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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 16 October 2005 – 08:00 17 October 2005

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Death	1	—	1	1 civilian at a checkpoint in Jenin
Injuries	3	—	3	2 children and 1 elderly civilian
Attacks	11	—	11	Incl. 6 in raids & 1 by Israeli settlers
Raids	28	4	32	Incl. 12 in Hebron & 2 in C. Gaza
Arrests	32	—	32	Incl. 3 children & 1 university student
Detentions	17	—	17	At checkpoints & in residential areas
Land Levelling	—	3	3	Incl. north of Sufa Crossing in Rafah
Wall Construction	24	—	24	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Beth., Salfit, Qalq.
Destruction of Property	3	—	3	Incl. 1 commercial shop damaged
Curfew	3	—	3	Incl. Al 'Arrub RC and Beit Ummar
Checkpoint	1	—	1	Za'tara checkpoint closed
Flying Checkpoints	23	—	23	Incl. 5 in Ramallah & 5 in Jenin
Closure (per District)	6	—	6	Incl. all entrances to Hebron
Closure of Main Roads	10	—	10	Incl. Road # 60 leading to Jerusalem
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)	—	(All)	Incl. searches at 'Azzun 'Atma gate
Closure of Crossing Points	—	3	3	Incl. Rafah Crossing closed
Settlement Activity	1	—	1	Karmel settlement expanded
Settler Violence	4	—	4	Incl. forest trees set on fire near Salim
Palestinian Attacks	3	—	3	Incl. open fire towards settlers
Pal. Security Measure	1	—	1	2 explosive devices to be defused
TOTAL	171	10	181	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem and has set up several checkpoints in the old city of Jerusalem and around Al Aqsa Mosque compound. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Qalandiya checkpoint and to impede civilian access. • Wall Gates: The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Dahiyat al Aqbat, from the village of Hizma to 'Anata, along the Hizma-Jaba' road, the area of Al 'Eizariya to Ash Shayyah, near Al Quds University, in the town of As Sawahira ash Sharqiya, from the village of Beit Surik to Biddu, and in the areas of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the areas of Al Midya to Budrus, Al Midya to Ni'lin, Bil'in to Saffa, in the village of Beit Liqya, and in the town of Beituniya. • Flying Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 16:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the Ramallah-Bir Zeit road, searched civilian vehicles, and impeded civilian access. (ii) At 19:30, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints on the overpass to the town of 'Atara and on the junction to the settlement of Halamish, searched civilian vehicles, and impeded civilian access. (iii) At 20:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the villages of An Nabi Salih and Kafr 'Ein and searched civilians and vehicles until 02:00. (iv) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Turmus'ayya and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids/Curfew: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 22:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Kafr 'Ein. (ii) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Beituniya, searched 1 building, and arrested 2 civilians, including 1 university student. (iii) At 02:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Qarawat Bani Zeid, imposed curfew, searched a number of houses, and arrested 4 civilians. (iv) At 03:25, the Israeli army, including 10 jeeps, raided the city of Ramallah and searched a number of houses. • Arrests: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 22:40 on 15 October 2005, the Israeli army arrested Mohammed Mousa al Hajj in the village of Beit Sira. <p>The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the town of Beituniya:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) Hussein Abdul Haleem al Ghouti, a university student; and

