

## مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



## PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

## DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 14 August 2004 – 08:00 15 August 2004

## SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Death	—	1	<b>1</b>	1 child from injuries on 09/08/04
Physical Assaults	2	—	<b>2</b>	2 civilians in Hebron
Injuries	3	3	<b>6</b>	Incl. 1 child
Air Attack	—	1	<b>1</b>	3 missiles towards As Salaam ngrh
Attacks	9	5	<b>14</b>	5 during raids & 6 from mil. posts
Raids	23	—	<b>23</b>	Incl. in the city of Nablus
Air Patrol	—	1	<b>1</b>	Over the district of Rafah
Arrests (per person)	10	—	<b>10</b>	Incl. 1 injured civilian
Detentions	8	—	<b>8</b>	Incl. at checkpoints
Land Levelling	—	1	<b>1</b>	In the city of Rafah
Wall Construction	14	—	<b>14</b>	Jerusalem, Jenin, Ramallah, Beth.
Destruction of Property	2	—	<b>2</b>	Incl. damage to 1 vehicle
Confiscation of Property	11	—	<b>11</b>	Incl. 10 vehicles in Nabi Samwil
House Occupation	1	—	<b>1</b>	1 building in the city of Nablus
Curfew	1	—	<b>1</b>	In the village Al 'Auja in Jericho
Checkpoints	All	—	<b>All</b>	
Flying Checkpoints	(Dozens)	(Dozens)	—	Closing all districts
Closure (per District)	(All)	(All)	<b>(All)</b>	Jericho closed military zone
Closure of Main Roads	(Most)	(4)	—	Esp. connecting cities
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)	—	<b>(All)</b>	Permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points	—	4	<b>4</b>	3 partially open
Settler Violence	1	—	<b>1</b>	Stones thrown at civilians, Hebron
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	—	<b>1</b>	Position near 1 security post
Palestinian Attack	—	1	<b>1</b>	1 Qassam mortar towards Gadid
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>103</b>	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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ALL DISTRICTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Since 22 March 2004, the Israeli army has imposed a total closure over the West Bank and Gaza Strip. The Israeli army prevented civilians from crossing the Green Line and entering Jerusalem and restricted movement between cities in the West Bank.</li> </ul>
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## WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing.</li> <li>• <b>Wall Construction:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Wall construction was resumed in Abu Dis, Al Eizariya (west of Al Quds University), Khallet Al Abed, Al Sawahira al Sharqiya (between Jabal Abu Mughayyir and the entrance to Sheikh Sa'd), Sur Bahir, along the main road between Jerusalem and Ramallah (Dahiyat Al Bareed, Ar Ram), on the Jaba'-Hizma road, and the village of Anata.</li> <li>(ii) Wall construction in the villages of Qatanna and Biddu was suspended following an Israeli Supreme Court order.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Attack:</b> The Israeli army opened fire towards 1 civilian vehicle in the city of Jerusalem, injuring 1 civilian passenger, and arrested 2 unidentified civilians, including the injured passenger.</li> <li>• <b>Detention:</b> The Israeli army detained dozens of civilian vehicles at the entrances to the villages of Al Jib and An Nabi Samwil. Implementing a new Israeli Military Order to confiscate civilian vehicles not holding permits and travelling along detour roads near Israeli settlements, the Israeli army confiscated 10 vehicles at the entrance to the village of An Nabi Samwil, claiming that the drivers did not hold such permits.</li> </ul>
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> The Israeli army set up dozens of flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing.</li> <li>• <b>Wall Construction:</b> Wall construction was resumed in Rantis, Budrus, Midya, Ni'lin, Deir Qaddis, Beit Liqya and Beituniya.</li> <li>• <b>Raids:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 10:30, the Israeli army, including several patrols, raided the city of Ramallah at various times. 1 Israeli army patrol took position near a Palestinian National Security location and patrolled the area.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<p>(ii) At 02:15, Israeli Special Forces raided Al ‘Am’ari refugee camp in the city of Ramallah, opened indiscriminate fire, and withdrew at 00:20.</p> <p>(iii) At 03:30, the Israeli army raided the villages of An Nabi Salih and Kafr ‘Ein and patrolled the area.</p>
<b>JENIN</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. The Israeli army declared the city of Jenin a closed military zone.</li> <li>• <b>Wall Gates:</b> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact economic and livelihood activities and impedes access to health facilities.</li> <li>• <b>Wall Construction:</b> Land levelling for Wall construction was resumed in Jalbun towards Al Mutilla, Raba, Al Mughayyir, Bardala and ‘Ein al Beida and towards the Jordan River.</li> <li>• <b>Flying Checkpoint:</b> At 14:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the city of Jenin along Haifa road and opened indiscriminate fire towards civilian vehicles, preventing them from entering the city.</li> <li>• <b>Attack:</b> The Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location in the settlement of Kadim towards civilian houses in the city of Jenin.</li> <li>• <b>Raid:</b> The Israeli army raided the town of Tubas and searched several civilian houses.</li> </ul>
<b>JERICHO</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> The Israeli army set up dozens of checkpoints throughout the city, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages. The Israeli army continues to declare the city of Jericho a closed military zone and to allow only residents of Jericho to access the city. The Israeli army also prevented civilians holding Israeli ID cards, including tourist bus drivers, from entering the city.</li> <li>• <b>Raid/Curfew:</b> At 12:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Al ‘Auja and imposed curfew.</li> </ul>
<b>BETHLEHEM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing civilians from crossing.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army continues to close the only road leading to the village of Al Nu’mān, northeast of the Bethlehem district, isolating the village and placing it together with the adjacent village of Al Khas under the jurisdiction of the Jerusalem municipality. The Israeli army considers the civilian’s presence in the villages illegal.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Wall Construction:</b> Construction of the Wall was resumed north of the district of Bethlehem, west of Wadi Hilwa, along ‘Ayda refugee camp,</li> </ul>

