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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 13 August 2009 – 08:00 14 August 2009

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assaults	3	—	3	Incl. a child severely beaten in Hebron
Attacks	2	—	2	1 in a raid and 1 during confrontations
Raids	22	—	22	Incl. 4 in Tulkarem and 9 in Hebron
Arrests (per person)	10	—	10	Incl. a female civilian in Bethlehem
Detentions	16	—	16	Incl. 2 Palestinian security officers
Closure of Checkpoints	9	—	9	Incl. access impeded at 6 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	25	—	25	Incl. 4 in Qalqiliya and 11 in Hebron
Wall Construction	21	—	21	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Salfit, & Qalqiliya
Confiscation of Property	4	—	4	An ID card, a computer, and phones
Attack on Property	1	—	1	Order to cease construction of a house
Closure (per District)	7	—	7	Incl. 4 areas in the city of Hebron
Closure of Main Roads	46	—	46	Incl. 3 in Ramallah & 15 in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points	—	4	4	3 crossing points partially open
Settler Violence	3	—	3	Incl. civilian severely beaten, Qalqiliya
TOTAL	169	4	173	

DISTRICT	EVENTS
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.
JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) 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. (ii) On 05 January 2009, the Israeli authorities issued Military Order # S/02/09 on the closure of and denial of civilian access to the "demarcation area" along the Wall in the area surrounding the city of Jerusalem. Accordingly, local residents and civilians holding permits can access this area through crossings and gates set up at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem. (The demarcation area is defined by a set of military orders relating to land confiscation for Wall construction). (iii) Beginning on 02 April 2009, the Israeli army has continued to impose a blockade and deny civilian access to a hill located in an area between the village of Biddu and Beit Ikse due to its geographical significance as it overlooks the city of Jerusalem. • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and dirt barricades the entrance to the village of Jaba'. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the iron gate along the Wall section, separating the area of Dahiyat al Bareed from the town of Ar Ram. • 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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area of Al 'Eizariya to Ash Shayyah, from Beit Surik village to Biddu; in the areas of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina; west of the village of Al Jib; in the vicinity of the village of Qatanna; south of the village of Beit Hanina; and in the area surrounding the checkpoint set up at the entrance to Shu'fat refugee camp.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades and cement blocks the entrances to the town of Sinjil, the village of Saffa; and the junction to the villages of Kafr Malik – 'Ein Samiya. • Flying Checkpoints/Detention: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 18:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the junction to the village of Sinjil, searched civilians and vehicles, detained 'Imad Haydar Karakrah, a Palestinian General Intelligence officer, and released him after coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO). (ii) At 22:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Al Jalazun refugee camp, searched civilians and vehicles, and denied civilian access. • Raid: At dawn on 14 August 2009, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Liqya and arrested 1 civilian. • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Nayef Hasan 'Assi in the town of Beit Liqya. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues west of 'Abud town and in the areas of Al Midya to Ni'lin and Ni'lin to Deir Qaddis.
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. • Flying Checkpoints: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 16:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the town of Jaba' and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 17:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Birqin and searched civilians and vehicles. • Settler Violence: At 10:05, a group of Israeli settlers gained access into the evacuated settlement of Homesh. Consequently, the Israeli army evacuated settlers at 18:00. • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits, which affects the educational and health conditions of civilians living behind the Wall.
TUBAS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checkpoint: Though allowing civilian access to the Northern Jordan Valley between 06:00 and 22:00, the Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint east of the town of Tubas.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western entrance to the village of Shufa. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road connecting the town of Kafr al Labad to the village of Shufa.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at 'Einav checkpoint set up on Tulkarem-Nablus main road. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:30, and again at 01:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Tulkarem. (ii) At 00:55, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Far'un. (iii) At 01:25, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Kafr al Labad. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
<p style="text-align: center;">QALQILYA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Roads:</u> The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun. • <u>Flying Checkpoints/Detention/Confiscation of Property:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the city of Qalqiliya. At 18:40, the Israeli army set up another flying checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles until 21:15. (ii) At 14:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the village of Jinsafut and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 00:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the village of Al Funduq and searched civilians and vehicles. The Israeli army also detained Abdul Karim Khaled Ibrahim, a Palestinian National Security officer, confiscated his ID card, and released him at a later time. • <u>Raid/Confiscation of Property:</u> At 00:50, the Israeli army raided the city of Qalqiliya, searched 4 houses, arrested 1 civilian, and confiscated a personal computer as well as 2 cellular telephones from his house. • <u>Arrest:</u> The Israeli army arrested Hani Mohammed Amin al Ju'eidi in the city of Qalqiliya. • <u>Detentions:</u> At 16:30, Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint set up on the Green Line southwest of the city of Qalqiliya detained a number of Palestinian workers and released them after coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO). • <u>Settler Violence:</u> At 20:00, a group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of Ma'ale Shomron severely beat Bassam Ali Suweidan, a resident of the town of 'Azzun, leaving him with bone fractures in the arm. Consequently, Suweidan was transported to hospital for medical treatment. • <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 detector. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues south of the town of Jayyus as well as near the settlement of Alfe Menashe in the villages of Ras Tira, Magharet ad Dab'a, and Wadi ar Rasha south of the city of Qalqiliya.

