# مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



# PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

# **DAILY SITUATION REPORT**

08:00 05 August 2011 – 08:00 06 August 2011

### **SUMMARY OF EVENTS**

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	2	-	2	2 civilian injured in Mazra'a village south of Bethlehem during an anti-wall demonstration.
Attacks	-	-	-	
Raids	12	-	12	Incl. 7 in Hebron
Aerial Assault	-	-	-	
Fire attack	3	2	5	Incl.2 from military area and 3 in demonstrations
Arrests (per Person)	1	_	1	1 in Hebron old City
Detentions	12	_	12	At checkpoints and in residential areas
Destruction of Property	2	3	5	Damage to property by Israeli settler's incl. Olive trees in Nablus and Jerusalem.
Confiscation of Property	1	-	1	Roof top of house in Nabi Salah north Ramallah
Land Levelling	-	-	-	
Closure of Checkpoints	8	_	8	Incl. access impeded at 6 checkpoints
Air Patrol	-	-	-	
Flying Checkpoints	22	_	22	Incl. 8 in Hebron and 2 in Bethlehem
Wall Construction	15	_	15	Incl. 4 in Jerusalem & 3 in Bethlehem
Closure (per District)	9	_	9	Incl. Jerusalem, village in Ramallah & a village in Nablus
Closure of Main Roads	44	_	44	Incl. 10 in Nablus and 15 in Hebron
Closure of Crossings		6	6	Erez checkpoint opened for Humanitarian aid.
Demonstration	4	-	4	Against the wall and one village closed
Settler Violence	2	_	2	Incl, settlers throwing stones near Beit El
TOTAL	143	11	154	

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#### **Closure:** On 05. 08. 2011 Israeli forces tightened their restrictions on (i) checkpoints at the entrances to Jerusalem City and established many checkpoints at the intersections of main roads and the entrances to the Al-Aqsa Mosque Compound, and prevented citizens (with the exception to men over the age of 50 years and women over the age of 45 years and permit holders of men aged 45 vears and 50 years old and women between the ages between 30 years and 45 years old) from entering the city on the first Friday prayers of Ramadan. A blimp equipped with a camera was deployed on top of the Compound while a helicopter flew overhead. The Israeli army continues to increase restrictions at checkpoints (ii)located at the entrances to Jerusalem city and to prevent civilians from other Palestinian districts from entering the city, except those holding special permits. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close the 'demarcation area' along the Wall in the area surrounding occupied East Jerusalem and restricts access to local residents as well as to civilians holding special permits. The Israeli army continues to impose a blockade and deny civilian (iv) access to a hill between Biddu and Beit Iksa villages. **Closure of Main Roads: JERUSALEM** (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and dirt mounds the entrance to Jaba' village. The Israeli army continues to close the iron gate along the Wall section, (ii) separating the area of Dahiyat Al-Bareed from Al-Ram town. The Israeli army continues to close with an iron gate the eastern (iii) entrance to Beit Iksa village and forces civilians to access Jerusalem city through Qalandiya checkpoint. Checkpoint: Israeli authorities continue to consider Qalandiya checkpoint a "border crossing point" and designate a special crossing lane for holders of Jerusalem IDs and another for those possessing permits to access Jerusalem city. Wall Gates: (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the Wall gate in The Israeli army continues to deny civilians access through the Wall (ii) gate on Al-Shayyah road in the area between Al-Sawahira Al-Sharqiya and Al-Sawahira Al-Gharbiya villages, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem IDs to cross, after subjecting them to thorough searches using electronic devices. Wall Construction: Wall construction has resumed in the areas north and south of Qalandiya village; south of Al-Za'ayyem village; and in Wadi Al-Eizariya west of the illegal settlement Ma'ale Adumim.

