# مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



# PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

# **DAILY SITUATION REPORT**

08:00 28 August 2010 – 08:00 29 August 2010

# **SUMMARY OF EVENTS**

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries		5	5	2 civilians and 3 armed individuals
Attacks	3	3	6	Incl. 2 in raids and 1 from a mil. post
Raids	12	1	13	Incl. 7 in Hebron and 1 in Central Gaza
Air Patrols	_	2	2	Reconnaissance & helicopters, C. Gaza
Arrests (per person)	11	_	11	Incl. 5 in Qalqiliya and 4 in Hebron
Detentions	13	_	13	At checkpoints and in residential areas
Destruction of Property	1	_	1	House furniture damaged in Qalqiliya
Closure of Checkpoints	9	_	9	Incl. a checkpoint closed temporarily
Flying Checkpoints	9	_	9	Incl. 2 in Jerusalem and 2 in Qalqiliya
Closure (per District)	9	_	9	Incl. Jerusalem & 2 areas in Ramallah
Closure of Main Roads	43	_	43	Incl. 4 in Salfit and 14 in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points	_	6	6	Only Rafah Crossing open
Demonstrations	2	_	2	Against settler vehicles & land seizure
TOTAL	112	17	129	

DISTRICT EVENTS

#### WEST BANK

#### Closure:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem and to set up flying checkpoints in the old city of Jerusalem and around the Al Aqsa Mosque compound.
- (i) 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).
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to impose a blockade and deny civilian access to a hill between the village of Biddu and Beit Iksa due to its geographical significance as it overlooks the city of Jerusalem.

## • Closure of Main Roads:

- (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.
- (iii) On 28 May 2010, the Israeli army closed with an iron gate the eastern entrance to the village of Beit Iksa leading to the city of Jerusalem and reported to civilians that they should cross Qalandiya checkpoint to access the city.
- <u>Checkpoint</u>: The Israeli army continues to consider Qalandiya checkpoint a "border crossing point" and has designated a special crossing lane for holders of Jerusalem IDs and those possessing permits to access the city of Jerusalem.
- Arrest: On 27 August 2010, Israeli troops positioned at Shu'fat checkpoint arrested Mohammed Ibrahim 'Ilayyan.

# • Wall Gates:

- (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.
- Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend 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.

#### **JERUSALEM**

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RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul> <li>Closure of Main Roads: <ol> <li>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.</li> <li>The Israeli authorities continue to declare the area located between civilian houses and the Wall in Ni'lin town and Bil'in village a closed military zone between 08:00 and 20:00 on Fridays. Civilian access to the area is denied except with a special permit.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Raids: <ol> <li>At 24:00, the Israeli army raided Kobar village and served summons on three civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency.</li> <li>At 00:50, the Israeli army raided Ramallah city, searched a building, and arrested a civilian.</li> <li>Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Yazan Shurouf in Ramallah city.</li> <li>Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend west of the town of 'Abud; in the village of Bil'in; and in the areas of Al Midya to Ni'lin and Ni'lin to Deir Qaddis.</li> </ol> </li></ul>		
JENIN	<ul> <li>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.</li> <li>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.</li> </ul>		
TUBAS	<u>Checkpoint</u> : 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 city of Tubas.		
TULKAREM	<ul> <li>Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road connecting the town of Kafr al Labad to the village of Shufa as well as the road connecting the villages of Shufa and 'Izbat Shufa.</li> <li>Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at 'Einav checkpoint set up on Tulkarem-Nablus main road.</li> <li>Wall Gates: Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> </ul>		
QALQILYA	<ul> <li>Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun.</li> <li>Flying Checkpoints: At 08:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to 'Azzun town and searched civilians and vehicles. At 19:50, the Israeli army set up another checkpoint and denied civilian access, allegedly because stones had been thrown at Israeli settler vehicles travelling along the main road north of the town. Israeli troops withdrew from the area at a later time.</li> </ul>		

- Raid/Destruction of Property: At 01:25, the Israeli army raided Qalqiliya city and thoroughly searched a number of houses, causing damage to furniture. The Israeli army also arrested five civilians, including two brothers.
- Arrests: The Israeli army arrested five civilians in Qalqiliya city:
- (i) 'Imad Ahmed Doleh;
- (ii) Ahmed Mohammed ad Dalu:
- (iii) Saed Hisham Abu Tharrah;
- (iv) Amir Hasan Yousef Jubarah; and
- (v) Anas Hasan Yousef Jubarah.

