

مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

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

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assault	1	—	1	1 injured civilian severely beaten
Injuries	7	2	9	Incl. 2 children and female civilian
Attacks	6	13	19	4 during raids & 13 from mil. posts
Raids	19	1	20	Incl. house searches and patrols
Air Patrols	2	1	3	Helicopter over Tulkarem & Rafah
Deportations	3	—	3	Mother and her 2 children to Gaza
Arrests (per person)	11	1	12	Incl. 3 officers and 1 civilian
Detentions	2	—	2	In Jenin and Qalqiliya
House Demolitions	1	5	6	1 in Ad Duheisha RC & 5 in Rafah
Land Levelling	2	—	2	In Kafr Qaddum and Azzun Atma
Wall Construction	15	—	15	Jerusalem, Jenin, Ramallah, Beth.
Land Confiscation	1	—	1	Evacuation notices for 50 <i>dunums</i>
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	—	4	4	3 partially open
Attacks on Religious Site	1	—	1	Loudspeakers on Al Aqsa mosque
Settlement Activity	2	—	2	Incl. expansion of Kedumim
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	—	1	Position near security location
Measures against Workers	—	1	1	Workers forced to strip at Ind. zone
Palestinian Attacks	—	2	2	1 Qassam mortar and 1 mortar
TOTAL	74	30	104	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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<p style="text-align: center;">ALL DISTRICTS</p>	<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

<p style="text-align: center;">JERUSALEM</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: Wall construction was resumed 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. • Attack: The Israeli army, positioned in the area between the town of Al 'Eizariya and the village of Az Za'ayem, opened fire towards and injured 1 civilian. Israeli army soldiers severely beat the injured civilian, damaging his front teeth. • Attack on Religious Site: The Israeli army fixed large loudspeakers atop the Wailing Wall and positioned them towards Al Aqsa Mosque compound, disturbing worshippers in the mosque.
<p style="text-align: center;">RAMALLAH & EL BIREH</p>	<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 resumed in Rantis, Budrus, Midya, Ni'lin, Deir Qaddis, Beit Liqya and Beituniya. • Raids: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:50, 2 Israeli army patrols raided the village of Kafr 'Ein and patrolled the area. (ii) At 17:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Ramallah. (iii) At 22:30, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided the village of Beit Liqya. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians.

	<p>(iv) At 01:00, the Israeli army raided Qalandiya refugee camp and arrested 1 Palestinian National Security officer.</p> <p>(v) 03:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Qarawat Bani Zeid and arrested 3 civilians.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrests: <p>(i) The Israeli army arrested Ali Khalifah, a Palestinian National Security officer, in Qalandiya refugee camp.</p> <p>The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in the village of Qarawat Bani Zeid:</p> <p>(ii) Mahran Raja Abdul Hamid;</p> <p>(iii) Na'el Fa'eq 'Arar; and</p> <p>(iv) Fadi Fa'eq 'Arar.</p>
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. • Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall was resumed in Jalbun towards Al Mutilla, Raba, Al Mughayyir, Bardala and 'Ein al Beida and towards the Jordan River. • Detention: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints at the entrance to the village of Jaba' and prevented civilians from entering or exiting the village.
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 • Deportation: The Israeli army deported 1 female civilian and her 2 children from the city of Jericho to the Gaza Strip, claiming that they hold Gaza IDs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Ni'mah Darwish Nabahan; (ii) Mohammed Ziyad Al Masri; and (iii) Samah Ziyad Al Masri.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <p>(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.</p> <p>(ii) The Israeli army continues to close the only road leading to the village</p>

	<p>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.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Construction of the Wall was resumed 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. • Land Confiscation: The Israeli army distributed notices to evacuate 50 <i>dunums</i> (12.5 acres) of agricultural land belonging to 3 civilians in the village of Husan, claiming that the land is in close proximity to the Wall. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 14:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Bethlehem. (ii) At 01:30, the Israeli army, including 15 jeeps, raided Ad Duheisha refugee camp, demolished 1 civilian house belonging to a political prisoner, and withdrew from the area at 04:10. • House Demolition: The Israeli army demolished 1 house in Ad Duheisha refugee camp belonging to the family of Mohammed 'Isa Ma'ali.
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. • 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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 07:00 on 07 August 2004, the Israeli army raided the village of 'Izbat Al Jarad, searched several civilian houses and arrested 5 individuals, including 2 officers. At 20:30, the Israeli army raided the village again, patrolled the area, and withdrew at 23:00. (ii) At 10:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Ramin and arrested 2 civilians. (iii) At 19:10, and again at 22:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Tulkarem and its suburbs and opened indiscriminate fire. At 01:50, the Israeli army raided the city again and took position near a Palestinian National Security location. • Air Patrol: At 20:50, and again at 23:45, Israeli army helicopters patrolled the skies over the district of Tulkarem. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 5 individuals in the village of 'Izbat Al Jarad: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Mahmoud Salih Shreim, a Palestinian National Security officer; (ii) Na'im Mahmoud Abu Sa'da, a Palestinian National Security officer; (iii) Ma'moun Salih Shreim; (iv) Khalid Ghanim 'Iraqi; and

