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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 23rd August 2011 – 08:00 24th August 2011

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Assassinations	-	1	1	1 Palestinian Gunman
Injury	—	3	3	2 in Central Gaza and 1 in Rafah
Physical Assault	2	—	2	2 civilians, incl. 1 minor in Hebron
Raids	15	—	15	Incl. 8 in Hebron
Detentions (per Person)	11	—	11	10 in Hebron, incl. 1 child
Temporary Detentions	13	—	13	At checkpoints and in residential areas, incl. 2 security officers
Closure of Checkpoints	8	—	8	Incl. access impeded at 5 checkpoints
Attacks	1	-	1	Incl. 1 from military post.
Flying Checkpoints	22	—	22	Incl. 8 in Hebron, 3 in Bethlehem, & 3 in Jerusalem.
Aerial Assaults	-	2	2	Drones fired 2 missiles towards central Gaza and Rafah
Air Surveillance	-	2	2	2 surveillance plane flew over Rafah and Central Gaza
Provocation of Palestinian Security Forces	1		1	Israeli troops positioned near a Palestinian police station in Hebron
Confiscation of Property	3	—	3	3 water tanks in Jerusalem
Assault on Property	3	-	3	Served notices to halt construction on a number of houses in Hebron
Destruction of Property	2	5	7	Destruction of trees in Beit Ummar, Israeli strikes shattered windows of several homes in Gaza.
Wall Construction	15	—	15	
Closure (per District)	8	—	8	Incl. 2 Jerusalem & 5 in Hebron
Closure of Main Roads	43	—	43	Incl. 9 in Nablus and 15 in Hebron
Closure of Crossings	—	4	4	Rafah Crossing open to civilians;
Obstruction of Access to Places of Worship	1	-	1	Israeli settlers entered the Al Aqsa Mosque Compound
Palestinian Attack	—	2	2	6 projectiles towards the green line
Settler Violence	1	—	1	Injured a child in Ramallah & uprooted olive trees in Qalqilya, Nablus &

				Hebron.
TOTAL	149	19	168	

DISTRICT	EVENTS
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JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Since August 21st 2011 the Israeli army restricted access at checkpoints located at the entrances to Jerusalem City and to prevent civilians from other Palestinian districts from entering the city, except those holding special permits. (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 Ikksa 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 Ikksa village and forces civilians to access Jerusalem city through Qalandiya 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 Checkpoints:</u> At 09:00, Israeli forces set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance Al-Esawiyah town and detained a civilian. • <u>Detentions:</u> Israeli forces positioned at a checkpoint in Al-Esawiyah town detained the civilian Basil Al A’araj, • <u>Confiscation of Property:</u> At 14:00, Israeli forces confiscated water tanks located in west A’raa’ra on the Jerusalem –Jericho road. • <u>Obstruction of Access to Places of Worship:</u> On August 23rd 2011, a group of Israeli settlers under the protection of Israeli soldiers trespassed on the Al Aqsa Mosque Compound. • <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 resumed 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
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. • Raid: At 00:25, Israeli forces raided El-Berih city. • Wall Construction: Wall construction resumed 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 Roads: 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 continues to restrict Palestinian access to the Northern Jordan Valley through the Tayasir checkpoint to 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: At 08:30, Israeli army stepped up restrictions on Palestinian access at 'Einav checkpoint on the Tulkarem-Nablus main road, impeding the free flow of traffic • Flying checkpoints: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 20:40, Israeli forces set up a flying checkpoint on the junction of Deir Al Ghosun village (ii) At 01:05, Israeli forces set up a flying checkpoint on Al-kafriyat road , searching civilians and vehicles. • Raids: At 20:30, Israeli forces raided Al-Shweikeh neighborhood in Tulkarem and setup a flying checkpoint. <p>Temporary Detention: At 15:10, Israeli forces temporarily detained 5 farmers as they were passing through a wall gate near Nazlat Issah village until 19:50: Tawfiq Mohammad Suliman, Ahmad Faysal Suliman, Mohammad Faysal Suliman, Na'il Sa'ed Suliman, Mohammad Zahir A'loush</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Gates: Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • Wall Construction: Land levelling for adjustment of the Wall route resumed in the area surrounding Jubara village. According to an Israeli High Court decision, the new Wall route will be constructed west of the village.
	<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 the town of 'Azzun. (ii) In addition to closing the gate installed since the outbreak the second <i>Intifada</i>, the Israeli army continues to close with dirt mounds the eastern entrance to Kafr Qaddum village. • Flying Checkpoints: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 18:00, Israeli forces set up a flying checkpoint near Azzoun A'tma village,

