

مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT
08:00 09 August 2004 – 08:00 10 August 2004

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assaults	3	—	3	3 children severely beaten
Injuries	1	3	4	Incl. 2 children & 1 female civilian
Air Attack	—	1	1	1 missile towards Rafah RC
Attacks	7	5	12	5 during raids & 5 from mil. posts
Raids	24	2	26	Incl. position in Abu Haddaf area
Air Patrols	2	1	3	Incl. 2 helicopters in Tulkarem
Arrests (per person)	6	6	12	Incl. 1 child
Detentions	—	2	2	At Abu Holi and Al Haddaf area
House Demolitions	12	3	15	Incl. 10 heritage houses in Hebron
Land Levelling	1	—	1	3 <i>dunums</i> in Bethlehem
Wall Construction	15	—	15	Jerusalem, Jenin, Ramallah, Beth.
Confiscation of Property	2	—	2	2 computers and documents
House Occupations	1	1	2	Incl. Religious Endowments bldg.
Curfews	2	—	2	In 'Arura and Al Mughayyir
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
Settlement Activity	1	2	3	Incl. bypass roads, fence and wall
Provocation of Pal. Forces	—	1	1	Open fire towards security location
Demonstrations	3	—	3	Incl. 2 against the Wall in Mas-ha.
TOTAL	80	31	111	

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 continues 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, along the Jaba'-Hizma road, and the village of Anata. • Physical Assault: Israeli army soldiers severely beat 3 children at Qalandiya checkpoint. • Raids: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army raided Shu'fat refugee camp and demolished 1 civilian house, claiming it was built without a license. (ii) The Israeli army raided the town of Beit Hanina and demolished 1 civilian house, claiming it was built without a license. • House Demolitions: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army demolished 1 house in Shu'fat refugee camp belonging to Omar Lutfi Hammad. (ii) The Israeli army demolished 1 house in the town of Beit Hanina belonging to Hayel Sanduqa.
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 continues in Rantis, Budrus, Midya, Ni'lin, Deir Qaddis, Beit Liqya and Beituniya. • Raids/Curfew: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:15, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Beituniya, set up a checkpoint, and searched civilians and vehicles.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) At 21:15, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of El Bireh. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. At 22:55, the Israeli army raided the city again and patrolled the area. (iii) At 04:40, the Israeli army raided the village of 'Arura, opened indiscriminate fire, imposed curfew and patrolled the area. (iv) The Israeli army raided the village of Al Mughayyir and imposed curfew overnight.
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 construction continues in Jalbun towards Al Mutilla, Raba, Al Mughayyir, Bardala and 'Ein al Beida and towards the Jordan River. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 14:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Al Yamun, opened indiscriminate fire, patrolled the area, and withdrew at 15:00. (ii) At 22:00, the Israeli army raided the village of 'Anin and arrested 1 child. (iii) The Israeli army raided the town of Tubas and searched several civilian houses. • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Samir Mohammed Yaseen, 15 years old, in the village of 'Anin.
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 continues north of the district

	<p>of Bethlehem, west of Wadi Hilwa, along 'Ayda refugee camp, along the tunnel road (Gilo), along road # 60 towards the village of Husan, in Bir 'Ona and the village of Al Walaja.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attack: At 22:40, Israeli guards of equipment used for construction of the Wall north of the city of Beit Jala opened indiscriminate fire towards Palestinian Territory. • Land Levelling: The Israeli army levelled 3 <i>dunums</i> (0.75 acres) of land in the village of Janata near the settlement of El David. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:15, the Israeli army raided the city of Bethlehem, raided the offices of a charitable association, and confiscated 2 computers and documents from the offices. (ii) At 18:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Al Walaja and arrested 3 civilians. (iii) At 01:10, the Israeli army raided the city of Bethlehem, the town of Al Khadr and Ad Duheisha refugee camp, searched several civilian houses, and arrested 1 civilian in the town of Al Khadr. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in the village of Al Walaja: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Hatim Al Atrash; (ii) Sa'id Ash Sheikh; and (iii) 'Adnan Al Atrash. (iv) The Israeli army arrested Ali As'ad Salah in the town of Al Khadr. • Demonstration: At 21:10, a demonstration including peace activists from Korea took place in the city of Bethlehem calling for peace between the Palestinians and Israelis.
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 17:40, the Israeli army raided Tulkarem refugee camp. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during which the Israeli army injured 1 child. (ii) At 17:40, the Israeli army raided the city of Tulkarem and its suburbs and opened intensive fire. At 00:45, the Israeli army raided the city again, took position in several neighbourhoods, and withdrew from the area at 07:00. • Air Patrol: At 01:30, and again at 03:40, Israeli army helicopters patrolled the skies over the district of Tulkarem. • Arrest: At 17:00, the Israeli army arrested Khalid Ibrahim 'Amer at a checkpoint set up at the entrance to the settlement of 'Enav.

