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DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 06 August 2006 – 08:00 07 August 2006

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Deaths	2	—	2	2 civilians in Jenin and Nablus districts
Injury	1	—	1	1 civilian in the district of Nablus
Air Attack	—	1	1	1 missile fired by F16 aircraft on 1 house
Attacks	5	14	19	Incl. 5 in raids & 12 from military posts
Raids	13	2	15	Incl. 1 in Northern Gaza & 1 in Rafah
Air Patrols	—	6	6	Incl. 3 by F16 aircraft & 2 by helicopters
Arrests	8	—	8	Incl. a member of Pal. Legislative Council
Detentions	14	—	14	At checkpoints & in residential locales
House Demolitions	—	2	2	2 houses, Northern Gaza & Rafah districts
Wall Construction	27	—	27	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Beth.
Destruction of Property	—	1	1	1 house damaged during an air attack
Land Confiscation	1	—	1	81 <i>dunums</i> in Beit 'Awwa & Fuqeiqis
House Occupations	4	—	4	2 houses in Jenin and 2 in Nablus
Closure of Checkpoints	10	—	10	Incl. Tayasir and Al Hamra partially
Flying Checkpoints	12	—	12	Incl. Jenin (7), Salfit (1), & Hebron (2)
Closure (per District)	6	—	6	Incl. 3 areas in the district of Hebron
Closure of Main Roads	38	—	38	Incl. 7 in Tulkarem & 3 in Qalqiliya
Closure of Crossing Points	—	5	5	Incl. Beit Hanun (Erez) partially
Medical Obstruction	—	1	1	Evacuation of 1 hospital demanded
Settler Violence	1	—	1	Fire opened towards 1 truck, Nablus
Provocation of Pal. Forces	—	1	1	Shelling near 2 Palestinian security posts
Palestinian Attacks	—	4	4	Incl. 3 unidentified mortars fired
TOTAL	142	37	179	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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.
JERUSALEM	<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, in the old city of Jerusalem, and around Al Aqsa Mosque compound. • Closure of Main Roads: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance opposite the junction to Dahiyat al Bared in the city of Jerusalem with barbed wire and deny civilian access. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the road connecting Dahiyat al Bared to the town of Ar Ram. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close the eastern entrance to Dahiyat Bir Nabala with cement slabs, thereby completing the Wall section in the area. (iv) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks 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"> (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 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 Aqbat, from the village of Hizma to 'Anata, along the Hizma-Jaba' road, the area of Al 'Eizariya to Ash Shayyah, near Al Quds University, in the town of As Sawahira ash Sharqiya, 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.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil.

	<p>(ii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to the village of Saffa as well as the Ramallah-Jericho road (the segment between the town of Silwad and the village of Yabrud).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the overpass to the town of 'Atara and to deny access to the city of Ramallah for civilians holding IDs issued in the northern districts of the West Bank. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the areas of Al Midya to Budrus, Al Midya to Ni'lin, Bil'in to Saffa, in the village of Beit Liqya, in the town of Beituniya, and west of the town of 'Abud and the village of Beit Sira. • Raid: At 23:00, the Israeli army raided the city of El Bireh and arrested a member of the Palestinian Legislative Council (PLC), after searching his house. • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Fadhl Saleh Hamdan, a PLC member, in the city of El Bireh.
