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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 14 August 2007 – 08:00 15 August 2007

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Deaths	_	2	2	2 armed Pal. Individuals in Khan Yunis
Injuries	_	5	5	All armed Palestinian individuals
Air Attacks	_	2	2	Missiles fired by UAVs, Khan Yunis
Attacks	2	6	8	7 in raids and 1 by combat helicopters
Raids	26	2	28	Incl. 5 in Jenin and 6 in Tulkarem
Air Patrols	2	2	4	3 by helicopters & 1 by reconnaissance
Arrests (per person)	14	10	24	Incl. 4 in Nablus and 10 in Northern Gaza
Detentions	17	1	18	At checkpoints and in residential areas
Land Levelling		2	2	In Northern Gaza and Khan Yunis
Wall Construction	25		25	Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Hebron, Beth.
Destruction of Property		3	3	Agricultural crops and 1 house damaged
Confiscation of Property	2		2	Computers and files from a charity, Jenin
House Occupations	1	15	16	1 in Nablus and 15 in Khan Yunis
Closure of Checkpoints	14	_	14	Incl. access impeded at 7 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	13		13	Incl. 2 in Jerusalem and 4 in Jenin
Closure (per District)	6		6	Incl. Jerusalem and Tulkarem partially
Closure of Main Roads	38		38	Incl. 2 in Bethlehem & 12 in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points		7	7	Humanitarian cases & fuel allowed
Settler Violence	1		1	Agricultural land set on fire, Hebron
Palestinian Attacks	_	5	5	Incl. 10 mortars fired towards Green Line
Pal. Security Measure	1		1	1 illegal vehicle handed over, Qalqiliya
TOTAL	162	62	224	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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WEST BANK

The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints set up ALL on the main roads connecting the West Bank districts, thereby isolating the **DISTRICTS** northern districts from the southern districts as well as the Jericho district 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:** The Israeli army continues to close the entrance opposite the junction to (i) Dahiyat al Bareed in the city of Jerusalem with a barbed wire gate and to deny civilian access. The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting Dahiyat al (ii) Bareed to the town of Ar Ram in order to complete Wall construction in the area. The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and dirt (iii) 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 crossing for holders of Jerusalem IDs and those possessing permits to access the city of Jerusalem. **Wall Gates: JERUSALEM** 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 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: At 02:20, the Israeli army raided Qalandiya refugee camp and

Arrests:

arrested 1 civilian.

- (i) The Israeli army arrested Abdul Raheem Khalil al 'Abbasi in the neighbourhood of Silwan in the city of Jerusalem.
- The Israeli army arrested 'Ammar Yasser Muteir in Qalandiya refugee (ii) camp.

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 Qaddis. RAMALLAH Raids: At 09:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Kafr Malik and arrested (i) **EL BIREH** 3 civilians. At 17:35, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Mazari' an (ii) Nubani. (iii) At 21:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Kafr 'Ein. At 02:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of El Bireh. (iv) **Arrests:** The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in the village of Kafr Malik: Anwar Shakir Bu'eirat: (i) Ala' Dawoud Shakir; and (ii) Mohammed 'Awwad. (iii) **Detention:** At 12:30, Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint set up on the overpass to the town of 'Atara detained Rafe' Tawfeeq Rawajbeh, a Palestinian security officer, and released him at 13:30, after liaison with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO). 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. **JENIN Flying Checkpoints:** At 23:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near Haddad (i) Tourist Complex and searched civilians and vehicles. The Israeli army set up 3 flying checkpoints on the junctions to the (ii) towns of Az Zababida and 'Arraba as well as the village of Al Kufeir and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids/Attack/Air Patrol/Confiscation of Property: At 22:30, the Israeli army raided the village of 'Aggaba and fired sound (i) grenades, while patrolling the area.

	 (ii) At 23:00, Israeli troops, dispatched by combat helicopters, raided and combed the area between the town of Tammun and the village of Al Far'a as well as the area near the villages of Sir and Al Kufeir. (iii) At 01:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Jenin. (iv) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Tubas, searched the offices of a charitable association, and confiscated computers and files. At 03:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. (v) At 03:10, the Israeli army raided the town of Kafr Ra'i, searched 1 house, arrested 1 child, and withdrew at 03:40. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested 16-year-old Jalal Jamal Milhem in the town of Kafr Ra'i.
	 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: (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).
TULKAREM	 Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
	• Flying Checkpoints:
	(i) At 13:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to
	the town of Bal'a and searched civilians and vehicles until 14:00.
	(ii) At 17:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Al Jarushiya and searched civilians and vehicles.
	• Raids:
	(i) At 11:50, the Israeli army raided Dahiyat Dhinnaba in the city of
	Tulkarem and patrolled the area until 12:10.
	(ii) At 14:20, the Israeli army raided the town of Bal'a and patrolled the
	area until 15:00.
	(iii) At 23:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of 'Izbat at Tayyah.
	(iv) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Zeita and patrolled the area until 03:30.
	(v) At 03:40, the Israeli army, including 11 jeeps, raided the town of 'Illar,

searched 1 house, and withdrew at 04:00.

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The Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Ramin.

