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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00, 16th August 2012 – 08:00, 17th August 2012

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injury	6	—	6	6 residents injured after Israeli settlers torched their vehicle in Bethlehem including 4 children.
Detention	3	—	3	1 in Jerusalem, 1 in Qalqiliya and 1 in Salfit.
Temporary Detention	6	—	6	At checkpoints and residential area.
Raids	5	3	8	2, 2, 1, 1, 2 in Tulkarem, Nablus, Salfit, Gaza & Rafah.
Closure of Checkpoints	4	—	4	Access allowed at 2 checkpoints and impeded at 4 others.
Flying Checkpoints	16	—	16	3 in Jerusalem, 1 in Tulkarem, 2 in Qalqiliya, 5 in Nablus, 2 in Salfit, 2 in Jericho and 1 in Hebron.
Attack	—	3	3	During raids into Gaza and Rafah.
Aerial Surveillance	—	3	3	Israeli aircrafts surveyed the skies of Gaza and Rafah.
Destruction of Property	2	—	2	Israeli settlers destroyed a vehicle in Bethlehem and damaged 30 Trees in Hebron.
Land Leveling	—	2	2	Israeli forces levelled plots of Land in Rafah.
Wall Construction	15	—	15	2 in Jerusalem, 3 in Qalqilya, 1 in Jericho, 1 in Bethlehem and 8 in Hebron.
Closure (per District)	8	—	8	Including 2 in Bethlehem, 1 in Jerusalem, 1 in Tubas and 5 in Hebron.
Closure of Main Roads	72	—	72	Including 4 in Tulkarem, 8 in Nablus, 24 in Bethlehem and 21 in Hebron.
Closure of Crossings	—	4	4	Rafah crossing open is open for the exit of patients, students, and passengers with permits.
Obstruction of Places of Worship	1	—	1	Israeli forces closed access to Al-Ibrahimi mosque in Hebron in order to allow Israeli settlers to celebrate Talmudic holidays
Settler Violence	3	—	3	Israeli settlers threw Molotov bomb towards a vehicle causing serious injuries

				to 4 children and 2 other residents in Bethlehem and destroyed 30 trees in Hebron.
Demonstrations	1	—	1	In Solidarity with Palestinian detainees and demanding their release from Israeli prisons
TOTAL	141	15	156	

DISTRICT	EVENTS
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WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continue to increase its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrance to Jerusalem city, set up several flying checkpoints on the main road leading to the city entrance and the entrance to the Old City for Friday prayers during the Holy Month of Ramadan. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the ‘demarcation area’ along the Wall in the area surrounding occupied East Jerusalem and restricts access to local residents as well as to civilians holding special permits. (iii) The Israeli army continues to impose a blockade and deny civilian access to a hill between Biddu and Beit Iksa villages. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and dirt mounds the entrance to Jaba’ village. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the gate along the Wall section separating the area of Dahiyat Al-Bareed from Al-Ram town. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with an iron gate the eastern entrance to Beit Iksa village and forces civilians to access Jerusalem city through Qalandia checkpoint. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> Israeli authorities continue to consider Qalandiya checkpoint a “border crossing point” and designate a special crossing lane for holders of Jerusalem IDs and another for those possessing permits to access Jerusalem city. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 14:45, Israeli forces set up a checkpoint at the entrance of Bido and detained a resident. • <u>Detention:</u> Israeli forces detained Tarik Al-Barghouthi at the entrance of Bido. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the Wall gate in Abu Dis town. (ii) The Israeli army continues to deny civilian access through the Wall gate on Al-Shayyah road in the area between Al-Sawahira Al-Sharqiya and Al-Sawahira Al-Gharbiya villages, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem IDs to cross, after subjecting them to thorough searches using electronic devices. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continued in the areas north and south of Qalandiya village; south of Al-Za’ayyem village; and in Wadi Al-Eizariya west of the illegal settlement Ma’ale Adumim.
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RAMALLAH & AL BIREH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to Sinjil village as well as the junction to Kafr Malik and 'Ein Samiya villages. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continued in the area west of 'Abud town in the area surrounding the illegal settlement 'Ofarim and north of Al-Lubban Al-Gharbi and Rantis villages.
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt mounds the road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the illegal settlement Dotan. • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits, which undercuts the access to education and health services for civilians living behind the Wall.
TUBAS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checkpoints: The Israeli army increased its restrictions on Palestinian access to the Northern Jordan Valley through the Tayasir checkpoint between the hours of 06:00 and 22:00.
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 mounds the road connecting Kafr Al-Labad town to Shufa village. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt mounds the detour road leading to Ramin village along the Tulkarem-Nablus main road. • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to increase its restrictions at Einav checkpoint on the Tulkarem-Nablus main road and impeded the free flow of traffic. • Flying Checkpoint: At 10:00, Israeli forces set up a checkpoint along Al-Kafriyat road (connecting Tulkarem and Qalqilya). • Raid: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 14:45, Israeli forces raided Thanaba neighbourhood in Tulkarem, stormed a home then withdrew at 16:45. (ii) At 00:20, Israeli forces raided Deir Al Ghsoun. • Wall Gates: Land leveling for adjustment of the Wall route resumed in the area surrounding Jubara village. According to an Israeli High Court decision, the new Wall route is to be constructed west of the village.
QALQILYA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Roads: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Israeli forces continue to close with cement blocks agricultural roads east of Azzun town. (ii) In addition to closing the gate installed since the outbreak the second Intifada, the Israeli army continues to close with dirt mounds the eastern entrance to Kafr Qaddum village. • Flying Checkpoint: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:30, Israeli forces set up a checkpoint at the entrance of Kafr Qaddum. (ii) At 20:00, Israeli forces set up a checkpoint at the entrance Al-Jit village junction. • Detention: Israeli forces detained Nizar Aqel in Kafr Qaddum. • Wall Gates: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to restrict access at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, using a metal detector. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with an iron gate the entrance to the village of Wadi Al-Rasha and to deny civilian access. The Israeli army allows residents to access the village through Gate #109. Having removed the gate at the entrance to the village of Ras Atiya; the Israeli army only allows students to cross to their schools outside the village through the Habla gate. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continued in Kafr Laqif village north of Karnei Shomron settlement; in Immatin village northeast of Immanuel

