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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 08 August 2007 – 08:00 09 August 2007

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Death	_	1	1	An armed Palestinian individual, N. Gaza
Injuries	_	3	3	1 civilian & 2 armed individuals, N. Gaza
Attacks	4	5	9	Incl. 3 in raids and 4 from military posts
Raids	33	1	34	Incl. 8 in Jenin and 6 in Bethlehem
Air Patrols	1	5	6	5 by helicopters & 1 by reconnaissance
Arrests (per person)	25		25	Incl. 1 Palestinian security officer
Detentions	19		19	At checkpoints and in residential areas
Wall Construction	25		25	Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Hebron, Beth.
Destruction of Property	6		6	Incl. vendors' stalls & a pool destroyed
Closure of Checkpoints	14		14	Incl. access impeded at 7 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	28	_	28	Incl. 13 in Jenin and 7 in Hebron
Closure (per District)	6	_	6	Incl. Jerusalem and Tulkarem partially
Closure of Main Roads	39	_	39	Incl. 3 in Bethlehem & 12 in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points	_	7	7	Incl. Beit Hanun (Erez) partially open
Attack on Religious Site	1	_	1	1 mosque surrounded in Jerusalem
Palestinian Attacks	1	4	5	Incl. fire opened towards a settlement
TOTAL	202	26	228	

WEST BANK

ALL DISTRICTS

• The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints set up on the main roads connecting the West Bank districts, thereby isolating the northern districts from the southern districts as well as the Jericho district and the Jordan Valley from the remainder of the West Bank.

• <u>Closure</u>: 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:

- (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 the road connecting Dahiyat al Bareed to the town of Ar Ram in order to complete Wall construction in the area.
- (iii) 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.
- <u>Checkpoint</u>: 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:

- (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 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, 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.
- Raid/Attack on Religious Site/Detentions: The Israeli army raided Dahiyat ar Ram north of the city of Jerusalem and surrounded a mosque, while worshippers were performing evening prayers, and detained 15 civilians. The Israeli army also served summons to several civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency.

Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the eastern (i) entrance to the village of Sinjil and with cement blocks the western entrance to the village of Saffa. The Israeli army continues to close the settler bypass road connecting (ii) 'Assur Hill in the village of Kafr Malik to Alon settler bypass road. **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 civilian access. 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 **RAMALLAH** Oaddis. æ **Raids/Palestinian Attack/Detention:** EL BIREH At 20:00, the Israeli army raided the city of El Bireh, after armed Palestinian individuals opened fire towards the settlement of Psagot. The Israeli army also combed the area surrounding the settlement. At 01:20, the Israeli army raided the city again, searched 1 house, and arrested 1 civilian. In addition, the Israeli army detained 1 civilian and released him at a later time. At 03:50, the Israeli army withdrew from (ii) At 21:15, the Israeli army raided Al Jalazun refugee camp. While patrolling the area, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. **Arrest:** The Israeli army arrested Basem ar Ramahi in the city of El Bireh. 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. 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. Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. Flying Checkpoints/Detention/Destruction of Property: (i) At 09:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area **JENIN** between the town of Az Zababida and the Arab American University and searched civilians and vehicles. At 11:00, and again at 19:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint (ii) in the area between the villages Al Far'a and Al Badhan and searched civilians and vehicles. At 12:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the village of (iii) Fahma, searched civilians and vehicles, and arrested 1 civilian. At 15:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the village of (iv) Sanur and searched civilians and vehicles. Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint also detained Thaer Jihad Salah, a Palestinian National Security officer, tore apart his ID card, and released later.

- (v) At 18:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Al Jarba, searched civilians and vehicles, and arrested 1 civilian.
- (vi) At 20:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Al Kufeir and searched civilians and vehicles.

• Raids/Destruction of Property:

- (i) At 09:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Az Zababida and the village of Al Kufeir.
- (ii) At 10:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Kafr Ra'i.
- (iii) At 13:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Bardala, destroyed vendors' stalls, and demolished a pool used for irrigation.
- (iv) At 00:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Tammun, set up checkpoints at its entrances, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area.
- (v) At 01:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Al Yamun.
- (vi) At 03:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Jenin and Jenin refugee camp, set up checkpoints on internal road junctions, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area.

