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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00, 29 August 2009 – 08:00, 30 August 2009

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injury	—	1	1	A civilian by airstrike on Gaza district
Physical Assault	1	—	1	Severely beat an officer in Jericho district
Arrests (per person)	3	—	3	Incl. 1 in Ramallah & 1 in Jericho
Detentions	16	—	16	At checkpoints & in residential locales
Raids	14	—	14	Incl. 3 in Ramallah & 3 in Nablus
Closure of Checkpoints	9	—	9	Incl. access impeded at 6 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	10	—	10	Incl. 2 in Jerusalem & 1 in Nablus
Attacks	1	1	2	1 in confrontations & 1 by Navy boats
Air Attack	—	1	1	A missile by F-16 warplanes on Gaza
Air Patrol	—	1	1	During attacks on Gaza by F-16 planes
Provocation of Pal. Forces	4	—	4	Serving summons to security officers
Destruction of Property	—	4	4	As a result of airstriks on Gaza city
Wall Construction	—	—	—	Suspended for the weekend
Closure (per District)	7	—	7	Jer., Beth. (2 villages) & Hebron (4 areas)
Closure of Main Roads	46	—	46	Incl. 3 in Ramallah & 2 in Jerusalem
Closure of Crossing Points	—	6	6	Only Rafah open on exceptional basis
Settler Violence	1	—	1	Entering civilian land in Tulkarm district
Demonstration	1	—	1	In Ni'lin against the Wall
Pal. Security Measures	3	—	3	Extradite 3 settlers trespassed Jericho city
TOTAL	116	14	130	

DISTRICT	EVENTS
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WEST BANK

ALL DISTRICTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints set up on the main roads connecting the West Bank districts, thereby isolating the northern districts from the southern districts as well as the Jericho district and the Jordan Valley from the remainder of the West Bank.
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JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Closure: (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at checkpoints set up at entrances to the city of Jerusalem and Al Aqsa Mosque. (ii) On 05 January 2009, the Israeli army issued military order # 02/09 closing the seam line area, an extension of the Wall, according to a set of land confiscation orders, for the construction of the Wall around the city of Jerusalem to prevent civilians from entering the city, with the exception of civilians living in the area and those holding permits. Entry is regulated through crossings and gates set up at entrances to the city of Jerusalem, as designated in the military order. (iii) Beginning on 02 April 2009, the Israeli army has continued to impose a blockade and deny civilian access to a hill located in an area between the village of Biddu and Beit Iksa due to its geographical significance as it overlooks the city of Jerusalem. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 in Jerusalem city from the town of Ar Ram. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to consider Qalandiya checkpoint a "border crossing point" and has designated a special crossing for holders of Jerusalem IDs and those possessing permits to access the city of Jerusalem. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 al-Shayyah road in the area between the villages of al-Sawahira al-Sharqiya and al-Sawahira al-Gharbiya, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem IDs to cross, after subjecting them to thorough searches using electronic devices. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the area of al-'Eizariya to al-Shayyah, from Beit Surik village to Biddu, in the areas of al-Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina, west of al-Jib village, in the vicinity of the village of Qatanna, and south of Beit Hanina village.
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<p style="text-align: center;">RAMALLAH & EL BIREH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to the village of Sinjil, the village of Safa and the junction to the villages of Kafr Malik – Ein Samiya. • Flying Checkpoint: At 23:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the village of Ein Yabrud and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 21:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Silwad. (ii) At 04:20, the Israeli army raided the town of Beituniya, searched a building, detained a number of civilians while heading to Fajr (dawn) prayer, arrested a civilian and withdrew at 08:00. (iii) At 04:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Deir Ghassana. • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested in the town of Beituniya the civilian Muhammad Najm. • Demonstration: At 20:00, a mass demonstration set about with the participation of international activists following Iftar that was organized in Ni'lin town against the Wall. The Israeli army confronted the demonstration and fired tear gas bombs causing suffocation to 3 civilians as a result of gas inhalation. • Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend west of the town of 'Abud and in the areas of al-Midya to Ni'lin and Ni'lin to Deir Qaddis.
<p style="text-align: center;">JENIN</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to 'Arraba town, east of the settlement of Dotan. • 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.
<p style="text-align: center;">TOUBAS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint, east of the town of Tubas, allowing civilian access from 06:00 to 22:00.
<p style="text-align: center;">TULKAREM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western entrance to the village of Shofeh and the road connecting the town of Kafr Al Labad to the village of Shofeh. • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Einav checkpoint that is set up on Tulkarm-Nablus main road. • Raid: At 00:20, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Lid, searched a number of houses and served summons to 6 civilians, including 3 security officers (1 Civil Police officer, 1 Presidential Guard officer and 1 General Intelligence officer) to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. • Detention: At 22:15, Israeli troops positioned at Einav checkpoint detained police officer Fadi Rawhi 'Amireh and released him at 23:15 following DCO intervention. • Settler Violence: At 09:20, a group of settlers entered civilian land

