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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 20 September 2006 – 08:00 21 September 2006

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Deaths	_	3	3	Incl. 1 female child of injuries sustained
Physical Assault	1	_	1	1 Pal. Police officer beaten in Hebron
Injuries	3	8	11	Incl. 2 children in Tubas town, Jenin
Incursion		1	1	Into areas east of the district of Rafah
Attacks	8	5	13	Incl. 5 in raids & 6 from military posts
Raids	17	5	22	Incl. 5 in Ramallah & 3 in Northern Gaza
Air Patrols	1	6	7	Incl. 3 by reconnaissance aircraft
Arrests	9	3	12	Incl. 1 university student & 1 Pal. officer
Detentions	19	1	20	At checkpoints and in residential locales
House Demolition	_	1	1	1 house in An Nassr area east of Rafah
Land Levelling	_	2	2	In the district of Northern Gaza
Wall Construction	29	_	29	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Beth.
Destruction of Property	2	2	4	Incl. 4 water wells east of Beit Hanun
House Occupations	1	1	2	Incl. 1 building in the city of Nablus
Curfew	1	_	1	Over the village of Fasayil in Jericho
Closure of Checkpoints	10	_	10	Incl. Tayasir, 'Einav, & Jubara partially
Flying Checkpoints	8	_	8	Incl. 4 in Jenin and 2 in Hebron
Closure (per District)	6	_	6	Incl. Jerusalem & Tulkarem partially
Closure of Main Roads	36		36	Incl. 3 in Ramallah & 2 in Bethlehem
Closure of Crossing Points	_	3	3	Incl. Beit Hanun (Erez) partially
Palestinian Attacks		2	2	6 mortars fired towards the Green Line
TOTAL	151	43	194	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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WEST BANK The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints set up on the main roads connecting the West Bank districts, thereby isolating the **ALL** northern districts from the southern districts as well as the Jericho district **DISTRICTS** and the Jordan Valley from the remainder of the West Bank. Closure: 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 Agsa 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. The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting Dahiyat al (ii) Bareed to the town of Ar Ram in order to complete Wall construction in the area. The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to (iii) the village of Jaba', which connects the village to the cities of Jerusalem, Ramallah, and Jericho. Checkpoint: 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:

- The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu (i) Dis with cement blocks.
- The Israeli army continues to deny civilian access through the Wall (ii) 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 Checkpoint: The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Qalandiya and searched civilians and vehicles.

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Closure of Main Roads:

The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the eastern (i) entrance to the village of Sinjil.

The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the area (ii) 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. Attack: At 18:35, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from the area surrounding the settlement of Psagot towards civilian houses in the city of El Bireh. Raids/Attack: (i) At 20:00, the Israeli army raided the villages of An Nabi Salih and Kafr 'Ein, set up a checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Kafr 'Ein, and patrolled the area. At 22:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. At 02:10, the Israeli army, including 15 jeeps, raided the city of El (ii) Bireh and Al Am'ari refugee camp, arrested 1 civilian in the refugee camp, and served a summons to another civilian to report to the Israeli Intelligence. At 03:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. At 03:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Beituniya, fired sound (iii) grenades, arrested 1 university student, and withdrew at 04:30. (i) The Israeli army arrested Muhannad Ali Samarah in Al Am'ari refugee (ii) The Israeli army arrested Murad Mohammed Abu al Baha' in the town of Beituniya. 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. **JENIN** Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. **Flying Checkpoints:** At 10:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to (i) the town of Tammun, searched civilians and vehicles, and arrested 1 civilian. At 13:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to (ii) the village of Sanur, searched civilians and vehicles, and arrested 1 Palestinian National Security officer.

- At 19:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to (iii) the village of Al Kufeir and searched civilians and vehicles.
- At 20:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Far'a road, (iv) searched civilians and vehicles, and arrested 1 civilian.
- Attack/Destruction of Property: At 19:20, Israeli troops positioned at Tayasir checkpoint east of the town of Tubas opened fire towards and damaged 1 civilian vehicle.