RAMALLAH & AL BIREH	<ul> <li>Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to Sinjil and Saffa villages as well as the junction to Kafr Malik and 'Ein Samiya villages.</li> <li>Settler Violence:  At 16:50, Israeli settlers threw stones at Palestinian cars near the illegal settlement of Bet El near Al Bireh city.</li> <li>Weekly Demonstrations against the wall:  (i) At 12:30, a demonstration took place in Bilin village with the participation of international solidarity activists against the Wall. Confrontations with the Israeli occupation forces ensued, resulting in the injury of several demonstrators due to teargas inhalation.</li> <li>(ii) At 12:30, a mass demonstration took place in the village of Nabi Saleh, protesting against the attacks by Israeli settlers and the confiscation of land for the illegal settlement of Halamesh and the Israeli forces' raids on the village. Israeli forces set up checkpoints on the entrances after declaring the village a closed military zone and occupied the rooftop of Shaker Mahmoud Al-Tamimi's home and turned it into a military outpost while detaining its owners in one room. Moreover the Israeli forces fired rubber-coated steel bullets and teargas canisters at the demonstrators, resulting in several injuries.</li> <li>Wall Construction: Wall construction has resumed in the area west of 'Abud town in the area surrounding the illegal settlement 'Ofarim and north of Al-Lubban Al-Gharbi and Rantis villages.</li> </ul>
JENIN	<ul> <li>Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt mounds the road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the illegal settlement Dotan.</li> <li>Raids: At 23.00, Israeli forces raided Arraba village and withdrew at 01:40.</li> <li>Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits, which undercuts the access to education and health services for civilians living behind the Wall.</li> </ul>
TUBAS	• <u>Checkpoint</u> : By allowing civilian access to the Northern Jordan Valley between 06:00 and 22:00, the Israeli army continues to restrict access through Tayasir checkpoint, east of Tubas city.
TULKAREM	<ul> <li>Closure of Main Roads: <ol> <li>The Israeli army continues to close with dirt mounds the road connecting Kafr Al-Labad town to Shufa village as well as the road connecting Shufa and 'Izbat Shufa villages.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to close with dirt mounds the detour road leading to Ramin village along the Tulkarem-Nablus main road.</li> <li>Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to restrict Palestinians' access at 'Einav checkpoint on the Tulkarem-Nablus main road.</li> <li>Flving checkpoints: <ul> <li>At 23:45, Israeli army set a flying checkpoint on the intersection near Al-Jarushyia village, searching cars and residents.</li> <li>Wall Gates: Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> <li>Wall Construction: Land levelling for adjustment of the Wall route has resumed in the area surrounding Jubara village. According to an Israeli</li> </ul> </li> </ol></li></ul>

	High Court decision, the new Wall route will be constructed west of the
	village.
QALQILYA	<ul> <li>Closure of Roads: <ol> <li>Israeli forces continue to close with cement blocks agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun.</li> <li>In addition to closing the iron gate installed since the outbreak the second <i>Intifada</i>, the Israeli army continues to close with dirt mounds the eastern entrance to Kafr Qaddum village.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Flying Checkpoints:  At 13:30, Israeli forces set up a checkpopint at the entrance to the town of Azzun and searched vehicles and people.</li> <li>Settler Violence:  At 14:10, Israeli settlers near the village of Kafr Laqaf stopped a number of citizens' cars and tried to attack a Palestinian civilian with a sharp object.</li> <li>Demonstrations: <ol> <li>At 13:30, a demonstration took place in the village of Kafr Kadom to protest the continued closure of the village's eastern entrance, attacks by settlers, land confiscation, and the raids by Israeli forces. Several residents suffered from teargas inhalation as a result of the clashes that erupted. Wall Gates: <ol> <li>The Israeli army continues to restrict access at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, using a metal detector.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to close with an iron gate the entrance to the village of Wadi Al-Rasha and to deny civilian access. The Israeli army allows residents to access the village through Gate #109. Having removed the gate at the entrance to the village of Ras 'Atiya; the Israeli army only allows students to cross to their schools outside the village through the Habla gate.</li> <li>Wall Construction: Wall construction has resumed in Kafr Laqif village north of Karnei Shomron settlement; in Immatin village northeast of Imanuel settlement; and east of Kafr Thulth town near Ma'ale Shomron settlement.</li> </ol> </li> </ol></li></ul>
NABLUS	<ul> <li>Closure of Main Roads: <ol> <li>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.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to close the northern entrance to Qabalan town; the southern entrances to the town of Jamma'in and the villages of Duma and Qaryut; and the western entrance to Al-Naqura village opposite the illegal settlement Shavei Shomron.</li> <li>Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to restrict times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus: <ol> <li>Al-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 between 07:00 and 02:00 only to residents of the</li> </ol> </li> </ol></li></ul>

