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DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 20 September 2007 – 08:00 21 September 2007

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Deaths		3	3	Incl. 3 civilians, 2 of them armed
Injuries	14	6	20	Incl.14 in Nablus, 3 armed, 6 children
Physical Assaults	2		2	Incl.30 n Nablus, 2 in Tulkarem
Arrests	39	*1	40	2 civilians beaten in al-Bireh & Ramallah
Detentions	17	1	18	At checkpoints and population clusters
Raids	23	1	24	Incl. 2 in Ramallah, 2 in Jenin, 3 in Nablus
Checkpoints	15		15	Closure of checkpoint, stricter measures
Flying Checkpoints	13		13	Incl. 1 in Jerusalem, 2 in Salfit, 4 in Nablus
Attacks	3	3	6	6 raids, confrontations
Air Attacks		1	1	Missile fired at civil car in Gaza
Air Patrols	1	2	3	2 helicopters, 2 surveillance planes
Curfew	1		1	Curfew continues in Ein Bait al-Ma' camp
House Demolition	1		1	A number of houses in Nablus
House Occupation	3		3	House blew up in Nablus
Destruction of Property		5	5	Agricultural land razed in Nablus
Land Leveling		1	1	Agricultural land in Johr al-Dik
Wall Construction	26		26	In Jerusalem, Tulkarem, Salfit, Bethlehem
Closures	6		6	Partial in Jerusalem, Hebron
Closures of Main Roads	36		36	1 in Jerusalem, 3 in Ramallah, 2 in Jenin
Closure of Crossing Points		7	7	Partial opening for humanitarian cases
Demonstrations	1		1	In Nablus
Palestinian Attacks		5	5	4 mortars fired at the Green Line
TOTAL	201	36	237	

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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. At dawn on the day of September 21, on the occasion of Yom Kipur (Day pf Atonement) the Israeli army imposed full closure on all West Bank districts and denied labourers and civilians access into the Green Line and the city of Jerusalem, except for humanitarian cases. The closure will continue until the morning of Sunday, September 23. 		
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: At 21:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Anata and arrested two civilians. Arrests: The civilians arrested in Anata are: (a) Ayman Hajaj Salem; and Yasser Sari Younis. 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-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: The Israeli army continues to close the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil with dirt barricades. The Israeli army continues to close the western entrance to the village of Saffa with cement blocks. 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. Raids: At 16:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Ramallah. At 00:45, the Israeli army raided the city of al-Bireh and beat 2 civilians, detained them and later released them. The Israeli army withdrew from al-Bireh at 02:10. 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. Raids: At 01:00, an Israeli special force unit backed up later by 4 military jeeps raided and patrolled the city of Jenin and its camp. At 01:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the towns of Toubas and Tamon. At 03:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Burqin and the village of al-Shuhada'. 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.
- <u>Checkpoints</u>: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Einav checkpoint on Tulkarem-Nablus Road as well as at Jabara checkpoint.
- <u>Flying checkpoints</u>: At 10:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the entrance to the village of al-Jaroushiya, and searched civilians and vehicles.

• Raids:

- (i) At 03:30 on the day of September 20, the Israeli army raided the suburb of al-Shweikeh in the city of Tulkarem and arrested one civilian.
- (ii) At 09:35, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the suburb of al-Shweikeh in the city of Tulkarem, and set up a checkpoint.
- (iii) At 00:25, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Anabta.
- **Arrests**: The civilian arrested in the city of Tulkarem is Thaer Rafe' Ikbariyyeh.

• Wall Gates:

- (i) Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special permits. The closure aggravates the health and education conditions of Palestinian civilians.
- <u>Closure of Main Roads</u>: 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:

- (i) At 09:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the eastern entrance to the village of al-Funduq, and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 21:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the entrance to the town of 'Azzun and denied civilian access after closing the Wall gate, as a result of throwing a molotov cocktail at the Israeli army.
- (iii) The Israeli army set up a checkpoint between the town of 'Azzun and Jayyous, and searched civilians and vehicles.
- **Raids**: At 01:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Qalqilya and opened fire and fired sound bombs, searched 3 houses and arrested one civilian. The Israeli army withdrew from the city at 04:00.
- Arrests: The civilian arrested in the city of Qalqilya is Ali Ma'zouz Abdel rahim.

• 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.
- <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.

QALQILIYA

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.
- <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 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.

• Raids:

- (i) 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. 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. Besides, the Israeli army searched several houses and arrested 30 civilians including 2 children. Clashes erupted between Palestinian civilians and the Israeli army resulting in the injury of 14 civilians including 6 children. The Israeli army also blew up a house and arrested one civilian in the city of Nablus. The Israeli army withdrew at 07:30.
- (ii) At 17:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village Burga.
- <u>House Demolition</u>: The house the Israeli army blew up in Ein al-Ma' refugee camp in the city of Nablus belongs to civilian Jamal Hmeidan.
- Arrests: The 30 civilians arrested in Eian al-Ma' refugee camp are:
- (1) Shadi al-Qatouni, 16;
- (2) Mustafa Abu al-Ruz, 17;
- (3) Ibrahim al Sahili;
- (4) Mohammad al-Sahili;
- (5) Ahmad Abu Shihada;
- (6) Ahmad al-Dmouni;
- (7) Mahmoud al-Khatib;
- (8) Hussein al-Khatib;
- (9) Wajdi Fadel Ayyoub;
- (10) Rasem Fadel Ayyoub;
- (11) Ala' Abu Samra;