<p style="text-align: center;">NABLUS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the roads of Till-Burin; Beit Furik-Salem; and the main road and eastern entrance to entrance to the village of Al Lubban Ash Sharqi. The Israeli army also continues to close with dirt barricades the road between the villages of Till and Madama; the southern entrances to the villages of Qaryut and Duma; the eastern entrance to the village of Al Lubban Ash Sharqi; the western entrances to the town of 'Aqraba and the village of Majdal Bani Fadil; the northern entrance to the town of Qabalan; and the settler bypass road connecting the village of Deir al Hatab to the settlement of Alon Moreh. • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At Tur neighbourhood checkpoint (set up on Jerzim 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 between 07:00 and 02:00. (ii) At 'Awarta commercial checkpoint, civilians are allowed to cross between 05:00 and 20:00, but between 05:00 and 15:00 on Fridays. All civilian vehicles are allowed to access the city of Nablus, but only commercial vehicles and ambulances can leave the city through the checkpoint. • Raid: At dawn on 12 August 2009, the Israeli army raided the village of Madama and arrested 3 civilians. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in the village of Madama: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Mursi Nizar Ziyadeh; (ii) Jihad Idris Qitt; and (iii) Fakher Sameer Nassar. • Settler Violence: At 15:00, a group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of Itamar erected a number of tents in an attempted to construct a settlement outpost on civilian land belonging to the village of Yanun.
<p style="text-align: center;">SALFIT</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 northern entrance to the city of Salfit. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and iron gates the northern entrance to the town of Bruqin and the western entrance to the town of Kafr Ad Dik. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions and impede civilian access at the Za'tara junction checkpoint. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 23:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Bidya and searched a number of houses. (ii) At 00:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Kifl Haris. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues 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 Ariel.

<p style="text-align: center;">JERICHO</p>	<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 IDs. • Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Al Hamra checkpoint set up along Al Badhan road connecting the districts of Jericho and Nablus. However, the Israeli army allows civilian access between 06:00 and 22:00. (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the junction to the village of Al 'Auja along Al-Mu'arrajat road that connects the districts of Jericho and Ramallah, only allowing access to civilians whose IDs indicate that their place of residence of the district of Jericho as well as to others holding access permits. • Flying Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to the city of Jericho and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 23:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of 'Ein ad Duyuk and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raid: At 11:15, the Israeli army raided the village of Fasayil and delivered a notice for cessation of the construction of a house belonging to Mohammed Mahmoud Nawawreh. The Israeli army claimed that he was building his house without the required construction licence. • Arrest: In the evening of 12 August 2009, Israeli troops positioned at the Al Hamra junction checkpoint arrested As'ad Hussein Mir'i.
<p style="text-align: center;">BETHLEHEM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) 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. (ii) According to Military Order # 07/02/S, the Israeli army has continued since 15 September 2007 to deny civilian access to an area measuring 22 <i>dunums</i> (5.436 acres) of land in the area of Mazmuriya in the cities of Beit Sahur and Bethlehem. The land was confiscated pursuant to Military Order # 07/31/T. • Closure of Main Roads: In addition to detour roads east and south of the village of Al Walaja, the Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the roads of Beit Jala-Wadi Ahmad; Talita-Nazlat as Sidr in the city of Beit Jala; Al Wadi Rahhal-the settlement of Efrat; and a detour road east of the town of Beit Fajjar. • Checkpoint: At 11:30, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the 'Container') checkpoint and impeded civilian access. • Flying Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the area of An Nashash and searched civilians and vehicles.