Raids/Injuries/Destruction of Property:

- At 18:50, the Israeli army raided the town of Tubas. Confrontations (i) took place between civilians and the Israeli army, while it was patrolling the area, which resulted in the injury of 3 civilians, including 2 children, by the Israeli army.
- At 02:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Al Yamun. (ii)
- At 03:30, the Israeli army, including 10 jeeps, raided the village of (iii) Rummana, searched 2 houses, and damaged furniture of one of the houses. At 04:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.

- (i) At 01:40 on 20 September 2006, the Israeli army arrested Usamah Musmar during its raid on the city of Jenin.
- Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up at the entrance (ii) to the town of Tammun arrested Nimer Badi Samarah.
- Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up on the junction (iii) to the village of Sanur arrested Omar 'Adnan Mari', a Palestinian National Security officer.
- Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up on the Al Far'a (iv) road arrested Hani Mahmoud ash Shafi'i.

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 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.

Checkpoints: 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.

- Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
- Raid/Air Patrol: At 20:35, Israeli troops, dispatched by an Israeli combat helicopter, raided and combed the area between the towns of 'Anabta and Bal'a. At 24:00, the Israeli troops withdrew from the area.

TULKAREM

QALQILIYA	 Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun. 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. 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. 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.
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 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. Checkpoints/Confiscation of Property: The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus: Huwwara and Beit Iba checkpoints (set up at the southern and western entrances to the city of Nablus respectively) are closed at 23:00. Al Badhan checkpoint (set up at the eastern entrance to the city of Nablus) remains closed with dirt barricades. Nablus-'Asira ash Shamaliya checkpoint (set up at the northern entrance to city) is open from 06:30 to 20:00. 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. Beit Furik checkpoint is open to civilian residents of the town of Beit Furik and the village of Beit Dajan until 17:30. At 16:30, the Israeli army closed Beit Iba checkpoint, after having arrested 1 civilian and confiscated a pistol from him. At 16:45, the Israeli army reopened the checkpoint. At 20:00, the Israeli army closed Huwwara checkpoint and denied civilian access in both directions, claiming to have arrested 1 civilian after locating an explosive device in his possession. The Israeli army reopened the checkpoint at a later time. Raid/Attack/House Occupation: At 03:25, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus, fired sound grenades, occupied 1 building, and converted it into a military post. The Israeli army also searched a number of houses, arrested 1 civilian, and withdrew at 05:45. Arrests: Israeli troops positione

	 (ii) Israeli troops positioned at Huwwara checkpoint arrested an unidentified civilian. (iii) The Israeli army arrested Naseem Majed al Kharraz in the city of Nablus. 			
SALFIT	 Closure of Main Roads: 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). 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. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Deir Ballut checkpoint and to deny civilian access to the town of Kafr ad Dik. 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. Raid/Attack: At 24:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Marda and fired sound grenades while patrolling the area. At 00:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. 			
JERICHO	 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. Checkpoint: 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. Raid/Curfew: At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Fasayil and imposed curfew, after a number of civilians had closed the road in the village's centre with rocks. The Israeli army continues to impose curfew over the village as of 08:00 this morning. 			
ВЕТНІЕНЕМ	 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. 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. Checkpoint: 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.
- Attack: At 21:40, the Israeli army fired flares over 'Ayda refugee camp.

Raids

- (i) At 21:15, the Israeli army raided the city of Beit Jala, searched 3 houses, and withdrew at 21:55.
- (ii) At 01:30, the Israeli army, including 4 jeeps, raided the town of Al Khadr and searched 1 house.

• 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 '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.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: 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.

• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 08:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the town of Beit 'Awwa and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 20:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Dura, searched civilians and vehicles, and impeded civilian access.

HEBRON

• Raids/Detentions/Physical Assault:

- (i) At 20:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Yatta. Confrontations took place between civilians and the Israeli army while it was patrolling the area.
- (ii) At 21:40, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron and searched 1 building after detaining residents. The Israeli army also detained and beat Ayman al Qawasmeh, a Palestinian Police officer. At 22:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
- (iii) At 01:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Nuba.

