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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT
08:00 11 August 2007 – 08:00 12 August 2007

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	2	—	**2**	In Ramallah & Nablus, incl. a child
Attacks	5	—	**5**	3 in raids and 2 from military posts
Raids	25	1	**26**	Incl. 6 in Jenin and 5 in Qalqiliya
Arrests (per person)	8	—	**8**	7 civilians in Jenin and 1 in Nablus
Detentions	17	—	**17**	At checkpoints and in residential areas
Land Levelling	—	1	**1**	In the area of Al Farahin in Khan Yunis
Wall Construction	25	—	**25**	Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Hebron, Beth.
Destruction of Property	1	—	**1**	Doors of a house destroyed, Jenin
Closure of Checkpoints	15	—	**15**	Incl. access impeded at 8 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	16	—	**16**	Incl. 5 in Jenin and 3 in Tulkarem
Closure (per District)	6	—	**6**	Incl. Jerusalem and Tulkarem partially
Closure of Main Roads	38	—	**38**	Incl. 2 in Bethlehem & 12 in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points	—	7	**7**	Incl. Beit Hanun (Erez) partially open
Construction of Mil. Post	1	—	**1**	A watchtower erected in Jerusalem
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	—	**1**	Taking position near a Police station
Palestinian Attacks	1	1	**2**	Incl. an explosive device detonated
TOTAL	**161**	**10**	**171**	

DISTRICT	EVENT

WEST BANK

ALL DISTRICTS	• 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	• **Closure:** The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem. The Israeli army also continues to close the entrances to Al Aqsa Mosque compound in the old city of Jerusalem and impede civilian access to the mosque. • **Closure of Main Roads:** (i) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance opposite the junction to Dahiyat al Bareed in the city of Jerusalem with a barbed wire gate and to deny civilian access. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting Dahiyat al Bareed to the town of Ar Ram in order to complete Wall construction in the area. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and dirt barricades the entrance to the village of Jaba', which connects the village to the cities of Jerusalem, Ramallah, and Jericho. • **Checkpoints:** (i) 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. (ii) The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at the checkpoint set up near the village of Jaba' and impeded civilian access. • **Wall Gates:** (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 was resumed in Dahiyat al Bareed, Dahiyat al Aqbat, from the village of Hizma to 'Anata, along the Hizma-Jaba' road, the area of Al 'Eizariya to Ash Shayyah, 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. • **Construction of Military Post:** The Israeli army erected a military watchtower near the checkpoint, located in the area between Shu'fat refugee camp and the French Hill in the city of Jerusalem. In addition, the Israeli army placed a caravan in the area and expanded the checkpoint.

RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	• **Closure of Main Roads:** (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil and with cement blocks the western entrance to the village of Saffa. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the settler bypass road connecting 'Assur Hill in the village of Kafr Malik to Alon settler bypass road. • **Checkpoint:** The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the overpass to the town of 'Atara and to impede civilian access. • **Wall Construction:** Wall construction was resumed in the area west of the town of 'Abud as well as in the areas of Al Midya to Ni'lin and Ni'lin to Deir Qaddis. • **Attack/Injury:** At 21:25, the Israeli army opened indiscriminate fire from the area surrounding the settlement of Psagot towards civilian houses in the city of El Bireh, injuring 1 child. • **Raid:** At 21:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of El Bireh.
JENIN	• **Closure of Main Road:** The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the 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. • **Wall Gates:** Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • **Flying Checkpoints:** (i) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up 4 flying checkpoints: 1 in the area between the towns of Az Zababida and Qabatiya and 3 on the junctions to the town of 'Arraba as well as the villages of Al Kufeir and Al Jarba. Israeli troops positioned at these flying checkpoints searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 15:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the village of Fahma, searched civilians and vehicles, and arrested 1 Palestinian National Security officer. • **Raids/Destruction of Property:** (i) At 03:00 on 11 August 2007, the Israeli army raided the town of Ya'bad, searched a number of houses, and arrested 1 civilian. (ii) At 08:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Az Zababida and the village of 'Aqqaba. (iii) At 01:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Qabatiya and the village of Ash Shuhada'. (iv) At 02:30, the Israeli army, including 12 jeeps and 1 bulldozer, raided the town of Tammun, searched a number of houses, and arrested 5 civilians. The Israeli bulldozer also demolished the doors of a house. At 08:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.