	<p>along the tunnel road (Gilo), along road # 60 towards the village of Husan, in Bir 'Ona and the village of Al Walaja.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Raid:</b> At 11:15, the Israeli army raided the village of Deir Salah, set up a flying checkpoint and searched civilian vehicles. 1 Israeli army jeep collided with a civilian vehicle, resulting in 2 civilians being critically injured and damage caused to the vehicle.</li> </ul>
<p><b>TULKAREM</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing.</li> <li>• <b>Wall Gates:</b> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact economic and livelihood activities and impedes access to health facilities.</li> <li>• <b>Flying Checkpoints:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 17:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the town of Bal'a and the village of Al 'Atara and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>(ii) At 21:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint between the towns of Bal'a and 'Anabta and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Raids:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 14:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Bal'a.</li> <li>(ii) At 19:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Kafr Al Labad.</li> <li>(iii) At 19:50, the Israeli army raided the city of Tulkarem and its suburbs and patrolled several neighbourhoods until 06:00.</li> <li>(iv) At 21:30, the Israeli army raided Tulkarem refugee camp. At 23:15, the Israeli army raided the camp again, fired sound bombs, and took position in several neighbourhoods until 06:00.</li> <li>(v) At 22:10, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Qaffin. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p><b>NABLUS</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> The Israeli army set up dozens of flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing.</li> <li>• <b>Flying Checkpoints:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 12:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Till and prevented civilians from entering the city of Nablus.</li> <li>(ii) At 16:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the western entrance to the city of Nablus and prevented civilians from leaving the city to their homes in neighbouring villages and towns.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Raids:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 15:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus. At 22:50, the Israeli army raided the city again, opened fire, fired sound bombs, took</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<p>position in several neighbourhoods, occupied 1 civilian building south of the city, and converted it into a military post. The Israeli army remains positioned in the city as of 08:00 this morning.</p> <p>(ii) At 16:15, the Israeli army raided Balata and 'Ein Beit El Ma refugee camps. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians in 'Ein Beit El Ma refugee camp.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Detention:</b> At 15:30, the Israeli army closed Huwwara and Beit Furik checkpoints and prevented civilians from entering the city of Nablus.</li> </ul>
<b>HEBRON</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing.</li> <li>• <b>Flying Checkpoint:</b> At 12:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint along the road leading to the town of As Samoa', searched civilian vehicles, checked civilians' IDs, and arrested 1 civilian.</li> <li>• <b>Raids:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 18:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, searched 1 house, detained 1 civilian, and confiscated his mobile telephone.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army raided the village of Nuba and searched several civilian houses.</li> <li>(iii) The Israeli army raided the town of Yatta, searched several houses and arrested 3 civilians.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Arrests:</b> The Israeli army arrested 4 civilians near the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Issa Ar Rajabi;</li> <li>(ii) Mohammed Ar Rajabi;</li> <li>(iii) Yunis Ar Rajabi; and</li> <li>(iv) Ahmed Mohammed Ar Rajabi.</li> </ul> <p>The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in town of Yatta:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(v) Mahir Ash Shawahin;</li> <li>(vi) 'Ayid Ash Shawahin; and</li> <li>(vii) Hassan Khadr.</li> <li>(viii) The Israeli army arrested 'Adel Yaseen Id'eis on the road leading to the town of As Samoa'.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Settler Violence:</b> Israeli settlers from the settlement outpost of Ramat Shay in Tall Ar Rumeida in the city of Hebron threw stones at civilian houses, injuring 2 civilians and breaking the windows of 1 civilian house.</li> </ul>
<b>QALQILYA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing.</li> <li>• <b>Wall Gates:</b> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact economic and livelihood activities and impedes access to health facilities.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Raid:</b> At 20:45, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Jayyus, opened fire, and fired sound bombs.</li> </ul>
<b>SALFIT</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing.</li> <li>• <b>Wall Construction:</b> Land levelling for Wall construction west of the village of Iskaka, north of the city of Salfit (around the settlement of Ariel) and in the villages of Al Zawiya and Deir Ballut was suspended due to changes in the Wall route following an Israeli Supreme Court order.</li> <li>• <b>Raid:</b> At 12:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Salfit. At 24:00, the Israeli army raided the city again and took position at its western entrance until 00:40.</li> </ul>