	<p>(v) 'Ammar Bassam an Najdi. The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the village of Ramin:</p> <p>(vi) Ra'ed Abdul Rahim Salman; and</p> <p>(vii) Islam Mahmoud Ar Ramini.</p>
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 20:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus, took position in several neighbourhoods, and opened indiscriminate fire, injuring 1 civilian. (ii) At 20:30, the Israeli army raided Balata refugee camp and opened indiscriminate fire, injuring 1 civilian. (iii) At 22:30, the Israeli army, including 7 jeeps, raided the town of Beit Furik. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during which the Israeli army injured 4 civilians, including 2 children.
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 17:40, the Israeli army raided the town of Adh Dhahiriya, set up a checkpoint in the town's centre, and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 22:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, searched 1 civilian house and withdrew at 23:00.
QALQILYA	<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. • Raid: At 23:40, the Israeli army raided the city of Qalqiliya, searched several houses, and detained 1 civilian for several hours. • Land Levelling: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army levelled an area of land in the village of 'Azzun 'Atma for expansion of a nearby settlement. (ii) The Israeli army levelled an area of land in the village of Kafr Qaddum for the expansion of the settlement of Kedumim.

SALFIT	<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.
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GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Beit Hanun Crossing is partially open. • Measures against Workers: At 07:50, the Israeli army, positioned in the industrial zone, forced workers to strip to their underwear for searches.
GAZA CITY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The junction of Nitsareem remains closed. • Attack: At 21:15, the Israeli army opened intensive fire and fired several tank shells south of the city of Gaza. • Palestinian Attack: At 21:40, 1 Qassam mortar was fired towards the settlement of Nitsareem.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not yet reported.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <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. • Attacks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 15:50, the Israeli army opened intensive fire and fired several tank shells from its locations at Points 9, 10, 11 and 12 towards civilian houses in Al Amal and An Namsawi neighbourhoods and West Khan Yunis refugee camp. (ii) At 23:10, and again at 07:00, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from the Kissufim road towards the area of Al Qarara. • Palestinian Attack: At 15:45, 1 mortar was fired towards the settlement of Gadid.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <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 partially open to construction cargo only.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Attacks:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 23:10, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location at Point 6 on the Egyptian border towards civilian houses in Al Barazil neighbourhood, injuring 1 female civilian. (ii) At 07:00, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location at the Rafah Crossing towards the Gaza International Airport, injuring 1 employee working at the Airport. • <u>Raid:</u> At 02:00, the Israeli army, including several tanks and bulldozers, raided 120 meters into Al Sha'ut neighbourhood and opened intensive fire. Israeli army helicopters patrolled the skies over the area. The Israeli army demolished 5 civilian houses and withdrew from the area at 07:15. • <u>Arrest:</u> At 18:35, the Israeli army arrested Anis Mohammed Zalmat at the Rafah Crossing as he was returning home from Egypt. • <u>House Demolition:</u> The Israeli army demolished 5 civilian houses in Al Sha'ut neighbourhood belonging to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Suleiman 'Ayyash; (ii) Bassam 'Awwad; (iii) Mohammed 'Adel Ar Rabi'; (iv) Yousef Ar Rabi'; and (v) Kamal Abu Zahri.
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GENERAL

<p style="text-align: center;">WORK PERMITS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>West Bank:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli authorities renewed work permits to cross the Green Line for 4,639 workers. The total number of those allowed to cross is unknown. (ii) The Israeli authorities continue to refuse to renew work permits for workers in the district of Jericho to cross the Green Line. (iii) The Israeli authorities restricted the issuing of work permits to civilians over the age of 35, married and with children. • <u>Gaza Strip:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli authorities renewed work permits to cross into the Industrial Zones for 1,140 workers; however, only 115 workers, 11% of the total number of permits issued, were permitted to enter the area. (ii) The Israeli authorities renewed work permits to cross the Green Line for 4,330 workers; however, only 1,179 workers, 28% of the total number of permits issued, were permitted to cross the Green Line. (iii) The Israeli authorities permitted 1,862 workers to remain overnight inside the Green Line.
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