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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 01 August 2007 – 08:00 02 August 2007

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	8	—	8	Incl. 5 civilians from the same family
Attacks	4	4	8	Incl. 5 in raids & 2 from military posts
Raids	29	1	30	Incl. 6 in Ramallah and 8 in Jenin
Air Patrols	—	2	2	By helicopters & reconnaissance aircraft
Arrests (per person)	21	—	21	Incl. 1 Palestinian security officer
Detentions	15	—	15	At checkpoints and in residential areas
Land Levelling	—	1	1	Agricultural land in Northern Gaza
Wall Construction	25	—	25	Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Hebron, Beth.
Destruction of Property	—	1	1	Agricultural crops in Northern Gaza
House Occupations	3	—	3	Converted into military posts in Tulkarem
Closure of Checkpoints	14	—	14	Incl. access impeded at 7 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	22	—	22	Incl. 4 in Qalqiliya and 3 in Nablus
Closure (per District)	6	—	6	Incl. Jerusalem and Tulkarem partially
Closure of Main Roads	39	—	39	Incl. 3 in Bethlehem & 12 in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points	—	7	7	Only humanitarian cases & fuel allowed
Settler Violence	2	—	2	Attempt to seize house & civilians beaten
Palestinian Attacks	—	2	2	Incl. 3 mortars fired towards Green Line
TOTAL	188	18	206	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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WEST BANK

ALL DISTRICTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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.
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JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <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. 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: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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 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: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks. 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. 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. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Dr. Tareq Mohammed Hamadeh in the village of Sur Bahir. Settler Violence/Injuries: At 14:00, a group of Israeli settlers attempted to seize control of a house belonging to Ali Zawahreh in the village of Beit Safafa, claiming that they own the house. Settlers also beat Zawahreh's family members, including his wife and 3 children, leaving them with injuries and contusions. Of those injured, Shihah Hasan Zawahreh was in critical condition and was transported to an Israeli hospital for treatment.
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<p style="text-align: center;">RAMALLAH & EL BIREH</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 with dirt barricades the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil and with cement blocks the western entrance to the village of Saffa. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the settler bypass road connecting ‘Assur Hill in the village of Kafr Malik to Alon settler bypass road. • <u>Checkpoint:</u> 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. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> 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/Attacks:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 21:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Beit Sira. While searching a number of houses, the Israeli army opened fire as well as fired sound and tear gas grenades. (ii) At 01:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Rafat. (iii) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Ramallah and opened fire, while surrounding and searching a building. The Israeli army also set up a number of checkpoints and searched civilians and vehicles. (iv) At 02:20, the Israeli army raided the villages of Qarawat Bani Zeid and Kafr ‘Ein and patrolled the area until 03:00. (v) At 03:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Beituniya, searched 1 house, and arrested 1 civilian. • <u>Arrest:</u> The Israeli army arrested Yousef Kifayeh in the town of Beituniya.
<p style="text-align: center;">JENIN</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Road:</u> The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to the town of ‘Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan. • <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. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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 09:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Al Jarba and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 16:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the town of ‘Arraba and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raids/Attack/Detentions:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 14:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Al Far’a refugee camp. (ii) At 23:55, the Israeli army raided the city of Jenin and patrolled the area until 01:50.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (iii) At 00:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the towns of Tammun and Az Zababida as well as the villages of ‘Aqqaba and Sir. (iv) At 02:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Al Yamun. While detaining residents outside, the Israeli army searched a number of houses and opened fire. In addition, the Israeli army arrested 2 civilians, including a university student. (v) The Israeli army raided the town of Jaba’ and arrested 1 civilian. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the town of Al Yamun: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Majdi ‘Adel Hamdiyyeh; and (ii) Mohammed Rafeeq Abu Seifein. (iii) The Israeli army arrested Badr Mujahed Hudhud in the town of Jaba’.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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. • Checkpoints: 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). • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • Flying Checkpoint: At 22:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the villages of Bizzariya and Ramin and searched civilians and vehicles until 23:30. • Raid/House Occupations/Attack/Injuries: At 13:30, the Israeli army raided Tulkarem refugee camp, occupied the roofs of a number of houses, and converted them into military posts. While searching a house, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during which the Israeli army injured 2 civilians as well as 1 Palestinian National Security officer. At 15:45, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
QALQILIYA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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: <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.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. • Flying Checkpoint: At 08:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of 'Azzun and searched civilians and vehicles. At 23:30, Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint arrested 1 civilian. • Raids: At 11:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Qalqiliya. At 01:15, the Israeli army raided the city again, set up a number of checkpoints on internal road junctions, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area. • Arrest: Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint set up at the entrance to the town of 'Azzun arrested Muneer Abdul Fattah 'Asrawi.
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (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. • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (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 on Fridays and Saturdays as well as during Jewish holidays. On all 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. • Raids: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 02:40, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus, set up a number of checkpoints on internal road junctions, and searched civilians and vehicles. The Israeli army also searched a number of houses and arrested 2 civilians as well as 1 Palestinian National Security officer. At 04:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. (ii) At 04:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Burqa, searched a number of houses, and arrested 6 civilians, including 3 university students. At 06:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Arrests:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Israeli troops positioned at Huwwara checkpoint arrested Ibrahim Abdul Wahhab Ahmed. <p>The Israeli army arrested 2 civilian and 1 Palestinian security officer in the city of Nablus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) Mustafa Amin Seif, a Palestinian National Security officer; (iii) Nidhal 'Arabi Omar Salah; and (iv) Omar as Saber. <p>The Israeli army arrested 6 civilians in the village of Burqa:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (v) Nadeem Ahmed Shabeeb; (vi) Habeeb Ja'far Shabeeb; (vii) Samer Yasser Daghlas; (viii) Nujoud Zahi Abu Omar; (ix) Tareq Mohammed Seif; and (x) Amin Jamal Dusouqi.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) 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). (ii) 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> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Deir Ballut checkpoint and to deny civilian access to the town of Kafr ad Dik. (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the Za'tara junction checkpoint and impeded civilian access. • <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>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Iskaka. (ii) At 00:40, the Israeli army raided the town of Kifl Haris, claiming to be providing protection to Israeli settlers on their visit the Shrine of Prophet Thu al Kifl. At 05:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. (iii) At 02:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Bidhya, searched a number of houses, and arrested 5 civilians, including 2 brothers. At 04:20, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. • <u>Arrests:</u> The Israeli army arrested 5 civilians in the town of Bidhya: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Sayyed Abdul Wahhab Ahmed; (ii) Mohammed Mustafa Kan'an; (iii) Jihad Abdul Hameed Salameh; (iv) Jamal 'Adel Salameh; and (v) Jamil 'Adel Salameh.