	<p>located between the neighborhood of Dhinnaba in the city of Tulkarm and the village of Kafr Al Labad. Consequently, the Israeli army intervened and evacuated the settlers from the area at 10:25.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Gates: Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
<p style="text-align: center;">QALQILYA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the agricultural roads east of the town of ‘Azzun. • Flying Checkpoint: At 12:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the eastern entrance to the city of Qalqiliya and searched civilians and vehicles until 13:55. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Al Funduq. (ii) At 00:10, the Israeli army raided the city of Qalqiliya, searched a number of houses and served summons to 3 civilians, including a Preventive Security officer, to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. • Wall Gates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at ‘Azzun ‘Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a detector. • Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend south of the town of Jayyus as well as near the settlement of Alfeh Minesheh in the villages of Ras Tira, Magharet Ad Dab’a and Wadi Ar Rasha, located south of Qalqiliya city.
<p style="text-align: center;">NABLUS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the roads of Tel-Burin, Beit Furik-Salem, the road between Aqraba town and the main road and the eastern entrance to the village of Al Lubban Ash Sharqiya; and with dirt barricades the road between the villages of Tel and Madama, the southern entrances to the villages of Qaryut and Duma, the eastern entrance to the village of Al Lubban Ash Sharqiya, the western entrances to the town of Aqraba and the village of Majdal Bani Fadil, the northern entrance to the town of Qabalan, as well as the settler bypass road connecting the village of Deir al-Hatab to Alon Moreh settlement. As of 12:10 on 27 August 2009, the Israeli army continues to close the western entrance to the village of An Naqura, opposite the settlement of Shavi Shomron, by an iron gate after removing the dirt barricade at its entrance. • Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At Tur neighborhood 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 neighborhood only from 07:00 until 02:00. (ii) Awarta commercial checkpoint is open for civilians from 05:00 until

	<p>20:00, whereas on Friday, the checkpoint is open for civilians from 05:00 until 15:00. All vehicles are allowed to enter the city of Nablus through Awarta, but only commercial vehicles and ambulances are allowed to depart the city through this checkpoint.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 21:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the city of Nablus and the town of Asira Ash Shamaliya and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Sebastia. (ii) At 02:15, the Israeli army raided the towns of Aqraba and Qabalan until 05:15. • <u>Detention:</u> At 22:15, the Israeli army at Huwwara checkpoint detained police officer Iyhab Joseph Mansour and released him at a later time.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the northern entrance to the city of Salfit, and continues to close with cement blocks and iron gates the northern entrances to the town of Bruqin and the western entrance to the town of Kafr Ad Dik. • <u>Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Za'tara checkpoint and impede civilian access. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 17:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the road between the town of Kifl Hares and the village of Hares. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> 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 Kafr Hares north of the settlement of Ariel.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between the city of Jericho and the village of al-'Auja with cement blocks. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at al-Hamra checkpoint and allow civilian access from 06:00 until 22:00. (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions on the checkpoint set up on the junction to the village of al-'Auja and allow access only to civilians holding Jericho and Jordan Valley IDs and those possessing permits. • <u>Raid:</u> At 01:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Az Zubeidat and arrested a university student. • <u>Arrest:</u> The Israeli army arrested in the village of Az Zubeidat the civilian Hasan Zubeidat. • <u>Physical Assault:</u> On 29 August 2009, Israeli troops positioned at Al Hamra junction checkpoint detained and severely beat the Palestinian National Security officer Muhammad Ahmad Hasan Abu 'Arrah and released him at a later time. • <u>Palestinian Security Measure:</u> In the evening on 29 August 2009, the Palestinian side extradited to the Israeli side through the DCO 3 Israeli settlers who mistakenly entered the city of Jericho.

