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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 09 August 2006 – 08:00 10 August 2006

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Assassinations	2	—	2	In Jenin refugee camp
Killing	—	1	1	East of the town of Jabalya, N. Gaza
Injury	1	—	1	During an air attack, Jenin
Air Attacks	1	2	3	Incl. missiles fired by F16 aircraft
Attacks	6	10	16	Incl. 8 in raids and 5 from military posts
Raids	16	1	17	Incl. 5 in Jenin and 3 in Tulkarem
Air Patrols	2	3	5	Incl. 3 by combat helicopters
Arrests	15	—	15	Incl. 4 in Jerusalem and 6 in Nablus
Detentions	18	—	18	At checkpoints and in residential areas
House Demolitions	—	2	2	During air attacks, Northern Gaza
Wall Construction	27	—	27	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Beth.
Destruction of Property	—	2	2	Incl. several houses damaged, Beit Hanun
Curfew	1	—	1	Over a neighbourhood in El Bireh city
Closure of Checkpoints	10	—	10	Incl. Tayasir and Al Hamra partially
Flying Checkpoints	10	—	10	Incl. 2 in Ramallah and 3 in Qalqiliya
Closure (per District)	6	—	6	Incl. 3 areas in the district of Hebron
Closure of Main Roads	41	—	41	Incl. 9 in Tulkarem and 9 in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points	—	5	5	Incl. Beit Hanun (Erez) partially
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	—	1	Forces demanded not to leave positions
Palestinian Attack	1	—	1	Fire opened towards a checkpoint, Nablus
Pal. Security Measure	1	—	1	An illegal truck handed over, Hebron
TOTAL	159	26	185	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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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.
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JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <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"> The Israeli army continues to close the entrance opposite the junction to Dahiyat al Bareed in the city of Jerusalem with barbed wire and deny civilian access. The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the road connecting Dahiyat al Bareed to the town of Ar Ram. The Israeli army continues to close the eastern entrance to Dahiyat Bir Nabala with cement slabs, thereby completing the Wall section in the area. 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"> The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks. 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. Raid: The Israeli army raided the town of Al 'Eizariya, set up a checkpoint, searched civilians and vehicles, and arrested 1 civilian and 3 Palestinian National Security officers. Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 1 civilian and 3 security officers in the town of Al 'Eizariya:
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Mutawakkel Mohammed Al Khatib, a Palestinian National Security officer; (ii) Yusef Khayri Ibrahim, a Palestinian National Security officer; (iii) Mansour Mohammed Khalaf, a Palestinian National Security officer; and (iv) Sa'adeh Sa'id Samarah.
<p style="text-align: center;">RAMALLAH & EL BIREH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil and the road connecting Dahiyat al Mu'allimin to Al Jalazun refugee camp. (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). • 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. • Raids/Curfew: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 23:45, the Israeli army, including 4 jeeps, raided the city of El Bireh and patrolled the area until 00:15. (ii) At 01:15, and after demanding through the DCO that Palestinian security forces not leave their locations, the Israeli army, including 19 jeeps, raided a neighbourhood in the city of El Bireh. The Israeli army also set up several checkpoints on internal road junctions, imposed curfew, and fired sound grenades while surrounding and searching 4 buildings as well as detaining their residents. In addition, the Israeli army arrested 1 Palestinian National Security officer as well as opened fire and artillery shells towards 1 building. The Israeli army remains positioned in the area as of 08:00 this morning. • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Ramzi 'Ubeid, a Palestinian National Security officer, during its raid on a neighbourhood in the city of El Bireh.
<p style="text-align: center;">JENIN</p>	<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.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Air Attacks:</u> At 08:45, 2 Israeli combat helicopters fired 2 missiles, of which one targeted a house in Jenin refugee camp, thereby assassinating 2 civilians and injuring another (whom the Israeli army describes as “individuals wanted by the Israeli army”). The other missile targeted an uninhabited area in Birqin valley west of Jenin refugee camp. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:00, Israeli army infantry forces, dispatched by combat helicopters, raided and combed the area located between the town of Tubas and the village of ‘Aqqaba. (ii) At 21:30, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided the city of Jenin and patrolled the area until 07:00. (iii) At 01:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Meithalun, opened indiscriminate fire while patrolled the area, and withdrew at 03:30. (iv) At 02:00, the Israeli army, including 10 jeeps, raided the town of Al Yamun and patrolled the area until 04:30. (v) At 02:30, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided the town of Kafr Ra’i, searched 1 house, and arrested 1 civilian. At 03:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. • <u>Assassinations:</u> The Israeli army assassinated 2 civilians in Jenin refugee camp: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Mohammed Majed ‘Ateeq; and (ii) Amjad Said Al ‘Ajami. • <u>Arrest:</u> The Israeli army arrested Mustafa ‘Atef Milhem in the town of Kafr Ra’i.
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> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) 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. (ii) At 12:10, the Israeli army closed with dirt barricades the entrance to the village of Ramin as well as the road to the village’s plain. • <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>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 09:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Al Jarushiya and searched civilians and vehicles until 10:15.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Kafr Zibad, searched 1 house, and arrested 2 brothers (one is a Palestinian Police officer and the other is a Palestinian Preventive Security officer). (ii) At 02:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of ‘Illar. (iii) At 02:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Dhahiyet ash Shuweika in the city of Tulkarem. • <u>Arrests:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:00, the Israeli army arrested Thaer Mohammed Shawahneh, a Palestinian security officer, at ‘Einav checkpoint. <p>The Israeli army arrested 2 security officers (brothers) in the village of Kafr Zibad:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) Maher Abdul Qader Ghanayem, a Palestinian Police officer; and (iii) Muwaffaq Abdul Qader Ghanayem, a Palestinian Preventive Security officer. • <u>Detention:</u> At 15:10, Israeli army troops positioned at Jubara checkpoint detained Laith Abdul Fattah ‘Inaya, a Palestinian Police officer, and released him at a later time.
QALQILIYA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul 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> <ul 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 Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 19:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the eastern entrance to the city of Qalqiliya and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 23:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of ‘Izbat at Tabib and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the villages of Al Funduq and Hijja and searched civilians and vehicles.
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul 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. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus:

