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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT 08:00 18 July 2007 – 08:00 19 July 2007

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Death		1	1	An armed individual of injuries sustained
Physical Assault	1		1	1 civilian beaten in Jerusalem
Attacks	3	1	4	Incl. 1 in a raid and 1 from a military post
Raids	28		28	Incl. 7 in Jenin & 6 in Tulkarem
Air Patrol	1		1	Troops dispatched by a helicopter, Jenin
Arrests (per person)	20		20	Incl. 3 Palestinian security officers
Detentions	18		18	At checkpoints and in residential locales
House Demolitions	2		2	2 houses in the district of Jerusalem
Wall Construction	25		25	Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Hebron, Beth.
Closure of Checkpoints	16		16	Incl. 1 checkpoint closed temporarily
Flying Checkpoints	15		15	Incl. 3 in Jerusalem and 3 in Qalqiliya
Closure (per District)	6		6	Incl. 3 areas in the city of Hebron
Closure of Main Roads	40		40	Incl. 2 in Jenin & 5 in Nablus
Closure of Crossing Points		7	7	Only humanitarian cases & fuel allowed
Settler Violence	2		2	Incl. presence in an evacuated settlement
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1		1	Supplies warehouses searched
Palestinian Attacks		4	4	Incl. 6 mortars fired towards Green Line
Pal. Security Measures	1	—	1	1 illegal vehicle handed over, Ramallah
TOTAL	179	13	192	

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EVENT

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.
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 Al Aqsa 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 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 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 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 close the Wall gate a special crossing for holders of Jerusalem IDs and those possessing permits to access the city of Jerusalem. Wall Gates: 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.

	 (ii) On 17 July 2007, the Israeli army raided the town of 'Anata and demolished 1 house, allegedly because it was built without the required construction licence and in close proximity to the Wall. While the Israeli army was demolishing the house, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. On 18 July 2007, the Israeli army raided the town again, set up a checkpoint at the town's entrance, and prevented civilians from entering or exiting the town. In addition, the Israeli army searched a gas station as well as a number of commercial shops. House Demolitions: (i) The Israeli army demolished a house belonging to Mohammed 'Eid al Ja'bari in Dahiyat Beit Hanina in the city of Jerusalem. (ii) The Israeli army demolished a house belonging to Mohammed Mustafa al 'Isawi in the town of 'Anata.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the eastern 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 '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. <u>Raids:</u>
JENIN	 <u>Closure of Main Roads</u>: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan.

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	 (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the Jenin-Nablus road near the town of Silat ad Dhahr and deny civilian access in both directions, allegedly because a number of Israeli settlers are present on the debris of the evacuated settlement of Homesh.
	• <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.
	• <u>Wall Gates</u> : Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
	Flying Checkpoints:
	 (i) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Al Kufeir and searched civilians and vehicles.
	(ii) At 17:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the town of Kafr Ra'i and the village of Fahma and searched civilians and vehicles.
	 (iii) At 19:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the villages of Misliya and Al Jarba and searched civilians and vehicles.
	Raids/Air Patrol:
	(i) At 16:30, and again at 01:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Al Far'a.
	(ii) At 20:30, Israeli troops, dispatched by a combat helicopter, raided and combed an area south of the town of Tubas.
	 (iii) At 00:10, the Israeli army raided the city of Jenin and Jenin refugee camp and patrolled the area until 04:00.
	(iv) At 00:20, the Israeli army raided the town of Al Yamun and patrolled the area until 01:00.
	 (v) At 03:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Qabatiya. <u>Settler Violence</u>: Beginning at 20:40 on 16 July 2007, a group of Israeli settlers has remained present on the debris of the evacuated settlement of Homesh in an attempt to resettle in the area.
	• <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.
	 <u>Closure of Main Roads</u>: (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
TULKAREM	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.		
	<u>Flying Checkpoints:</u>		
	(i) At 00:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to		
	the village of Al Jarushiya and searched civilians and vehicles.		
	(ii) At 01:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to		
	the town of Bal'a and searched civilians and vehicles.		
	• <u>Raids</u> :		
	(i) At 10:00, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided and patrolled		
	Dahiyat Shuweika in the city of Tulkarem. At 22:50, the Israeli army		
	raided and patrolled the area again. Confrontations took place between		
	the Israeli army and civilians.		
	(ii) At 10:45, the Israeli army raided the town of Bal'a and arrested 2		
	civilians.		
	(iii) At 01:00, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided and patrolled the		
	town of 'Anabta.		
	(iv) At 02:20, the Israeli army raided Tulkarem and Nur Shams refugee		
	camps, searched a number of houses, arrested 9 civilians, including 2		
	brothers, and withdrew at 04:15.		
	• <u>Arrests</u> : The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the town of Bal'a:		
	(i) Mohammed Nayef I'mar; and		
	(ii) Seif ad Din Zaki Fuqaha.		
	The Israeli army arrested 9 civilians in the refugee camps of Tulkarem and Nur		
	Shams:		
	(iii) Jawad Mohammed Abu Dayyeh;		
	(iv) Yazeed Mohammed Abu Dayyeh;		
	(v) 'Assem Ali Abu Dayyeh;		
	(vi) Mohammed Abdul Fattah Miqbel;		
	(vii) Ahmed Abdul Rahman Miqbel;		
	(viii) Mohammed Fat'hi al Jammal;		
	(ix) Maysarah Bassam Abu Thareefeh;		
	(x) Jawad Mohammed an Najjar; and		
	(xi) Shadi Abdul Fattah Kharyoush.		
	• <u>Closure of Roads</u> : 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.		
	• <u>Wall Gates</u> :		
	(i) Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special		
QALQILIYA	Israeli permits.		
	(ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gets and to search similians, including students, with a metal		
	Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal detector.		
	• <u>Wall Construction</u> : 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.		
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	• <u>Flying Checkpoints</u> :
	(i) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints at the eastern and
	southern entrances to the city of Qalqiliya.
	(ii) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the northern
	entrance to the town of 'Azzun and searched civilians and vehicles.
	• Raid: At 23:55, the Israeli army, including 4 jeeps, raided the city of
	Qalqiliya and patrolled the area until 01:05.
	<u>Closure of Main Roads</u> :
	(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.
	(iv) Beginning at 20:40 on 16 July 2007, the Israeli army has continued to
	close the western entrance to the village of Burga.
	• Checkpoints: 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
NA DI LIC	on Fridays and Saturdays as well as during Jewish holidays. On all
NABLUS	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 09:00, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Beit Iba
	checkpoint and prevented civilians from leaving the city of Nablus.
	(vi) At 09:20, the Israeli army closed Huwwara checkpoint and denied
	civilian access, claiming to be investigating a suspicious object. At
	10:00, the Israeli army reopened the checkpoint.
	• <u>Raid</u> : At 05:30, the Israeli army, including 10 jeeps, raided the village of
	Zawata, searched 1 house, and arrested 1 civilian. The Israeli army remains
	positioned in the area as of 08:00 this morning.
	• <u>Arrests</u> :
	(i) On 17 July 2007, Israeli troops positioned at a checkpoint arrested
	'Atef Hussein Majdalawi, a Palestinian Civil Defence officer, while he
	was travelling to the city of Nablus for medical treatment. Majdalawi
	was travening to the erry of Nabius for medical deathent. Wajdalawi was reported to be held in the Huwwara Detention Centre.
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	 (ii) At 13:15, Israeli troops positioned at Huwwara checkpoint arrested Abdul Rahman Harb Rayyan, a Palestinian National Security officer. (iii) The Israeli army arrested Jihad As'ad an Natour in the village of Zawata.
SALFIT	 <u>Closure of Main Roads</u>: 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 <i>Intifada</i> (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. <u>Checkpoints</u>: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Deir Ballut checkpoint and to deny civilian access to the town of Kafr ad Dik. <u>The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the Za'tara junction checkpoint and impede civilian access.</u> <u>Wall Construction</u>: 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. <u>Raid</u>: The Israeli army raided the town of Biddya and searched 1 house.
JERICHO	 <u>Closure</u>: 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. <u>Checkpoints</u>: 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. <u>Flving Checkpoint</u>: At 04:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of 'Ein ad Duyuk and searched civilians and vehicles.
BETHLEHEM	 <u>Closure</u>: 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. <u>Closure of Main Roads</u>: 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. <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.