• Arrests:

- (i) Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up near the village of Fahma arrested Yousef Sha'ban Yaseen.
- (ii) Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up on the junction to the village of Al Jarba arrested Abdul Kareem Saleh Rabay'ah.
- <u>Destruction of Property</u>: The Israeli army demolished a sheep pen in the area of Al Buqei'a plain in the area of Northern Jordan Valley.
- <u>Closure</u>: 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:

- (i) 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 Deir al Ghusun to 'Attil plain; the road connecting the town of Kafr al Labad to the village of Shufa; the road to the town of Deir al Ghusun's plain; and the entrance to the village of 'Izbat Abu Khamish.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road connecting the town of Kafr al Labad to Dahiyat Dhinnaba in the city of Tulkarem.
- <u>Checkpoints</u>: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Jubara checkpoint (the southern entrance to the city of Tulkarem) as well as at 'Einav checkpoint (the eastern entrance to the city).
- <u>Wall Gates</u>: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
- **Flying Checkpoints:** At 09:50, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints, one at the entrance to the town of 'Illar and the other on the junction to the village of Al Jarushiya, and searched civilians and vehicles until 13:45.
- Raid: At 10:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Seida.

TULKAREM

QALQILIYA	Closure of Roads: 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. Wall Gates: (i) Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. (ii) 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 villages of Immatin and Kafr Laqif as well as east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and 'Azzun. Fiving Checkpoints: At 10:00, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints, one at the eastern entrance to the city of Qalqiliya and the other in the area between the villages of Ras 'Atiya and 'Izbat Jal'ud, and searched civilians and vehicles until 16:00. Raids/Air Patrol/Detentions: (i) At 14:00, Israeli Special Forces raided the city of Qalqiliya and arrested 1 civilian. (ii) At 01:00, Israeli troops, dispatched by a combat helicopter, raided and patrolled the village of Kafr Qaddum. (iii) At 03:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Ras Tira, searched a number of houses, and arrested 5 civilians as well as 1 Palestinian Preventive Security officer. The Israeli army also detained 1 civilian and 1 Palestinian National Security officer and withdrew at 05:30. Arrests: (i) The Israeli army arrested 5 civilians and 1 Palestinian security officer in the village of Ras Tira: (ii) Mohammed Hashem Mara'beh, a Palestinian Preventive Security officer; (iii) Ghazi Muhsen Mara'beh; (v) Lu'ay Younes Mara'beh; (vi) Yasser Sameeh Shawahneh; and
	(vii) Samer Ali Mara'beh.
NABLUS	 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) Huwwara and Beit Iba checkpoints (set up at the southern and western entrances to the city of Nablus respectively) are closed at 23:00. The Israeli army only allows civilian vehicles possessing access permits to cross these checkpoints. The Israeli army also searches civilians using metal detectors at Beit Iba checkpoint, impeding their access.
- (ii) 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.
- (iii) Beit Furik checkpoint is open to civilian residents of the town of Beit Furik and the village of Beit Dajan until 17:30.
- (iv) 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.
- <u>Flying Checkpoint</u>: At 18:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the town of 'Asira ash Shamaliya and the village of Talluza, searched civilians and vehicles, and arrested 4 civilians.

• Raids/Attacks/Destruction of Property:

- (i) At 18:40, the Israeli army raided the village of Burqa. While patrolling the area, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. At 01:00, the Israeli army raided the village again, searched 2 houses, and destroyed their furniture. The Israeli army also served summons to 3 civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency.
- (ii) At 01:25, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus and 'Ein Beit el Ma' refugee camp. In the city, the Israeli army opened indiscriminate fire and demolished the wall of a house. At 05:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.

• Arrests:

(i) At 01:30 on 08 August 2007, the Israeli army arrested 'Isa Ibrahim at Teerawi during its raid into the city of Nablus and the refugee camps of 'Askar and 'Ein Beit el Ma'.

Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up on the junction to the town of 'Asira ash Shamaliya and the village of Talluza arrested 4 civilians:

- (ii) Jalal Jaber al 'Ardhah;
- (iii) Ashraf Ijreiqi;
- (iv) Mahmoud Mousa an Nageeb; and
- (v) Salah Abu Fayed.

• Closure of Main Roads:

SALFIT

- (i) 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).
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western entrance to the village of Marda and, with cement blocks, the western entrance to the town of Kafr ad Dik.

