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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT 08:00 10 May 2007 – 08:00 11 May 2007

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	4	_	4	Incl. a pregnant woman and infant son
Attacks	8	1	9	Incl. 4 in raids & 2 from military posts
Raids	22	3	25	Incl. 5 in Bethlehem & 4 in Hebron
Air Patrol	_	1	1	Helicopters over Northern Gaza district
Arrests	14	2	16	Incl. 1 child & 2 Pal. security officers
Expulsion	*	_	_	Notice for evacuation of 4 houses in Jenin
Detentions	19	_	19	Incl. 1 Palestinian security officer
Wall Construction	25	_	25	Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Hebron, Beth.
House Occupations	3	_	3	Converted into military posts, Bethlehem
Closure of Checkpoints	17	_	17	Incl. access impeded at 8 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	9	_	9	Incl. 2 in Jerusalem and 5 in Jenin
Closure (per District)	6	_	6	Incl. Jerusalem and Tulkarem partially
Closure of Main Roads	36	_	36	Incl. 3 in Jerusalem & 4 in Ramallah
Closure of Crossing Points		5	5	Incl. Beit Hanun (Erez) partially
Settler Violence	2	_	2	Incl. fire opened towards a security officer
Palestinian Attacks	_	6	6	7 mortars fired towards the Green Line
TOTAL	165	18	183	

DISTRICT EVENT

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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.
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 the 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 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 crossing for holders of Jerusalem IDs and those possessing permits to access the city of 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.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil as well as the road to the village of Ras Karkar. The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the western entrance to the village of Saffa.

(ii	i) At 07:30 on 10 May 2007, the Israeli army closed the iron gate installed
	at the entrance to the village of At Tira and denied civilian access to
	and from the village.
•	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 Oaddis.

• Raids:

- (i) At 11:50, the Israeli army raided the town of Turmus'ayya, served summons to a number of civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency, and withdrew at 13:00.
- (ii) At 16:05, and again at 00:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city El Bireh.

• <u>Closure of Roads</u>: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the unpaved detour roads leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan.

• <u>Checkpoint</u>: 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:

- (i) Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
- (ii) Beginning on 29 March 2007, the Israeli army has continued to regulate times to open Al Jalama and Salim Wall gates between 06:30 until 10:00 and 17:00 until 21:00 respectively.

Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up 4 flying checkpoints on the junctions to the towns of 'Arraba and Az Zababida as well as the villages of Al Kufeir and Al Jarba and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 13:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Al Jalama, searched civilians and vehicles, and arrested 1 civilian.

• Raids:

- (i) At 22:00, the Israeli army, including 7 jeeps, raided the village of Kafr Dan. While patrolling the area, an armed confrontation took place between the Israeli army and armed Palestinian individuals.
- (ii) At 23:15, the Israeli army raided the area surrounding the village of Al Jalama and combed greenhouses.
- (iii) At 03:20, the Israeli army raided the town of Al Yamun. An armed conformation took place between the Israeli army and armed Palestinian individuals. At 04:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area
- <u>Arrest</u>: Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up at the entrance to the village of Al Jalama arrested Ayman Ahmed Hanaysheh.

JENIN

	 Expulsion: At 08:30, the Israeli army distributed notices for the evacuation of 4 houses in the area of Al Hadidiya east of the town of Tuba within 48 hours, claiming that the area is a closed military zone. The houses belong to: Ali ash Sheikh Mifleh Bani 'Odeh; Mohammed Mahmoud Abu al Kabsh; Mohammed Fahed Bani 'Odeh; and Abdul Raheem Hussein Bsharat.
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 Deir al Ghusun to 'Attil plain, the road connecting the town of Kafr al Labad to the village of Shufa, and the road to the town of Deir al Ghusun's plain. Checkpoints: 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). Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. Raids: At 01:40, the Israeli army, including 8 jeeps, raided and combed the area between the towns of 'Anabta and Kafr Rumman. At 03:50, the Israeli army raided the city of Tulkarem, arrested 1 civilian, and withdrew at 07:50. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Majdi Dawoud 'Isa 'Awadh in the city of 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. 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. Raid: At 11:00, the Israeli army, including 22 jeeps, raided the city of Qalqiliya, searched 1 house, and arrested 2 brothers, including a Palestinian Preventive Security officer. At 12:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 1 civilian and 1 Palestinian security officer in the city of Qalqiliya: Amjad Husam al Qadhi, a Palestinian Preventive Security officer; and Nash'at Husam al Qadhi.

• 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.
- <u>Checkpoints/Detentions/Attack/Injuries</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.
- (v) At 10:30, the Israeli army closed Beit Iba checkpoint and detained 2 civilians, allegedly because they carried a suspicious object. At 12:00, the Israeli army reopened the checkpoint, after having released the detained civilians.
- (vi) At 11:00, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Al Badhan checkpoint and fired sound grenades towards civilians waiting at both sides of the checkpoint to cross, injuring Wafa' Mustafa Dawwas, a pregnant female civilian, as well as her son Abdullah, 8 months old.

• Raids/Attack:

- (i) At 22:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus and patrolled the area until 22:30.
- (ii) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus and Balata refugee camp. While searching a number of houses, the Israeli army opened intensive fire. The Israeli army also arrested 1 civilian in the refugee camp. At 03:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.

• Arrests:

- (i) Israeli troops positioned at Huwwara checkpoint arrested Sami Waleed Salahat.
- (ii) The Israeli army arrested Sabe' Muneer at Teeti in Balata refugee camp.
- <u>Detention</u>: At 13:30, Israeli troops positioned at Al Badhan checkpoint detained Sa'eed al Keelani, a Palestinian National Security officer, until 14:30.

