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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00, 31 July 2010 – 08:00, 01 August 2010

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	—	2	2	1 in Northern Gaza & 1 in Khan Yunis
Physical Assaults	4	—	4	Beat press photographer & demonstrators
Arrests (per person)	3	—	3	2 in Qalqiliya & 1 in Jerusalem districts
Detentions	13	—	13	At checkpoints & in residential locales
Raids	15	1	16	Incl. 3 in Tulkarm & 2 in Qalqiliya
Checkpoints	9	—	9	Access impeded at 6 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	17	—	17	Incl. 8 in Qalqiliya & 1 in Tulkarm
Attacks	4	3	7	Incl. 1 by navy boats & 1 by mil. Posts
Air Attacks	—	2	2	Missiles fired by F-16 warplanes
Air Patrols	—	3	3	2 by F-16 planes & 1 by reconnaissance
House Occupation	1	—	1	Roof of a house in Iraq Burin village
House Demolition	*	—	—	Notices to demolish 2 houses in Hebron
Destruction of Property	—	1	1	Leveling plants in Rafah district
Land Leveling	1	1	2	Incl. area of land in Qalqiliya district
Wall Construction	—	—	—	Suspended for the weekend
Closure (per District)	8	—	8	Incl. Iraq Burin village in Nablus district
Closure of Main Roads	42	—	42	Incl. 2 in Tulkarm & 1 in Qalqiliya
Closure of Crossing Points	—	6	6	Only Rafah open for civilian access
Settler Violence	1	—	1	Spraying sewage towards demonstrators
Demonstrations	4	—	4	Incl. against settler violence
Palestinian Attack	—	1	1	1 mortar fired towards the Green Line
TOTAL	122	20	142	

DISTRICT	EVENTS
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WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at checkpoints set up at entrances to the city of Jerusalem and Al Aqsa Mosque. (ii) On 05 January 2009, the Israeli army issued military order # S/02/09 closing the seam line area, an extension of the Wall. (iii) The Israeli army continues to impose a blockade and deny civilian access to a hill located in an area between the villages of Biddu and Beit Iksa. • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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 in Jerusalem city from the town of Ar Ram. (iii) On 28 May 2010, the Israeli army closed the eastern entrance to the village of Beit Iksa, which leads to the city of Jerusalem, by an iron gate, and told civilians to pass through Qalandiya checkpoint to Jerusalem city. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to consider Qalandiya checkpoint a "border crossing point" and only allows holders of Jerusalem IDs to access the city of Jerusalem. • Arrest: At 14:00, the Israeli army at Jaba' checkpoint (on the road linking the districts of Jerusalem, Ramallah and Jericho) arrested police officer Abdulaziz Waleed Abdulaziz As-Suwaiti. • Wall Gates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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 al-Shayyah road in the area between the villages of al-Sawahira al-Sharqiya and al-Sawahira al-Gharbiya, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem IDs to cross, after subjecting them to thorough searches using electronic devices. • Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the area of al-'Eizariya to al-Shayyah, from Beit Surik village to Biddu, in the areas of al-Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina, west of al-Jib village, in the vicinity of the village of Qatanna, south of Beit Hanina village, and in the area surrounding the checkpoint set up at the entrance to Shu'fat refugee camp.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to Sinjil village, Safa village and the junction to the villages of Kafr Malik – Ein Samiya.