	neighbourhood.  (ii) At 'Awarta commercial checkpoint, civilians are only allowed to cross between 05:00 and 20:00, and between 05:00 and 15:00 on Fridays. All vehicles can access the city of Nablus, but only commercial vehicles and ambulances can leave the city through the checkpoint.
SALFIT	<ul> <li>Closure of Main Roads:         <ul> <li>(i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt mounds and cement blocks the northern entrance to Bruqin town.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt mounds the entrance to two detour roads connecting Marda village to its farmland.</li> <li>(iii) Since 14 November 2010, the Israeli army has opened the northern entrance to Salfit city to civilian buses only. The entrance had been closed for seven years.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues restrict civilian access at the Za'tara junction checkpoint.</li> <li>Flving Checkpoints:         <ul> <li>At 08:30 and again from 22:00 to 23:00, Israeli forces set up a checkpoint at the entrance of Bidia town</li> </ul> </li> <li>Raids: At 09:05, Israeli forces raided Bidia town. Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the area north of Deir Istiya town southeast of the illegal settlement Emmanuel.</li> </ul>
JERICHO	<ul> <li>Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between Jericho City and Al-'Auja village with cement blocks.</li> <li>Checkpoints: <ol> <li>Israeli forces continue to restrict access through Al Hamra checkpoint, only allowing access to residents of Jericho district of the Jordan Valley area.</li> <li>Israeli forces continue to restrict access at Al-'Auja checkpoint, only allowing access to residents of the Jericho District and those holding access permits.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
BETHLEHEM	<ul> <li>Closure: <ul> <li>(iii) The Israeli army continues to close roads to An Nu'man village, with the exception of the road leading to the Wall gate in the southeastern area of the village.</li> <li>(iv) Since 15 September 2007, the Israeli army has prevented civilians from accessing or staying on 22 dunums of confiscated land in Al Mazmuriya area in Beit Sahur and Bethlehem cities.</li> <li>Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close the Beit Jala-Wadi Ahmed road; a road east of Beit Fajjar town; the road connecting Tuqu' town to Khirbet al Baq'a village; and the detour road connecting Wadi Fukin and Al Jab'a villages.</li> <li>Flying checkpoint.  At 00.40, Israeli army erected flying checkpoint on the entrance of Tqoah village, inspecting vehicles and people.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Raids:  At 16:50, Israeli forces raided Husan village, set up a checkpoint, and</li> </ul>

