مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 20 September 2005 – 08:00 21 September 2005

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Death	1	_	1	1 female child in 'Arab ar Ramadin
Physical Assaults	6	_	6	Incl. 5 female prisoners beaten
Attacks	2	2	4	Incl. 1 in a raid & 1 by naval boats
Raids	25	4	29	Incl. 1 in Khan Yunis & 1 in Rafah
Air Patrol	1	_	1	Troops dispatched by a helicopter
Arrests	18	_	18	Incl. 2 Pal. officers & 1 univ. student
Detentions	11	_	11	Incl. 3 Palestinian security officers
Land Levelling	1	1	2	Incl. land in Khan Yunis district
Wall Construction	24	_	24	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Beth., Salfit, Qalq.
Confiscation of Property	1	_	1	1 pistol from 1 Pal. security officer
House Occupations	4	_	4	3 in Hebron city and 1 in Beit 'Awwa
Checkpoints	(All)		(All)	Access restricted to permit holders
Flying Checkpoints	20		20	Incl. 2 in Jerusalem & 5 in Hebron
Closure (per District)	5	_	5	Incl. the village of 'Arab ar Ramadin
Closure of Main Roads	*			*Incl. the Tulkarem-Nablus road
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)		(All)	Incl. a new Wall gate constructed
Closure of Crossing Points		5	5	Incl. Rafah Crossing totally closed
Construction of Mil. Post	1	_	1	North of Tura al Gharbiya in Jenin
Medical Obstruction	1	_	1	1 ambulance denied access in Hebron
Settler Violence	2	_	2	Incl. 1 child abducted in Salfit
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	_	1	2 Pal. Police stations photographed
Pal. Security Measures	2	_	2	Incl. explosive devices handed over
Demonstration	1		1	In support of prisoners in Ramallah
TOTAL	127	12	139	

DISTRICT	EVENT
ALL DISTRICTS	 At 20:30 on 20 September 2005, the Israeli army suddenly withdrew from the evacuated settlements of Kadim and Ganim, where settler houses were demolished, and from Ganim military post and Al Jalama checkpoint in the district of Jenin. The withdrawal was carried out without prior coordination with the Palestinian Authority.

WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	 Closure: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem and has set up several checkpoints in the old city of Jerusalem and around Al Aqsa Mosque compound. Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Qalandiya checkpoint and to impede civilian access. Wall Gates: The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in 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, and in the areas of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina. Flying checkpoints: The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the road connecting Qalandiya checkpoint and the junction to the town of Ar Ram, east of the Wall, and searched civilians and vehicles. The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to 'Atarot Industrial Zone and searched civilians and vehicles. Raid: The Israeli army raided the town of Beit Hanina and arrested 1 civilian. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Amin Rushdi ash Shweiki in the town of Beit Hanina.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	 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, and in the town of Beituniya. Raids: At 19:10, the Israeli army raided the village of 'Ein 'Arik and searched a number of houses and commercial shops.

	 (ii) The Israeli army raided the village of Beit Sira and arrested 1 civilian. (iii) The Israeli army raided the town of Silwad and arrested 1 civilian. Arrests: (i) The Israeli army arrested Mohammed Abdullah Abu Safiyyeh in the village of Beit Sira. (ii) The Israeli army arrested Ziyad Abdul Jalil Hamed in the town of Silwad. Demonstration: At 12:00, a mass demonstration took place in the city of Ramallah in solidarity with political prisoners held in Israeli prisons.
JENIN	 Closure of Settlement Evacuation Areas: The Israeli army continues to close the main entrance to the town of 'Arraba with cement blocks. The Israeli army continues to close the iron gate set up in the vicinity of the village of Imreiha south of the town of Ya'bad, on the road connecting the districts of Jenin and Tulkarem, and to deny civilian access in both directions. The Israeli army continues to restrict civilian movement (except for humanitarian cases) through Um ar Rihan (Shaked) gate to 3 hours daily from 07:00-08:00, 12:00-13:00, and 14:00-15:00. Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint east of the town of Tubas and to impede civilian access. Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The Israeli army refused to issue permits for the majority of farmers in the village of Tura to harvest olive crops on their land located behind the Wall. Flving Checkpoints: The Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints, one east of the town of Tammun and the other south of the town of Tubas, and searched civilians and vehicles. Construction of Military Post/Land Levelling: The Israeli army levelled over 30 dunums (7.5 acres) of civilian land north of the village of Tura al Gharbiya to construct a military post. The Israeli army erected barbed wires around the land, paved roads therein, and supplied water and electricity to the area. The Israeli army also transported to the area caravans, a number of military armoured vehicles, and military equipment.
TULKAREM	Closure of Main Roads/Land Levelling: The Israeli army continues to close the iron gate set up on the junction to the settlement of 'Einav along the Tulkarem-Nablus road, preventing civilians from crossing in both directions.

- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the main entrance to the village of Shufa with cement blocks and dirt barricades.
- (iii) The Israeli army continues to close Al Kafriyat road at Jubara checkpoint, rerouting Palestinian civilian traffic to a new 3-km-long road, including a tunnel, connecting the districts of Qalqiliya and Tulkarem.
- (iv) The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting the town of Bal'a and the village of Al 'Atara with dirt barricades, after having levelled some portions of the road.
- (v) At 10:00, the Israeli army closed the road connecting the villages of Ramin and Bizzariya with dirt barricades.

• Wall Gates:

- (i) Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
- (ii) The Israeli army constructed a new Wall gate in the vicinity of the town of Nazlat Isa.

• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 10:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to village of Bizzariya and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 18:30, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints at the entrances to the towns of Bal'a and 'Anabta and searched civilians and vehicles.

• Raids:

- (i) At 14:20, Israeli Special Forces raided the city of Tulkarem and opened fire while pursuing a civilian vehicle along Road # 57. The civilian driving the vehicle managed to flee away from the Israeli army.
- (ii) At 18:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the towns of Bal'a, 'Anabta, 'Attil, and Deir al Ghusun.
- (iii) At 03:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Qaffin, searched 1 house, and served a summons to 1 civilian to report to the Israeli Intelligence Service.
- (iv) At 03:20, the Israeli army, including 20 armoured vehicles and jeeps, raided Nur Shams refugee camp, searched a number of houses, and arrested 7 individuals, including 1 Palestinian General Intelligence officer and 1 Civil Defence officer. At 4:50, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
- Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 7 individuals in Nur Shams refugee camp:
- (i) Nimer Khaled al Ghoul, a Palestinian General Intelligence officer;
- (ii) Mohammed Rasmi Jaber, a Palestinian Civil Defence officer;
- (iii) Ahmed Taleb al Ghoul;
- (iv) Firas Mohammed Dheiliyyeh;
- (v) Sajed Saleh Abu Harb;
- (vi) Mir'i Shihadeh; and
- (vii) Baha' Rasmi Jaber.

QALQILIYA	 Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. 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 village of Immatin and in the area east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and 'Azzun. Flying Checkpoint: At 20:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the northern entrance to the town of 'Azzun and searched civilians and vehicles. Palestinian Security Measures: At 16:00, Palestinian security forces handed over weapons, seized in the city of Qalqiliya, to the Israeli authorities (through the DCO). The weapons include 1 bag containing an explosive device and shrapnel plates, 1 bag containing tools for making explosive devices, 2 large bags containing plastic containers of concentrated acetone used for making explosives, Kalashnikov bullets, and copies of Israeli ID cards. At 17:00, Palestinian security forces handed over 2 illegal vehicles, seized in the city of Qalqiliya, to the Israeli authorities (through the DCO).
NABLUS	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close the main road leading to the district of Jenin between the junction to the village of Deir Sharaf and the settlement of Shavei Shomron. The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting the city of Nablus and the town of 'Asira ash Shamaliya. Flving Checkpoints: At 08:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Badhan road east of the city of Nablus, searched civilians and vehicles, and arrested 1 civilian. At 09:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area of As Sirafi on Al Badhan road east of the city of Nablus and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids/Air Patrol: At 08:30, Israeli troops, dispatched from an Israeli army helicopter, raided the area of Khallet ath Thahab located between the villages of Talluza and Al Far'a, set up a checkpoint on the road between the 2 villages, and searched civilians and vehicles. At 01:30, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the village of Till and searched a number of houses. The Israeli army remains positioned in the village as of 08:00 this morning.

