مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 04 July 2004 – 08:00 05 July 2004

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Deaths	1	2	3	Incl. 1 worker
Injuries	8	10	18	Incl. 9 children & 2 critical inj.
Air Attacks	_	3	3	9 missiles at workshops
Attacks	8	5	13	From helicopters and settlers
Raids	16	3	19	Incl. isolation of Beit Hanun
Air Patrols	1	4	5	
Arrests (per persons)	11	_	11	Incl. 2 Palestinian Police officers
Detentions	2	1	3	
House Demolition	1	_	1	In Tell
Land Levelling	1	2	3	In Ya'bad, Beit Hanun, Qarara
Wall Construction	16	_	16	Jer, Jenin, Salfit, Ram'lah, Beth.
Destruction of Property	2	6	8	Incl. crops, workshops
Curfews	2	_	2	Beit Ummar, Al 'Arrub
Checkpoints	All	_	All	
Flying Checkpoints	(Dozens)	(Dozens)	_	Closing all districts
Closure (per District)	(All)	(All)	(All)	Jericho closed military zone
Closure of Main Roads	(Most)	(5)	_	Esp. connecting cities
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)	_	_	Permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points	_	4	4	3 Partially open
Settler Violence	3	_	3	Open fire, trees burnt, stones
Provocation of Pal. Forces	_	1	1	Land levelling near sec. location
Palestinian Attacks	2	_	2	Mortar towards settlement
TOTAL	74	41	115	

DISTRICT	EVENT	
ALL DISTRICTS	Since 22 March 2004, the Israeli army has imposed a total closure over the West Bank and Gaza Strip. The Israeli army prevented civilians from crossing the Green Line and entering Jerusalem and restricted movement between cities in the West Bank.	

WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	 Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Abu Dis, Al Eizariya, Al Sawahira al Sharqiya, Sur Bahir, along the main road between Jerusalem and Ramallah (Dahiyat Al Bareed, Ar Ram), the villages of Qatanna and Biddu, the area surrounding Qalandiya Airport and the village of Anata. Attack: At 15:00, the Israeli army, positioned on the road to the settlement of Beit Shemesh, opened fire towards 1 civilian vehicle transporting several workers, killing 1 worker and injuring 2 others. Killing: The Israeli army killed Mohammed Nassar Shahin near the settlement of Beit Shemesh.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	 Closure: The Israeli army set up dozens of flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Rantis, Budrus, Midya, Ni'lin, Deir Qaddis, Beit Liqya and Beituniya. Raids: At 16:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Rima. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during which the Israeli army injured 3 children. At 16:10, an Israeli army jeep raided the village of Kafr 'Ein, set up a flying checkpoint on the road leading to the town of Deir Ghassana for several hours, and opened indiscriminate fire frequently. Arrest: At 21:00, the Israeli army arrested Ahmed Abdul Rahim Ayyad in the settlement of Beit El after being summoned by Israeli intelligence.

	 Detentions: (i) At 16:45, the Israeli army detained dozens of civilians at a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Qarawat Bani Zeid and prevented them from entering or leaving the village. The Israeli army opened fire and fired tear gas towards civilians. (ii) At 18:10, the Israeli army detained and interrogated 2 civilians at a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of An Nabi Salih.
JENIN	 Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact economic and livelihood activities and impedes access to health facilities. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Jalbun towards Al Mutilla, Raba, Al Mughayyir, Bardala and 'Ein al Beida and towards the Jordan River. Attack: at 14:00, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from the area surrounding the settlement of Kadim towards civilian houses in the city of Jenin. Land Levelling: At 18:00, the Israeli army levelled land cultivated with olive trees along the road leading to the town of Ya'bad. Settler Violence: A group of Israeli settlers in the area surrounding the town of Ya'bad opened fire towards civilians. Demonstration: A mass demonstration organised by the Palestinian Prisoners Club took place in the city of Jenin in solidarity with Palestinian political prisoners in Israeli prisons. Protestors travelled to Salim Prison by bus, organised a sit-in protest near the prison and called on international parties to place pressure on Israel to release Palestinian prisoners
JERICHO	• <u>Closure</u> : The Israeli army set up dozens of checkpoints throughout the city, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and prevented civilians from crossing. The Israeli army declared the city of Jericho a closed military zone.
BETHLEHEM	 Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing civilians from crossing. The Israeli army continues to close the only road leading to the village of Al Nu'man, northeast of the Bethlehem district, isolating the village and placing it together with the adjacent village of Al Khas under the jurisdiction of the Jerusalem municipality.

	 Wall Construction: Construction of the Wall continues north of the district of Bethlehem, west of Wadi Hilwa, near the Armenian monastery, on the Jerusalem-Bethlehem road and along the tunnel road (Gilo) and road #60 towards the village of Husan. Raids: At 10:00, an Israeli army jeep raided the village of Deir Salah and set up a flying checkpoint. The Israeli army searched vehicles, checked civilians' IDs' and arrested 1 Palestinian National Security officer. At 11:50, an Israeli army jeep raided 'Ayda refugee camp, opened fire, fired sound bombs, injuring 1 civilian, and arrested 1 civilian. At 14:50, and again at 23:00, an Israeli army jeep raided the city of Bethlehem and patrolled the area. At 20:00, an Israeli army jeep raided the city of Beit Jala, opened fire and fired tear gas towards civilians. At 22:35, the Israeli army raided Ad Duheisha refugee camp and patrolled the area. Arrests: The Israeli army arrested Yasser Yousef Breis, a Palestinian National Security officer, in the village of Deir Salah. The Israeli army arrested Dhiya' Abu 'Akar in 'Ayda refugee camp. At 18:40, the Israeli army arrested Nizar Na'im Abu al Jawarish at the checkpoint set up near Bilal bin Rabah mosque (Rachel's Tomb).
TULKAREM	 Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact economic and livelihood activities and impedes access to health facilities. Air Patrol: At 21:50, an Israeli army reconnaissance plane patrolled the skies over the district of Tulkarem. Demonstration: At 11:00, a mass demonstration took place in the city of Tulkarem in solidarity with Palestinian political prisoners and demanding the release of all political prisoners.
NABLUS	 Closure: The Israeli army set up dozens of flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. Raid: At 03:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Tell and demolished 1 house belonging to an individual killed by the Israeli army. House Demolition: The Israeli army demolished 1 house belonging to the family of Tha'er Hilmi Ramadan in the village of Tell.

