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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 14 September 2006 – 08:00 15 September 2006

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assault	1		1	1 civilian beaten in the old city of Hebron
Injuries	2		2	Incl. 1 female civilian in Ramallah
Incursion	_	1	1	Into areas east of the city of Rafah
Air Attack	_	1	1	Missiles fired by F16 aircraft, Rafah RC
Attacks	4	8	12	Incl. 40 artillery shells fired, Gaza Strip
Raids	17	3	20	Incl. 4 in Nablus & 4 in Bethlehem
Air Patrols	_	5	5	F16 aircraft over Gaza, C. Gaza, & Rafah
Arrests	18		18	Incl. 4 Palestinian security officers
Detentions	14		14	At checkpoints & in residential areas
House Demolition	_	1	1	A 3-storey house in Rafah refugee camp
Land Levelling	_	1	1	Agricultural land east of Beit Hanun town
Wall Construction	29		29	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Beth.
Destruction of Property	_	1	1	Agricultural crops in Northern Gaza
House Occupations	2		2	Converted into military posts in Nablus
Closure of Checkpoints	10		10	Incl. Al Badhan checkpoint completely
Flying Checkpoints	16		16	Incl. 3 in Jerusalem & 8 in Jenin
Closure (per District)	6		6	Incl. Jerusalem & Tulkarem partially
Closure of Main Roads	36		36	Incl. 4 in Jerusalem & 9 in Hebron
Closure of Wall Gates	Permits required		Permits required	Incl. agricultural Wall gates in Jenin
Closure of Crossing Points	_	6	6	Incl. Beit Hanun (Erez) partially
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	2	3	Incl. shelling near 1 Pal. security post
Palestinian Attacks	_	4	4	5 mortars fired towards the Green Line
TOTAL	156	33	189	

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 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 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 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.

• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 11:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the settlement of Ma'ale Adumim on the Jerusalem-Jericho main road and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 14:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the road to the village of Rafat and searched civilians and vehicles.

	(iii) At 16:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Dahiyat Beit Hanina in the city of Jerusalem and searched civilians and vehicles.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil. The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the area between the town of Silwad and the village of Yabrud on the Ramallah-Jericho road as well as the western entrance to the village of Saffa. 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 Beit Sira. Raids/Injuries: At 19:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Beit Liqya. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during the Israeli army injured 2 civilians, including 1 female civilian. At 23:40, an Israeli army patrol raided the village of Kafr 'Ein and patrolled the area until 02:45. The Israeli army raided the village of Kafr Ni'ma as well as arrested 1 civilian and 1 Palestinian National Security officer. Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 1 civilian and 1 Palestinian security officer in the village of Kafr Ni'ma: Ayham Isma'il Ibrahim, a Palestinian National Security officer; and Nitham Joudeh as Sayes.
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. Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. On the dawn of 14 September 2006, the Israeli army closed the agricultural Wall gates leading to civilian land located behind the Wall, thereby preventing farmers from accessing their land ostensibly for security reasons. At 09:45 on 15 September 2006, the Israeli army reopened the Wall gates.

• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 18:00, the Israeli army set up 4 flying checkpoints, 3 at the entrances to the towns of 'Arraba, Az Zababida, and Qabatiya and 1 on the junction to the village of Misliya, and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) The Israeli army set up 4 flying checkpoints on the junctions to the town of Al Yamun as well as the villages of Kafr Dan, Al Kufeir, and Sanur and searched civilians and vehicles.

• <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 Iktaba-Bal'a road; 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.
- <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.
- <u>Wall Gates</u>: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.

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• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 14:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the town of Bal'a, searched civilians and vehicles, and withdrew at 17:00.
- (ii) At 18:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Far'un and searched civilians and vehicles.

• <u>Raids</u>:

- (i) At 19:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Bal'a and combed the forested area east of the town. The Israeli army also patrolled the area.
- (ii) The Israeli army raided and patrolled Dahiyat Dhinnaba in the city of Tulkarem.