<p style="text-align: center;">JERICHO</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. • Flying Checkpoint: At 11:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Al 'Auja along the road that connects the districts of Jericho and Ramallah and searched civilians and vehicles.
<p style="text-align: center;">BETHLEHEM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) 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. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with an iron gate the road connecting the villages of Wadi Rahhal and Abu Nujeim, forcing civilians to take unpaved detour roads. • 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 13:00, 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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Beit Sahur and the town of Al Khadr, set up 2 checkpoints, and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 01:05, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Artas. (iii) At 01:45, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Sahur and searched 1 house, the offices of a charitable society, and a nails factory. At 03:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
<p style="text-align: center;">HEBRON</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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 '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 15:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to the town of Halhul and searched civilians and vehicles.
 - (ii) At 00:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the northern entrance to the town of Adh Dhahiriya and searched civilians and vehicles.
 - **Raids:**
 - (i) At 17:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Hebron. At 20:20, the Israeli army raided the city again and combed a piece of land in the area of Wadi Abu Kteila.
 - (ii) At 01:00, the Israeli army raided Al 'Arrub refugee camp and searched 3 houses.

GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is closed. Only humanitarian cases are allowed access, after prior coordination. • Raid/Air Patrols/Attack/Land Levelling: Beginning at dawn on 01 August 2007, the Israeli army, covered by combat helicopters and reconnaissance aircraft, remained positioned at a distance of 1.5 kilometres inside Palestinian territory north of the town of Beit Lahiya. The Israeli army also opened intensive fire towards civilian houses. In addition, an armed confrontation took place between the Israeli army and armed Palestinian individuals. The Israeli army also searched a number of houses, levelled agricultural land, and withdrew at dawn on 02 August 2007. • Palestinian Attack/Israeli Attack: At 22:00, armed Palestinian individuals fired 3 unidentified mortars towards the Green Line. Consequently, the Israeli army fired 2 missile mortars towards Palestinian territory.
GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Points: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed. (ii) Ash Shuja'iyah (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is partially open for transportation of fuel.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Palestinian Attack/Israeli Attack: At 12:40, armed Palestinian individuals opened fire towards an Israeli army patrol near Kessufim gate on the Green Line. Consequently, the Israeli army patrol opened fire towards Palestinian territory.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
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. (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed (iv) Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed.

GENERAL

POLITICAL PRISONERS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hunger Strike: Political prisoners at Nafhah Prison carried out a hunger strike for a period of 2 days in protest against the death of Shadi Sa'eed as Sa'aydeh, a political prisoner who died of deliberate medical negligence. As Sa'aydeh died after he was transported from Nafha Prison to Soroka Hospital. • Abuse of Political Prisoners: In response to political prisoners' protest against the death of Shadi Sa'eed as Sa'aydeh, Israeli troops raided Section # 3 at Nafha Prison and fired tear gas grenades, leaving a number of prisoners with injuries as a result of tear gas inhalation.
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