	• **Arrests:** (i) Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up near the village of Fahma arrested Marzouq Mustafa Abu ar Rub, a Palestinian National Security officer. (ii) The Israeli army arrested Jihad Muneer Abu Bakr in the town of Ya'bad. The Israeli army arrested 5 civilians in the town of Tammun: (iii) Mansour Mustafa Bani 'Odeh; (iv) Jihad Khadher Bani 'Odeh; (v) Bilal Mustafa Bani 'Odeh; (vi) Hilal 'Adnan Bani 'Odeh; and (vii) Abdullah Abdul Raheem Bani 'Odeh.
TULKAREM	• **Closure:** The Israeli army continues to declare the district of Tulkarem a closed military zone and to impede civilian access to and from the district. • **Closure of Main Roads:** (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the Dahiyat Iktaba-Bal'a road; the entrance to the village of Saffarin; the road connecting the town of Deir al Ghusun to 'Attil plain; the road connecting the town of Kafr al Labad to the village of Shufa; the road to the town of Deir al Ghusun's plain; and the entrance to the village of 'Izbat Abu Khamish. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road connecting the town of Kafr al Labad to Dahiyat Dhinnaba in the city of Tulkarem. • **Checkpoints:** The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Jubara checkpoint (the southern entrance to the city of Tulkarem) as well as at 'Einav checkpoint (the eastern entrance to the city). • **Wall Gates:** Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • **Flying Checkpoints/Detentions:** (i) At 08:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Dahiyat Shuweika in the city of Tulkarem and searched civilians and vehicles until 09:40. (ii) At 12:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint along the road to the village of Ramin's plain, searched civilian vehicles, detained 5 civilians, and released them at 14:00, after coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO). (iii) At 17:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the towns of 'Attil and Deir al Ghusun and searched civilians and vehicles. • **Attack:** At 22:00, the Israeli army fired flares over the area along the Wall in the village of Far'un. • **Raids/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:** (i) At 13:30, an Israeli army patrol raided Dahiyat Shuweika in the city of Tulkarem, took position in front of a Palestinian Police station, and patrolled the area.

	(ii) At 00:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Dahiyat Iktaba in the city of Tulkarem. (iii) At 02:35, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Tulkarem and Tulkarem refugee camp. (iv) At 03:40, the Israeli army raided the village of 'Izbat al Jarad and searched 1 house.
QALQILIYA	• **Closure of Roads:** The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun as well as the road connecting the town of 'Azzun to the village of 'Izbat at Tabib. • **Wall Gates:** (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. • **Wall Construction:** Land levelling for Wall construction was resumed in the villages of Immatin and Kafr Laqif as well as east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and 'Azzun. • **Flying Checkpoints:** At 09:00, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints at the eastern and southern entrances to the city of Qalqiliya and searched civilians and vehicles. • **Raids:** (i) At 01:30, the Israeli army, including 6 jeeps, raided the city of Qalqiliya and patrolled the area until 02:00. (ii) The Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Jit.
NABLUS	• **Closure of Main Roads:** (i) The Israeli army continues to close the Jenin-Nablus 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 the settler bypass road connecting the village of Deir al Hatab to the settlement of Alon Moreh as well as the southern entrance to the village of Qaryut. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the village of Al Lubban ash Sharqiya with dirt barricades and cement blocks. • **Checkpoints:** The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus: (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. The Israeli army only allows civilian vehicles possessing access permits to cross these checkpoints. The Israeli army also searches civilians using metal detectors at Beit Iba checkpoint, impeding their access. (ii) 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.