	<p>(ii) On 15 March 2010, the Israeli army issued military order declaring the area located between civilian houses and the Wall in the town of Ni'lin and the village of Bil'in as closed military zones from 08:00 until 20:00 every Friday and for a period of 6 months. Civilian access is denied during the mentioned period without a special permit in order to prevent the weekly demonstrations against the Wall.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 01:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled El Bireh city. (ii) At 01:40, the Israeli army raided the town of 'Arura and served summon to a civilian to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction was suspended for the weekend west of the towns and villages of 'Abud and Bil'in, and in the areas of al-Midya to Ni'lin and Ni'lin to Deir Qaddis.
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to 'Arraba town, east of the settlement of Dotan. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> 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.
TOUBAS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint, allowing civilian access from 06:00 to 22:00.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road between the town of Kafr Al Labad and the village of Shofeh and the road between the villages of Shofeh and Izbat Shofeh. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Einav checkpoint that is set up on Tulkarm-Nablus main road. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 22:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Beit Lid, opened fire and fired stun grenades. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 01:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Qaffin town. (ii) At 03:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Far'un village. (iii) At 03:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the neighborhood of Irtah in the city of Tulkarm. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> 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.
QALQILYA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Roads:</u> The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Jinsafut. (ii) At 10:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of Jit and arrested a Palestinian National Security officer under the pretext of finding a knife in his possession.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (iii) At 15:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the city of Qalqiliya and searched civilians and vehicles. (iv) At 17:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of ‘Azzun and searched civilians and vehicles. (v) At 19:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the villages of Hajja and Al Funduq and searched civilians and vehicles. (vi) At 21:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of Khirbet Sair and searched civilians and vehicles. (vii) At 22:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint under the overpass leading to the town of Azzun (on Qalqiliya – Tulkarm main road) and arrested a civilian. (viii) At 22:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of Izbat At-Tabib. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 12:45, the Israeli army raided and combed the forest area near the village of Kafr Qaddum. (ii) At 01:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of ‘Azzun. • <u>Arrests:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army arrested on the junction leading to the village of Jit officer Ali Lutfi Abdulghani Shawahneh. (ii) The Israeli army arrested under the overpass leading to the town of Azzun 1 unknown civilian. • <u>Land Leveling:</u> At 16:30, the Israeli army leveled an area of land near the village of An Nabi Elias, near Qalqiliya – Nablus main road. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at ‘Azzun ‘Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal detector. (ii) On 12 May 2010, the Israeli army erected an iron gate at the entrance to the village of Wadi Ar-Rasha (after removing the iron gate erected at the entrance to the village of Ras Atiya), and prevented civilians from the village from passing through it. The Israeli army only allows the passage of students to their schools outside the village through Habla town gate, while allowing the passage of civilians through gate # 109.
NABLUS	<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 roads of Till-Burin and Beit Furik-Salem; the settler bypass road connecting the village of Deir al Hatab to the settlement of Alon Moreh; the road connecting the town of ‘Aqraba to the village of Osarin; and the detour road between the town of Qabalan and the village of Osarin. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the northern entrance to the town of Qabalan; the southern entrances to the villages of Duma and Qaryut; and the western entrance to An Naqura village opposite Shavei Shomron settlement.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At Tur neighborhood checkpoint (set up on Jerzim Mount) is closed on Fridays and Saturdays as well as during Jewish holidays. On other days, it is open for civilian residents of the neighborhood only from 07:00 until 02:00. (ii) Awarta commercial checkpoint is open for civilians from 05:00 until 20:00 and on Friday from 05:00 until 15:00. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the junction leading to the village of Deir Sharaf (on Nablus – Tulkarm main road). Again at 21:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 14:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the villages of Till and Iraq Burin and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 17:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the city of Nablus and the town of Asira Ash Shamaliya. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Furik. Again at 01:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the area. (ii) At 24:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Salem village. • <u>Demonstration:</u> At 13:55, a demonstration by the inhabitants of Iraq Burin village took place in protest at land confiscation for establishing settlement projects. Consequently, the Israeli army raided the village after declaring it a closed military zone, occupied the roof of a house and converted it into a military post. Confrontations took place with civilians resulting in causing suffocation to a number of demonstrators from tear gas inhalation.
SALFIT	<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 with dirt barricades the northern entrance to the city of Salfit, and continues to close with cement blocks and iron gates the northern entrance to the town of Bruqin. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the entrances of 2 side roads between the village of Marda and its agricultural land. • <u>Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Za'tara checkpoint and impede civilian access. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the area northwest of the city of Salfit, and in the village of Marda and the town of Kifl Hares north of the settlement of Ariel.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <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. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at al-Hamra checkpoint and allow civilian access from 06:00 until 22:00.

	<p>(ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions on the checkpoint set up on the junction to the village of al-‘Auja and allow access only to civilians holding Jericho and Jordan Valley IDs and those possessing permits.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 17:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to the city of Jericho and searched civilians and vehicles until 17:50.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <p>(i) 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.</p> <p>(ii) The Israeli army continues to prevent civilian access to an area that is located in the cities of Beit Sahur and Bethlehem.</p> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the roads of Beit Jala-Wadi Ahmad, the sideway east of Beit Fajjar town and the agricultural road that is located between the town of Taqu'a and the village of Khirbet Al Baq'a. • <u>Checkpoint:</u> At 09:05, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at As Sawahira Ash Sharqiya (the 'Container') checkpoint and impeded civilian access. • <u>Detentions:</u> At 23:55, the Israeli army detained at As Sawahira Ash Sharqiya (the 'Container') checkpoint a civilian bus carrying women and children travelling to Bethlehem city and sent it back to Al Eizariya town in occupied Jerusalem district under the pretext that a number of women did not have IDs. The bus was allowed access following DCO intervention at 00:55. • <u>Demonstration:</u> At 11:30, a mass demonstration, with the participation of international peace activists, took place in the area of Al Kreimzan, northwest of Beit Jala city, in protest at the leveling of civilian land planted with olive trees in order to complete Wall construction. Confrontations took place with the Israeli army resulting in causing suffocation to a number of demonstrators from tear gas inhalation. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the area northwest of the town of al-Khadr and Beit Jala city; in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of Ephrata settlement; and in the area surrounding al-Walaja village.
HEBRON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <p>(i) The Israeli army continues to close the following locales in the old city of Hebron: al-Shuhada' Street and the area of al-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 al-Sahleh. The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to al Laban Market by iron boards. The Israeli army also continues to</p>

