

مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 06 August 2004 – 08:00 07 August 2004

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Assassination	1	—	1	In Salfit
Death	—	1	1	1 child south of the Sufa Crossing
Injuries	2	4	6	Incl. 1 officer
Attacks	5	6	11	2 during raids & 7 from mil. posts
Raids	16	1	17	Incl. ongoing position in Tulkarem
Air Patrols	4	—	4	3 helicopters, 1 reconnaissance
Arrests (per person)	8	—	8	Incl. 1 injured civilian & 2 officers
Detentions	5	—	5	Incl. passengers of bust at chpnt.
Curfews	3	—	3	Shuweika, Beit Jala and Al Khadr
Checkpoints	All	—	All	
Flying Checkpoints	(Dozens)	(Dozens)	—	Closing all districts
Closure (per District)	(All)	(All)	(All)	Jericho closed military zone
Closure of Main Roads	(Most)	(5)	—	Esp. connecting cities
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)	—	(All)	Permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points	—	5	5	2 partially open
Medical Obstruction	2	—	2	Denying medical staff access
Provocation of Pal. Forces	2	—	2	Raids on Palestinian Police stations
Palestinian Attacks	—	2	2	2 Qassam mortars and 2 mortars
Demonstrations	2	—	2	In Beit Jala and Jayyus
TOTAL	50	19	69	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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ALL DISTRICTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Since 22 March 2004, the Israeli army has imposed a total closure over the West Bank and Gaza Strip. The Israeli army prevented civilians from crossing the Green Line and entering Jerusalem and restricted movement between cities in the West Bank.
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WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. • Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in Abu Dis, Al Eizariya (west of Al Quds University), Khallet Al Abed, Al Sawahira al Sharqiya (between Jabal Abu Mughayyir and the entrance to Sheikh Sa'd), Sur Bahir, along the main road between Jerusalem and Ramallah (Dahiyat Al Bareed, Ar Ram), the villages of Qatanna and Biddu, between the villages of Jaba' and Hizma, and the village of Anata.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up dozens of flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. • Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in Rantis, Budrus, Midya, Ni'lin, Deir Qaddis, Beit Liqya and Beituniya. • Raids/Curfew: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:55, the Israeli army raided the town of Qarawat Bani Zeid. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. At 14:15, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. (ii) At 15:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Ramallah. (iii) At 22:25, the Israeli army raided the town of Beituniya and searched 1 civilian building after forcing its residents to evacuate it.
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact economic and livelihood activities and impedes access to health facilities.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall was suspended for the weekend continues in Jalbun towards Al Mutilla, Raba, Al Mughayyir, Bardala and 'Ein al Beida and towards the Jordan River.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up dozens of checkpoints throughout the city, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages. The Israeli army continues to declare the city of Jericho a closed military zone and to allow only residents of Jericho to access the city. The Israeli army also prevented civilians holding Israeli ID cards, including tourist bus drivers, from entering the city
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing civilians from crossing. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the only road leading to the village of Al Nu'man, northeast of the Bethlehem district, isolating the village and placing it together with the adjacent village of Al Khas under the jurisdiction of the Jerusalem municipality. The Israeli army considers the civilian's presence in the villages illegal. • Wall Construction: Construction of the Wall was suspended for the weekend north of the district of Bethlehem, west of Wadi Hilwa, along 'Ayda refugee camp, along the tunnel road (Gilo), along road # 60 towards the village of Husan, Bir 'Ona and the village of Al Walaja. • Raids/Curfew: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 22:15, the Israeli army, including 15 jeeps, raided the cities of Bethlehem and Beit Jala and set up several checkpoints in a number of neighbourhoods. The Israeli army imposed curfew on the city of Beit Jala, searched several civilian houses in the city of Bethlehem, and arrested 1 civilian. At 23:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. (ii) The Israeli army raided the town of Al Khadr, imposed curfew and arrested 1 civilian. • Arrests: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army arrested Fadi Khalil Salahat in the city of Bethlehem. (ii) The Israeli army arrested Khalid Salahat in the town of Al Khadr. • Detention: At 24:30, the Israeli army detained 2 buses transporting civilians for more than 2 hours at As Sawahira Ash Sharqiya checkpoint. • Demonstration: At 13:15, a mass demonstration including international peace activists took place in the city of Beit Jala near areas of construction of the Wall north of the city in protest against construction of the Wall.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact economic and livelihood activities and impedes access to health facilities. • Raids/Curfew: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Seida, searched 2 houses and summoned to 2 civilians to report to Israeli Intelligence. (ii) At 11:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Tulkarem and its suburbs, took position in several neighbourhoods, imposed curfew on the area of Shuweika, and opened indiscriminate fire. The Israeli army remains positioned in the area as of 08:00 this morning. (iii) At 21:25, the Israeli army raided Tulkarem refugee camp and took position in the area surrounding it until 22:20. • Air Patrols: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:50, an Israeli army reconnaissance aircraft patrolled the skies over the district of Tulkarem. (ii) At 21:00, and again at 21:45, Israeli army helicopters patrolled the skies over the district of Tulkarem. • Arrest: At 22:00, the Israeli army arrested Mu'in Mahmoud as Sa'idi, a Palestinian National Security officer, at a checkpoint set up at the entrance to the settlement of Enav.
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up dozens of flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 12:10, the Israeli army raided the village of Till, raided the Palestinian Police station, and severely beat the Police station manager, who was hospitalised for injuries sustained in the head. (ii) At 19:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus and took position in several neighbourhoods.
HEBRON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 14:00, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Beit Kahil, searched 1 civilian house, and arrested 2 civilians. (ii) At 18:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron and detained a wedding party procession until 19:00. (iii) At 22:00, the Israeli army raided the town of As Samoa' and raided its Police station. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the town of Beit Kahil: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Ibrahim Ali Al Asafrah; and (ii) Safwat Ibrahim Al Asafrah.