	<p>(iii) Mus'ab Fat'hi al Barari. The Israeli army arrested 4 civilians in the village of Qarawat Bani Zeid:</p> <p>(iv) Khaled Taleb 'Arar; (v) Mahmoud Taleb 'Arar; (vi) Omar Jabr al Jiji; and (vii) Usamah Fayez 'Arar.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Palestinian Security Measure:</u> At 13:30, Palestinian security forces requested from the Israeli authorities (through the DCO) to schedule an appointment to defuse 2 explosive devices located in the city of Ramallah.
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint east of the town of Tubas and to impede civilian access. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 16:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Ash Shuhada' junction south of the city of Jenin, searched civilians and vehicles, and opened fire towards 1 civilian vehicle attempting to flee from the checkpoint, killing the civilian driver and injuring 65-year-old Husni Abu Shoubash who happened to be in the area at the time. (ii) At 21:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Tammun and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 21:00, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints at the entrances to the town of Birqin and the village of Kafr Dan, searched civilian vehicles, and impeded civilian access. (iv) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrances to villages of 'Ein al Beida and Bardala in the Northern Jordan Valley and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 23:00, the Israeli army, including 10 jeeps, raided the town of Ya'bad, searched a number of houses, and arrested 7 civilians, including 3 children. At 24:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. (ii) At 01:30, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided the town of Tubas, searched 2 houses, arrested 1 civilian, and withdrew at 03:30. • <u>Killing:</u> Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up on Ash Shuhada' junction killed Nihad Isma'il Abu Ghanim. • <u>Arrests:</u> The Israeli army arrested 7 civilians in the town of Ya'bad: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Yousef 'Uqab Abdul Jabbar 'Abed, 14 years old; (ii) Zeid 'Uqab Abdul Jabbar 'Abed, 16 years old; (iii) Nidhal Ya'qoub Abdul Jabbar 'Abed, 16 years old; (iv) Mohammed Ahmed Turkman; (v) 'Uqab Abdul Jabbar 'Abed; (vi) Abdul Jabbar 'Uqab 'Abed; and (vii) Ya'qoub Abdul Jabbar 'Abed.

	<p>(viii) The Israeli army arrested Qussay Ibrahim Sawaftah in the town of Tubas.</p>
<p>TULKAREM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close the iron gate set up on the junction to the settlement of 'Einav along the Tulkarem-Nablus road, preventing civilians from crossing in both directions. • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • Flying Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 24:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Jubara tunnel road and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the town of Kafr al Labad and the village of Al Hafasa and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raid/Detention: At 02:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Qaffin, searched a number of houses, arrested 4 civilians, and detained 2 others. At 04:50, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 4 civilians in the town of Qaffin: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Amin Ahmed Tu'meh; (ii) Mohammed Mustafa I'mariyyeh; (iii) 'Abed Ya'qoub Kittaneh; and (iv) Nassri Sadeq Abu Bakr. • Palestinian Attack: At 01:30, armed Palestinian individuals opened fire towards Israeli troops positioned at the DCO offices west of the city of Tulkarem.
<p>QALQILIYA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Gates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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 village of Immatin and in the area east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and 'Azzun. • Flying Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 18:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Jinsafut leading to Wadi Qana road and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 20:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the eastern entrance to the city of Qalqiliya, searched civilian vehicles, and impeded civilian movement.

<p style="text-align: center;">NABLUS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the main road leading to the district of Jenin between the junction to the village of Deir Sharaf and the settlement of Shavei Shomron. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting the city of Nablus and the town of 'Asira ash Shamaliya. • <u>Raids/Destruction of Property:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Beginning at 07:35 on 16 October 2005, the Israeli army remained positioned in the village of Kafr Qalil and arrested 2 civilians, in addition to those reported yesterday. At 10:45, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. (ii) At 00:20, the Israeli army raided the village of Deir al Hatab and searched 1 house, damaging furniture. (iii) At 03:00, the Israeli army raided Balata refugee camp, searched 1 house, and withdrew at 05:00. • <u>Arrests:</u> The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the village of Kafr Qalil: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) 'Assem Walid 'Amer; and (ii) Iyad Dawoud 'Amer. (iii) At 18:30, Israeli troops positioned at Beit Iba checkpoint west of the city of Nablus arrested Dr. Khader Abdul Ra'ouf Sondak, Dean of the Islamic Studies Faculty at An Najah University and a candidate running for the upcoming Palestinian Legislative elections. • <u>Settler Violence:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 18:20, a group of Israeli settlers set fire to forest trees in the vicinity of the village of Salim. (ii) At 07:30, a group of Israeli settlers threw stones at civilians and prevented them from crossing the checkpoint set up at the entrance to the town of Beit Furik. • <u>Palestinian Attack:</u> At 18:30, armed Palestinian individuals opened fire towards a number of Israeli settlers near the settlement of 'Eli in the vicinity of the village of Al Lubban ash Sharqi.
<p style="text-align: center;">SALFIT</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the main north-western entrance to the city of Salfit with dirt barricades. The road has been closed since the beginning of the current <i>Intifada</i> (Uprising). (ii) At 22:20, the Israeli army closed the Trans-Samaria Highway, denying access to civilians until further notice. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close Deir Ballut checkpoint overnight and open it at various times in the morning, impeding civilian movement. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the village of Qarawat Bani Hassan with an iron gate.

