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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 12 August 2006 – 08:00 13 August 2006

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assault	1	—	1	1 civilian beaten at Huwwara checkpoint
Injuries	4	—	4	Incl. 3 workers in the district of Jerusalem
Attacks	8	3	11	Incl. 1 in a raid & 7 from military posts
Raids	20	1	21	Incl. 4 in Ramallah & 5 in Bethlehem
Arrests	8	—	8	Incl. 1 child & 1 Pal. security officer
Detentions	16	—	16	At checkpoints and in residential areas
Wall Construction	27	—	27	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Beth.
Destruction of Property	1	—	1	Contents of a commercial shop damaged
Confiscation of Property	1	—	1	A civilian's ID card in Ramallah district
Closure of Checkpoints	10	—	10	Incl. 'Einav and Jubara partially
Flying Checkpoints	17	—	17	Incl. 4 in Jerusalem and 6 in Jenin
Closure (per District)	6	—	6	Incl. An Nu'man village, Bethlehem
Closure of Main Roads	39	—	39	Incl. 7 in Tulkarem and 9 in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points	—	7	7	Incl. Beit Hanun (Erez) partially
Medical Obstruction	3	—	3	3 hospitals raided & searched in Hebron
Attacks on Religious Site	2	—	2	Incl. settler wedding party held in mosque
Palestinian Attacks	—	3	3	3 mortars fired towards the Green Line
TOTAL	163	14	177	

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"> 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 Bared 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 Bared 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 was resumed 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. Flying Checkpoints: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> At 11:00, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints, one at the entrance to the town of 'Anata and the other on the main street near the village of Jaba', and searched civilians and vehicles.
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) At 14:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Dahiyat Beit Hanina in the city of Jerusalem and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 15:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the settlement of Ma'ale Adumim and searched civilians and vehicles. • Attack/Injuries: At 18:00, Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint set up at the entrance to the village of Ash Sheikh Sa'd opened fire towards a number of Palestinian workers, injuring 3 workers. • Arrests: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:30, Israeli troops positioned at Qalandiya checkpoint arrested Anwar Hafith Barham. (ii) Israeli troops positioned at a flying checkpoint set up near the village of Jaba' arrested Ma'moun Mohammed 'Isa.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<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 was resumed 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. • Flying Checkpoint: At 15:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the northern entrance to the city of El Bireh and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids/Detention/Confiscation of Property: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 15:10, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided and patrolled the Industrial Zone in the city of El Bireh. (ii) At 01:15, the Israeli army, including 10 jeeps, raided the village of Qarawat Bani Zeid. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. The Israeli army also searched 2 houses after detaining residents and confiscated the ID card of Bajes 'Atallah Abdul Jaleel. At 01:50, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. (iii) At 01:50, an Israeli army patrol raided the towns of Beit Rima and Deir Ghassana and patrolled the area.
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

	<p>Northern Jordan Valley. The Israeli army also continues to operate a surveillance camera in order to observe the area surrounding the checkpoint.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • Flying Checkpoints: At 18:00, the Israeli army set up 6 flying checkpoints at the entrances to the towns of ‘Arraba, Meithalun, Tubas, Az Zababida, and Tammun as well as the village of Sanur. Israeli troops positioned at these flying checkpoints searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 12:30, the Israeli army raided the area of Al Buqei’a east of the town of Tubas, searched makeshift houses belonging to Bedouins, and demanded that they leave the area, claiming that it is a closed military zone. (ii) At 21:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Jenin and patrolled the area until 05:00. • Arrest: At 24:00, Israeli troops positioned at a flying checkpoint set up at the entrance to the town of Az Zababida arrested Ahmed Sameeh Abu ar Rub. • Detention: At 14:40, Israeli troops positioned at Tayasir checkpoint east of the town of Tubas detained 13-year-old Yazeed Khaled Radhi and released him at a later time.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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: 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. • Checkpoints: 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. • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • Flying Checkpoint: At 14:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Ramin and searched civilians and vehicles.
QALQILIYA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <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.

