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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 18 September 2007 – 08:00 19 September 2007

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Deaths	1		1	Incl. special needs civilian in Nablus
Injuries	7		7	Incl. 2 in Nablus
Physical Assaults	3		3	Civilian beaten in al-Bireh
Arrests	17		17	Incl. 1 in Jerusalem, 2 in Ramallah
Detentions	20		20	At checkpoints and population clusters
Raids	28		28	Incl. 1 in Jerusalem, 2 in Jenin
Checkpoints	16		16	Closure of checkpoint, stricter measures
Flying Checkpoints	13		13	Incl. 1 in Jerusalem, 2 in Jenin, 2 in Nablus
Attacks	4		4	3 raids, confrontations
Curfew	1		1	Urfew continues in Ein Bait al-Ma' camp
House Occupation	4		4	A number of houses in Nablus
Destruction of Property	3		3	Several houses damaged in Nablus
Land Confiscation	1		1	321.9 dunums in Bethlehem
Wall Construction	26		26	In Jerusalem, Tulkarem, Salfit, Bethlehem
Closures	6		6	Partial in Jerusalem, Tulkarem, Hebron
Closure of Main Roads	36		36	Incl. 1 in Jerusalem, 3 in Jenin
Closure of Crossing Points		7	7	Partial opening for humanitarian cases
Attack on Religious Sites	1		1	Besieging a mosque in Ein al-Ma' camp
Medical Obstruction	1		1	Ambulances prevented from entering camp
Palestinian Attacks	1	4	5	Mortars fired at the Green Line
TOTAL	189	11	200	

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: (a) 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. (b) 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. (c) 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: (a) 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. (b) The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Ramot checkpoint and denied civilian access. Raids: The Israeli army raided the village of Hizma and arrested 2 civilians. Arrests: The two civilians arrested in Hizma are: (a) Saed 'Arman Iseed. 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 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 construction continues in Dahiyat al-Bareed, Dahiyat al-Aqbat, from the village of Hizma to 'Anata, along the Hizma-Tabus and the surface of the particular al-Sharqiya and al-Savahira al-Gharbiya, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem ID to cross, after subjec		

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.

RAMALLAH & AL-BIREH	Closure of Main Roads: (i) The Israeli army continues to close the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil with dirt barricades. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the western entrance to the village of Saffa with cement blocks. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close the settler bypass road connecting '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. • Flving checkpoints: At 21:15, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint near Birzeit University junction, and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids: (i) At dawn of September 18, the Israeli army raided the town of Beitunia and arrested one civilian. (ii) At 01:35, the Israeli army raided the cities of Ramallah and al-Bireh, and beat a civilian, who was detained but later released. The Israeli army withdrew at 02:15 • Arrests: (i) On the day of September 18 at 01:00, the Israeli forces arrested, in a raid on al-Jalazon refugee camp, a Palestinian civilian called Hussam Naeem Zayd, as was made mention of in yesterday's report (ii) The Israeli army arrested civilian Abdel Aziz Idris Abdel Aziz in Beitunia, as mentioned previously in Raids item (i) above. (iii) On the day of September 18, the Israeli army arrested while raiding the city of al-Bireh, as previously mentioned in Raids item (ii) above, civilian Ayman Hussein al-Mimi. • 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.
JENIN	 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 Checkpoints: At 08:00, the Israeli army set up two flying checkpoints on the junction to the town of Araba, and arrested a security officer from the Palestinian Security Forces. At 08:30, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint near the Arab-American University. At 09:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint in the area of al-Sweitat to the north of the city of Jenin.

	(iv) At 23:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Faqou'a, and searched civilians and vehicles.
	 Raids: At 10:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Toubas and the village of Aqaba. At 02:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Jenin. At 03:00, The Israeli army raided the town of Burqin and searched one house. At 04:00, the Israeli army raided the town of al-Yamon and searched a house, and later withdrew at 05:00. Arrests: The Israeli arrested security officer Marouh Mahmoud Kanaan, as previously mentioned in Flying Checkpoints item (i) above. Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure aggravates the health and education conditions of Palestinian civilians.
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 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 20:15, the Israeli army raided the village of Far'on and patrolled it until 20:40. Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special permits. The closure aggravates the health and education conditions of Palestinian civilians.
QALQILIYA	 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. Flying checkpoints: At 17:30 on the day of September 17, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the eastern entrance to the city of Qalqilya, and arrested one civilian. Raids: (i) At 18:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Wadi Rasha and arrested one civilian. (ii) At 19:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Git, and opened fire and fired sound bombs. Additionally, the Israeli army beat two civilians who were then taken to hospital for treatment. (iii) At 01:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Qalqilya, and broke into the

	zoo, and searched a number of houses, and arrested three civilians.
	 Arrests: The civilian arrested at the eastern to the city of Qalqilya is called Badr Abdel Fatah Shrim, as was made mention of in Flying Checkpoints above. The Israeli army arrested in Wadi Rasha a civilian called Bassem Saleh Odeh, as was made mention of in Raids item (i) above. The three civilians arrested in Qalqilya, as was made mention of in Raids item (iii) above, are: Ala' Ahmad al-Far; Abdel Rahman Banan Kashou'; and Radwan Abdel Latif Abu Maryam. Wall Gates: 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. 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.
	 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 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. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the village of al- Lubban ash Sharqiya with dirt barricades and cement blocks.
NABLUS	 <u>Checkpoints</u>: The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus: (i) At Tur neighbourhood checkpoint (set up on Jirzim Mount) is open for