<p>QALQILYA</p>	<p>searching civilians and vehicles.</p> <p>(ii) At 22:50, Israeli forces set up a flying checkpoint at the junction of Al-Jit village, searching civilians and vehicles.</p> <p>(iii) At 22:50, Israeli forces setup a flying checkpoint at the entrance of Amatin village, searching civilians and vehicles.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raids: At 10:00, Israeli forces raided Ras Atiya village. • Attacks: At 10:30, Israeli forces opened fire randomly as they were passing through Azzoun village. • Wall Gates: <p>(i) The Israeli army continues to restrict access at ‘Azzun ‘Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, using a metal detector.</p> <p>(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.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Wall construction resumed in Kafr Laqef village north of Karnei Shomron settlement; in Immatin village northeast of Imanuel settlement; and east of Kafr Thulth town near Ma’ale Shomron settlement.
<p>NABLUS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <p>(i) The Israeli army continues to close the roads of Till-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 Osarin; and the detour road between the town of Qabalan and the village of Osarin.</p> <p>(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.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to restrict times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus: <p>(i) Al-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 between 07:00 and 02:00 only to residents of the neighbourhood.</p> <p>(ii) At ‘Awarta commercial checkpoint, civilians are only allowed to cross between 05:00 and 20:00, and between 05:00 and 15:00 on Fridays. All vehicles can access the city of Nablus, but only commercial vehicles and ambulances can leave the city through the checkpoint.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flying checkpoints: <p>(i) At 14:00 and again at 06:30 Israeli forces set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance of Beit Furrik town, searching civilians and vehicles.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raids: At 01:00, Israeli forces raided Aqraba town until 01:40.
<p>SALFIT</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <p>(i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt mounds and cement blocks the northern entrance to Bruqin town.</p> <p>(ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt mounds the entrance to two detour roads connecting Marda village to its farmland.</p> <p>(iii) Since 14 November 2010, the Israeli army has opened the northern entrance to Salfit city to civilian buses only. The entrance had been closed for seven years.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checkpoints: Israeli forces continue to increase restrictions on Zatarra checkpoint,

	<p>obstructing the free flow of traffic and detained 2 civilians.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raids: At 02:00, Israeli forces raided Kufr Al-Dik village until 03:00. • Wall Construction: Wall construction has resumed in the area north of Deir Istiya town southeast of the illegal settlement Emmanuel.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between Jericho city and Al ‘Auja village with cement blocks. • Checkpoints: <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 area. And from 23:20 to 23:50, Israeli forces closed the checkpoint while searching the surrounding area. (ii) Israeli forces continue to restrict access at the checkpoint set up on the junction to Al-‘Auja village, only allowing access to residents of the Jericho District and others with access permits. • Flying Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 18:30 and again at 04:30, Israeli forces set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance of Jericho, searching civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 20:00, Israeli forces set up a flying checkpoint at the Junction of Al-Jiftlik village, searching civilians and vehicles. • Raids: At 20:40, Israeli forces raided Al Faysal village and opened fire randomly as they searched the area.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close roads to An Nu’mān 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 Israeli army has prevented civilians from accessing or staying on 22 <i>dunums</i> of confiscated land in Al Mazmuriya area in Beit Sahur and Bethlehem cities. • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close the Beit Jala-Wadi ,Ahmed road; a road east of Beit Fajjar town; the road connecting Tuqu’ town to Khirbet al Baq’a village; and the detour road connecting Wadi Fukin and Al Jab’a villages. • Checkpoints: At 09:10, Israeli forces increased restrictions on civilian movement at the “Container” checkpoint, temporarily detained 7 civilians and impeded the free flow of traffic until 10:20. • Flying Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:25 on August 22nd 2011 Israeli forces set up a flying checkpoint near Nahalin, searching civilians and vehicles until 12:45. (ii) At 13:30, Israeli forces setup a flying checkpoint at the entrance of Al-Shawawra village. (iii) At 21:30, Israeli forces set up a flying checkpoint at the junction of Al-Nashash on the southern entrance of Bethlehem, searching civilians and vehicles. • Raids: At 15:00, Israeli forces raided Wadi Rahal village until 15:35. • Wall Construction: Wall construction resumed northwest of Beit Jala town.
Hebron	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <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