	detained Hamamrah Safwan Ahmed, who was subsequently released.				
	Demonstrations:				
	• <u>Demonstrations:</u> At 12:45, a demonstration in Mazrah village against the construction of				
	the separation wall took place. Israeli forces raided the village and beat				
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	Beit Jala city; around Al Walaja village; and east of Efrat settlement.				
Hebron	<ul> <li>2 residents: Mohamed Rafat Fjajerh and Rafat Zawahra.</li> <li>Wall Construction: Wall construction was resumed in the area northwest of Beit Jala city; around Al Walaja village; and east of Efrat settlement.</li> <li>Closure: <ol> <li>The Israeli army continues to close Al-Shuhada' Street, Al-Sahleh and Khuzq Al-Far areas, as well as the old gold market in Hebron's Old City. In addition to closing the entrance to Al-Qeisi neighbourhood, the Israeli army continues to close the entrances to the area of Al-Hisba (the fruits and vegetables market) with an iron gate and Al-Laban Market with iron plates.</li> <li>Since 05 January 2009, the Israeli army has closed the area located along the Green Line south of the town of Yatta. Having seized land for Wall construction, the Israeli army evicted the Palestinian residents and denied them access to the area.</li> <li>Closure of Main Roads:</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to Al-Dhahiriya and Al-Samoa' towns, Al-'Arrub refugee camp, and Al-Tuwani and Al-Karmil villages.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from travelling along Al-Shalala Old Street in Hebron's Old City.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to close all roads leading to Road # 60 as well as detour roads along the settler bypass road leading to Yatta town.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to close with dirt mounds a detour road leading to the entrance to Al-Simiya village.</li> <li>Flving Checkpoints:</li> <li>At 09:30, Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the entrance to the Alhawawer (the northern entrance to the town of Halhul, searching vehicles and citizens.</li> <li>At 13:50, Israeli forces set up a checkpoint at the junction of Zeif village (v) At 14:30, Israeli forces set up a checkpoint at the junction of Al-Fawar to search vehicles and people.</li> <li>From 20:10 to 21:00, Israeli forces erected a checkpoint at the junction of Ramadin village, inspecting cars and people.</li> <li>At 20:20, Israeli forces set up a checkpoint at t</li></ol></li></ul>				
	(viii) At 01:10, Israeli forces set up a checkpoint between Beit Ula and				
	Tarqumia towns.				
	• Raids:				
	(i) At 11:00, Israeli forces raided Safa village.				
	(ii) At 20:20, Israeli forces raided Tarusah village.				
	(iii) At 21:40 Israeli forces raided the town of Halhoul				

- (iv) From 22:10 to 23:30, Israeli army raided Deir Samet village.
- (v) At 00:40, Israeli forces raided Edhna village.
- (vi) At 03:15, Israeli forces raided Dura City and Fawar refugee camp.
- <u>Detentions</u>:

At 21:50, Israeli forces detained Mohammed Nizar Sharbati in Hebron's Old City.

## • Movement Restriction:

- At 09:00, Israeli forces tightened their restrictions in the Old City of Hebron and set up several checkpoints, obstructing access of whorshipers to the Ibrahimi Mosque during the first Friday prayers of Ramadan.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction has resumed in the area surrounding the illegal settlement Eshkolot, west of Al-Dhahiriya town.

#### **GAZA STRIP**

# ALL DISTRICTS

- At 02:00 on 18 January 2009, the unilateral ceasefire declared by Israel came into effect. At a later time on the same day, armed Palestinian groups announced an agreement to cease fire. The ceasefire has been further renewed on 10 April 2011.
- The Israeli army breached the cease-fire by opening fire from its positions on the Green Line near Rafah

# NORTHERN GAZA

• <u>Closure of Crossing Point</u>: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing was partially open to previously coordinated critically ill patients, foreign journalists, international organization staff, business people and civilians intending to travel to Jordan through *Al karama* (Allenby) bridge in the West Bank.

# GAZA

### • Closure of Crossing Points:

- (i) Al-Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 02 March 2011, the Crossing has been effectively closed following a unilateral Israeli decision.
- (ii) Al-Shija'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 04 January 2010, the Crossing has been closed following a unilateral Israeli decision.

# RAFAH

#### • Closure of Crossing Points:

- Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed.
- Rafah (*Al 'Awdah*) Crossing is closed.
- Sufa Crossing is closed.
- Karm Abu Salem (Karem Shalom) is closed.

#### Attacks:

On the morning of 05. 08. 2011, Israeli forces opened fire from their positions at the Green Line towards fields and homes on the eastern sections of Al-Shoka town and the Al-Daheiniya area, east of Rafah.