# مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



# PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT 08:00, 24<sup>th</sup> August 2012 – 08:00, 25<sup>th</sup> August 2012

### **SUMMARY OF EVENTS**

<b>EVENT</b>	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injury	4	_	4	3 in Ramallah and 1 in Hebron including a child from settler assault and a Canadian journalist.
Physical Assault	3	_	3	Israeli forces assaulted 3 demonstrators during demonstrations in Ramallah.
Detention	6		6	2 in Tulkarem and 4 in Hebron.
Temporary Detention	7	_	7	At checkpoints and residential area including 3 female residents and 5 international peace activists.
Raids	6	_	6	1in Ramallah, 1in Jenin, 1 in Qalqiliya and 2 in Bethlehem.
Closure of Checkpoints	3	_	3	Access allowed at checkpoints leading to Jerusalem and impeded at 3 others.
Flying Checkpoints	8	_	8	3 in Jerusalem,2 in Ramallah,1 in Jenin,1 in Nablus,1 in Jericho and 1 in Hebron.
Attack	5	1	6	5 during confrontations and 1from military posts.
Destruction of Property	2	_	2	Israeli forces destroyed several olive trees in Deir Ibzi' in Ramallah and 10 olive trees in Deir Istiya in Salfit.
Wall Construction	15	_	15	3 in Jerusalem, 3 in Ramallah, 1 in Tulkarem, 3 in Qalqiliya, 1 in Salfit, 3 in Bethlehem and 1 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		6	6	Beit Hanun (Erez) is open for humanitarian assistance, journalists and international access.
Settler Violence	4	_	4	Israeli settlers assaulted a female resident and her children in Shifat camp in Jerusalem, set fire to olive trees in Deir Ibzi' in Ramallah and Deir Istiya in Salfit and stoned vehicles in Hebron.
Demonstration	6		6	Against settlement construction and

				closure of Kafr Qaddum entrance.
TOTAL	149	7	156	

DISTRICT	EVENTS
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#### WEST BANK

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JERUSALEM	<ul> <li>Closure: <ul> <li>(i) On August 17th 2012, 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 in Al-Aqsa Mosque.</li> <li>(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.</li> <li>(iii) The Israeli army continues to impose a blockade and deny civilian access to a hill between Biddu and Beit Iksa villages.</li> <li>Closure of Main Roads: <ul> <li>(i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and dirt mounds the entrance to Jaba' village.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army continues to close the gate along the Wall section separating the area of Dahiyat Al-Bareed from Al-Ram town.</li> <li>(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.</li> <li>Checkpoints: 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.</li> <li>Settler Violence: On the evening of August 24th 2012, Israeli settlers assaulted and slandered Fadil Al-Mir'is wife and children as they walked near a settlement.</li> <li>Wall Gates: <ul> <li>(i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the Wall gate in Abu Dis town.</li> <li>(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.</li> <li>Wall Construction: Wall construction</li></ul></li></ul></li></ul></li></ul>
RAMALLAH & AL BIREH	<ul> <li>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.</li> <li>Flying Checkpoint: At 03:00, Israeli forces set up a checkpoint at Ofar settlement junction</li> <li>Settler Violence: At 17:10, Israeli settlers set fire to agricultural land in Deir Ibzie'</li> </ul>
	village and destroyed several olive trees before Palestinian civil defence forces could put the fire out.

	Demonstrations:
	<ul> <li>Demonstrations:         <ul> <li>(i) At 13:30, Palestinian and International peace activists demonstrated in Al-Nabi Saleh village against the construction of the separation wall; Israeli forces fired rubber coated steel bullets, tear gas and stun grenades towards leaving several demonstrators and several homes injuring Ahmad Al-Tamimi's (12 years) lefts hand, Azmi Odeh and several others suffocating from tear gas inhalation. Israeli forces also assaulted and injured Ayman Al-Tamimi, Sami Al-Tamimi, Ahmad Al-Tamimi and several other demonstrators suffocated from tear gas inhalation. Israeli forces detained Bisan Abu Bakir, Naramin Al-Tamimi and Abir Qabatiya and also temporarily detained 5 demonstrators and released them at a later time.</li> <li>(ii) At 13:30, Palestinian and international activists demonstrated in Bil'in and Ni'lin against land confiscation and against the legality of the wall Israeli forces fired rubber coated steel bullets and teargas towards a home and demonstrators injuring David Kittanburg (a Canadian Journalist) leaving several others suffocated from tear gas inhalation.</li> <li>(iii) At 17:15, Palestinian and international peace activists demonstrated near Ofar prison in Beituniya in solidarity with Palestinian detainees and demanding their release from Israeli prisons during which Israeli forces clashed with demonstrators and fired stun and tear gas grenades leaving several demonstrators suffocating from tear gas inhalation.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	• 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> <li>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.</li> <li>Flying Checkpoint: At 02:30, Israeli forces set up a checkpoint between Burqin and Kafr Qudd until 04:20.</li> <li>Raid: At 22:40, Israeli forces raided Deir Abu Da'if village until 23:10.</li> <li>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.</li> </ul>
TUBAS	• <u>Checkpoints:</u> At 10:20, 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> <li>Closure of Main Roads:         <ul> <li>The Israeli army continues to close with dirt mounds the road connecting Kafr Al-Labad town to Shufa village.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to close with dirt mounds the detour road leading to Ramin village along the Tulkarem-Nablus main road.</li> </ul> </li> <li>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.</li> <li>Detention: At 21:50, Israeli forces detained Ahmad Ghanam and Anas Ghanam as they were returning from work inside Israeli.</li> <li>Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits, undercutting access to education and health services for civilians living behind the Wall.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Wall Construction: 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.</li> </ul>