• Arrests:

- (i) On 13 September 2006, Israeli troops positioned at Jubara checkpoint arrested Mahmoud Rushdi Fuqaha, a Palestinian National Security officer
- (ii) At 11:45, Israeli troops positioned at a checkpoint arrested 'Ammar Hatem al Jayyousi, a Palestinian Police officer, while he was travelling from the city of Tulkarem to the city of Ramallah.
- (iii) At 23:50, Israeli troops positioned at 'Einav checkpoint set up on the Tulkarem-Nablus main road arrested Mazen az Zaghal.

QALQILIYA

• <u>Closure of Roads</u>: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun.

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• Wall Gates:

- (i) Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
- (ii) 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 continues in the villages of Immatin and Kafr Laqif as well as east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and 'Azzun.
- <u>Flying Checkpoint</u>: At 06:00 on 14 September 2006, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of 'Azzun, searched civilians and vehicles, and arrested 2 civilians.
- <u>Raid</u>: The Israeli army raided the village of Beit Amin, searched 1 house, and arrested 1 civilian.
- <u>Arrests</u>: Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint set up at the entrance to the town of 'Azzun arrested 2 civilians:
- (i) 'Amer Isma'il ash Sheikh; and
- (ii) Malek Mousa Mu'ayyad.
- (iii) The Israeli army arrested Nabeel 'Azmi Thyab in the village of Beit Amin.

• Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) 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.
- (ii) 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.
- <u>Checkpoints</u>: The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus:
- (i) Huwwara and Beit Iba checkpoints (set up at the southern and western entrances to the city of Nablus respectively) are closed at 23:00.
- (ii) Al Badhan checkpoint (set up at the eastern entrance to the city of Nablus) remains closed with dirt barricades.
- (iii) Nablus-'Asira ash Shamaliya checkpoint (set up at the northern entrance to city) is open from 06:30 to 20:00.
- (iv) 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.
- (v) Beit Furik checkpoint is open to civilian residents of the town of Beit Furik and the village of Beit Dajan until 17:30.

• Raids/House Occupations/Attacks:

(i) At 02:45, the Israeli army, including 11 jeeps and 1 bulldozer, raided Balata refugee camp. An armed confrontation took place between the Israeli army and armed Palestinian individuals. The Israeli army also arrested 1 civilian and withdrew at 05:00.

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	(ii) At 03:45, the Israeli army raided the village of Osarin and arrested 1 civilian as well as 1 Palestinian National Security officer.
	(iii) The Israeli army raided the city of Nablus, occupied 2 houses, and converted them into military posts. The Israeli army also opened indiscriminate fire.
	(iv) The Israeli army raided the village of Till and opened indiscriminate fire while it was patrolling the area.
	Arrests: (i) The Israeli army arrested Ahmed Hussein Abu Saleem in Balata refugee camp.
	The Israeli army arrested 1 civilian and 1 Palestinian security officer in the village of Osarin:
	(ii) Ameen Tayseer 'Udeili, a Palestinian National Security officer; and (iii) Turki Mohammed 'Udeili.
	• 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 <i>Intifada</i> (Uprising).
	(ii) 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.
SALFIT	• <u>Checkpoints</u> :
	 (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.
	 Wall Construction: 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.
	• <u>Closure</u> : 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.
BETHLEHEM	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.

- <u>Checkpoint</u>: 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.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: 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.

• Raids:

- (i) At 13:15, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided the city of Bethlehem, raided 1 commercial shop, arrested 1 civilian, and withdrew at 13:35.
- (ii) At 01:10, the Israeli army, including 6 jeeps, raided the area of Ad Doha in the city of Bethlehem, searched a number of houses, and withdrew at 02:15.
- (iii) At 02:20, the Israeli army, including 7 jeeps, raided the village of Artas, searched 1 house, and arrested 2 civilians (brothers).
- (iv) At 03:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Battir, searched 1 house, and arrested 1 civilian.

• Arrests:

- (i) At 01:15 on 14 September 2006, the Israeli army arrested Ghassan 'Isa Hirmas during its raid on the city of Bethlehem, in addition to those reported yesterday.
- (ii) The Israeli army arrested Iyad Habeeb Mousa Habeen in the city of Bethlehem.

The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the village of Artas:

- (iii) Thaer Jamal al Wahsh; and
- (iv) Sami Jamal al Wahsh.
- (v) The Israeli army arrested Mazen Basheer Qassqassat in the village of Battir.