	<p>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.</p> <p>(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.</p> <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 entrances to Al-Dhahiriya 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. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:00 and again at 20:00, Israeli forces set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance of Halhoul village, searching civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 11:00 and again at 20:30, Israeli forces set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance of Al-Nabi Younis (located on the Hebron- Bethlehem road), physically assaulted 2 civilians, including a child, and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 23:00, Israeli forces set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance of the northern entrance of Hebron, searching civilians and vehicles. (iv). • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:10, Israeli forces raided Khalet Al-Miyah village, east of Yatta. (ii) At 12:30, Israeli forces raided Surif town and handed out notices ordering a halt to construction of several homes under the pretext of not having the required permits to build in Area C, which is under Israeli military and administrative authority. (iii) At 16:30 and again at 19:15, Israeli forces raided Hebron city, searched several homes and detained 9 civilians, including 2 brothers. (iv) At 16:30, Israeli forces raided Al-Fawar refugee camp and detained a child. (v) At 17:00, Israeli forces raided Kurza village and took position near a Palestinian police station. (vi) At 00:50, Israeli forces raided Ithna Town. (vii) At 03:00, Israeli forces raided Yatta town, detonated the door of a used car parts store then withdrew at 04:20 • <u>Detentions:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Israeli forces detained 9 civilians during their raid of Hebron: Naji Al-Masri, Mohanad Mreish, Mohammad Abu Shkheidem, Alaa Mujahid, Yousef Fahed Al-Qawasmeh, Musa'ab Abu Shkhiedum, Mowafak Mohammad Shukri Jabir, Mohammad Arafat Al-Qawasmeh and Bashar Al-Qawasmeh. (ii) Israeli forces detained 16 year-old Raslan Mohammad Mahmoud Abu
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	<p style="text-align: center;">Muqadam</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <u>Settler Violence:</u> At 21:30, a group of Israeli settlers from “Bat E’in” settlement trespassed on private Palestinian property in the Beit Ummar Municipality and cut down branches of fruit-bearing trees owned by Hammad Abdel Hamid Al Salibi.• <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 style="text-align: center;">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 at 21:00 on August 21st 2011. • Ceasefire violations: Israeli forces violated the ceasefire agreement as unmanned drones launched missiles at targets in central Gaza and Rafah, killing a Palestinian gunman in a targeted assassination and injuring 3 civilians. • Ceasefire violations: Armed Palestinians launched 6 projectiles towards the Green Line.
<p style="text-align: center;">NORTHERN GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is open to previously-coordinated critically ill civilians, foreign journalists, International Organization staff, merchants, business people and civilians travelling to Jordan through Al-Karama (Allenby) Bridge in the West Bank.
<p style="text-align: center;">GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Points: • Al-Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 02 March 2011, the Crossing has been effectively closed following a unilateral Israeli decision. • Al-Shija'iyah (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 04 January 2010, the Crossing has been closed following a unilateral Israeli decision.
<p style="text-align: center;">CENTRAL GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aerial Assaults: At 4:30, an Israeli drone launched a missile towards 2 Palestinian gunmen riding a motorbike, injuring 1 gunman and shattering windows in several nearby homes. • Palestinian Attacks: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 4:30, armed Palestinians fired 4 projectiles towards the Green Line. (ii) At 05:35, armed Palestinian fired projectiles towards the Green Line.
<p style="text-align: center;">KHAN YUNIS</p>	<p>No incidents Reported</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">RAFAH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Points: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. • Rafah (<i>Al 'Awdah</i>) Crossing was open to civilians departing from the Gaza Strip to Saudi Arabia to perform pilgrimage and to others arriving from Egypt. • Sufa Crossing is closed. • Karm Abu Salem (Karem Shalom) Crossing was partially open for the transportation of food supplies, goods, humanitarian aid, cooking gas and construction cargo designated to internationally funded projects. • Aerial Assaults: On the evening of August 23rd 2011, Israeli drones fired 1 missile at a vehicle, killing 1 Palestinian gunman and injuring another civilian in Tal Al-Sultan neighbourhood in Rafah • Assassinations: An Israeli drone targeted and assassinated Ismail Zuhdi Alasmar in Tal Al-Sultan neighbourhood in Rafah.