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DAILY SITUATION REPORT

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SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Deaths	2		2	Incl. 2 in Nablus and Salfit
Injuries	1	1	2	Incl. 2 in Hebron and Gaza
Arrests (per person)	7		7	Incl. 1 in Jerusalem, 2 in Hebron
Detentions	14		14	At checkpoints and population clusters
Raids	26	3	29	Incl. 1 in Jerusalem, 2 in Ramallah
Checkpoints	14		14	Closure of checkpoint, stricter measures
Flying Checkpoints	13		13	Incl. 1 in Jerusalem, 2 in Jenin
Attacks	6	6	12	6 raids, 2 confrontations, 1 from aircrafts
Air Patrols	1	2	3	Choppers
Curfew	1		1	In Ein Bait al-Ma' refugee camp
House Occupation	1	1	2	In Deir Istiya and in Rafah
Destruction of Property	6		6	Several houses damaged in Nablus
Wall Construction	26		26	In Jerusalem, Tulkarem, Salfit, Bethlehem
Closures (per district)	6		6	Partial in Jerusalem, Tulkarem, Hebron
Closure of Main Roads	36		36	Incl. 1 in Jerusalem, 2 in Ramallah
Closure of Crossing Points		7	7	Partial opening for humanitarian cases
Settler Violence	3		3	Hurling of rocks at vehicles in Qalqilya
Palestinian Attacks		4	4	Missiles fired at the Green Line
TOTAL	163	24	187	

WEST B	ANK
ALL DISTRICTS	The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints set up on main West Bank roads, resulting in the isolation of northern from southern West Bank districts, and the isolation of Jericho district and the Jordan Valley from other districts.
JERUSALEM	 Closure: 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: 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. The Israeli army continues to close the main road connecting Dahiyat al Bareed to the town of al-Ram where completion of Wall construction in the area is underway. 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: The Israeli army continues to consider Qalandiya checkpoint a "border crossing point," and has designated a special crossing for holders of Jerusalem ID and those possessing permits to access the city of Jerusalem. Flving Checkpoints: At 12:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint on the road between the village of Beit Iksa, and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids: At15:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Abu Dis and set up a checkpoint. Arrests: At 16:00, the Israeli army arrested a Palestinian civilian called Iyad Ibrahim Abu Latifeh from Qalandya refugee camp after he was questioned by the Israeli intelligence. Wall Gates: The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks. The Israeli army continues to deny civilian access through the Wall gate on al-Shayyah Road in the area between the villages of al-Sawahira al-Sharqiya and al-Sawahira al-Gharbiya, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem ID to cross, after subjecting them to thorough search using electronic devices. Wall Construction: Wall constru

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Dahiyat al-Aqbat, from the village of Hizma to 'Anata, along the Hizma-Jaba' Road, the area of al-Eizariya to al-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.

Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close the eastern entrance to the village of (i) Sinjil with dirt barricades. The Israeli army continues to close the western entrance to the village (ii) of Saffa with cement blocks. The Israeli army continues to close the settler bypass road connecting (iii) 'Assur Hill in the village of Kafr Malik to Alon settler bypass road. • Checkpoints: 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. Flying checkpoints: At 01:30, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint on the junction RAMALLAH of the village of Ein Areek, and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids: **AL-BIREH** At 18:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Silwad, opened fire and shot tear (i) gas bombs during patrolling the town. At 01:00, the Israeli army raided al-Jalazon refugee camp, arrested one civilian, and withdrew at 01:45. (iii) At 01:30 the Israeli army raided the city of al-Bireh and patrolled al-Amaari refugee camp in the city. **Arrests**: The Israeli army arrested Mahdi Mohammad Rashid in al-Jalazon refugee camp during the 01:00 raid. 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. 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. **Checkpoints:** 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. **Flying Checkpoint:** (i) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up two flying checkpoints on the junction to the town of Araba, and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 08:30, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the junction to the village **JENIN** of al-Jarba, and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 09:30, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint on the junction to the village of al-Kafir, and searched civilians and vehicles. (iv) At 01:30, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint near Haddad Tourist Resort east of the city of Jenin, and searched civilians and vehicles. (v) The Israeli army set up a checkpoint on the entrance to the town of Kafr Ra'i, and searched civilians and vehicles. **Raids:** (i) At 22:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of al-Taybeh. At 01:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Jenin and its refugee camp, (ii) and patrolled the camp at 02:00.