	Arrests: (i) Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up on Al Badhan road east of the city of Nablus arrested an unidentified civilian. (ii) At 15:30, Israeli troops positioned at Huwwara checkpoint arrested Islam Taysir Kleib, a university student.
SALFIT	 Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close the main northwestern entrance to the city of Salfit with dirt barricades. The road has been closed since the beginning of the current Intifada (Uprising). Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to close Deir Ballut checkpoint overnight and open it at various times in the morning, impeding civilian movement. 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 villages of Marda and Kifl Haris north of the settlement of Ari'el. Flving Checkpoint: At 18:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the city of Salfit and the village of Iskaka and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids: At 11:00, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the town of Kifl Haris and took photographs of the shrines of the Prophets Thu al Kifl and Thu an Nun. At 12:05, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. At 19:20, the Israeli army, including 4 jeeps, raided the town of Kafr ad Dik. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. At 21:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. The Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Marda. Arrest: In correction of the information reported yesterday concerning the arrest of Mohammed Nour ad Din Taha by the Israeli army in the town of Biddya, the name of the arrested civilian should have been Maher Mohammed Nour ad Din Taha. Settler Violence: At 16:30, a group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of Tappuah abducted 13-year-old Yaseen 'Ata Yaseen while he was tending sheep on his land near the settlement. At 18:30, the Israeli settlers released Yaseen.
JERICHO	• Closure: The road between the city of Jericho and the village of Al 'Auja (Road # 90) is closed with cement blocks. The Israeli army continues to prevent farmers not holding Jericho ID cards from reaching their agricultural land, forcing them to apply for access permits. The Israeli army also sporadically impedes civilian movement into the city of Jericho, except for holders of Jerusalem and Jericho ID cards.

	 <u>Checkpoint</u>: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Al Hamra checkpoint, connecting the districts of Jericho and Nablus, and to impede civilian access. The Israeli army also expanded the checkpoint area. <u>Flying Checkpoint</u>: At 21:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the settlement of Vered Yericho south of the city of Jericho and searched civilians and vehicles until 23:10.
BETHLEHEM	 Closure: The Israeli army continues to close the road to the village of An Nu'man, in the north-eastern Bethlehem district, isolating the village. The Israeli army considers the civilians' residence in the village illegal. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues north of 'Ayda refugee camp towards the area north of the city of Beit Jala. Flving Checkpoint: At 18:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near 'Ush Ghurab military post, on the road connecting the city of Beit Sahur and the town of Za'tara, and searched civilians and vehicles until 19:00. Raids/Detentions/Confiscation of Property: At 10:05, the Israeli army raided the area of Wadi Shahin in the city of Bethlehem, arrested 1 Palestinian National Security officer, detained 2 other officers, and released them at a later time. The Israeli army confiscated from one of the detained officers 1 pistol belonging to the Commander of the Palestinian DCO. At 10:25, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Al Khadr. At 14:20, the Israeli army raided Al 'Arrub refugee camp, arrested 1 Palestinian National Security officer, and detained another officer for several hours. Arrests: The Israeli army arrested Mousa Ahmed Hmeidat, a Palestinian National Security officer, in the area of Wadi Shahin in the city of Bethlehem. The Israeli army arrested Fadi Ahmed Salem Jawabreh, a Palestinian National Security officer, in Al 'Arrub refugee camp.
HEBRON	 Closure: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and barbed wire Ash Shuhada' Street and the area of As Sahleh and with an iron gate the old gold market, all in the H2 section of the city of Hebron, denying access to civilians and vehicles. The Israeli army imposed a closure over the village of 'Arab ar Ramadin and prevented civilians from entering or exiting the village. As a result, a female child died after the Israeli army prevented an ambulance from transporting her to the hospital. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues west of the town of Surif to Beit Ula, in the town of Idhna, from the village of Deir Samit to the village of Beit 'Awwa, from Beit 'Awwa to the village of Al Burj, and south of the towns of Adh Dhahiriya and As Samoa'.

• <u>Death</u>: Ilham Suleiman al Jahathbeh, a female child, died in the village of 'Arab ar Ramadin after the Israeli army prevented an ambulance from transporting her to the hospital.