	 <u>Raids/Attack/Provocation of Palestinian Forces</u>: At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Bethlehem and Ad Duheisha refugee camp. While searching a number of houses in the refugee camp, the Israeli army fired sound grenades. The Israeli army also searched supplies warehouses belonging to the Palestinian National Security forces. At 04:10, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. <u>Detention</u>: At 11:00, Israeli troops positioned at As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the "Container") checkpoint detained Ali Salem Irzeiqat and released him at 21:00.
HEBRON	 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 'Einnu; and the eastern entrance to the village of Kharsa. The Israeli army also continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to Al 'Arub 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 th

(ii) At 15:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to
the area of An Nabi Yunis and searched civilians and vehicles.
• <u>Raids</u> :
(i) At 10:25, the Israeli army raided the town of Taffuh and searched 1
house.
(ii) At 17:30, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided and patrolled the
town of Yatta.
(iii) At 21:00, and again at 01:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the
city of Hebron.
• Arrests: At 01:00 on 18 July 2007, the Israeli army arrested 3 civilians
during its raid into the city of Hebron, in addition to those reported
yesterday:
(i) Samer Mohammed an Natsheh;
(ii) Bilal Ibrahim al Ja'bari; and
(iii) Usamah Mohammed Abu Rammouz.
• Settler Violence: At 01:30, a group of Israeli settlers raided the area of Al
Birka near the town of Yatta, obstructed civilian access, and searched
civilian vehicles.

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. <u>Palestinian Attacks</u>: (i) In the evening on 18 July 2007, 2 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line. (ii) In the morning on 19 July 2007, 2 mortars were fired towards the Green Line.
GAZA	 <u>Closure of Crossing Points</u>: Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed. Ash Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is partially open for transportation of fuel. <u>Death</u>: In the morning on 19 July 2007, Ali Zuhdi Hilles, a member of an armed Palestinian group, died at an Israeli hospital of critical injuries sustained during an Israeli army raid into Palestinian territory east of Gaza city, as was reported on 27 June 2007.
CENTRAL GAZA	• <u>Palestinian Attack/Israeli Attack</u> : At 14:00, 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	Activities not reported.

RAFAH	 <u>Closure of Crossing Points</u>: Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. Rafah Crossing is closed. Sufa Crossing is closed Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed. <u>Palestinian Attack</u>: In the evening on 18 July 2007, 2 mortars were fired towards the Green Line
	towards the Green Line.

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POLITICAL PRISONERS	• <u>Life Sentence</u> : An Israeli military court sentenced Shadi Sa'eed, a political prisoner from the city of Ramallah, to life imprisonment for 8 times.
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