(iii) The Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Toubas.
 (iii) The Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Toubas. Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure aggravates the health and eeducation conditions of Palestinian civilians.
 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 Dahiyat Iktaba-Bal'a road; the entrance to the village of Saffarin; the road connecting the town of Kafr al-Labad and the village of Shoufa; the road to the town of Deir al-Ghusun's plain, and the entrance to the village of 'Izbat Abu Khamish. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Einav checkpoint on Tulkarem-Nablus Road as well as at Jabara checkpoint. Raids: At 17:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Deir al-Ghusun. The raid recurred at 01:00. At 00:50, the Israeli army raided the village of Far'on. Confrontations occurred between Palestinian civilians and the Israeli army during patrolling the village. Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special permits. The closure aggravates the health and education life conditions of Palestinian civilians.
 Closure of Main 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. Raids: (i) At 11:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Jinsafout and arrested one Palestinian civilian. (ii) At 22:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Azzun, opened fire and fired sound bombs, and arrested two civilians. (iii) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Qalqilya, opened fire and fired sound bombs, searched the zoo and withdrew at 03:30. Arrests: (i) The Israeli army arrested Abdel Nasser Abdel Latif Jum'a in village of Jinsafout during the 11:00 raid. (ii) The Israeli army arrested Mashal Anwar Hussein and Louay Ma'moun Rabi in the town of Azun during the 22:00 raid. Settler Violence: At 12:30, a bunch of settlers from the settlement of Qadumim hurled rocks at Palestinian civilian cars on the main Qalqilya-Nablus road. The cars were partially damaged. Wall Gates: (i) Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special

	Israeli permits, thus affecting the life conditions of Palestinian civilians
	living behind the Wall. (ii) 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. 03:00.
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 open for civilians except on Fridays and Saturdays as well as during Jewish holidays. Beit Furik checkpoint is open to civilian residents of the town of Beit Furik and the neighboring village of Beit Dajan. 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. Raids: At 01:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus and Ein Beit il-Ma' refugee camp. The Israeli army clashed with armed Palestinians during besieging a number of houses and buildings in the camp, resulting in the death of one armed Palestinian. In addition, the Israeli army imposed curfew on the camp and incurred damage to a number of houses as a result of opening crack chinks in the walls in order to move from one house to another. The Israeli army still remains in the city and camp until the preparation of this report. Deaths: The Israeli army killed Mohammad Rida Khaled in Ein Beit il-Ma' in Nablus during the 01:00 raid.
SALFIT	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 entrance to the village of Marda and, with cement blocks, the western entrance to the town of Kafr al-Dik.
	Checkpoints:
	(i) The Israeli army continues to intensify procedures at the checkpoint of the town of Deir Balout, and prevents cars from travelling to the town of Kafr al-Dik.
	(ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify procedures at the checkpoint on Zaatarah junction and impedes the movement of civilians.
	Flying Checkpoints:
	(i) At 08:30, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Marda, and searched civilians and vehicles until 11:30.(ii) At 16:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint on the road between the town of Brougin and the village of Bani Zayed.
	• Raids:
	 (i) At 20:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Deir Istiya where clashes with Palestinian civilians occurred, and occupied a house and turned it into a military post. (ii) At 22:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the towns of Kafr al-Dik and Brougin.
	 (iii) At 01:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Marda. Settler Violence: At 17:10 an Egged bus ran over a Palestinian child on Aber al-Samira road opposite the town of Kafr Hares.
	• Deaths : It was found that the child who died in the previous incident was a 15-
	year-old Mohammad Salim Abu Yacoub.
	Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction continues north-west of the city of Salfit and on the land of the village of Marda and the town of Kafr Hares north of Ariel settlement.
	• <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 ID. • Checkpoints:
	• <u>Checkpoints:</u> (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions and impede civilian
JERICHO	access at al-Hamra checkpoint 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.
	• <u>Flying checkpoints</u> : At 14:30, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint on the junction
	of Al-Oja on the road connecting Jericho and Ramallah districts. The checkpoint
	was set up again at 22:10 until 22:30 during which time the Israeli army searched Palestinian civilians and vehicles.
BETHLEHEM	• <u>Closure</u> : The road leading to the village of al-Numan is still closed except for the
	southern road leading to the Wall gate.
	• <u>Closure of Main Roads</u> : All the roads leading to Road 60 that leads to the city of