# • Wall Gates:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal detector.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues close with an iron gate the entrance to the village of Wadi ar Rasha and to deny civilian access. The Israeli army allows residents to access the village through Gate #109. Having removed the iron 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.

#### • Closure of Main Roads:

- (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.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the northern entrance to the town of Qabalan; the southern entrances to the town of Jamma'in and the villages of Duma and Qaryut; and the western entrance to An Naqura village opposite the settlement of Shavei Shomron.
- <u>Checkpoints</u>: The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus:
- (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.
- Flying Checkpoint: At 15:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to 'Iraq Burin and Till village, searched civilians and vehicles, and denied access to international peace activists and journalists to 'Iraq Burin village. At 17:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.

#### **NABLUS**

	• <u>Demonstration</u> : At 17:00, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in 'Iraq Burin village in protest against land confiscation for construction of settlement projects. The Israeli army obstructed the demonstration and declared the area a closed military zone. Confrontations took place between with the Israeli army, during which the Israeli army injured seven participants with tear gas inhalation.
SALFIT	<ul> <li>Closure of Main Roads: <ol> <li>The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the northern entrance to the city of Salfit.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the northern entrance to the town of Bruqin.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the entrance to two detour roads connecting the village of Marda to respective agricultural land.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions and impede civilian access at the Za'tara junction checkpoint.</li> <li>Raid: At 13:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Haris village.</li> <li>Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend 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.</li> </ul>
JERICHO	<ul> <li>Closure: The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between the city of Jericho and the village of Al 'Auja with cement blocks.</li> <li>Checkpoints:         <ul> <li>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.</li> </ul> </li> <li>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.</li> <li>Flying Checkpoint: At 19:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Marj Na'ja village and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> </ul>
BETHLEHEM	<ul> <li>Closure:         <ul> <li>(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.</li> <li>(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 dunums (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.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

- <u>Closure of Main Roads</u>: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road of Beit Jala-Wadi Ahmad; a road east of Beit Fajjar town; and a rural road connecting Tuqu' town to Khirbet al Baq'a village.
- <u>Checkpoint</u>: At 20:10, the Israeli army closed As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the 'Container') checkpoint, denied civilian access, and reopened it at a later time.

#### • Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 17:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the northern entrance to Beit Jala city and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 19:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Husan village and searched civilians and vehicles.
- Raid: At 14:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Tuqu' town. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. At 15:05, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
- Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend 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 Efrat settlement; and in the area surrounding Al Walaja.

### • Closure:

- (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. In addition to closing the entrance to Al Laban Market with iron plates, the Israeli army 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, controlling civilian access in the area.
- (ii) Having evacuated civilian residents and denied civilian access, the Israeli army continues to close the area located along the Green Line south of the town of Yatta.

#### • Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to the town of As Samoa'; the eastern entrance to the village of Kharsa; the entrance to the Al Qeisi neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron; the entrances to Al 'Arrub refugee camp, the village of At Tuwani, and the town of Adh Dhahiriya; and the road connecting the town of Surif to the village of Al Jab'a.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from travelling along Ash Shalala Old Street in the old city of Hebron.
- (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.
- <u>Flying Checkpoint</u>: At 15:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Tarusa village and searched civilians and vehicles.

#### **HEBRON**

## Raids:

- (i) At 12:20, the Israeli army raided Adh Dhahiriya town and arrested a civilian.
- (ii) At 20:35, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Kurza village.
- (iii) At 21:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Beit 'Amra village.
- (iv) At 24:00, the Israeli army raided Hebron city, searched a number of houses, arrested a civilian, and served summons on three others to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency.
- (v) At 01:30, the Israeli army raided As Samoa' town and searched two houses.
- (vi) At 02:30, the Israeli army raided Dura town and arrested a civilian.
- (vii) At 02:30, the Israeli army raided Yatta town, searched five houses, arrested a civilian, and withdrew at 03:40.