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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 entrance to the village of Marda and, 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 impede civilian access. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area 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: At 18:50, the Israeli army raided the village of Yasuf, set up a checkpoint at its western entrance, and searched civilians and vehicles. While patrolling the area, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. At 20:30, 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. 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 connecting the districts of Jericho and Ramallah. At 10:00, the Israeli army closed the DCO checkpoint set up at the southern entrance to the city of Jericho and denied civilian access in both directions. Arrest: Israeli troops positioned at a checkpoint set up on the outskirts of the city of Jericho arrested Mahir Abdul 'Aziz 'Amr, a Palestinian Civil Defence officer.
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. The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the detour roads leading to the town of Tuqu'.

• <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the town of Al Khadr, northwest of the city of Beit Jala, and in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of the settlement of Efrat.

• Raids/Attacks/Injury/Detention/House Occupations:

- (i) Beginning at 01:30 on 09 May 2007, the Israeli army remained positioned in the village of Ash Shawawra. Confrontations took place between civilians and the Israeli army, while it was surrounding a house belonging to a Palestinian General Intelligence officer (described by the Israeli authorities as a "wanted individual"). As a result, the Israeli army injured 1 civilian. In addition, the Israeli army detained another civilian, released him at a later time, occupied the roofs of a number of houses, and converted them into military posts. The Israeli army also opened intensive fire indiscriminately and withdrew at 15:30.
- (ii) At 23:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Al Khadr and searched 2 houses.
- (iii) At 01:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the cities of Bethlehem and Beit Jala.
- (iv) The Israeli army raided the village of Nahhalin and arrested 1 civilian.
- <u>Arrest</u>: The Israeli army arrested Tayseer Hasan Najajreh in the village of Nahhalin.

• 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 to and from 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.

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- (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 Checkpoint:** At 21:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Sa'ir and searched civilians and vehicles.
- Raids:
- (i) At dawn on 10 May 2007, the Israeli army raided the town of Dura, searched a number of houses, and arrested 3 civilians.
- (ii) At 01:00, the Israeli army raided the towns of Halhul, Beit Ummar, and Beit 'Awwa as well as searched a number of houses.
- Arrests: At 04:00 on 10 May 2007, the Israeli army arrested 3 civilians, including 1 child, during its raid into the town of Tarqumiya:
- (i) Ala' ad Din Ghazi Qa'qour, 15 years old;
- (ii) Dhiya' ad Din Ghazi Qa'qour; and
- (iii) Nader Mohammed Tneineh.

The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in the town of Dura:

- (iv) Yousef Abdul Lateef 'Amr;
- (v) Nihad Mhawesh 'Amr; and
- (vi) Ahmed Hussein Abu Zneid.
- Settler Violence/Attack/Injury:
- (i) At 20:20, Israeli settlers from the settlement of Kiryat Arba' in the old city of Hebron opened fire towards and injured Abdullah Khalifeh Da'na, a Palestinian National Security officer, while he was present in his house near the settlement.
- (ii) Everyday, Israeli settlers from the settlement of Beit Hadassah throw garbage and discharge waste water onto civilians crossing Ash Shalala old street in the old city of Hebron.

GAZA STRIP

The ceasefire agreement that entered into force at 06:00 on 26 November 2006 remains effective. However, the Israeli army opened fire towards Palestinian territory on 1 occasion. The Israeli army also carried out 3 raids into Palestinian territory, during one of which the Israeli army arrested 2 civilians (brothers). In addition, Israeli combat helicopters patrolled the skies over Palestinian territory on 1 occasion. Moreover, armed Palestinian individuals fired 7 mortars towards the Green Line, of which 3 mortars exploded in the areas from which they were launched. Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open to foreign nationals, humanitarian cases, and VIPs.

	 Raid: At 01:10, the Israeli army, including 2 armoured vehicles, raided 500 metres into Palestinian territory near Point 51 on the Green Line in the area of Abu Safiya southeast of the town of Beit Hanun, thereby violating the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement. Air Patrol: At 12:15, Israeli combat helicopters patrolled the skies over the district of Northern Gaza. Palestinian Attacks: In violation of the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement, armed Palestinian individuals fired 5 mortars towards the Green Line, as follows: At 16:40, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line. At 17:20, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line, but it exploded in the area from which it was launched. At 04:20, 2 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line. At 07:40, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line, but it exploded in the area from which it was launched.
GAZA	• Raid: At 02:40, the Israeli army, including 2 armoured vehicles, raided 500 metres into Palestinian territory near Point 65 on the Green Line east of Gaza city, thereby violating the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement.
CENTRAL GAZA	 Palestinian Attacks: In violation of the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement, armed Palestinian individuals fired 2 mortars towards the Green Line, as follows: At 10:40, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line. At 10:20, 1 mortar was fired towards the Green Line, but it landed on Palestinian territory.
KHAN YUNIS	<u>Attack</u> : At 18:20, the Israeli army opened fire from the area near Point 164 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory northeast of the town of 'Abasan al Kabira, thereby violating the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement.
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. Raid: At 03:00 on 10 May 2007, in violation of the Israeli-Palestinian ceasefire agreement, Israeli Special Forces raided the area Al 'Umur north of Sufa Crossing east of the city of Rafah and arrested 2 civilians (brothers). Arrests: Israeli Special Forces arrested 2 civilians in the area of Al 'Umur north of Sufa Crossing east of the city of Rafah: 'Uthman Abdullah Mihsen Abu M'ammar; and Mousa Abdullah Mihsen Abu M'ammar.