# مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



# PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

# **DAILY SITUATION REPORT**

08:00, 25 September 2008 – 08:00, 26 September 2008

### **SUMMARY OF EVENTS**

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Arrests (per person)	6		6	Incl. 2 in Nablus & 1 in Jenin
Detentions	17	_	17	At checkpoints & in residential areas
Raids	14	_	14	Incl. 4 in Hebron & 4 in Jenin
Closure of Checkpoints	16	_	16	Incl. access impeded at 10 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	10	_	10	Incl. 3 in Bethlehem & 2 in Hebron
Attacks	1	_	1	During a raid on Al Yamun town
Curfew	1	_	1	On a residential quarter in Qalqiliya
Confiscation of Property	1	_	1	A computer from a house in Yatta town
Wall Construction	23	_	23	Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Heb., Beth.
Closure (per District)	7	_	7	Incl. Jerusalem, Tulkarm & Hebron
Closure of Main Roads	52	_	52	Incl. 14 in Nablus & 13 in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points	_	3	3	Humanitarian cases, food & fuel allowed
TOTAL	148	3	151	

DISTRICT	EVENTS
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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. The Israeli army also continues to close the entrances to al-Agsa Mosque compound in the old city of Jerusalem and impede civilian access to the mosque. **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. (ii) 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. **Checkpoint:** The Israeli army continues to consider Qalandiya checkpoint a "border crossing point" and has designated a special **JERUSALEM** crossing for holders of Jerusalem IDs and those possessing permits to access the city of 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 al-Shayyah road in the area between the villages of al-Sawahira al-Sharqiya and al-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 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, in the vicinity of the village of Qatanna, and south of Beit Hanina village. Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades and cement blocks the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil; the western entrances to the villages of Safa and Ein Yabrud; the road between the villages of Ras Karkar and Kharbatha Bani Harith and the RAMALLAH junction to the villages of Kafr Malik – Ein Samiya. & **Checkpoint:** The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at the EL BIREH

checkpoint on the overpass to 'Atara town and impede civilian access.

Raid: At 13:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of El Bireh.

Wall Construction: Wall construction continues west of 'Abud town and in

the areas of al-Midya to Ni'lin and Ni'lin to Deir Qaddis.

JENIN	<ul> <li>Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to 'Arraba town, east of the settlement of Dotan.</li> <li>At 01:25, the Israeli army raided</li> <li>Flving Checkpoint: At 23:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles until 01:15.</li> <li>Raids: <ol> <li>At 09:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Arraba town.</li> <li>At 19:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Jenin city.</li> <li>At 24:00, the Israeli army raided Al Yamun town and opened fire and fired sound grenades while patrolling the area.</li> <li>At 01:20, the Israeli army raided the village of Khirbat Al Janajrah, arrested a civilian and withdrew at 02:00.</li> <li>Raid: The Israeli army arrested in the village of Khirbat Al Janajrah village the civilian Wael Sulaiman Sawarkah.</li> <li>Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits, which affects the educational and health conditions of civilians living behind the Wall.</li> </ol> </li></ul>
TOUBAS	<ul> <li>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.</li> <li>Raids: <ol> <li>At 00:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Al Far'a refugee camp.</li> <li>At 01:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Tubas city.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
TULKAREM	<ul> <li>Closure: The Israeli army continues to declare the district of Tulkarm a closed military zone and to impede civilian access to and from the district.</li> <li>Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western entrance to the village of Shofeh.</li> <li>Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Einav checkpoint that is set up on Tulkarm-Nablus road and at Jubara checkpoint.</li> <li>Flying Checkpoint: At 18:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to Far'un village and arrested a civilian.</li> <li>Arrest: The Israeli army arrested on the junction leading to Far'un village the civilian Shaher Muhammad Hussein Thulthain.</li> <li>Wall Gates: Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> </ul>
QALQILYA	<ul> <li>Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun</li> <li>Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at the checkpoint that is set up at the eastern entrance to the city of Qalqiliya and impede civilian access.</li> <li>Flying Checkpoint: At 13:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the entrance leading to Izbat Tabib village and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> </ul>

•	<b>Raid</b> : At 04:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Qalqiliya, imposed
	curfew on a residential neighborhood, searched a number of houses and
	withdrew at 06:00.