- (i) At Tur neighbourhood checkpoint (set up on Jirzim Mount) is open for civilians except on Fridays and Saturdays as well as during Jewish holidays.
- (ii) Beit Furik checkpoint is open to civilian residents of the town of Beit Furik and the neighboring village of Beit Dajan.
- (iii) 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.
- Flying Checkpoints: At 09:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the

junction of the settlement of Yitzhar, and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids: Since 01:00 on the day of September 18, the Israeli army has been raiding the city of Nablus and Ein Beit al-Ma' refugee camp. The Israeli army besieged worshippers in the camp's mosque but released them later. Additionally, the Israeli army continued the curfew imposed on the camp and occupied a number of houses and buildings in the area surrounding the camp and turned them into military posts. Clashes erupted between Palestinian civilians and the Israeli army, as well as confrontations with armed Palestinians, resulting in the death of a physically handicapped civilian (paralysis) and the injury of 7 civilians including a young girl and an ambulance driver. The Israeli army also prevented ambulances from entering the camp and blocked its entrances with cement blockades, and incurred severe damage to a number of houses as a result of opening chinks in their walls. Furthermore, the Israeli army arrested two civilians and opened fire in the direction of three security officers from the Palestinian Security Forces in the city of Nablus. The Israeli army still remains in the city until the preparation of this report. Deaths: The Israeli army killed Adeeb Salim al-Damounji from Ein al-Ma' refugee camp, as was made mention of in Raids above. Arrests: As was made mention of in Raids above the Israeli army arrested (a) Ahmad Shawkat Abu Khami; and (b) Hamzah Omar. **Closure of Main Roads:** The Israeli army has continued to close the main north-western (i) 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 (ii) entrance to the village of Marda and, with cement blocks, the western entrance to the town of Kafr al-Dik. **Checkpoints:** The Israeli army continues to intensify procedures at the checkpoint of (i) the town of Deir Balout, and prevents cars from travelling to the town of Kafr al-Dik. The Israeli army continues to intensify procedures at the checkpoint on (ii) Zaatarah junction and impedes the movement of civilians. Flying Checkpoints: The Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the entrance

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- **Flying Checkpoints**: The Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Beit Istiya, and searched civilians and vehicles.
- Raids: At 13:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Kafr al-Dik, and occupied a house and turned it into a military post.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: 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.

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 ID. • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions and impede civilian 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.
BETHLEHEM	 Closure: The road leading to the village of al-Numan is still closed except for the southern road leading to the Wall gate. Closure of Main Roads: All the roads leading to Road 60 that leads to the city of Jerusalem are still closed. Checkpoints: At 00:40, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at al-container checkpoint and impeded traffic, and arrested one civilian, and handed another civilian a note to see the Israeli intelligence. Raids: At 00:10, the Israeli army raided the village of al-Shawawreh and searched a house. At 01:20, the Israeli army raided the village of Nahalin and arrested one civilian At 02:20, the Israeli forces raided the city of Bethlehem and arrested one civilian. Arrests: The civilian arrested at the al-container checkpoint, as mentioned in Checkpoints above, is Mohammad Saadi Nimer. The civilian arrested in the village of Nahalin, as mentioned in Raids item above, is Ghassan Mahmoud Najajrah. The civilian arrested in Bethlehem, as mention in Raids item (iii) above, is Samer Mohammad Hijazi. Land Confiscation: On the day of September 17, by military order number 29.07T, the Israeli army confiscated 321.9 dunums from the land of the village of al-Khader and the village of Artas in Bethlehem district, for military purposes and the construction of the Wall and the opening of a bypass settler road that leads to the settlement of Ephrata. Wall Construction: 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
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.

• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 20:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the junction of al-Fawwar and denied civilian access unto 22:00.
- (ii) At 20:50, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the entrance to the area of Yaqin in the town of Bani N'eam and prevented traffic claiming there was opening of fire. The Israeli army reopened the road at 22:10.
- (iii) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the entrance to the area of Nabi Mousa.

• Raids:

- (i) At 03:00 on the day of September 18, the Israeli army raided the refugee camp of al-Fawwar and arrested one civilian.
- (ii) At 09:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the towns of Halhul and Beit Kahel
- (iii) At 14:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Hebron.
- (iv) At 20:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Bani Naeem.
- (v) At 02:30, the Israeli army raided the towns of Nouba, Bait Ola and Dura, and searched a number of houses, and handed a civilian a note to see the Israeli intelligence.
- (vi) At 04:30, the Israeli army raided the refugee camp of al-Fawwar and searched a house, and handed a civilian a note to see the Israeli intelligence.

• Arrests:

- (i) The civilian arrested in the refugee camp of al-Fawwar, as mentioned in Raids item (i), is Shadi Jamil Omar Abu Toumeh.
- Wall Construction: 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 Points: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open to humanitarian cases, after prior coordination. Palestinian Attacks: On the evening of the day of September 18, a mortar was fired in the direction of the Green Line. (ii) At dawn in the day of September 18, two mortars were fired in the direction of the Green Line.
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: (i) At 23:30, four mortars were fired in the direction of the Green Line.
RAFAH	 Closure of Crossing Points: (All closed) *Yasser Arafat International Airport * Al-Awdah Crossing * Sufa Crossing * Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing Palestinian Attack: At dawn on the day of September 18, three mortars were fired in the direction of the Green Line.