# مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



### PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

## DAILY SITUATION REPORT 08:00 02 October 2009 – 08:00 03 October 2009

### **SUMMARY OF EVENTS**

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assaults	4		4	A Police officer and protestors beaten
Injuries	2	_	2	Incl. a disabled British peace activist
Air Attacks		2	2	A blacksmith's and tunnels shelled
Attacks	5	2	7	Incl. 2 by navy boats and 1 by settlers
Raids	14	_	14	Incl. 3 in Nablus and 7 in Hebron
Air Patrols		2	2	By helicopters and F16 combat aircraft
Arrests (per person)	11	_	11	Incl. a child in the district of Hebron
Detentions	13	_	13	At checkpoints and in residential areas
Closure of Checkpoints	8	_	8	Incl. access impeded at 5 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	9	_	9	Incl. 4 in Jerusalem and 2 in Nablus
Wall Construction	21	_	21	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Salfit, & Qalqiliya
Destruction of Property	1	1	2	Incl. fruit-bearing trees damaged
Curfews	2	_	2	Over 2 villages in the Hebron district
Closure (per District)	7	_	7	Incl. 4 areas in the city of Hebron
Closure of Main Roads	42	_	42	Incl. 2 in Qalqiliya and 3 in Bethlehem
Closure of Crossing Points	_	2	2	All crossing points closed
Settler Violence	2	_	2	Incl. fire opened on C. Defence officers
Palestinian Attack	_	1	1	1 mortars fired on the Green Line
Demonstrations	4	_	4	In Ramallah, Bethlehem, and Nablus
TOTAL	146	16	162	

DISTRICT EVENTS

### WEST BANK

### ALL DISTRICTS

• Beginning at 24:00 on 01 October 2009, the Israeli army has continued to impose a complete closure on the West Bank districts on the occasion of Jewish Sukkot holiday. Only allowing access to diplomatic missions, international organisations, and previously-coordinated humanitarian cases, the Israeli army has prevented civilians and workers, including those holding permits, from entering the city of Jerusalem and areas inside the Green Line. The closure will last until 24:00 on 10 October 2009.

### • Closure:

# (i) Beginning at 24:00 on 01 October 2009, the Israeli army has continued to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem on the occasion of the Jewish Sukkot holiday. Only allowing access to diplomatic missions, international organisations, and previously-coordinated humanitarian cases, the Israeli army prevented civilians and workers, including those holding permits, from entering the city of Jerusalem. The Israeli army also set up several flying checkpoints in the old city of Jerusalem and around Al Aqsa Mosque compound, and denied access to civilians to perform Friday prayers at the mosque. Access was only allowed to women and civilians holding Israeli ID cards and who are above 50 years of age.

### **JERUSALEM**

- (ii) On 05 January 2009, the Israeli authorities issued Military Order # S/02/09 on the closure of and denial of civilian access to the "demarcation area" along the Wall in the area surrounding the city of Jerusalem. Accordingly, local residents and civilians holding permits can access this area through crossings and gates set up at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem. (The demarcation area is defined by a set of military orders relating to land confiscation for Wall construction).
- (iii) Beginning on 02 April 2009, the Israeli army has continued to impose a blockade and deny civilian access to a hill located in an area between the village of Biddu and Beit Iksa due it its geographical significance as it overlooks the city of Jerusalem.

### • Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and dirt barricades the entrance to the village of Jaba'.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the iron gate along the Wall section, separating the area of Dahiyat al Bareed from the town of Ar Ram.
- <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.