### GAZA STRIP

<b>NORTHERN GAZA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> The Beit Hanun Crossing is partially open.</li> <li>• <b>Attack:</b> At 22:15, Israeli navy boats opened fire towards fishermen's boats opposite the area of As Sudaniya.</li> </ul>
<b>GAZA CITY</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> The junction of Nitsareem remains closed.</li> </ul>
<b>CENTRAL GAZA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Attack:</b> At 00:20, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location in the area surrounding the settlement of Kfar Darom towards Palestinian Territory.</li> </ul>
<b>KHAN YUNIS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Abu al Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) is closed.</li> <li>(ii) Western road (Khan Yunis) remains closed.</li> <li>(iii) Abu Holi road is partially open.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Attack:</b> At 10:00, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location at Point 9 towards civilian houses in West Khan Yunis refugee camp, injuring 1 civilian.</li> <li>• <b>Palestinian Attack:</b> At 00:10, 1 Qassam mortar was fired towards the settlement of Gadid.</li> </ul>
<b>RAFAH</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The Gaza International Airport remains closed.</li> <li>(ii) The Rafah crossing is partially open to civilians under 16 years old and above 35 years old only.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<p>(iii) The Sufa Crossing is partially open to construction cargo only.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Air Attack:</u></b> At 01:30, Israeli army helicopters fired 3 missiles towards As Salaam neighbourhood in Rafah refugee camp.</li> <li>• <b><u>Attacks:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 11:45, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location at Point 9 on the Egyptian border towards civilian houses in Block J in Rafah refugee camp, injuring 1 child.</li> <li>(ii) At 00:55, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location at Point 6.5 on the Egyptian border towards civilian houses in Al Barazil neighbourhood, injuring 1 civilian.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Raid/Land Levelling:</u></b> At 01:15, the Israeli army, including 2 tanks and 2 bulldozers, raided Block J in Rafah refugee camp and levelled land.</li> <li>• <b><u>Killing:</u></b> At 01:00, 14-year-old Seif Suleiman Barhum died of injuries sustained on 09 August 2004 in Ash Sha'ut neighbourhood in Rafah refugee camp.</li> </ul>
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## GENERAL

<p><b>POLITICAL PRISONERS</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Hunger Strike:</u></b> Beginning on 15 August 2004, political prisoners in Israeli prisons began a gradual mass hunger strike in protest against the harsh conditions of imprisonment imposed by the Israeli Prisons Authority. Approximately 7,500 prisoners are currently being held in Israeli prisons. The hunger strike began at Nafha Prison and Bir al Sabe' Desert Prison.</li> </ul>
<p><b>WORK PERMITS</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>West Bank:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The Israeli authorities renewed work permits to cross the Green Line for 4,639 workers. The total number of those allowed to cross is unknown.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli authorities continue to refuse to renew work permits for workers in the district of Jericho to cross the Green Line.</li> <li>(iii) The Israeli authorities restricted the issuing of work permits to civilians over the age of 35, married and with children.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Gaza Strip:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The Israeli authorities renewed work permits to cross into the Industrial Zones for 1,149 workers; however, only 220 workers, 20% of the total number of permits issued, were permitted to enter the area.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli authorities renewed work permits to cross the Green Line for 5,166 workers; however, only 120 workers, 3% of the total number of permits issued, were permitted to cross the Green Line.</li> <li>(iii) The Israeli authorities permitted 2,007 workers to remain overnight inside the Green Line.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>