20, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.</li> <li>Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the village of Ash Shawawra:         <ul> <li>Yasser Mahmoud Dir'awi; and</li> <li>Osama Muhammad Dir'awi.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
HEBRON	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.
- <u>Flying Checkpoints</u>: At 09:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Al Fawwar refugee camp and searched civilians and vehicles.
- <u>Raids</u>: At 16:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, set up a checkpoint in the area of Ras Al Jora, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area. At 21:00, the Israeli army raided the city again and took photographs of a mosque. At 03:35, the Israeli army raided the city for the third time and searched 1 house.

#### **GAZA STRIP**

NORTHERN GAZA	Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open to humanitarian cases, after prior coordination.
GAZA	<ul> <li>Closure of Crossing Points:         <ul> <li>(i) Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed.</li> <li>(ii) Ash Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is partially open for transportation of fuel.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Palestinian Attack: At 00:40, 2 mortars were fired towards the Green Line.</li> </ul>
CENTRAL GAZA	Activities not reported.

KHAN YUNIS	Palestinian Attack/Israeli Attack: In the evening on 09 September 2007, armed Palestinian individuals fired 2 anti-tank mortars towards Israeli troops positioned on the Green Line east of the area of Al Qarara. Consequently, the Israeli army opened fire towards Palestinian territory.		
RAFAH	<ul> <li>Closure of Crossing Points: <ol> <li>Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed.</li> <li>Rafah Crossing is closed.</li> <li>Sufa Crossing is closed</li> <li>Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Palestinian Attack: <ol> <li>On 09 September 2007, 11 mortars were fired towards Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing on the Green Line.</li> <li>On 09 September 2007, 3 mortars were fired towards Sufa Crossing on the Green Line.</li> <li>In the morning on 10 September 2007, 3 mortars were fired towards Sufa Crossing on the Green Line.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>		