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Road: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the unpaved detour road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan. • Checkpoint: 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. The Israeli army also continues to operate a surveillance camera in order to observe the area surrounding the checkpoint. • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • Flying Checkpoints: At 08:00, the Israeli army set up 7 flying checkpoints: 1 in the area of As Suweitat east of the city of Jenin; 1 on Wadi Birqin road; 3 on the junctions to the towns of 'Arraba, Tammun, and Az Zababida; and 2 at the entrances to the villages of Muthalath Ash Shuhada' and Kafr Dan. Israeli troops positioned at these flying checkpoints searched and vehicles. • Raids/House Occupations/Attacks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Beginning at 03:30 on 06 August 2006, the Israeli army remained positioned in the city of Jenin and Jenin refugee camp and continued to occupy 2 houses, which it converted into military posts. At 11:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. (ii) At 09:00, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided the village of Al 'Araqa and searched 1 house. (iii) At 13:30, the Israeli army, including 25 jeeps, raided the town of As Silat al Harithiya. While surrounding 1 house, the Israeli army opened intensive fire, killing 1 civilian. The Israeli army also arrested 1 civilian and withdrew at 19:00. (iv) At 04:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Kafr Ra'i, opened indiscriminate fire, and searched 2 houses. (v) At 06:30, the Israeli army, including 6 jeeps, raided and patrolled the city of Jenin.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Killing:</u> The Israeli army killed Rashed Tawfeeq al ‘Umari in the town of As Silat al Harithiya. • <u>Arrest:</u> The Israeli army arrested Waleed Tawfeeq az Zyoud in the town of As Silat al Harithiya.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> The Israeli army continues to declare the district of Tulkarem a closed military zone and to impede civilian access to and from the district. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the following roads: the Dahiyat Dhinnaba- Kafr al Labad road; the Kafr al Labad-Shufa road; the southern entrance to the town of Baqa ash Sharqiya; the entrance to the village of Saffarin; the Kafr Sur-Wadi at Tin road; and the road connecting the town of Deir al Ghusun to ‘Attil plain. The Israeli army also continues to close with cement blocks the road connecting the town of Beit Lid to the village of Kur. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at ‘Einav checkpoint on the Tulkarem-Nablus road as well as at Jubara checkpoint (the southern entrance to the city of Tulkarem) and to deny access to civilians under 35 years of age. At ‘Einav checkpoint, the Israeli army has confined crossing times to the period between 07:00 and 17:00 every day. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • <u>Raid:</u> At 20:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of ‘Attil.
QALQILIYA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the northern entrance to the town of ‘Azzun as well as the agricultural roads east of the town. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the eastern entrance to the village of ‘Izbat at Tabib. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> <ol 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. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Land levelling for Wall construction continues in the village of Immatin and east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and ‘Azzun. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 11:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the eastern entrance to the city of Qalqiliya and searched civilians and vehicles.
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the Jenin-Nablus main 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 Al Badhan road, which is the north-eastern entrance to the city of Nablus.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Checkpoints:</u> 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. Access to civilians between 15 and 30 years of age as well as holders of IDs issued in the districts of Jenin and Tulkarem is denied. (ii) Al Badhan checkpoint (set up at the eastern entrance to the city of Nablus) remains closed with dirt barricades. (iii) Nablus-‘Asira ash Shamaliya checkpoint (set up at the northern entrance to city) is open from 06:30 to 20:00. (iv) 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. (v) Beit Furik checkpoint is open to civilian residents of the town of Beit Furik and the village of Beit Dajan until 17:30. • <u>Raid/House Occupations:</u> At 03:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus, occupied 2 houses, and converted them into military posts. The Israeli army also searched a number of other houses, arrested 1 civilian, and withdrew at 05:30. • <u>Arrest:</u> The Israeli army arrested Mohammed Ali at Toubasi in the city of Nablus. • <u>Settler Violence/Injury:</u> At 24:00, an Israeli settler opened fire towards a truck transporting vegetables near the village of Duma in the eastern Nablus district, killing the truck’s driver and injuring his son. • <u>Killing:</u> An Israeli settler killed Hussein Fahmi Mardawi near the village of Duma in the eastern Nablus district.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ol 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 entrances to the towns of Bruqin and Deir Istiya and to the village of Marda. The Israeli army also continues to close with cement blocks the western entrance to the town of Kafr ad Dik. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> <ol 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 to deny access to civilians under 35 years of age. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues near the Green Line in the town of Deir Ballut and the villages of Az Zawiya and Rafat, 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>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 08:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Marda and searched civilians and vehicles until 09:30.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raid/Attack: At 15:25, Israeli Special Forces raided the area of Al 'Ein between the towns of Kafr ad Dik and Deir Ghassana and opened indiscriminate fire while it was combing the area. At 16:00, the Israeli Special Forces withdrew from the area.