Jerusalem are still closed.

• <u>Wall Construction</u>: Land levelling continues in north-west the village of al-Khader and the town of Beit Jala east of the settlement of Ephrata and in the area surrounding the town of al-Walaja.

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.

Raids:

- (i) At 17:30, the Israeli army airdropped from a chopper raided the areas of al-Shyoukh Aroub and Ras al-Tawil east of the town of al-Shyoukh, and patrolled both areas.
- (ii) At 22:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Halhul and arrested a child.
- (iii) At 02:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Yatta and searched several houses, and handed over to 9 civilians, including a security officer and 3 university students, orders to see the Israeli intelligence.
- (iv) At 03:00, the Israeli army raided the town of al-Shyoukh and arrested one civilian.

• Arrests:

- (i) The child arrested in Halhul was Khader Deeb Mubarak, 14, from the town of Halhul
- (ii) The Israeli army arrested Ibrahim Ahmad Halayga in the town of al-

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Shyoukh.

- <u>Settler Violence</u>: At 22:00, a settler ran over a 12-year-old Palestinian child in the area of Wadi al-Nasara in the old city of Hebron. The child was bruised and injured.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction continues at Tarqumia junction and between the settlement of Eshkolot and the village of al-Ramadin, and near the village of Imneizil southeast of the town of Yatta.

GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA	 Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open to humanitarian cases, after prior coordination. Raids: In the morning of September 18, an Israeli special unit force raided our areas east of the eastern cemetery located to the east of the town of Jabalia. The Israeli force opened fire intensively at Palestinian civilians. Attacks: (i) At 20:20, Israeli choppers opened fire from machine guns in the area surrounding Beit Hanun-Erez to the north of the town of Beit Hanun. (ii) On the evening of September 17, the Israeli army opened fire and fired two missiles from its posts on the Green Line in the direction of the areas of al-Ghizlan and al-Jamarek al-Shimaliya to the north of the town of Beit Hanun, resulting in the injury of two armed Palestinians.
GAZA	 Closure of Crossing Points: (i) Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed. (ii) Ash Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is partially open for transportation of fuel.
CENTRAL GAZA	 Palestinian Attack: At 15:25, an armed Palestinian opened fire at the Israeil army on the Green Line in the area of Kisofim crossing, and the Israeli army responded by opening intensive fire. On the evening of September 17, a missile was fired in the direction of the Green Line, and immediately the Israeli army responded by opening intensive fire in the direction of our north-east in the area of al-Qarara.
KHAN YOUNIS	 Raids: At 13:40, backed up by choppers, Israeli tanks and army raided the area of al-Qarara to the north-east of the city of Khan Younis, and opened fire intensively in the direction of Palestinian houses. Palestinian Attack: (i) In the morning of September 17, 2 mortars were fired in the direction of the Green Line. (ii) On the evening of September 17, 5 mortars were fired in the direction of the Green Line.

 Closure of Crossing Points: *Yasser Arafat International Airport *Al-Awdah Crossing *Sufa Crossing *Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing Raids: At 18:30, an Israeli special unit raided the area of al-Fakhari along Suf Crossing to the east of the city of Rafah, and occupied house and turned it into military post.