<p style="text-align: center;">NABLUS</p>	<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. • Raid: At 17:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus and Balata refugee camp and took position in several neighbourhoods.
<p style="text-align: center;">HEBRON</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. • Raid: At 19:00, an Israeli army infantry patrol raided Al Fawwar refugee camp and opened indiscriminate fire. • House Occupation: The Israeli army occupied a building housing the Directorate of Religious Endowments in the old city of Hebron and converted it into a military post. • Settlement Activity: At 16:00, the Israeli army demolished 10 heritage houses near the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron for construction of a settler bypass road, measuring 900 meters in length, connecting the settlement of Kiryat Arba' with the Ibrahimi Mosque. • House Demolitions: The Israeli army demolished 10 heritage houses in the old city of Hebron belonging to unidentified civilians.
<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: 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.
<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 Wall construction west of the village of Iskaka, north of the city of Salfit (around 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. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 03:00, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Salfit. At 06:15, the Israeli army raided the city again and took position at the western entrance to the city. (ii) At 06:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Bruqin. • Demonstration: At 11:00, a mass demonstration including international peace activists took place in the villages of Mas-ha and Az Zawiya in protest against construction of the Wall and demanded its dismantlement.

GAZA STRIP

<p style="text-align: center;">NORTHERN GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Beit Hanun Crossing is partially open. • Attack: At 19:30, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location in the area surrounding the settlement of Nisanit towards nearby civilian houses. • Arrests: At 16:00, the Israeli army arrested 4 civilians near the Green Line: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Mohammed Zakariy Ad Dureini; (ii) Nidhal Al Khalidi; (iii) Nu'man Mohammed Ziyadah; and (iv) Mahmoud Al Baz.
<p style="text-align: center;">GAZA CITY</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The junction of Nitsareem remains closed. • Attacks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 15:10, the Israeli army opened intensive fire towards 1 Palestinian National Security location north of Shiekh 'Ijlin coastal junction, south of Gaza city. (ii) At 23:30, the Israeli army opened intensive fire in all directions from its location in the area surrounding the settlement of Nitsareem. • Settlement Activity: At 19:30, the Israeli army constructed a barbed wire fence extending from the area of Al Bi'r, west of the village of Al Mughraqa, towards the hill opposite the Palestinian Preventive Security towers south of the settlement of Nitsareem, south of Gaza city.
<p style="text-align: center;">CENTRAL GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not yet reported.
<p style="text-align: center;">KHAN YUNIS</p>	<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. At 17:20, the Israeli army closed Salah ad Din road at Abu Holi and arrested 2 civilians. • Attack: At 21:50, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its military post in the area of Abu Al 'Ajin towards civilian houses in the area of Al Qarara, inuring 1 female civilian. • Raid: At 01:25, an Israeli army infantry force raided the area of Abu Haddaf in Al Qarara, forced civilians to evacuate their houses, occupied Al Matahin building, and converted the building it into a military post. The Israeli army remains positioned in the area as of 08:00 this morning. • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians, one of whom was identified as Khairi as Sis, at Abu Holi checkpoint.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Settlement Activity:</u> At 00:45, the Israeli army placed 8-meter-high cement walls in the area between Points 9 and 9.5, opposite Al Amal neighbourhood.
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 and departures of civilians under 16 years old and above 35 years old only. (iii) The Sufa Crossing is partially open to construction cargo only. • <u>Air Attack:</u> At 09:00, an Israeli army helicopter fired 1 missile towards civilian houses in Ash Sha'ut neighbourhood in Rafah refugee camp. • <u>Raid:</u> Beginning at 23:55 on 08 August 2004, the Israeli army remains positioned in Ash Sha'ut neighbourhood in Rafah refugee camp. The Israeli army opened intensive fire, injuring 2 civilians, including 1 child critically, demolished 3 civilian houses, and withdrew at 23:00. • <u>House Demolition:</u> The Israeli army demolished 3 houses in the Ash Sha'ut neighbourhood belonging to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Nafiz Sha'th; (ii) Ghanim Sha'th; and (iii) Mahmoud Sha'th.

GENERAL

WORK PERMITS	<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 1,145 workers; however, only 674 workers, 59% 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 4,336 workers; however, only 2,201 workers, 51% of the total number of permits issued, were permitted to cross the Green Line. (iii) The Israeli authorities permitted 1,912 workers to remain overnight inside the Green Line.
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