	• Arrest: At 03:00 on 14 August 2007, the Israeli army arrested Faze' Abdul Shafi during its raid into 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 as well as the road connecting the town of 'Azzun to the village of 'Izbat at Tabib. 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. Raids: At 09:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Qalqiliya and the village of Ramin. At 01:40, the Israeli army raided the city of Qalqiliya and patrolled the area until 03:30. Palestinian Security Measure: At 10:00, Palestinian security forces handed over 1 illegal vehicle, seized in the city of Qalqiliya, to the Israeli authorities (through the DCO).
NABLUS	 Closure of Main Roads: 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. 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. The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the village of Al Lubban ash Sharqiya with dirt barricades and cement blocks. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus: 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. 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. Beit Furik checkpoint is open to civilian residents of the town of Beit Furik and the village of Beit Dajan until 17:30.

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	 (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. • Raid/House Occupation/Attack: At 05:45, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus, occupied 1 building, and converted it into a military post. Having forced residents to evacuate, the Israeli army also opened fire towards a house. In addition, the Israeli army arrested 2 civilians and withdrew at 08:00. • Arrests: At 02:30 on 14 August 2007, the Israeli army arrested 2 civilians during its raid into the city of Nablus and 'Ein Beit el Ma' refugee camp: (i) Mansour Ali Asslan; and (ii) Ayman Mousa Abu Shallal. The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the city of Nablus: (iii) Mahir Fat'h Allah 'Awwadeh; and (iv) Omar Mu'alla.
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 impeded 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. Flying Checkpoint: The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Qarawat Bani Hassan and searched civilians and vehicles. Raid/Air Patrol: Israeli troops, dispatched by a combat helicopter, raided and combed the area between the town of Az Zawiya and the village of Rafat.
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. Arrest: At 12:00, Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint set up on the junction to the village of Al 'Auja arrested Saleh Ahmed Qusoul.
BETHLEHEM	 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. Wall Construction: 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. Flying Checkpoint: At 01:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area of An Nashash (the southern entrance to the city of Bethlehem) and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids: At 10:00, the Israeli army raided the towns of Al 'Ubeidiya and Za'tara and arrested 2 civilians. At 01:30, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided and patrolled the town of Al Khadr. Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the towns of Al 'Ubeidiya and Za'tara: Kan'an Mahmoud Abu 'Eideh; and Muhtaseb Mahmoud al 'Assa.
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:

- (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.
- 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 Ar Ramadin, and near the village of Imneizil southeast of the town of Yatta.

• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 16:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the area of An Nabi Yunis and denied civilian access, claiming to be investigating a suspicious object.
- (ii) At 16:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to the town of Halhul and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iii) At 01:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area of As Simiya between the towns of Yatta and As Samoa' and searched civilians and vehicles.
- Raids: At 09:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron. At 23:30, the Israeli army raided the city again and patrolled the area until 03:00.
- <u>Settler Violence</u>: At 15:00, a group of Israeli settlers set fire to a piece of agricultural land belonging to the family of Abu Heikal in the neighbourhoods of Tal Rumeida in the old city of Hebron.

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.
- Raid/Attack/Land Levelling: Beginning at 01:00 on 14 August 2007, the Israeli army remained positioned in the area surrounding Al Waha Tourist Resort northwest of the town of Beit Lahiya and opened intensive fire towards civilian houses. An armed confrontation also took place between the Israeli army and armed Palestinian individuals. In addition, the Israeli army arrested 10 civilians and levelled agricultural land.
- Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 10 unidentified civilians in the area surrounding Al Waha Tourist Complex northwest of the town of Beit Lahiya.

	Palestinian Attacks: (i) At 16:00, 2 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line. (ii) In the evening on 14 August 2007, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line. Change of Green in Paint.
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. Palestinian Attack: At dawn on 15 August 2007, 2 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line.
CENTRAL GAZA	• Palestinian Attack: At 19:40, 5 mortars were fired towards the Green Line.
KHAN YUNIS	 Raids/Air Patrols/Attack/Air Attacks/Injuries/Destruction of Property: Beginning at 01:00 on 14 August 2007, the Israeli army, covered by combat helicopters and reconnaissance aircraft, remained positioned in the town of Al Qarara, the area of Al Farahin, and the area east of the village of 'Abasan as Saghira in the eastern Khan Yunis district. Israeli armoured vehicles and helicopters opened intensive fire and tanks fired shells towards civilian houses. An armed confrontation also took place between the Israeli army and armed Palestinian individuals. On 2 occasions, Israeli UAVs fired missiles towards armed Palestinian groups, killing 2 armed Palestinian individuals and injuring 5 others. Of those injured, 1 individual was in critical condition. Moreover, the Israeli army damaged a house, occupied the roofs of 15 houses and buildings, and converted them into military posts. The Israeli army also searched a number of houses, detained as well as interrogated 80 civilians, arrested a number of civilians, and levelled agricultural land. At 18:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. Killings: The Israeli air force killed 2 armed Palestinian individuals in the town of Al Qarara and east of the village of 'Abasan as Saghira: Ahmed Kamal al Qarra; and Mus'ab Abu Jame'. Arrests: The Israeli army arrested an unknown number of civilians in the town of Al Qarara and east of the village of 'Abasan as Saghira.
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. Palestinian Attack: In the evening on 14 August 2007, 3 mortars were fired towards Sufa Crossing on the Green Line.