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	(12) Khaled Abu Samra;
	(13) Abdallah al-Qatouni;
	(14) Sami al-Kharouf;
	(15) Mohammad Abu Maryam;
	(16) Mohammad al-Kharouf;
	(17) Nasser Rajab;
	(18) Mahmoud Teem;
	(19) Yihya Teem;
	(20) Daoud al-Qatouni;
	(21) Ahmad al-Dakhil;
	(22) Mousa Ma'rouf;
	(23) Rushdi Fadel Ayyoub;
	(24) Mahmoud Nofal;
	(25) Afu Salim al-Damouni;
	(26) Mohammad Abu Saris;
	(27) Tamer Taha;
	(28) Mahdi Ibrahim;
	(29) Bilal Salim al-Damouni; and
	 (30) Mintaser Fawzi Abu al-Reesh. Demonstrations: At 12:00, a public march set out in the city of Nablus and
	headed to Ein al Ma' refugee camp protesting the Israeli attacks on the camp.
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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 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. Flying Checkpoint: At 17:10, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the entrance to the village of al-Oja, and searched civilians and vehicles.
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. Raids: At 21:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of al-Shawawreh. Arrests: On the day of September 19, the Israeli army arrested civilian Mohammad Mahmoud al-Za'your at the al-container checkpoint. At 20:10, the Israeli army arrested army officer Ahmad Hassan Zahran, from the Palestinian Security Forces, at al-container checkpoint. 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 surrounding the town of al-Walaja.
HEBRON	 Closure: 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. 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: 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 16:50, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint on the road between the districts Bethlehem and Hebron and arrested one civilian.
- (ii) The Israeli army set up a number of checkpoints at the entrances to settlements and al-Ibrahimi Mosque n the old city of Hebron.

Raids:

- (i) At 12:20, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron and searched a building under construction.
- (ii) At 22:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Ummar, searched a number of houses as a result of throwing a Molotov cocktail at a military monitoring tower set up at the entrance of the town.
- (iii) At 01:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the towns of Surif, Halhul and al-Thahiriyye.
- <u>Arrests</u>: At 16:50, the Israeli army arrested between the districts of Bethlehem and Hebron is civilian Ra'fat Maher al-Adra.
- <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.

GAZA STRIP

Closure of Crossing Points: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open to humanitarian cases, after prior coordination. **Palestinian Attacks: NORTHERN** At 18:00, two mortars were fired in the direction of the Green Line. (i) GAZA At 20:00, one mortar was fired in the direction of the Green Line. (ii) At dawn on the day of September 21, a mortar was fired in the direction of the (iii) Green Line. **Closure of Crossing Points:** (i) Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed. Ash Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is partially open for transportation **GAZA** (ii) of fuel. Palestinian Attacks: At 14:10, a mortar was fired in the direction of the Green Line.

CENTRAL GAZA	 Raids: At 04:00 on the day of September 20, Israeli tanks and vehicles, backed up by helicopters and surveillance planes, raided our areas to the depth of 1.5 kilometres in the area of Juhr al-Dik north-east of the refugee camp of al-Breij, and occupied roofs of a number houses, and opened fire intensively in the direction of civilian houses and agricultural areas, resulting in the death of a young civilian who was shot at and ran over by an Israeli bulldozers. The Israeli army also clashed with armed forces resulting in the death of three, and the injury of 6 including 3 armed one of whom is called Mohammad Abu Shaweesh who was seriously injured. Besides the Israeli army razed agricultural land, searched a number of houses and detained several civilians and arrested some others including an injured armed civilian. The Israeli army also incurred heavy material damage to a number of houses, and later withdrew at 18:00. Air Attacks: At 16:00, remote control aircrafts fired a missile at a civil car carrying armed civilians on Wadi Gaza road. The car was completely damaged but the civilians managed to escape injury. Deaths: The 3 civilians killed in the area of Johr al-Dik north-east of the refugee camp of al-Breij are: Younis Abu Hjeir; Imad Rizek Harb Abu Hjeir; and Mohammad Suleiman Abu Hjeir. Arrests: The civilians arrested in the area of Johr al-Dik north-east of the refugee camp of al-Breij are (only one was known) Freih al-Nabahin.
RAFAH	 Closure of Crossing Points: (All closed) *Yasser Arafat International Airport * Al-Awdah Crossing * Sufa Crossing * Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing Palestinian Attacks: At 07:10, 5 mortars were fired in the direction of Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) on the Green Line.

LABOR CONDITIONS

WEST BANK DISTRICTS	* The number of permits given for laborers to work inside the Green	
	Line was 15,202 permits. The number of laborers that were allowed to	
	enter was not known.	
GAZA DISTRICTS	* The number of permits given for laborers to work inside the Green	
	Line was 10 permits.	