### Wall Gates:

- (i) Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
- The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma (ii) Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal detector.
- Wall Construction: Land leveling 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 with cement blocks the roads of Sarra-Jit, Tel-Burin, Beit Furik-Salem, the road between Agraba town and the main road and the eastern entrance to the village of Al Lubban Ash Sharqiya; and with dirt barricades the road between the villages of Tel and Madama, the southern entrance to the village of Qaryut, the eastern entrance to the village of Al Lubban Ash Sharqiya, the western entrance to the town of Agraba, the southern entrance to the village of Duma, the northern entrance to the town of Qabalan, the western entrance to the village of Majdal Bani Fadil as well as the settler bypass road connecting the village of Deir al-Hatab to Alon Moreh settlement.
- On 10 August 2008, the Israeli army re-opened the Jenin-Nablus road (ii) between the junction to Deir Sharaf village and the settlement of Shavei Shomron, allowing daily passage from 06:00 until 17:00.
- **Checkpoints:** The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus:

### At Tur neighborhood checkpoint (set up on Jerzim Mount) is closed on (i) Fridays and Saturdays as well as during Jewish holidays. On all other days, it is open for civilian residents of the neighborhood only.

- Beit Furik checkpoint is open to civilian residents of the town of Beit (ii) Furik and the nearby village of Beit Dajan.
- Flying Checkpoint: At 17:10, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint in the area between the town of Asira Ash Shamaliya and the village of Talluza and searched civilians and vehicles.
- **Raid**: At 03:20, the Israeli army raided Askar refugee camp in the city of Nablus, searched a number of houses, arrested 2 civilians and withdrew at 06:00.
- **Arrests**: The Israeli army arrested in Askar refugee camp the civilians Muhammad Salim Abu Kishek and Nasser An Nadi
- **Detention**: At 08:00, Israeli troops positioned at Za'tara junction checkpoint detained a number of Palestinian National Security officers and released them at a later time following the intervention of military liaison.

### **NABLUS**

SALFIT	<ul> <li>Closure of Main Roads: <ol> <li>The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the northern entrance to Salfit city and the eastern entrance to the village of Yasuf.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and iron gates the northern entrances to the town of Bruqin and the village of Qarawat Bani Hassan and the western entrance to the town of Kafr Ad Dik.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Deir Ballut and Za'tara checkpoints and prevent civilian vehicles from heading towards the village of Kafr Ad Dik.</li> <li>Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the city of Salfit, and in the village of Marda and the town of Kafr Hares north of the settlement of Ariel.</li> </ul>
JERICHO	<ul> <li>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.</li> <li>Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions and impede civilian access at al-Hamra checkpoint set up 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 that connects the districts of Jericho and Ramallah.</li> <li>Arrest: The Israeli army arrested at the D.C.O. checkpoint the Palestinian National Security officer Muhammad Gazw Abu Dhaher.</li> </ul>
BETHLEHEM	<ul> <li>Closure: <ol> <li>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.</li> <li>Since September 15, 2007, the Israeli army has been preventing civilian access, according to military order 07.02.S, to the 22-dunum land that has been confiscated in accordance with confiscation order number 07.31.T. The 22-dunum area has been set to construct a passage in the area of Mazmouriyyeh that is located in the cities of Beit Sahur and Bethlehem.</li> <li>Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the two sideways east and south of Al Walaja village and the roads of Beit Jala-Wadi Ahmad, Talita-Nazlet As Sidr in the city of Beit Jala, Al Khadr town-Road # 60, Al Khadr town-Beit Jala housing, Wadi Rahal-Efrat and the sideway east of Beit Fajjar town.</li> <li>Flving Checkpoint: At 08:00 and again at 18:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on An Nashash area junction.</li> <li>Raid: At 18:40, the Israeli army raided the village of Dar Salah and set up a flying checkpoint.</li> <li>Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of al-Khadr town; northwest of Beit Jala city; in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of Ephrata settlement; and in the area surrounding al-Walaja village.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>