<p style="text-align: center;">QALQILYA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. • Wall Gates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact economic and livelihood activities and impedes access to health facilities. (ii) The Israeli army prevented 2 medical teams from the International Committee of the Red Cross and the UN from accessing the village of ‘Azzun ‘Atma to offer medical assistance to civilians in the village. • Raid: At 21:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Jayyus and detained 1 civilian until 23:30. • Demonstration: At 13:30, a mass demonstration including peace activists took place in the town of Jayyus and marched towards the city of Qalqiliya along the Wall in protest against construction of the Wall.
<p style="text-align: center;">SALFIT</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. • Wall Construction: Land levelling for construction of the Wall west of the village of Iskaka, north of the city of Salfit (surrounding the settlement of Ariel) and in the villages of Al Zawiya and Deir Ballut was suspended due to changes in the Wall route following an Israeli Supreme Court order. • Attack: At 23:30, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location on Al Irsal hill, north of the city of Salfit, towards Wadi Ash Sha’er. • Raid: At 14:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Salfit, set up a checkpoint in Wadi al Matwa, west of the city, and prevented civilians from entering or exiting the city. Israeli army soldiers and helicopters opened intensive fire, extra-judicially killing 1 civilian and injuring another, arrested 3 civilians, including 1 injured civilian and 1 officer, and withdrew from the area at 16:20. • Assassination: The Israeli army extra-judicially killed Mohammed ‘Uthman Balasmeh in Wadi al Matwa. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 3 individuals in Wadi Al Matwa: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Ibrahim Mahmoud Naji, an injured civilian; (ii) Ahmed Na’im ‘Obeid, a Palestinian National Security officer; and (iii) Rabi’ Ali Harb.

GAZA STRIP

<p style="text-align: center;">NORTHERN GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Beit Hanun Crossing is partially open. • Raid: At 10:35, the Israeli army, including 2 tanks and 1 bulldozer, raided Palestinian Territory opposite Point 27, east of the town of Beit Hanun.
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Palestinian Attack:</u> At 10:10, 2 Qassam mortars were fired towards the Green Line.
GAZA CITY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The junction of Nitsareem remains closed. (ii) Al Muntar (Karni) Crossing in closed. • <u>Attack:</u> At 14:35, the Israeli army opened intensive fire and fired several tank shells towards Palestinian Territory south of Gaza city. • <u>Palestinian Attack:</u> At 07:05, 2 mortars were fired towards the settlement of Elli Sinai.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not yet reported.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Abu al Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) is closed. (ii) Western road (Khan Yunis) remains closed. (iii) Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis road (Al Tuffah checkpoint) is closed. (iv) Abu Holi road is partially open. • <u>Attack:</u> At 00:30, the Israeli army fired 5 tank shells from its location at Point 12 towards civilian houses in An Namsawi and Al Maqbara neighbourhoods.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Gaza International Airport remains closed. (ii) The Rafah crossing is partially open to arrivals only. (iii) The Sufa Crossing is closed. • <u>Attacks:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 23:30, the Israeli army opened fire from the area surrounding the settlement of Rafiah Yam towards Tall As Sultan neighbourhood, injuring 1 civilian. (ii) At 00:20, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location at Point 217 towards Palestinian Territory south to the Sufa Crossing, killing 1 child and injuring 3 civilians. • <u>Killing:</u> The Israeli army killed 15-year-old Ahmed Salih Al Qiq south of the Sufa Crossing.

GENERAL

POLITICAL PRISONERS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Prisoner Conditions:</u> 150 child prisoners in Telmond Prison have been subject to repeated severe beatings, medical negligence, insufficient provision of food, forced strip searches, and prevention of family visits.
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