	settlement; and east of Kafr Thulth town near Ma 'ale Shomron settlement.
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 roads of Til-Burin and Beit Furik-Salem; the settler bypass road connecting the village of Deir al Hatab to the settlement of Alon Moreh; the road connecting the town of 'Aqraba to the village of Osrin; and the detour road between the town of Qabalan and the village of Osrin. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the northern entrance to Qabalan town; the southern entrances to the town of Jamma'in and the villages of Duma and Qaryut. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:25, Israeli forces set up a checkpoint at Deir Sharaf junction until 11:00. (ii) At 15:50, Israeli forces set up a checkpoint at Aqraba junction until 17:50. (iii) At 15:50, Israeli forces set up a checkpoint at the entrance of Sabustiya village until 17:50. (iv) At 20:10. Israeli forces set up a checkpoint at "Yitsahar" settlement junction until 21:40. (v) At 22:55, Israeli forces set up a checkpoint at "Shave Shomron" settlement until 23:45. • <u>Raid:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 22:50, Israeli forces raided Asira Al-Shimaliya (North Asira). (ii) At 00:15, Israeli forces raided Asira Al-Qibliya
SALFIT	<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 dirt mounds the entrance to two detour roads connecting Marda village to its farmland. (ii) On 15.04.2012, the Israeli army has opened the northern entrance to Salfit city to civilian which was closed since the year 2000 and prevented access from 08:00 until 09:20. (iii) Since 11:00 on July 30th 2012, Israeli forces have closed two roads leading to Abu Nasar and QatanAl-Jama' located in western area of Deir Istiya with cement blocks. (iv) Since 14:00 on August 2nd 2012, Israeli forces closed the bypass road leading to Haris village junction. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> Israeli forces continue to increase their restrictions at Za'tara checkpoint. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:00, Israeli forces set up a checkpoint at Aerial settlement junction until 11:10. (ii) At 05:45, Israeli forces set up a checkpoint at Yasuf village junction until 07:00. • <u>Raid:</u> At 05:00, Israeli forces raided Salfit, stormed several homes and detained a resident. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continued in the area north of Deir Istiya town southeast of the illegal settlement.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Israeli forces continue to restrict access through Al-Hamra checkpoint set up along the road connecting Jericho and Nablus Districts, only allowing access to residents of Jericho District and the Jordan Valley. (ii) Israeli forces increased its restrictions to access at the checkpoint set up on the junction to Al-Ouja village, only allowing access to residents of the Jericho District and others with access permits. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 08:00 and again at 20:45, Israeli forces setup a checkpoint at the south entrance of Jericho until 21:45.