	(iii) Beit Furik checkpoint is open to civilian residents of the town of Beit Furik and the village of Beit Dajan until 17:30. (iv) Beginning on 23 November 2006, the Israeli army continues to close the checkpoint set up in the area between the city of Nablus and the town of 'Asira ash Shamaliya and to prevent civilians from crossing, only allowing access to humanitarian cases. • **Raids/Palestinian Attack/Israeli Attacks/Injury:** (i) At 17:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Nablus. At 00:25, the Israeli army raided the city again and opened indiscriminate fire, after armed Palestinian individuals detonated an explosive device near an Israeli army jeep. The Israeli army also patrolled the area until 04:20. (ii) At 20:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Bizzariya and opened fire, while patrolling the area. (iii) At 21:00, the Israeli army raided Balata refugee camp, patrolled the area, and opened fire, injuring 1 child. (iv) The Israeli army raided the town of Jamma'in and arrested 1 civilian. • **Arrest:** The Israeli army arrested Hatem Ahmed Hussein in the town of Jamma'in.
SALFIT	• **Closure of Main Roads:** (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 *Intifada* (Uprising). (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western entrance to the village of Marda and, with cement blocks, the western entrance to the town of Kafr ad Dik. • **Checkpoints:** (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 impeded civilian access. • **Wall Construction:** Wall construction was resumed in the area 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. • **Flying Checkpoint:** At 10:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Yasuf and searched civilians and vehicles.
JERICHO	• **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 IDs. • **Checkpoints:** The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions and impede civilian access at Al Hamra checkpoint set up along Al Badhan road connecting the districts of Jericho and Nablus as well as on the checkpoint set up on the junction to the village of Al 'Auja along Al Mu'arrajat road connecting the districts of Jericho and Ramallah.

BETHLEHEM	• **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. • **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. • **Wall Construction:** Wall construction was resumed in the area northwest of the town of Al Khadr, northwest of the city of Beit Jala, and in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of the settlement of Efrat. • **Raids:** (i) At 14:45, the Israeli army raided the village of Dar Salah, set up a checkpoint, searched civilians and vehicles, and withdrew at 17:20. (ii) At 02:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Artas and patrolled the area until 03:00.
HEBRON	• **Closure:** (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. The Israeli army also continues to install an iron gate at the entrance to the area of Al Hisba (the fruits and vegetables market) in the old city of Hebron, thereby controlling civilian access in the area. (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:** (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the following locales: the entrance to the town of As Samoa'; 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 road connecting the town of Surif to the village of Al Jab'a; the entrance to the village of Beit 'Einun; and the eastern entrance to the village of Kharsa. The Israeli army also continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to Al Qeisi neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron as well as the main entrance to Al 'Arrub refugee camp. (ii) In accordance with Military Order # 378, the Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from travelling along Shalala Old Street that leads to the old city of Hebron, only allowing Israeli vehicles as well as Israeli army vehicles to travel along this street.

	• **Wall Construction:** Wall construction was resumed in the section of Tarqumiya checkpoint terminal, 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 12:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Fawwar junction and searched civilians and vehicles.
	• **Raids:**
	(i) At 09:00, the Israeli army raided the area of Bab az Zawiya in the city of Hebron, set up a checkpoint, and searched civilians and vehicles.
	(ii) At 16:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Dura.
	(iii) At 23:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Adh Dhahiriya.
	(iv) At 02:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Beit 'Awwa.

GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA	• **Closure of Crossing Point:** Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is closed. Only humanitarian cases are allowed access, after prior coordination. • **Palestinian Attack:** At 16:00, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.
GAZA	• **Closure of Crossing Points:** (i) Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed. (ii) Ash Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed.
CENTRAL GAZA	• Activities not reported.
KHAN YUNIS	• **Raid/Land Levelling:** At 15:00, the Israeli army, including 3 tanks and 2 bulldozers, raided 100 metres into Palestinian territory east of the area of Al Farahin east of the city of Khan Yunis and levelled land.
RAFAH	• **Closure of Crossing Points:** (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.