	<ul 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>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 19:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Deir al Hatab, opened indiscriminate fire, and denied access in both directions as of 08:00 this morning. • <u>Raid:</u> At 03:40, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus, searched a number of houses, and arrested 3 civilians. At 05:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. • <u>Arrests:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) On 08 August 2006, the Israeli army arrested Ahmad Sami Rajeh, a Palestinian National Security officer, at Huwwara checkpoint. <p>At 20:25, the Israeli army arrested 2 female university students at Beit Iba checkpoint:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) Nuha Abdul Fattah Bushnaq; and (iii) Haya Mazen Abdul Latif. <p>The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians during its raid on the city of Nablus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (iv) Muhannad Subhi Faraj; (v) Sabe’ Fayeze Ba’arah; and (vi) Mohammed al Hindi. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Palestinian Attack:</u> At 16:45, armed Palestinian individuals opened fire at Israeli army troops positioned at the checkpoint set up at the entrance to the town of Beit Furik. Consequently, the Israeli army opened intensive fire towards the village of Deir al Hatab as well as closed Beit Furik checkpoint, denying civilian access in both directions as of 08:00 this morning.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul 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> <ul 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.

	<p>(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.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: 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.
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. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:30, an Israeli army patrol raided the village of Dar Salah, set up a checkpoint, and searched civilians and vehicles until 11:30. (ii) At 20:30, an Israeli army patrol raided and patrolled the city of Beit Jala. (iii) At 00:05, the Israeli army raided the city of Bethlehem and patrolled the area until 01:30.
HEBRON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul 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.

	<p>(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.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 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. • 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 Checkpoint: At 11:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to the town of Halhul and set up a surveillance camera to observe the movement of civilians. This is in addition to Israeli army troops positioned at a surveillance tower near the overpass as well as at a house that they have converted into a military post. • Raid: The Israeli army raided the town of Idhna and searched 1 house. • Palestinian Security Measure: At 10:00, Palestinian security forces handed over 1 illegal truck, seized in the town of Yatta, to the Israeli authorities (through the DCO).
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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, 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.
<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 Attacks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 01:30, Israeli F16 combat aircraft fired 1 missile that targeted a house on An Na'ayma street in the town of Beit Hanun, after the Israeli army had notified (by telephone) its residents to evacuate. As a result, the house was destroyed and neighbouring houses sustained damages. (ii) At 02:35, Israeli F16 combat aircraft fired 1 missile that targeted a 4-storey house near the post office in the town of Beit Hanun, after the Israeli army had notified (by telephone) its residents to evacuate. As a result, the house was partially destroyed.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Attacks:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Between 08:00 on 09 August 2006 and 08:00 on 10 August 2006, the Israeli army fired 14 artillery shells from its locations inside the Green Line towards Palestinian territory near An Nada residential towers and the area of Al Hawuz north of the tow of Beit Lahiya as well as east of the towns of Beit Hanun and Jabalya. The Israeli military attack resulted in the killing of 1 civilian east of the town of Jabalya and caused damage to 1 house in the area. (ii) At 20:25, Israeli navy boats opened fire towards the area of Al Waha northwest of the town of Beit Lahiya. • <u>House Demolitions:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The house that was destroyed on An Na'ayma street in the town of Beit Hanun belongs to Hussein Subhi Al Kafarneh. (ii) The house that was partially destroyed near the post office in the town of Beit Hanun belongs to Osama Abu 'Eisheh. • <u>Killing:</u> The Israeli military attack killed 'Imad Abdullah Ash Sharatiha east of the town of Jabalya.
GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Attack:</u> At 22:00, Israeli navy boats opened fire towards the beach west of An Nuseirat refugee camp.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Points:</u> <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. • <u>Raid:</u> Beginning at 18:20 on 07 August 2006, the Israeli army has remained positioned in and around Yasser 'Arafat International Airport east of the city of Rafah and opened indiscriminate fire towards civilians. The Israeli army remains positioned in the area as of 08:00 this morning. • <u>Attacks:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 14:50, the Israeli army opened fire and fired artillery shells from its locations around Yasser 'Arafat International Airport towards civilian houses east of the city of Rafah. (ii) At 17:10, Israeli combat helicopters opened fire towards civilian houses east of the city of Rafah.