<p style="text-align: center;">BETHLEHEM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close roads to An Nu'man village, with the exception of the road leading to the Wall gate in the south-eastern area of the village. (ii) Since 15 September 2007, the Israel army has prevented civilians from accessing or staying on 22 dunums of confiscated land in Al Mazmuriya area in Beit Sahur and Bethlehem cities. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the Beit Jala-Wadi Ahmed road; a road between Um Tuba and Al-Jass ; a road between Um Tuba and Khilat Nu'man: a road between Um Tuba and the wall; a road between Al-Khas village and the wall; the 2 by pass roads located south of Al-Walaja; a road between Talita Qumi and Nazlat Al-Sider in Beit Jala; the eastern road of Al-Khader; the road between Al-Khader and Beit Jala ; the road between Al-Khader and road #60 which lead to the eastern neighbourhoods of Bethlehem; a road leading to Wadi Rahal, and a road east of Beit Fajjar town with dirt mounds. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the road leading to "Newe Daniyyel" settlement and agricultural land in Al-Khader; a road between Um Tuba and Wadi Al-Hums: Wadi Fukin, Al-Jaba, the Green Line; a road between Za'tara and a detour road, and a road between Taqou and Khirbet Al-Deir with cement blocks. (iii) Since August 2nd 2012, Israeli forces closed a road leading to Beit Jalla. • <u>Settler Violence:</u> At 17:55, Israeli settlers threw Molotov fire bombs towards a vehicle leaving 6 residents including 2 children seriously injured from burns; Bassam Athayma, Hassan Athayma, Mohammad Athayma, Eman Athayma, Ayman (4 years) and Mohammad 5 years. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continued northwest of Beit Jala town.
<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 Al-Shuhada' Street, Al-Sahleh and Khuzq Al-Far areas, as well as the old gold market in Hebron's Old City. In addition to closing the entrance to Al-Qeisi neighbourhood, the Israeli army continues to close the entrances to the area of Al-Hisba (the fruits and vegetables market) with an electronic gate; Al-Laban Market also remains closed. (ii) Since 05 January 2009, the Israeli army has closed the area located along the Green Line south of the town of Yatta. Having seized land for Wall construction, the Israeli army evicted the Palestinian residents and denied them access to the area. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to Al-Thahiriya and Al-Samoa' towns, Al-'Arrub refugee camp, and Al-Tuwani and Al-Karmil villages. (ii) The Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from travelling along the old Al-Shalala Street leading to Hebron's Old City. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close all roads leading to Road # 60 as well as detour roads along the settler bypass road leading to Yatta town. (iv) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt mounds a detour road leading to the entrance to Al-Simiya village, the southern entrance of Al-Samou' and the entrance of Beit Annun with cement blocks. (v) On July 25th 2012, Israeli forces closed the road connecting Al-Safa and Al-Dirat and also closed the entrance of south Yatta with cement blocks. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 16:30, Israeli forces set up a checkpoint at Al-Fuwwar junction. • <u>Obstruction of Places of Worship:</u> On August 16th 2012, Israeli forces

	<p>closed Al-Ibrahimi mosque in the old city of Hebron in order for Israeli settlers to celebrate Talmidic holidays inside the mosque.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Settler Violence:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) On August 16th 2012, Israeli settlers raided agricultural land in Yatta and damaged approximately 30 olive trees owned by Fadil Raba'a. (ii) At 02:40, Israeli settlers raided the old city of Hebron, assaulted and slandered residents. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction resumed in the area surrounding the illegal settlement Eshkolot, west of Al-Thahiriya town.
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GAZA STRIP

<p>ALL DISTRICTS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At 02:00 on 18 January 2009, the unilateral ceasefire declared by Israel came into effect. At a later time on the same day, armed Palestinian groups announced an agreement to cease fire. The ceasefire has been further renewed on 23 June 2012 at 24:00. • On 14.12.2011, Israeli forces placed floating marks 3 miles from Gaza's seashore and warned fishermen against passing beyond the mark. • Israeli forces broke the cease fire agreement by opening fire towards and raiding Rafah and Gaza.
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<p>NORTHERN GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Point:</u> Beit Hanun (Erez) is open for humanitarian assistance, journalists and international access.
<p>GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Points:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Al-Muntar (Karni) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 02 March 2011, the Crossing has been effectively closed following a unilateral Israeli decision. (ii) Al-Shija'iyah (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 04 January 2010, the Crossing has been closed following a unilateral Israeli decision. • <u>Raid:</u> At 22:20, Israeli forces raided and opened fire towards and levelled a plot of agricultural land in Al-Shuja'iyah neighbourhood in East Gaza.
<p>RAFAH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Points :</u> • Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. • Rafah (<i>Al 'Awdah</i>) Crossing is open for the exit of patients, students, passengers with permits and International aid for school students. • Sufa Crossing is closed. • Karm Abu Salem (Karem Shalom) Crossing is open for the entry of humanitarian supplies, cooking gas, truckloads of wheat and Livestock feed, fuel supplies and construction material for internationally funded projects. • <u>Raid:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) On the morning of August 16th 2012, Israeli forces escorting bulldozers raided 400 meters into the vicinity of Rafah and opened fire as they leveled a plot of land. (ii) At dawn on August 17th 2012, Israeli forces escorting bulldozers raided 150 meters into the vicinity of Rafah and opened fire as they leveled a plot of land

August 17th 2012