	<p>(ii) At 21:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the town of Tuqu' and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raids/Attack:</u> <p>(i) At 20:50, the Israeli army raided the town of Al Khadr and patrolled the area until 01:20.</p> <p>(ii) At 23:15, the Israeli army raided the town of Tuqu' and searched a number of houses.</p> <p>(iii) At 01:05, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Fajjar and fired sound grenades while searching a number of houses. The Israeli army arrested 1 civilian.</p> • <u>Arrests:</u> <p>(i) At 16:45, Israeli troops positioned at As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the 'Container') checkpoint arrested 'Ayishah Mahmoud 'Awadh 'Ubayyat, a female civilian.</p> <p>(ii) The Israeli army arrested Mu'ath Mohammed Muhsen Thawabteh in the town of Beit Fajjar.</p> • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the town of Al Khadr; northwest of the city of Beit Jala; in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of Ifrat settlement; and in the area surrounding the village of Al Walaja.
<p style="text-align: center;">HEBRON</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <p>(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.</p> <p>(ii) On 05 January 2009, the Israeli army issued Military Order # 09/06/S for closure of the area located along the Green Line south of the town of Yatta, evacuation of civilian residents, and prevention of civilian access to the area. According to Military Orders # 05/03/T and 05/04/T, land in this area was confiscated for Wall construction.</p> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <p>(i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to the town of As Samoa'; the area of Al Hawawir leading to the town of Halhul; the road connecting the town of Surif to the village of Al Jab'a; the eastern entrance to the village of Kharsa; the entrance to the Al Qeisi neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron; as well as the entrances to Al 'Arrub refugee camp, the village of At Tuwani, and the town of Adh Dhahiriya.</p> <p>(ii) The Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from travelling along Ash Shalala Old Street in the old city of Hebron.</p>

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| | <p>(iii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road between the villages of Al Karmil and At Tuwani and all roads leading to Road # 60.</p> <p>(iv) The Israeli army continues to open the iron gate on the Farsh Al Hawa junction to Road # 35, which leads to Tarqumiya Crossing, from 05:00 until 07:00 and from 09:00 until 13:00.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <p>(i) At 15:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the towns of Tarqumiya, searched civilians and vehicles, and severely beat Mohammed Abdul Jawwad Ighrayyeb, leaving him with contusions.</p> <p>(ii) At 18:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Fawwar junction, searched civilians and vehicles, and arrested 2 civilians, allegedly for throwing stones at Israeli troops.</p> <p>(iii) At 19:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Idhna and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> <p>(iv) At 21:30, the Israeli army set up a number of flying checkpoints at the entrance of the area of Ras al Jora in the city of Hebron; at the entrances of the towns of Halhul, Beit Kahil, Dura, and Adh Dhahiriya; and on the junction to the village of Zif.</p> <p>(v) At 21:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of At Tabaqa and searched civilians and vehicles. Confrontations also took place between the Israeli army and civilians.</p> • <u>Physical Assaults:</u> <p>(i) At 14:00, Israeli troops positioned in the area surrounding the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron severely beat Dawoud Mohammed Sa'id Shawar, leaving him with contusions.</p> <p>(ii) At 00:30, the Israeli army severely 15-year-old Ala' Bashir al 'Useili near the settlement of Kiryat Arba' in the old city of Hebron, leaving him with contusions. Consequently, the child was transported to hospital for medical treatment.</p> • <u>Raids:</u> <p>(i) At 08:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Hebron. At 15:40, the Israeli army raided the city again, set up a checkpoint, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area. At 02:55, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city for the third time.</p> <p>(ii) At 21:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Beit Ummar.</p> <p>(iii) At 00:25, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Idhna.</p> <p>(iv) At 00:25, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the towns of Nuba and Kharas.</p> <p>(v) At 00:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Halhul.</p> <p>(vi) At 01:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Surif.</p> • <u>Arrests:</u> Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up on Al Fawwar junction arrested 2 civilians: |
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Ashraf Jamal al Bayyumi; and (ii) Is'haq Kamal Nassar. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the section of Tarqumiya checkpoint terminal and in the area between southeast of the village of 'Arab ar Ramadin and the village of Imneizil.
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GAZA STRIP

ALL DISTRICTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At 02:00 on 18 January 2009, the unilateral ceasefire declared by the Israeli authorities came into effect. At a later time on the same day, armed Palestinian groups announced an agreement to cease fire for a week. Later, armed Palestinian groups extended the ceasefire until 05 February 2009. Despite the fact that the extension period expired, the ceasefire continues to hold pending negotiations carried out by Egypt.
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NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open to previously-coordinated humanitarian cases and foreign nationals.
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 partially open for transportation of fuel.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
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 (Al 'Awdah) Crossing closed. (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed. (iv) Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed.

GENERAL

POLITICAL PRISONERS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prisoners' Health Condition: On 13 August 2009, the Palestinian Ministry of Detainees' Affairs dispatched a letter to the Israeli Prisons Agency, demanding that 4 political prisoners be transported from 'Ofar Detention and Interrogation Centre to hospital. Suspected of being infected with swine flu, the affected prisoners were quarantined inside the Detention Centre due to their critical health condition. As was reported on 10 August 2009, an unidentified disease spread and infected a number of prisoners. The Ministry of Detainees' Affairs held the Israeli authorities responsible for the prisoners' lives. • Administrative Detention: The Israeli military court at Al Jalama Detention Camp extended orders of administrative detention (arrest without charge or trial) against 6 political prisoners for various periods of time. • Postponement of Trial: The Israeli military court at 'Ofar Detention and Interrogation Centre postponed trials sessions of 2 political prisoners.
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