JERICHO	<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-issued IDs. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to close Al Hamra checkpoint set up on the Jericho-Nablus road, denying civilian access, except for farmers holding Jericho IDs.
BETHLEHEM	<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. The Israeli army considers the civilians' residence in the village illegal because they hold West Bank identity cards while their village is located within the Israeli-defined municipal boundaries of Jerusalem. • Closure of Main Roads: 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. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the "Container") checkpoint and to deny access to civilian vehicles, except for those possessing access permits. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the town of Al Khadr, north of 'Ayda refugee camp, and northwest of the city of Beit Jala. • Raid: At 16:55, the Israeli army raided the city of Bethlehem, set up a checkpoint in area of Al 'Ubayyat, and searched civilians and vehicles. At 17:40, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
HEBRON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ol 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. (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: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the following locales: the area of Al Hawawir leading to the town of Halhul; the area of Al Fahs south of the city of Hebron; the

	<p>junction to the area of Farsh al Hawa leading to Road # 35 northwest of the city of Hebron; the entrance to the village of Beit 'Einun; Al Baq'a junction south of the town of Beit 'Awwa; and the entrance to the village of 'Arab ar Ramadin. The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to Al Qeisi neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area between the towns of Beit Ula and Idhna (a 2-km-long section between the area south of the town of Beit Ula and Tarqumiya Crossing Point); in the village of Ar Ramadin (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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 17:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Fawwar junction and denied civilian access in both directions. (ii) At 21:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to the town of Halhul and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids/Attack: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 21:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Adh Dhahiriya. (ii) At 00:35, the Israeli army raided Abu Sneina neighbourhood in the city of Hebron, opened indiscriminate fire while searching a number of houses, and arrested 5 civilians. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 5 unidentified civilians in Abu Sneina neighbourhood in the city of Hebron. • Land Confiscation: On 24 July 2006, the Israeli army issued Military Order # T/98/06 for the confiscation of 81 <i>dunums</i> (20.25 acres) of land belonging to the town of Beit 'Awwa and the village of Fuqeiqis to erect a barbed wire fence along the settler bypass road, which extends from areas inside the Green Line to the settlement of Negohot south of the town of Beit 'Awwa.
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GAZA STRIP

<p style="text-align: center;">ALL DISTRICTS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beginning on 25 June 2006, and following the capture of an Israeli soldier during the Palestinian attack on the Israeli army military post near Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing, the Israeli army has reinforced the concentration of its armed forces along the northern and eastern borders of the district of Northern Gaza and imposed a sea blockade that has prevented Palestinian fishing boats from sailing. Beginning on 28 June 2006, the Israeli army has also reinforced the concentration of its armed forces along the eastern border of the district of Rafah. • The Israeli army announced (through the DCO) that it would shell each house containing weapons in the area of Al 'Atatira. The Israeli army also announced that it would shell each house whose residents have been notified to evacuate.
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<p style="text-align: center;">NORTHERN GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open only to foreign nationals, VIPs, and humanitarian cases. • Air Attack/Destruction of Property: At 02:30, an Israeli F16 combat aircraft fired 1 missile towards and destroyed 1 house in Jabalya refugee camp. The Israeli air attack also resulted in the damage of a neighbouring house. • House Demolition: The house, which was destroyed during an Israeli air attack in Jabalya refugee camp, belongs to Khaled ash Shurafa. • Attacks/Provocation of Palestinian Forces: Between 08:00 on 06 August 2006 and 08:00 on 07 August 2006, the Israeli army fired 65 artillery shells from its locations inside the Green Line towards Palestinian territory: near 2 Palestinian National Security locations; on Al Jamal land north of the town of Beit Lahiya; and east of the towns of Beit Hanun and Jabalya. • Raid: At 20:50, the Israeli army, including 2 armoured vehicles, raided 350 metres into Palestinian territory near Point 24 on the Green Line northwest of the town of Beit Lahiya. • Air Patrols: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:50, Israeli combat helicopters patrolled the skies over the town of Beit Hanun. (ii) At 13:00, Israeli F16 combat aircraft, combat helicopters, and reconnaissance aircraft patrolled the skies over the district of Northern Gaza. • Expulsion: Between 22:45 and 23:05, the Israeli authorities demanded by telephone (through a recorded announcement) the evacuation of 3 houses in Jabalya refugee camp in order to shell them. The houses belong to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Mohammed Abdul Fattah Abu Shoud; (ii) Talal Abu Rukbeh; and (iii) Ahmed Saleh. • Palestinian Attack: At 22:15, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line, but it landed on Palestinian territory.