• Flying Checkpoint:

- (i) At 15:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Wadi al Quff road leading to the towns of Tarqumiya and Beit Ula and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Beit Ummar and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iii) The Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints, one on the overpass to the town of Halhul and the other at the entrance to the area of An Nabi Yunis leading to the town of Halhul, and searched civilians and vehicles.

• Raids/Provocation of Palestinian Forces/House Occupations/Physical Assault:

- (i) At 03:30 on 20 September 2005, the Israeli army raided the town of Adh Dhahiriya and arrested 1 child.
- (ii) At 16:40, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Hebron, took photographs of 2 Palestinian Police stations, and set up a number of checkpoints in several neighbourhoods. The Israeli army also occupied 2 houses in the area of Al Hawuz ath Thani and the University neighbourhood and converted them into military posts, after detaining the residents of 1 house in 1 room.
- (iii) At 17:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Halhul.
- (iv) At 21:15, the Israeli army raided the village of Khirbet at Turrama and severely beat Ashraf Ahmed Suleiman, after which he was transported to hospital for treatment of injuries sustained.
- (v) At 24:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Ash Shuyukh and searched a number of houses.
- (vi) At 24:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit 'Awwa, occupied 1 house near the Wall, and converted it into a military post.
- (vii) At 00:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Kahil and searched a number of houses.

Arrests:

(i) At 12:10, the Israeli army arrested Hatem Abu Sharkh, claiming that he attempted to stab an Israeli soldier near the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron.

At 01:00 on 20 September 2005, the Israeli army arrested 2 civilians during its raid on the city of Hebron:

- (ii) Munjed 'Awadh al Qawasmeh; and
- (iii) Murad Salah al Qawashem.
- (iv) The Israeli army arrested Ahmed Hasan al Qisiyyeh in the town of Adh Dhahiriya.
- <u>House Occupation</u>: At 15:00, the Israeli army occupied 1 house belonging to Amjad Rajab Dandis in the old city of Hebron and converted it into a military post, after detaining its residents in 1 room.

•	Settler Violence: At 11:50, a group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of
	Beit Hadassah threw garbage and stones at civilians travelling along Ash
	Shallala Street in the old city of Hebron.

GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA	• <u>Closure of Crossing Point</u> : Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open for humanitarian cases and VIPs only.
GAZA	 Closure of Crossing Point: Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed. Raid/Land Levelling: At 10:50, the Israeli army, including 2 tanks and 2 bulldozers, raided 250 meters into Palestinian territory in the area between Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing and the formerly named Netzarim road south of Gaza city.
CENTRAL GAZA	• Raid: At 10:45, the Israeli army, including 2 armoured vehicles and 3 bulldozers, raided 150 meters into Palestinian territory opposite Point 112 on the Green Line opposite Al Bureij refugee camp.
KHAN YUNIS	 Attack: At 02:35, the Israeli army fired flares from its location in Israel near Point 168 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory over the village of 'Abasan al Kabira. Raid/Land Levelling: At 12:15, an Israeli army bulldozer raided 150 meters into Palestinian territory east of the area of Al Qarara and levelled land.
RAFAH	 Closure of Crossing Points: Yasser Arafat International Airport remains closed. Rafah Crossing is closed. Sufa Crossing is closed. Attack: At 22:35, Israeli naval boats opened fire towards a Palestinian fishing boat opposite the beach of As Sawaydiya village at the intersection between the Palestinian-Egyptian border and the district of Rafah. Raid: At 10:45, the Israeli army, including 1 armoured vehicle and 1 bulldozer, raided 50 – 100 meters into Palestinian territory opposite Point 224 on the Green Line south of Sufa Crossing.

GENERAL

POLITICAL PRISONERS	<u>Isolation of Female Political Prisoners/Physical Assault</u> : Telmond Prison Administration relocated 5 female political prisoners to the isolation section, after severely beating them with clubs.
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WORK PRMITS	 West Bank: Israeli authorities renewed 8,370 work permits for crossing the Green Line. All workers possessing work permits were allowed to access areas inside the Green Line. Gaza Strip: Israeli authorities renewed 293 work permits for crossing the Green Line. However, only 195 workers (approximately 67% of those possessing work permits) were allowed to access areas inside the Green Line. Israeli authorities issued work permits for 125 workers over the age of 40 to stay overnight inside the Green Line.
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