	Closure of Roads:
	(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.
	• Raid: At 13:00, Israeli forces raided Al-Nabi Eliyas village.
	• <b>Demonstration:</b> At 13:20, Palestinian and International peace activists
	marched in Kafer Qaddum village to protest closures of the entrance gate
	leading to the village; Israeli forces clashed with demonstrators firing tear gas
	grenades leaving an international peace activist and several demonstrators
	suffocated from tear gas inhalation.
	• Wall Gates:
QALQILYA	(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.
	Closure of Main Roads:
	(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, and the detour road between the town of Quotatal 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.
	• Flying Checkpoint: At 13:50, Israeli forces set up a checkpoint at Agraba
NABLUS	junction.
	Closure of Main Roads:
	(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 30 <sup>th</sup> 2012, Israeli forces have closed two roads leading to
	Abu Nasar and QatanAl-Jama' located in western area of Deir Istiya with
	cement blocks.
SALFIT	(iv) Since 14:00 on August 3 <sup>rd</sup> 2012, Israeli forces closed the bypass road leading to
	Haris village junction.
	• Checkpoints: Israeli forces continue to increase their restrictions at Za'tara
	checkpoint.
	• Settler Violence: At 18:00, Israeli settlers set fire to agricultural land in Deir Istiya
	and destroying 10 olive trees before Palestinian civil defence forces could put out
	the fire.
	• Wall Construction: Wall construction continued in the area north of Deir
	Istiya town southeast of the illegal settlement.
	• Checkpoints:
JERICHO	(i) On August 16 <sup>th</sup> 2012, Israeli forces allowed access through Al-Hamra
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	checkpoint set up along the road connecting Jericho and Nablus Districts, 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.
	• Closure:
	(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.
	• Closure of Main Roads:
	(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
ветніенем	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.
	• Raid:
	<ul> <li>(i) At 00:35, Israeli forces raided Bethlehem, summoned Fadi Al-U'yi, Rabi'</li> <li>Karam and Ibrahim Karam to report to Israeli intelligence for questioning.</li> <li>(ii) At 01:00, Israeli forces raided Taqou' and summoned Musa Jabrin to</li> </ul>
	report to Israeli intelligence for questioning.
	• <u>Demonstrations</u> : At 13:40, a demonstration took place in Al-Maasra village against the construction of the Wall; clashed with Israeli forces that attempted to disrupt the demonstration.
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	<ul> <li>Wall Construction: Wall construction continued northwest of Beit Jala town.</li> <li>Closure:</li> </ul>
	(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.
	• Closure of Main Roads:
	(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
HEBRON	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.
• <b>Flying Checkpoints:</b> At 09:30, Israeli forces set up a checkpoint at the entrance of Ithna.
• <b>Detention:</b> At 16:40, Israeli forces detained Bahjat Al-Muhtasib, Shadi Sadr,
Yassir Haddad and Mohammad Abu Safa in the old city of Hebron.
• <u>Settler Violence:</u> At 23:55, an Israeli settlers threw a glass bottle towards
residents in the old city of Hebron and injured Sanad Da'na (17 years) leaving her
hospitalised with contusions.
• Wall Construction: Wall construction continued in the area surrounding
the illegal settlement Eshkolot, west of Al-Thahiriya town.

# GAZA STRIP

ALL DISTRITS	• 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.
	<ul> <li>On 14.12.2011, Israeli forces placed floating marks 3 miles from Gaza's seashore and warned fishermen against passing beyond the mark.</li> <li>Israeli forces broke the cease fire agreement by opening fire towards Khan Yunis.</li> </ul>

NORTHERN	• Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) is open for humanitarian assistance,		
GAZA	journalists and international access.		
	• Closure of Crossing Points:  (i) Al-Muntar (Karni) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 02 March 2011, the		
GAZA	(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'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 04 January 2010, the Crossing has been closed following a unilateral Israeli decision.		
KHAN YUNIS	• <u>Attack:</u> On the evening of August 24 <sup>th</sup> 2012, Israeli forces opened fire from their positions behind the Green Line towards agricultural land in Khaza'a.		
	• Closure of Crossing Points: (All border crossings are closed)		
	Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed.		
RAFAH	• Rafah (Al 'Awdah) Crossing is closed		
KAFAH	Sufa Crossing is closed.		
	Karm Abu Salem (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed.		