<p style="text-align: center;">GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expulsion: Between 19:40 and 22:50, the Israeli authorities demanded by (through a recorded announcement) the evacuation of 3 houses in various neighbourhoods in Gaza city in order to shell them. The houses belong to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Mohammed Mazen Shaldat (in Ad Daraj neighbourhood); (ii) Zakariyya Abdul 'Azeez as Sahhar, the Palestinian Prime Minister's escort (in Ash Sheikh Radhwan neighbourhood); and (iii) A civilian from the family of An Nakhleh, (near the offices of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) on An Nassr Street). • Palestinian Attacks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 05:05, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line. (ii) At 16:10, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line, but it exploded in the area from which it was launched.
<p style="text-align: center;">CENTRAL GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attack: At 20:55, Israeli navy boats opened fire towards the city of Deir al Balah's beach. • Air Patrol: At 23:20, Israeli F16 combat aircraft patrolled the skies over the district of Central Gaza.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expulsion: Between 23:10 and 23:45, the Israeli authorities demanded by (through a recorded announcement) the evacuation of 4 houses in the city of Deir al Balah and An Nuseirat refugee camp in order to shell them. The houses belong to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Basel Abdul 'Aal; (ii) Adham Mohammed Dawwas; (iii) Ala' Wassfi al Banna; and (iv) Yousef Abu 'Ataya.
<p style="text-align: center;">KHAN YUNIS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attacks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 12:00, the Israeli army fired a number of artillery shells from its locations inside the Green Line towards Palestinian territory east of the area of Khuza'a. (ii) At 17:00, the Israeli army fired a number of artillery shells from its locations inside the Green Line towards the area of Al Fakhari east of the city of Khan Yunis. • Expulsion: At 23:50, the Israeli authorities demanded by telephone that 'Issam Qdeih evacuate his house in the area of 'Abasan east of the city of Khan Yunis in order to shell the house. • Medical Obstruction: At 23:20, the Israeli authorities demanded by telephone the evacuation of Al Karama Military Hospital within a maximum period of 1 hour. However, the Hospital Director refused to evacuate.
<p style="text-align: center;">RAFAH</p>	<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. • Attacks/Palestinian Attack: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 12:10, the Israeli army fired a number of artillery shells from its locations inside the Green Line towards the areas of Ash Shoka and Al Fakhari east of the city of Rafah. (ii) At 15:30, the Israeli army opened fire and fired tank shells from its locations on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory east of Yasser 'Arafat International Airport. (iii) At 23:25 and in response to open fire by armed Palestinian individuals, the Israeli army opened fire and fired tank shells from its locations in the area surrounding Yasser 'Arafat International Airport towards civilian houses. • Raid/Attack: At 18:20, the Israeli army, including 8 armoured vehicles and 2 bulldozers, raided the area of Al Jaradat east of the city of Rafah and opened fire towards civilian houses. At 20:05, the Israeli army withdrew from the area and took position in the area surrounding Yasser 'Arafat International Airport. The Israeli army also destroyed a 2-storey house (using explosives) east of the Airport. • House Demolition: The Israeli army used explosives to demolish 1 house belonging to Yasser Abdul 'Aal east of Yasser 'Arafat International Airport.