### • Closure:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close the following locales in the old city of Hebron: al-Shuhada' Street and the area of al-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 al-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 traveling 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 al-Samoa'; the area of al-Hawawir leading to the town of Halhoul; the area of al-Fahs south 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 neighborhood 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 traveling 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.
- (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road between the villages of Al Karmil and At Tuwani and all roads leading to bypass Road # 60.
- (iv) The Israeli army continues to open the junction of Farsh Al Hawa north of Hebron city, which leads to Road # 35 that leads to Tarqumiya Crossing. The Israeli army installed an iron gate instead of the dirt barricade. The Israeli army designated the following times for the daily opening the gate: from 05:00 until 07:00 and from 09:00 until 13:00.

### • Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 19:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Fawwar junction and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 23:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass leading to Halhul town and searched civilians and vehicles.

### • Raids:

(i) At 11:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Hebron. Again at 16:00, the Israeli army raided the city and searched a commercial mall. Another time at 22:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the area.

# **HEBRON**

(ii) At 01:20, the Israeli army raided Yatta town, searched a house,
confiscated a computer and arrested a civilian.
• Arrest: The Israeli army arrested in the town of Yatta the civilian Jabr
Sulaiman Awwad.
• Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the section of

Tarqumiya checkpoint terminal, the remaining section of the Wall route that separates the settlement of Eshkolot from the village of al-Ramadin,

and near the village of Imneizil southeast of the town of Yatta.

# GAZA STRIP

ALL DISTRICTS	The cease-fire agreement is holding. It started at 06:00 on 19 June 2008, and included, <i>inter alia</i> , a complete cessation of all hostilities.
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NORTHERN GAZA	Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanoun (Erez) Crossing is partially opened (for previously coordinated humanitarian cases).
GAZA	<ul> <li>Closure of Crossing Points:         <ul> <li>Al-Muntar (Karni) Crossing is partially opened to allow entry of basic necessities.</li> <li>Al-Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is partially opened to allow entry of fuel.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
CENTRAL GAZA	Activities not reported.
KHAN YOUNIS	Activities not reported.
RAFAH	<ul> <li>Closure of Crossing Points:         <ul> <li>Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed.</li> <li>Rafah (al-Awdah) Crossing is closed.</li> <li>Sufa Crossing is closed</li> </ul> </li> <li>Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is partially opened to allow entry of food and goods.</li> </ul>

# **GENERAL**

	• 50	entences and Administrative Detention:		
	(i)	The Israeli military court sentenced political prisoner Emad Othman		
		Qasem Al Kafarneh from the town of Beit Hanun in the district of		
		Northern Gaza to 12 years in prison.		
	(ii)	The Israeli military court at Bir As Sab' prison sentenced political		
		prisoner Abdallah Uwais, a student at the University of Bir Zeit, to		
POLITICAL		12 months in prison and a fine of 2000 shekel (US\$580).		
PRISONERS	(iii)	The Israeli military court at Al Jalama prison extended orders of		
		administrative detention (arrest without charge or trial) for varied		
		periods against 14 political prisoners from the districts of Jenin, Tubas,		
		Qalqiliya, Nablus, Jericho, Bethlehem and Hebron.		
	(iv)	The Israeli military court at Petah Tekva Detention Center extended		
		orders of administrative detention for varied periods against 7 political		
		prisoners from the districts of Qalqiliya, Nablus and Ramallah.		
		prisoners from the districts of Quiquiya, Maoras and Ramanan.		