#### • Arrests:

- (i) The Israeli army arrested Iyad Shihdeh al Jabarin in Adh Dhahiriya town.
- (ii) The Israeli army arrested Iyad Ahmed Mujahed in Hebron city.
- (iii) The Israeli army arrested Riyadh Hureibat in Dura town.
- (iv) The Israeli army arrested Ziyad Mohammed an Nawaj'ah in Yatta
- <u>Demonstration</u>: At 13:00, a mass demonstration, including international peace activist, took place on civilian farmland near the Karmei Tzur settlement in Beit Ummar town in protest against settler violence. Protestors demanded that civilians be enabled to access and tend their land. Having declared the area a closed military zone, Israeli troops obstructed the demonstration. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which a number of participants sustained wounds as a result of tear gas inhalation.
- Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the section of Tarqumiya checkpoint terminal; in the area surrounding the settlement of Eshkolot near the town of Adh Dhahiriya; and in the area between the villages of 'Arab ar Ramadin and Imneizil.

#### GAZA STRIP

# ALL DISTRICTS

- 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.
- <u>Violation of the Ceasefire</u>: The Israeli army raided Palestinian territory and opened fire on civilian houses and property in Central Gaza district. The Israeli army opened fire from its location on the Green Line on Northern Gaza district. Israeli attacks resulted in the injury of two civilians and three armed Palestinian individuals.

NORTHERN GAZA	<ul> <li>Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open for previously-coordinated humanitarian cases and foreign nationals.</li> <li>Attack: In the morning of 28 August 2010, the Israeli army opened fire from its location on the Green Line on civilians in their workplace north of Beit Hanun town, injuring two civilians:         <ol> <li>Sharif Sa'id Ghaben; and</li> <li>Rami Ibrahim Ghaben.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>		
GAZA	<ul> <li>Closure of Crossing Points:         <ul> <li>(i) Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed.</li> <li>(ii) Ash Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 04 January 2010, the Crossing has been closed upon an Israeli unilateral decision.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		
CENTRAL GAZA	• Raid/Air Patrol/Attack/Injuries: At dawn on 29 August 2010, the Israeli army, including several armoured vehicles and bulldozers covered by combat helicopters and reconnaissance aircraft, raided Palestinian territory east of Al Bureij refugee camp. The Israeli army opened fire intensively on agricultural land and civilian houses. An armed confrontation took place between Israeli troops and armed Palestinian individuals, during which Israeli troops injured three individuals.		
KHAN YUNIS	Activities were not reported.		
RAFAH	<ul> <li>Closure of Crossing Points:         <ul> <li>Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed.</li> <li>Rafah (Al 'Awdah) Crossing is open on to allow patients, students, and civilians holding visas to depart the Gaza Strip. Access was also allowed to civilians and patients, who had received medical treatment at Egyptian hospitals. For the second day, civilians who had performed 'Umrah (minor pilgrimage to Mecca in Saudi Arabia) were allowed to enter the Gaza Strip through the Crossing.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Sufa Crossing is closed.</li> <li>Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed.</li> </ul>		

# **GENERAL**

POLITICAL PRISONERS	• Political Prisoner in Danger: The family of Raed Mohammed Jamal Darabiyah, a political prisoner sentenced for life and suffers from cancer, appealed to human rights organisations to save their son's life and release him from Israeli prisons. He was transported to Soroka Hospital after his health condition deteriorated. Due to spinal cord cancer, Darabiyah's life was put to danger on several occasions. Having been through seven surgical operations in the back, two arteries were removed from the spine and replaced with plastic tubes. He also suffers from acute pain because vertebral bones have protruded and flesh worn off on his back.
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- <u>Sentences</u>: An Israeli military court extended administrative detention orders (arrest without charge or trial) and imposed fines on the following political prisoners, including family members from Beit Furik town and Burin village in Nablus district:
- (i) Lina and Ghulmi was sentenced to another six months under administrative detention.
- (ii) Mus'ab Muleitat was sentenced to another six months under administrative detention.
- (iii) Layth Abu Ghulmi, Hani Abu as Su'oud, and Hamadeh Hanani would be held in custody pending trial.
- (iv) Taghreed Abu Ghulmi would released on parole, provided that she pay a fine of NIS 25,000 (approximately USD 6,500) as well as a bail of NIS 50,000 (approximately USD 13,000). Taghrid would also be placed under house arrest at her brother's in Burin village and forced to report to the Israeli Police in Ari'el settlement twice a week.