	<p>(iii) At 22:20, the Israeli army closed the Za'tara junction checkpoint, denying civilian access in both directions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues near the Green Line in the town of Deir Ballut and the villages of Az Zawiya and Rafat, northwest of the city of Salfit, and in the villages of Marda and Kifl Haris north of the settlement of Ari'el. • Flying Checkpoints: <p>(i) At 12:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to the village of Iskaka and searched civilians and vehicles until 13:00.</p> <p>(ii) At 14:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the road connecting the town of Bruqin and the village of Qarawat Bani Zeid and searched civilians and vehicles until 15:00.</p> • Raids/Detention: <p>(i) At 19:35, the Israeli army raided the town of Marda, opened fire, fired sonic bombs, detained 3 civilians, and interrogated them. At 22:30, the Israeli army released the detained civilians.</p> <p>(ii) At 19:35, an Israeli army patrol raided the villages of 'Ammuriya and Khirbet Qeis, set up a checkpoint at the southern entrance to the city of Salfit, searched civilians and vehicles, and withdrew at 01:40.</p> <p>(iii) At 19:40, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the town of Deir Istiya, searched 1 house, and withdrew at 23:00.</p>
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The road between the city of Jericho and the village of Al 'Auja (Road # 90) is closed with cement blocks. The Israeli army continues to prevent farmers not holding Jericho ID cards from reaching their agricultural land, forcing them to apply for access permits. The Israeli army also sporadically impedes civilian movement into the city of Jericho, except for holders of Jerusalem and Jericho ID cards. • Checkpoints/Detention: <p>(i) At 19:30, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Al Hamra checkpoint on the road connecting the districts of Jericho and Nablus. The Israeli army also detained dozens of civilians, including those travelling to Saudi Arabia to perform <i>Al 'Umrah</i> ("minor pilgrimage") in Mecca.</p> <p>(ii) At 11:10, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at the DCO checkpoint set up at the southern entrance to the city of Jericho and impeded civilian access in both directions.</p> • Flying Checkpoint: At 18:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Mu'arajat road connecting the districts of Jericho and Ramallah and searched civilians and vehicles.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army continues to close the road to the village of An Nu'man in the north-eastern Bethlehem district, isolating the village. The Israeli army considers the civilians' residence in the village illegal.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 16:40, the Israeli army closed Road # 60 leading to the city of Jerusalem, denying access to civilians. (ii) At 07:30, the Israeli army closed all roads to Road # 60 leading to the city of Jerusalem, thereby isolating the city of Bethlehem along with its towns and villages located west of Road # 60. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues north of 'Ayda refugee camp towards the area north of the city of Beit Jala. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 19:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Al Khadr and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 20:25, the Israeli army, including several jeeps and 1 bulldozer, raided the town of Al Khadr, placed cement blocks, and erected dirt barricades on Al Madares junction in the town. (ii) At 21:15, Israeli army infantry forces raided 'Ayda refugee camp, fired sonic bombs and flares while patrolling the area, and withdrew at 22:15. • <u>Palestinian Attack:</u> At 16:40, armed Palestinian individuals driving a vehicle opened fire towards a number of Israeli settlers near the settlement of Kfar 'Etzion on the Hebron-Bethlehem main road, killing 3 settlers and injuring 3 others. Consequently, the Israeli army imposed a closure on the districts of Hebron and Bethlehem and set up a number of checkpoints on Road # 60 connecting the 2 districts.
HEBRON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and barbed wire Ash Shuhada' Street and the area of As Sahleh and with an iron gate the old gold market, all in the H2 section of the city of Hebron, denying access to civilians and vehicles. (ii) The Israeli army imposed a complete closure on the city of Hebron and closed all entrances to the city with checkpoints after armed Palestinian individuals opened fire towards a number of Israeli settlers near the settlement of Kfar 'Etzion on the Hebron-Bethlehem main road. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues west of the town of Surif to Beit Ula, in the town of Idhna, from the village of Deir Samit to the village of Beit 'Awwa, from Beit 'Awwa to the village of Al Burj, and south of the towns of Adh Dhahiriya and As Samoa'. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 09:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Fawwar junction south of the city of Hebron and searched civilian vehicles. • <u>Raids/Curfews:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 12:10, the Israeli army raided the town of Adh Dhahiriya and Al Fawwar refugee camp and arrested 7 civilians. (ii) At 18:00, the Israeli army raided Al 'Arrub refugee camp, opened indiscriminate fire, imposed curfew, and patrolled the area.