	<ul> <li>Flying Checkpoint: At 13:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Al 'Isawiya, searched civilians and vehicles, and denied civilian access in both directions.</li> <li>Raid: On 02 October 2009, the Israeli army raided the village of Beit Duqqu, searched a number of houses, and arrested 5 civilians.</li> <li>Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 5 civilians in the village of Beit Duqqu: <ol> <li>Ali Mohammed Ali Murrar;</li> <li>Mohammed Farouq Sarhan Murrar;</li> <li>Yazan Ibrahim Murrar;</li> <li>Mohammed Isma'il Murrar; and</li> <li>Husan Hamdi Hussin.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Wall Gates: <ol> <li>The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks.</li> <li>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.</li> <li>Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area of Al 'Eizariya to Ash Shayyah, from Beit Surik village to Biddu; in the areas of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina; west of the village of Beit Hanina; and in the area surrounding the checkpoint set up at the entrance to Shu'fat</li> </ol></li></ul>
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul> <li>Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades and cement blocks the entrances to the town of Sinjil, the village of Saffa; and the junction to the villages of Kafr Malik – 'Ein Samiya.</li> <li>Demonstrations/Attacks/Injuries: <ul> <li>At 13:00, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in the village of Bil'in against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which the Israeli army injured 2 international peace activists, including a disabled activist. A number of participants also sustained wounds as a result of tear gas inhalation.</li> <li>(ii) At 13:00, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in the town of Ni'lin against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which the Israeli army injured a number of participants as a result of tear gas inhalation.</li> <li>Wall Construction: Wall construction continues west of 'Abud town and in the areas of Al Midya to Ni'lin and Ni'lin to Deir Qaddis.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
JENIN	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.

	Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits, which affects the educational and health conditions of civilians living behind the Wall.
TUBAS	• <u>Checkpoint</u> : Though allowing civilian access to the Northern Jordan Valley between 06:00 and 22:00, the Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint east of the town of Tubas.
TULKAREM	<ul> <li>Closure of Main Roads: <ol> <li>The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western entrance to the village of Shufa.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road connecting the town of Kafr al Labad to the village of Shufa.</li> <li>Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at 'Einav checkpoint set up on Tulkarem-Nablus main road.</li> <li>Raids/Air Patrol: <ol> <li>At 20:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Far'un and arrested 1 civilian.</li> <li>At 22:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Zeita.</li> <li>Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Abdul Hakim Fayez Mousa as Silawi in the village of Far'un.</li> <li>Wall Gates: Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> </ol> </li> </ol></li></ul>
QALQILYA	<ul> <li>Closure of Roads: <ol> <li>The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun.</li> <li>At 10:30, the Israeli army closed with dirt barricades detour roads connecting the village of 'Izbat at Tabib to the Qalqiliya-Nablus main road.</li> <li>Raid: At 10:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of 'Izbat at Tabib.</li> <li>Arrest: At 20:30, Israeli troops positioned at the Wall gate leading to the village of Ras 'Atiya arrested Bilal 'Iraqy.</li> <li>Wall Gates: <ol> <li>Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a detector.</li> <li>Wall Construction: Wall construction continues south of the town of Jayyus as well as near the settlement of Alfe Menashe in the villages of Ras Tira, Magharet ad Dab'a, and Wadi ar Rasha south of the city of Qalqiliya.</li> </ol> </li> </ol></li></ul>
NABLUS	Closure of Main Roads:  (i) The Israeli army continues to close the roads of Till-Burin and Beit Furik-Salem; the southern entrances to the villages of Qaryut and Duma; the eastern entrance to the village of Al Lubban Ash Sharqi; the western entrances to the town of 'Aqraba and the village of Majdal Bani Fadil; the northern entrance to the town of Qabalan; and the settler bypass road connecting the village of Deir al Hatab to the settlement of Alon Moreh.

- (ii) Beginning at 12:10 on 27 August 2009, the Israeli army has continued to close with an iron gate the western entrance to the village of An Naqura opposite the settlement of Shavei Shomron. It should be noted that the Israeli army had removed the dirt barricade set up at the entrance to the village.
- <u>Checkpoints</u>: The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus:
- (i) At Tur neighbourhood checkpoint (set up on Jerzim 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 between 07:00 and 02:00.
- (ii) At 'Awarta commercial checkpoint, civilians are allowed to cross between 05:00 and 20:00, but between 05:00 and 15:00 on Fridays. All civilian vehicles are allowed to access the city of Nablus, but only commercial vehicles and ambulances can leave the city through the checkpoint.

### • Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 09:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Til and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 01:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Badhan road (the eastern entrance to the city of Nablus) and searched civilians and vehicles.

### Raids:

- (i) At 01:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Beit Iba.
- (ii) At 01:45, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus and patrolled the area until 03:10.
- <u>Settler Violence/Destruction of Property</u>: At 13:00, a group of Israeli settlers set fire to civilian land cultivated with olive and almond trees in the village of Qaryut. Israeli settlers also opened fire towards Palestinian Civil Defence officers, while they were attempting to extinguish the fire. As a result, approximately 100 trees were destroyed.
- <u>Demonstration/Raid</u>: At 12:00, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in the village of Qaryut in protest against the continued closure of the detour road connecting the village of the Nablus-Ramallah main road. Consequently, the Israeli army raided the village. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, who removed the dirt barricade on the detour road. The Israeli army closed the road at a later time.

### • Closure of Main Roads:

**SALFIT** 

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the northern entrance to the city of Salfit.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and iron gates the northern entrance to the town of Bruqin and the western entrance to the town of Kafr Ad Dik.
- <u>Checkpoint</u>: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions and impede civilian access at the Za'tara junction checkpoint.

	<ul> <li>Flving Checkpoint: At 20:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the town of Kifl Haris and the village of Haris and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>Physical Assault: At 18:40, Israeli troops positioned at the Za'tara junction checkpoint severely beat Anas Marwan Mohammed, a Palestinian Police officer, leaving him with contusions. Consequently, Mohammed was transported to hospital for medical treatment.</li> <li>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</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>of the settlement of Ariel.</li> <li>Closure: The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between the city of</li> </ul>
JERICHO	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:  (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Al Hamra checkpoint set up along Al Badhan road connecting the districts of
	Jericho and Nablus. However, the Israeli army allows civilian access between 06:00 and 22:00.  (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the junction to the village of Al 'Auja along Al-Mu'arrajat road that connects the districts of Jericho and Ramallah, only allowing access to civilians whose IDs indicate that their place of residence of the district of Jericho as well as to others holding access permits.
BETHLEHEM	<ul> <li>Closure: <ol> <li>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.</li> <li>According to Military Order # 07/02/S, the Israeli army has continued since 15 September 2007 to deny civilian access to an area measuring 22 dunums (5.436 acres) of land in the area of Mazmuriya in the cities of Beit Sahur and Bethlehem. The land was confiscated pursuant to Military Order # 07/31/T.</li> <li>Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road of Beit Jala-Wadi Ahmad as well as a detour road east of the town of Beit Fajjar.</li> <li>Flying Checkpoint: At 23:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the north-western entrance to the city of Beit Jala and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>Demonstration/Physical Assaults/Injuries: At 12:10, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in the village of Al</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
	Ma'sara against Wall construction. Having access to the Wall construction site denied, Israeli troops severely beat protestors with clubs and rifle butts, leaving 2 participants with injuries and contusions.

Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the town of Al Khadr; northwest of the city of Beit Jala; in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of Ifrat settlement; and in the area surrounding the village of Al Walaja. Closure: The Israeli army continues to close the following locales in the old city (i) 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. On 05 January 2009, the Israeli army issued Military Order # 09/06/S (ii) for closure of the area located along the Green Line south of the town of Yatta, evacuation of civilian residents, and prevention of civilian access to the area. According to Military Orders # 05/03/T and 05/04/T, land in this area was confiscated for Wall construction. **Closure of Main Roads:** The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to (i) the town of As Samoa'; the area of Al Hawawir leading to the town of Halhul; the road connecting the town of Surif to the village of Al Jab'a: the eastern entrance to the village of Kharsa; the entrance to the Al Qeisi neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron; as well as the entrances **HEBRON** to Al 'Arrub refugee camp, the village of At Tuwani, and the town of Adh Dhahiriya. The Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from (ii) travelling along Ash Shalala Old Street in the old city of Hebron. The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road (iii) between the villages of Al Karmil and At Tuwani and all roads leading to Road # 60. Flying Checkpoint: At 07:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Beit Ummar and searched civilian vehicles. Raids/Attack/Curfews: At 12:00, and again at 23:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled (i) the town of Idhna. At 12:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron. While (ii) patrolling the area of Baba az Zawiya, the Israeli army opened fire, and fired tear gas grenades towards civilians. At 16:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit 'Awwa and (iii) arrested 3 civilians. (iv) At 20:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Ash Shuyukh and arrested a child. At 21:00, the Israeli army raided the villages of 'Abda and Wadi ash (v) Shajina and imposed curfew over these areas until 06:00.

- Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in the town of Beit 'Awwa:
- (i) Abdul Majid as Suweiti;
- (ii) Mujahed Abdul Rasoul as Suweiti; and
- (iii) Mu'ayyad Kathem as Suweiti.
- (iv) The Israeli army arrested 14-year-old Ahmed Jum'ah Mahmoud Warasneh in the town of Ash Shuyukh.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction continues in the section of Tarqumiya checkpoint terminal; in the area surrounding the settlement of Eshkolot near the town of Adh Dhahiriya; and in the area between the villages of 'Arab ar Ramadin and Imneizil.

### GAZA STRIP

### At 02:00 on 18 January 2009, the unilateral ceasefire declared by the Israeli authorities came into effect. At a later time on the same day, armed Palestinian groups announced an agreement to cease fire for a week. Later, armed Palestinian groups extended the ceasefire until 05 February 2009. Despite the fact that the extension period expired, the ceasefire continues to hold pending negotiations carried out by Egypt. **Violations of the Ceasefire:** ALL Israeli navy boats opened intensive fire towards Palestinian fishing (i) **DISTRICTS** boats sea in the districts of the Northern Gaza and Gaza. An Israeli combat helicopter fired missiles towards a blacksmith's workshops. F16 combat aircraft also shelled 2 smuggling tunnels south of the city of Rafah. Armed Palestinian individuals opened fired 1 unidentified mortar (ii) towards the Green Line.

### Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is closed. Attack: In the morning of 03 October 2009, Israeli navy boats opened intensive fire towards Palestinian fishing boats off the As Sudaniya **NORTHERN** GAZA beach west of the town of Beit Lahiya. Palestinian Attack: In the evening of 02 October 2009, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line. **Closure of Crossing Points:** (i) Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed. Ash Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. (ii) **GAZA** Air Attack/Destruction of Property: At dawn on 03 October 2009, an Israeli combat helicopter fired 1 missile towards and destroyed a blacksmith's workshop near the Jaffa Street in At Tuffah neighbourhood east of Gaza city.

	• Attack: In the morning of 03 October 2009, Israeli navy boats opened intensive fire towards Palestinian fishing boats off the Gaza city's beach.		
CENTRAL GAZA	Activities not reported.		
KHAN YUNIS	Activities not reported.		
RAFAH	<ul> <li>Closure of Crossing Points:         <ul> <li>Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed.</li> <li>Rafah (Al 'Awdah) Crossing is closed.</li> <li>Sufa Crossing is closed.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is partially open for transportation of food supplies and humanitarian aid.</li> <li>Air Attack/Destruction of Property: At dawn on 03 October 2009, Israeli F16 combat aircraft fired 4 missiles over 2 consecutive air raids towards 2 smuggling tunnels on the Egyptian border south of the city of Rafah.</li> </ul>		

## **GENERAL**

	• Postponement of Trial Session: The Israeli military court at the Salem
POLITICAL PRISONERS	Detention Camp postponed the trial of Jamal at Tirawi, a member of the Palestinian Legislative Council, for the 47 <sup>th</sup> consecutive time. The trial session was put off until 24 October 2009.