<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 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. (ii) The Israeli army continues to prevent civilian access to an area that is located in the cities of Beit Sahur and Bethlehem. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the two sideways east and south of Al Walaja village and the roads of Beit Jala-Wadi Ahmad, Talita-Nazlet As-Sidr in the city of Beit Jala, Wadi Rahal-Efrat and the sideway east of Beit Fajjar town. • <u>Checkpoint:</u> At 10:00, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at As Sawahira Ash Sharqiya (the 'Container') checkpoint and impeded civilian access. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 11:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the southern entrance to the village of Husan and searched civilians and vehicles until 13:10. • <u>Raid:</u> At 02:55, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the villages of Battir and Husan. • <u>Arrest:</u> On 29 August 2009, the Israeli army arrested at As Sawahira Ash Sharqiya (the 'Container') checkpoint the civilian Yousef Isma'il Faqqusah. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the area northwest of the town of al-Khadr; northwest of Beit Jala city; in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of Ephrata settlement; and in the area surrounding al-Walaja village.
<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 the following locales in the old city of Hebron: al-Shuhada' Street and the area of al-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 al-Sahleh. The Israeli army also 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, thereby controlling civilian access in the area. (ii) On 05 January 2009, the Israeli army issued military order # 06/09 closing the area located near the Green Line, south of the town of Yatta, evacuating the area of those inside it and denying them access to it. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the following locales: the entrance to the town of al-Samoa'; the area of al-Hawawir leading to the town of Halhoul; the road connecting the town of Surif to the village of al-Jab'a; and the eastern entrance to the village of Kharsa; the entrance to al-Qeisi neighborhood in the old city of Hebron;

	<p>the main entrance to al-‘Arrub refugee camp; the village of At Tuwani as well as the entrance to the town of Adh Dhahiriya.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) In accordance with Military Order # 378, the Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from traveling along Shalala Old Street that leads to the old city of Hebron, only allowing Israeli vehicles as well as Israeli army vehicles to travel along this street. (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 bypass Road # 60. (iv) The Israeli army continues to open the Iron Gate on the junction of Farsh Al Hawa, which leads to Road # 35 that leads to Tarqumiya Crossing, from 05:00 until 07:00 and from 09:00 until 13:00. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Beit Ummar and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 15:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the area of Al Fahs, south of Hebron city, and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 20:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of Zif and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Hebron city. (ii) At 19:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of As Samoa’. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the section of Tarqumiya checkpoint terminal, in the periphery of Eshkolot settlement southwest of Adh Dhahiriya town and between southwest of Arab Ar Ramadin village and the village of Imneizil.
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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 Israeli army declared a unilateral ceasefire. In the meantime, armed Palestinian groups declared a one-week-long ceasefire. Meanwhile, the ceasefire was extended until 05 February 2009. The ceasefire is holding despite the end of the specified period. • The Israeli army breached the ceasefire by opening fire intensively towards Palestinian fishing boats at sea opposite Gaza city beach and firing a missile by F-16 warplane against a building that is 1.5 km distant from the Green Line, northeast of Al Shuja’iya neighborhood, located east of Gaza city, injuring a civilian.
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NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Point:</u> Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is closed.
GAZA	<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. (ii) Al-Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. • <u>Attack:</u> In the morning on 30 August 2009, Israeli Navy boats opened fire intensively towards Palestinian fishing boats at sea opposite Gaza city beach. • <u>Air Attack:</u> At dawn on 30 August 2009, Israeli F-16 warplanes fired a missile against a building under the pretext that a tunnel is located underneath it at a distance of 1.5 km from the border fence northeast of Al Shuja'iya neighborhood, located east of Gaza city, injuring a civilian, destroying the building and damaging nearby buildings.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
KHAN YOUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Points:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah (Al Awdah) Crossing is open on exceptional basis for the entry of a group of pilgrims who performed 'Umra in Makkah. (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed. (iv) Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed.

GENERAL

POLITICAL PRISONERS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Administrative Detention:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli military court at Negev Desert prison extended the order of administrative detention (detention without trial) for the fourth time in a row against political prisoner Ghassan Abdulwahhab Az Zughbi from the city of Jenin. (ii) Israeli military courts at Al Jalameh and Petah Tikva prisons extended orders of administrative detention for varied periods against 12 political prisoners from the districts of Jenin, Tubas, Tulkarm, Qalqiliya, Nablus and Hebron.
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