• 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.
- (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 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; and the entrance to the village of

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- 'Arab ar Ramadin. The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to Al Qeisi neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron.
- (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.
- Wall Construction: 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 on the road to the town of Beit Kahil and searched civilians and vehicles.
- **Physical Assault:** At 21:30, the Israeli army severely beat Mu'tassem 'Assem an Nather in the old city of Hebron, leaving him with contusions. An Nather was transported to hospital for medical treatment.
- Raids/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:
- (i) At 15:45, the Israeli army raided the town of Yatta, set up a checkpoint in front of 1 Palestinian National Security location, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area.
- (ii) At 16:15, the Israeli army raided the area of Al Hawuz in the city of Hebron and arrested 2 civilians.
- (iii) At 21:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, searched a number of houses, and patrolled the area.
- Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the city of Hebron:
- (i) Mihsen Mohammed ash Sharabati; and
- (ii) Khalil Mohammed 'Ubeido.

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. Beginning on 28 June 2006, the Israeli **DISTRICTS** 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. **Attacks/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:** Between 20:00 and 20:30, the Israeli army fired 19 artillery shells from (i) its locations inside the Green Line towards Palestinian territory north of the town of Beit Lahiya: 8 artillery shells (of which 1 shell did not **NORTHERN** explode) landed around the area of Al Hawuz; 6 shells landed near 1 **GAZA** Palestinian National Security location in the area of Al Jamarik; and 5 shells landed on a playground in Al Qarya al Badawiya. Between 07:40 and 08:00, the Israeli army fired 18 artillery shells from (ii) its locations inside the Green Line towards Palestinian territory: 11 artillery shells landed on vacant land east of the town of Beit Hanun and

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	7 shells landed on a playground in Al Qarya al Badawiya north of the
	town of Beit Lahiya.
	• Raids/Attack/Land Levelling/Destruction of Property:
	(i) At 19:30, the Israeli army raided Palestinian territory northwest of the
	town of Beit Lahiya and withdrew at a later time.
	(ii) At 05:20, the Israeli army, including 11 armoured vehicles and 5 bulldozers, raided 400 metres into Palestinian territory near Points 26 and 27 on the Green Line east of the town of Beit Hanun. The Israeli army also opened intensive fire towards Beit Hanun (Erez) Industrial Zone, levelled agricultural land, and withdrew at a later time.
	• Palestinian Attacks:
	(i) At 06:55, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.
	(ii) At 07:45, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.
	(iii) At 07:50, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.
	(iv) At 08:00, 2 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line.
	Closure of Crossing Point: Ash Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed.
GAZA	Air Patrols: At 11:30, and again at 01:50, Israeli F16 combat aircraft patrolled the skies over Gaza city.
	• Attack: At 18:20, Israeli naval boats opened fire towards Palestinian fishing
CENTRAL	boats at sea opposite the beach of the city of Deir al Balah.
GAZA	• Air Patrols: At 11:20, and again at 01:00, Israeli F16 combat aircraft
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KHAN YUNIS	Activities not reported.
	• 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 around Yasser 'Arafat International Airport east of the
	city of Rafah. The Israeli army remains positioned around the Airport as of
	08:00 this morning.
	Air Attack: At 01:00, Israeli F16 combat aircraft fired missiles towards and
	destroyed a 3-storey house in Al Barazil neighbourhood in Rafah refugee
RAFAH	, ,
KAFAH	camp, claiming that a tunnel was dug beneath the house. The Israeli army
	had notified residents (by telephone) to evacuate.
	• House Demolition: The house that was destroyed during the Israeli air attack
	on Al Barazil neighbourhood in Rafah refugee camp belongs to Hamdan
	Abdul Qader Qishtah.
	• Attack: At 20:05, the Israeli army fired 3 artillery shells from its locations
	inside the Green Line towards vacant land north of Sufa Crossing east of the
	city of Rafah.
	• Raid/Provocation of Palestinian Forces: At 15:35, the Israeli army, including
	a number of armoured vehicles, raided Palestinian territory and raided 1
	Palestinian Preventive Security office west of Sufa Crossing east of the city
	of Rafah.
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