GAZA STRIP

ALL DISTRICTS

- Beginning on 25 June 2006, the Israeli army has reinforced the concentration of its armed forces along the northern and eastern borders of the district of Northern Gaza. Beginning on 28 June 2006, the Israeli army has also reinforced the concentration of its armed forces along the eastern border of the district of Rafah.
- <u>Closure of Crossing Point</u>: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open only to foreign nationals, VIPs, and humanitarian cases.

• Attacks/Injury:

- (i) At 11:45, the Israeli army fired a number of artillery shells from its locations inside the Green Line towards Palestinian territory east of the town of Jabalya, killing 1 civilian and injuring another.
- (ii) At 21:05, the Israeli army fired 2 artillery shells from its locations inside the Green Line towards Palestinian territory near the area of Al Hawuz north of the town of Beit Lahiya. Of the 2 artillery shells, 1 shell did not explode.

• Deaths:

NORTHERN GAZA

- (i) At 08:55, Hanan Abu 'Odeh, a 15-year-old female resident of the town of Beit Hanun, died of injuries sustained during the Israeli army's incursion into Palestinian territory east of the town of Beit Hanun, as was reported on 02 September 2006. At the time, the Israeli army also killed Hanan's father and brother.
- (ii) The Israeli army killed Omar Lafi Abu Jarad east of the town of Jabalya.

• Raids/Land Levelling/Destruction of Property/Attack:

- (i) At 08:10, the Israeli army, including 8 armoured vehicles and 2 bulldozers, raided 200 metres into Palestinian territory near Point 14 on the Green Line north of the town of Beit Lahiya as well as in the area surrounding Beit Hanun (Erez) Industrial Zone. The Israeli army also levelled land to erect dirt barricades and withdrew at 15:35.
- (ii) At 13:15, an Israeli army bulldozer raided 100 metres into Palestinian territory near Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing north of the town of Beit Hanun and levelled land.
- (iii) At 04:10, the Israeli army, including 7 armoured vehicles, raided 500 metres into Palestinian territory east of the town of Beit Hanun, opened intensive fire, destroyed 4 water wells, and withdrew at 06:05.

	• Palestinian Attack: At 06:35, 2 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line.			
GAZA	<u>Air Patrol</u> : At 21:30, Israeli combat helicopters and reconnaissance aircraft patrolled the skies over the district of Gaza.			
CENTRAL GAZA	 Raid/House Occupation: At 02:20, Israeli Special Forces raided Palestinian territory north of the area of Juhor ad Dik, occupied the roof of 1 house belonging to 'Odeh Abu as Sirr, and converted it into a military post. Air Patrol: At 21:30, Israeli combat helicopters and reconnaissance aircraft patrolled the skies over the district of Central Gaza. 			
KHAN YUNIS	• Palestinian Attack: At 10:50, 4 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line.			
RAFAH	 Closure of Crossing Points: Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. Rafah Crossing is closed. Incursion/Detentions: 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. At 11:30, the Israeli army carried out an incursion into the area of Ad Dihniya near Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing, searched a number of houses, arrested 3 civilians, and detained 9 others. At 14:15, the Israeli army withdrew from the area of Ad Dihniya, but has remained positioned around the Airport as of 08:00 this morning. Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in the area of Ad Dihniya: Akram Abu Saneemeh; Mohammed Mousa Safi; and Salah Bahloul. Attack: At 02:20, the Israeli army fired 3 artillery shells from its locations inside the Green Line towards vacant land around Yasser 'Arafat International Airport east of the city of Rafah. Raid/Air Patrol/Attack/Injuries/Destruction of Property: At 01:40, the Israeli army, including 20 armoured vehicles covered by combat helicopters and reconnaissance aircraft, raided 3 kilometres into the area of An Nassr on Salah ad Din main road towards the junction to the European Hospital east of the city of Rafah. The Israeli army also opened intensive fire towards civilian houses, killing 1 female civilian, injuring 7 civilians, and setting 1 house on fire. In addition, the Israeli army demolished 1 house. The Israeli army remains positioned in the area as of 08:00 this morning. Killing: The Israeli army killed I'timad Isma'il Abu M'ammar, a female civilian, in the area of An Nassr east of the city of Rafah. House Demolition: The Israeli army demolished 1 house belonging to Suleiman Mansour Abu M'ammar in the area of An Nassr east of the city of Rafah. 			