	<p>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.</p> <p>(ii) Having evacuated civilian residents and denied civilian access, the Israeli army continues to close the area located along the Green Line south of the town of Yatta.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <p>(i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the following locales: the entrance to the town of al-Samoa'; the area of al-Hawawir leading to the town of Halhoul; the road connecting the town of Surif to the village of al-Jab'a; and the eastern entrance to the village of Kharsa; the entrance to al-Qeisi neighborhood in the old city of Hebron; the main entrance to al-'Arrub refugee camp; the village of At Tuwani as well as the entrance to the town of Adh Dhahiriya.</p> <p>(ii) The Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from travelling along Ash Shalala Old Street in the old city of Hebron.</p> <p>(iii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road between the villages of Al Karmil and At Tuwani and all roads leading to bypass Road # 60.</p> • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 16:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Fawwar junction and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raids:</u> <p>(i) At 17:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of As Sarra.</p> <p>(ii) At 20:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Deir Samit and served notices for demolishing 2 houses belonging to the families of the armed Palestinian individuals who opened fire on 14 June 2010 towards an Israeli police vehicle near the junction leading to Al Fawwar refugee camp.</p> <p>(iii) At 00:40, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, searched 2 houses and served summon to a civilian to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency.</p> <p>(iv) At 01:20, the Israeli army raided the town of Halhul, searched 4 houses and served summons to 2 civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency.</p> • <u>Demonstrations:</u> <p>(i) At 11:00, a mass demonstration, with the participation of international peace activists, took place on civilian agricultural land belonging to the town of Beit Ummar, located near the settlement of Karmi Tsur, against settler attacks and to enable civilians to cultivate their land. Confrontations took place with the Israeli army resulting in causing suffocation to 3 civilians, including a journalist and a woman, from tear gas inhalation. The Israeli army also beat press photographer Abdulhafeez Al Hashlamoun.</p> <p>(ii) At 17:00, a mass demonstration, with the participation of international peace activists, took place in the old city of Hebron in</p>
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	<p>protest at settlement, to demand the opening of Ash Shuhada' Street and freedom of movement for civilians. The Israeli army obstructed the demonstration and severely beat a number of demonstrators. A group of extremist Israeli settlers also sprayed sewage towards the demonstrators.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the section of Tarqumiya checkpoint terminal, in the periphery of Eshkolot settlement southwest of Adh Dhahiriya town and between southwest of Arab Ar Ramadin village and the village of Imneizil.
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GAZA STRIP

<p>ALL DISTRICTS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At 02:00 on 18 January 2009, the Israeli army declared a unilateral ceasefire. In the meantime, armed Palestinian groups declared a one-week-long ceasefire. Meanwhile, the ceasefire was extended until 05 February 2009. The ceasefire is holding despite the end of the specified period. • The Israeli army violated the ceasefire by raiding Palestinian territory, opening fire in Rafah district and opening fire from its locations on the Green Line. Israeli navy boats also opened fire towards Palestinian fishing boats at sea in the district of Northern Gaza. In addition, Israeli F-16 warplanes fired 2 missiles (in 2 consecutive air raids) in the districts of Khan Yunis and Rafah. As a result of opening fire and the air attacks, 2 civilians were injured. • Armed Palestinian groups breached the ceasefire by firing 1 unidentified mortar towards the Green Line.
<p>NORTHERN GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is closed. • Attacks: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) In the morning of 01 August 2010, Israeli navy boats opened fire intensively towards Palestinian fishing boats at sea in front of As Sudaniya area beach, west of Beit Lahiya town. (ii) In the morning of 01 August 2010, the Israeli army opened fire from its locations on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory east of Beit Hanun town injuring a civilian. • Palestinian Attack: At 21:45, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.
<p>GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Points: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Al-Muntar (Karni) Crossing is closed. (ii) Al-Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing for fuel transport is closed since 04 January 2010 by an Israeli unilateral decision.

CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
KHAN YOUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Air Attack</u>: At dawn on 01 August 2010, Israeli F-16 warplanes fired a missile against an open area east of Abasan Al Kabira town injuring a civilian who happened to be in the area.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Points</u>: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah (Al Awdah) Crossing is open for the departure of civilian patients, students and visa holders, and the entry of civilians and patients who received treatment at Egyptian hospitals. (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed. (iv) Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed. • <u>Raid</u>: At dawn on 31 July 2010, the Israeli army, including a number of armored vehicles and bulldozers covered by reconnaissance aircrafts, raided the eastern edges of Ash Shoka town, located east of Rafah city, and opened fire intensively towards civilian agricultural land and houses while leveling an area of agricultural land. • <u>Air Attack</u>: At dawn on 01 August 2010, Israeli F-16 warplanes fired a missile against a smuggling tunnel, south of Rafah city, near the Palestine – Egypt borders.