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HEBRON	 Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. Raids/Curfew: At 23:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Ummar and Al 'Arrub refugee camp and imposed curfew. The Israeli army continues to impose curfew over the area as of 80:00 this morning. At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Dura and arrested 1 civilian after searching his house. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Mahmoud Ja'far Abu 'Arqoub in the town of Dura. Settler Violence: A group of Israeli settlers from the settlement outpost of Ramat Shay, located in Tall Rumeida in the old city of Hebron, hurled stones towards civilian houses, injuring 2 children.
QALQILYA	 Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact economic and livelihood activities and impedes access to health facilities. Raids: At 04:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Qalqiliya, took position in several neighbourhoods, searched 2 civilian houses and arrested 2 individuals, including 1 Palestinian National Security officer. The Israeli army remains positioned in the city as of 08:00 this morning. The Israeli army raided the town of Jayyus, searched several houses and arrested 1 civilian. Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 individuals in the city of Qalqiliya: Ali Hassan Shreim; and Mohammed Bassam Al Walwil, a Palestinian National Security officer. The Israeli army arrested 1 unidentified civilian in the town of Jayyus.
SALFIT	 Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. Wall Construction: Land levelling for construction of the Wall continues in the villages of Deir Ballut and Rafat. Land levelling for construction of the Wall west of the village of Iskaka, north of the city of Salfit (surrounding the settlement of Ariel)

and in the village of Al Zawiya was suspended following an Israeli Supreme Court order to halt construction in the area pending hearing of the case before the court.

Raids:

- (i) At 15:15, an Israeli army jeep raided the city of Salfit and set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to the city until 17:00.
- (ii) The Israeli army raided the village of Al Zawiya, searched 1 civilian house and arrested 1 civilian.
- <u>Arrests</u>: At 15:30, the Israeli army arrested 2 civilians at a flying checkpoint near the village of Al Zawiya:
- (i) Haytham Talal Abu el 'Ein; and
- (ii) Sabe' Husni Ayyash.
- (iii) The Israeli army arrested Mohammed Ali in the village of Al Zawiya.
- <u>Settler Violence</u>: At 16:00, a group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of Tapu'ach set fire to olive trees in the village of Yasuf and prevented vehicles from the Palestinian Civil Defence from extinguishing the fires. Confrontations took place between Israeli settlers and Palestinian civilians.

GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA	 Closure: The Beit Hanun Crossing is partially open. Air Attack: At 23:35, Israeli army helicopters fired 2 missiles towards a blacksmith's workshop in the town of Jabalya, completely destroying the workshop, damaging nearby houses and injuring 5 civilians. Raids/Land Levelling: Beginning at 18:30 on 28 June 2004, the Israeli army continues to isolate the town of Beit Hanun from all other districts. Israeli army tanks and helicopters opened intensive fire towards cultivated land and civilian houses on the outskirts of the town, killing 1 civilian and injuring 4 children, including 1 child in critical condition. The Israeli army levelled large areas of cultivated land and remains positioned in the town as of 08:00 this morning. Killing: The Israeli army killed 'Adnan Hassan Monsour in the town of Beit Hanun:
GAZA CITY	 <u>Closure</u>: The junction of Nitsareem remains closed. <u>Air Attack</u>: At 23:40, Israeli army helicopters fired 4 missiles towards a blacksmith's workshop in the neighbourhood of Az Zaytoon, completely destroying the workshop and seriously damaging nearby civilian houses and electricity networks.

Air Attack: At 23:40, Israeli army helicopters fired 3 missiles towards a blacksmith's workshop in An Nuseirat refugee camp, completely **CENTRAL** destroying the workshop. **GAZA** Palestinian Attack: At 18:20, 1 Qassam mortar was fired towards the settlement of Nitsareem. **Closure:** (i) Abu al Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) remains closed. (ii) Western road (Khan Yunis) remains closed. Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis road (Al Tuffah checkpoint) is partially open. (iii) **KHAN YUNIS** (iv) Abu Holi road is partially open. At 11:10, the Israeli army closed Salah ad Din road at Abu Holi checkpoint until 14:20. **Attack:** At 23:30, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its locations at Points 10, 11 and 12 towards civilian houses in An Namsawi neighbourhood. Raid/Land Levelling: At 11:30, the Israeli army, including 2 tanks and 1 bulldozer, raided the area of Al Qarara north of Kissufim road and levelled land near a Palestinian National Security location. **Closure:** (i) The Gaza International Airport remains closed. (ii) The Rafah crossing is closed to civilians between the ages of 16 - 35. (iii) The Sufa crossing is partially open for construction cargo only. Attack: At 00:30, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location at **RAFAH** Point 7 on the Egyptian border towards civilian houses at Salah ad Din gate, killing 1 civilian. Raid: At 10:00, the Israeli army, including 2 tanks and 1 bulldozer, raided the neighbourhood of Al Barazil in the city of Rafah, and opened intensive fire indiscriminately towards civilian houses, critically injuring 1 civilian. Killing: The Israeli army killed Rif'at Omar Abu 'Amra at Salah ad Din gate.