- (iii) At 18:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, set up a checkpoint in the area of Al Hawouz, and arrested 3 civilians. At 00:30, the Israeli army raided the city again, set up 2 checkpoints in area of Wadi al Hariya and on Al Manara Roundabout, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area.
 - (iv) At 20:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Ummar and imposed curfew. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians.
 - (v) At 20:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Surif. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians.
 - (vi) At 20:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Tarqumiya and opened fire towards civilians, injuring 1 child.
 - (vii) At 20:15, the Israeli army raided the town of Sa'ir and searched a number of houses.
 - (viii) At 22:00, the Israeli army raided the towns of Dura and Beit 'Awwa. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians in the 2 towns, during which the Israeli army injured 1 child in the town of Beit 'Awwa.
 - (ix) The Israeli army raided the town of Idhna and searched a number of houses.
 - **Arrests:** The Israeli army arrested 7 civilians in the town of Adh Dhahiriya and Al Fawwar refugee camp:
 - (i) Mamdouh Hashem Qeisiyyeh;
 - (ii) Mohammed Abdullah Qteish.
 - (iii) Amir Yousef al Khdeirat;
 - (iv) Mahmoud Hasan Shneiwer;
 - (v) Isma'il Yousef al Khdeirat;
 - (vi) Mohammed al Khdeirata; and
 - (vii) Amjad al Khdeirat.
- Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up in the area of Al Hawouz in the city of Hebron arrested 3 civilians:
- (viii) Saleh an Natsheh;
 - (ix) Ayman an Natsheh; and
 - (x) A civilian from Nasser ad Din family.
- **Settlement Activity:** The Israeli army began expanding the settlement of Karmel southeast of the town of Yatta despite the decision by the Israeli Higher Court one year ago to suspend construction works in the settlement.
 - **Settler Violence:**
 - (i) At 21:30, Israeli settlers burned down 1 commercial shop in Al Qazzazin neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron belonging to Ali 'Ashour and prevented fire trucks of the Palestinian Civil Defence Department from extinguishing the fire.
 - (ii) At 24:00, a group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of Kiryat Arba' in the old city of Hebron opened fire while raiding 1 house belonging to Abdul Rahman Sayyed al Herbawi near the settlement. As a result, the

	Israeli settlers damaged water tanks on the house top and broke window glass. The housewife also fell unconscious, after which she was transported to hospital for medical treatment.
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GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open to humanitarian cases and VIPs only.
GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raids/Land Levelling: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:25, the Israeli army, including 2 bulldozers, raided 150 meters into Palestinian territory near Point 112 on the Green Line east of Al Bureij refugee camp and levelled land. (ii) At 11:45, the Israeli army, including 2 bulldozers, raided 250 meters into Palestinian territory in Wadi Gaza opposite Point 102 on the Green Line east of Al Bureij refugee camp and levelled land.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raid: At 09:00, the Israeli army, including 1 armoured vehicle and 1 bulldozer, raided 50 meters into Palestinian territory near Point 144 on the Green Line east of the area of Al Qarara.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Points: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Yasser Arafat International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah Crossing is closed. • Raid/Land Levelling: At 09:45, an Israeli army bulldozer raided 200 meters into Palestinian territory north of Sufa Crossing and levelled land.

GENERAL

WORK PERMITS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • West Bank: Israeli authorities cancelled previously-issued access permits for work inside the Green Line due to the complete closure imposed by the Israeli army on the West Bank and Gaza Strip districts. • Gaza Strip: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Israeli authorities renewed 285 permits for workers to cross the Green Line. However, none of those possessing work permits were allowed to access areas inside the Green Line due to the closure imposed on all districts. (i) Israeli authorities issued 135 permits for Gaza Strip workers to stay overnight inside the Green Line.
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