	<p>(ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the eastern entrance to the village of 'Izbat at Tabib.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Gates: <p>(i) Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</p> <p>(ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal detector.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction was resumed in the village of Immatin and east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and 'Azzun. • Flying Checkpoints: <p>(i) At 11:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Jinsafut and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> <p>(ii) At 22:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the towns of 'Azzun and Kafr Thulth and searched civilians and vehicles.</p>
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <p>(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.</p> <p>(ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades Al Badhan road, which is the north-eastern entrance to the city of Nablus.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus: <p>(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.</p> <p>(ii) Al Badhan checkpoint (set up at the eastern entrance to the city of Nablus) remains closed with dirt barricades.</p> <p>(iii) Nablus-'Asira ash Shamaliya checkpoint (set up at the northern entrance to city) is open from 06:30 to 20:00.</p> <p>(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.</p> <p>(v) At 16:00, the Israeli army closed Beit Furik checkpoint and denied civilian access in both directions. The Israeli army reopened the checkpoint at a later time. Generally, however, Beit Furik checkpoint is open to civilian residents of the town of Beit Furik and the village of Beit Dajan until 17:30.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attack/Injury: At 11:30, Israeli troops positioned at Huwwara checkpoint opened fire towards a civilian vehicle, injuring Salem Jum'ah Kleib. • Physical Assault: Israeli troops positioned at Huwwara checkpoint beat Zaher Kamel Abu Mayyaleh, after which he was admitted to Nablus Public Hospital for medical treatment.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 17:30, the Israeli army, including 6 jeeps, raided the city of Nablus and patrolled the area until 18:40. (ii) At 02:25, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus and Balata refugee camp, arrested 1 child in the refugee camp, and withdrew at 03:30. • <u>Arrests:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 16:45, Israeli troops positioned at Huwwara checkpoint arrested Mohammed Khaled Sbeitan, a Palestinian National Security officer, claiming that he was “wanted” by the Israeli army. (ii) The Israeli army arrested 17-year-old Abdul Rahman Abu Ghalyoun in Balata refugee camp.
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. (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 was resumed 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>Raids/Attack:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 15:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Deir Istiya, opened fire, and fired sound grenades while patrolling the area. At 15:45, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. (ii) At 01:00, the Israeli army, including 4 jeeps, raided and patrolled the city of Salfit as well as the villages of Khirbet Qeis and Farkha.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> 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. • <u>Checkpoint:</u> 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. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 11:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of 'Ein ad Duyuk, searched civilians and vehicles, and withdrew at 12:30.

<p style="text-align: center;">BETHLEHEM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> 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. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> 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. • <u>Checkpoint:</u> 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. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction was resumed in the area northwest of the town of Al Khadr, north of 'Ayda refugee camp, and northwest of the city of Beit Jala. • <u>Attacks:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 23:15, the Israeli army fired flares over the city of Beit Jala and the town of Al Khadr. (ii) At 23:25, the Israeli army fired flares over the city of Beit Sahur. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:50, and again at 03:55, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided and patrolled the city of Bethlehem. (ii) At 11:25, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided and patrolled the town of Al 'Ubeidiya. (iii) At 17:05, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided and patrolled the city of Beit Sahur. (iv) At 18:55, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the town of Tuqu'. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. The Israeli army also arrested 1 civilian and withdrew at 19:25. • <u>Arrest:</u> The Israeli army arrested Iyad 'Abed Muhsen al 'Urouj in the town of Tuqu'.
<p style="text-align: center;">HEBRON</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <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. (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.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> 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. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction was resumed: 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. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> The Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints, one on the overpass to the town of Halhul and the other at the entrance to the town of Idhna, and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raids/Destruction of Property/Medical Obstruction:</u> At 12:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, searched 1 house and 1 commercial shop, damaged the shop's contents, and arrested 2 civilians. At 22:00, the Israeli army raided the city again as well as raided and searched <i>Al Ahli</i>, <i>'Alya</i>, and <i>Al Mizan</i> Hospitals, claiming to be searching for civilians who had been injured due to the explosion of a suspicious object in the area of Al Fahs. • <u>Arrests:</u> The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the city of Hebron: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Yusri Hijazi Abu Shkheidem; and (ii) Abdul Min'em Mohammed Sultan. • <u>Attacks on Religious Site:</u> On 11 August 2006, the Israeli army prohibited the call to prayers from being broadcast at the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron. In addition, while worshippers were performing Friday prayers, Israeli settlers held a wedding party using musical instruments that an Israeli settler had brought inside the mosque, thereby disrupting prayers. Israeli settlers continued to celebrate the wedding party until 01:00 on 12 August 2006.
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GAZA STRIP

ALL DISTRICTS	<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.
NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Point:</u> Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open only to foreign nationals, VIPs, and humanitarian cases.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attacks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 19:45, the Israeli army fired 1 artillery shell from one of its locations inside the Green Line towards Palestinian territory in the area surrounding Beit Hanun (Erez) Industrial Zone. (ii) At 21:00, Israeli navy boats fired flares over the area of Al Waha northwest of the town of Beit Hanun. • Expulsion: At 21:30, the Israeli army demanded (by telephone) that Khaled Mahmoud al 'Attar evacuate his house in the area of Al 'Atatira north of the town of Beit Lahiya in order to shell the house. • Palestinian Attacks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:00, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line, but it landed on Palestinian territory. (ii) At 16:15, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.
GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Points: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed. (ii) Ash Shuja'iyah (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. • Attack: At 17:15, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 94 on the Green Line towards shepherds east of Gaza city.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Palestinian Attack: At 17:30, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line, but it landed on a civilian house on Palestinian territory east of Al Bureij refugee camp.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
RAFAH	<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. • Raid: 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. The Israeli army remains positioned in the area as of 08:00 this morning.

GENERAL

POLITICAL PRISONERS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hunger Strike: Of those held in the solitary confinement sections in the Interrogation and Detention Centre at Al Jalama Prison, 25 political prisoners carried out a cautionary hunger strike, demanding that the Israeli Prison Administration terminate penalty measures. These measures include: isolating political prisoners; preventing them from bathing except once a week; providing them with poor-quality food; and preventing them from performing prayers or receiving copies of the Holy Qur'an.
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