- (v) The Israeli army raided the city of Beit Sahur and arrested 1 civilian.
- Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the village of Marah Rabah:
- (i) Waleed Mousa ash Sheikh; and
- (ii) Hussein Mohammed ash Sheikh.

The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the town of Za'tara:

- (iii) Hatem Mahameed; and
- (iv) As'ad Dakhl Allah.
- (v) The Israeli army arrested Khaled Khalil 'Awadh Allah in the city of Beit Sahur.

• 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. 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 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 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.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: 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 Ar Ramadin, and near the village of Imneizil southeast of the town of Yatta.

• Flying Checkpoints:

(i) At 11:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to the town of Halhul and searched civilians and vehicles.

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- (ii) At 18:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Idhna and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iii) At 21:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Fawwar junction and closed the road, claiming to be examining a suspicious object. The Israeli army reopened the road at a later time.
- (iv) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of As Sarra and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (v) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint along the Wadi Sa'ir road, searched civilians and vehicles, and arrested 2 civilians.

• Raids:

- (i) At 10:20, the Israeli army raided the town of Yatta, set up 2 checkpoints, and searched civilians and vehicles. The Israeli army also searched the offices of a charitable association and served summons to a number of civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. At 03:45, the Israeli army raided the town again, searched 1 house, and arrested 1 civilian.
- (ii) At 17:55, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, searched the offices of a deaf society, and arrested 1 civilian. At 01:30, the Israeli army raided the city again and patrolled the area.
- (iii) At 21:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Adh Dhahiriya.
- (iv) At 24:00, the Israeli army raided Al Fawwar refugee camp and arrested 1 civilian.
- <u>Arrests</u>: Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up along the Wadi Sa'ir road arrested 2 civilians:
- (i) Hazem Hashem Abu Mahameed; and
- (ii) As'ad Mohammed al Hajahjeh.
- (iii) The Israeli army arrested Bassam Mohammed Abu 'Ubeid in the town of Yatta.
- (iv) The Israeli army arrested Muneer Sa'eed Abu Rammuz in the city of Hebron.
- (v) The Israeli army arrested Mohammed Naji Nassar in Al Fawwar refugee camp.

GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA

- <u>Closure of Crossing Point:</u> Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is closed. Only humanitarian cases are allowed access, after prior coordination. A number of civilians, who had been stranded on the Egyptian side of Rafah Crossing, were also allowed access.
- Attack/Injuries: At 15:00, the Israeli army opened fire from one of its locations in the area surrounding Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing towards armed Palestinian individuals north of the town of Beit Hanun, killing 1 armed individual and injuring 2 other individuals as well as 1 civilian.
- <u>Killing</u>: The Israeli army killed Ikrami Abu 'Amsheh north of the town of Beit Hanun.

	 Raid/Air Patrols/Attack: At 01:00, Israeli Special Forces, supported by Israeli army tanks, armoured vehicles, and 1 bulldozer, raided Palestinian territory near Al Waha Tourist Resort northwest of the town of Beit Lahiya, whilst combat helicopters and reconnaissance aircraft patrolled the skies over the area. The Israeli army also opened intensive fire towards civilian houses. Additionally, an armed confrontation took place between the Israeli army and armed Palestinian individuals. Air Patrol: At 15:00, Israeli combat helicopters patrolled the skies over the district of Northern Gaza. Palestinian Attack: In the afternoon on 08 August 2007, 3 mortars were fired towards the Green Line. 		
GAZA	 Closure of Crossing Points: (i) Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed. (ii) Ash Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is partially open for transportation of fuel only. Air Patrol: At 15:00, Israeli combat helicopters patrolled the skies over the district of Gaza. 		
CENTRAL GAZA	 Palestinian Attacks/Israeli Attack: (i) At 11:15, armed Palestinian individuals opened fire towards Israeli troops positioned near Kessufim gate on the Green Line. Consequently, Israeli troops opened fire towards Palestinian territory. (ii) In the evening on 08 August 2007, armed Palestinian individuals opened fire towards Israeli troops positioned near Kessufim gate on the Green Line. Consequently, Israeli troops opened fire towards Palestinian territory. 		
KHAN YUNIS	 Air Patrol: At 08:50, Israeli combat helicopters patrolled the skies over the district of Khan Yunis. Palestinian Attack: At 08:55, 2 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line. 		
RAFAH	 Closure of Crossing Points: Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. Rafah Crossing is closed. Sufa Crossing is closed Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed. 		