## مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



## PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

# DAILY SITUATION REPORT 08:00 03 July 2011 – 08:00 04 July 2011

## SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assault	1	_	1	A civilian severely beaten in Nablus
Injury	1	_	1	A civilian by Israeli settlers in Nablus
Attacks	3	_	3	During confrontations with civilians
Raids	26	_	26	Incl. 9 in Bethlehem and 6 in Hebron
Arrests (per Person)	16		16	Incl. 2 children (brothers), Bethlehem
Detentions	15	_	15	Incl. a child
House Demolitions	*	_	_	Notices to demolish 2 houses
Wall Construction	15	_	15	Incl. Jerusalem, Bethlehem, and Hebron
Destruction of Property	2	_	2	Incl. olive trees damaged in Nablus
Closure of Checkpoints	13	_	13	Incl. 4 checkpoints closed temporarily
Flying Checkpoints	24	_	24	Incl. 4 in Qalqiliya and 6 in Nablus
Closure (per District)	8	_	8	Incl. Jerusalem & 2 areas in Bethlehem
Closure of Main Roads	46	_	46	Incl. 10 in Nablus and 15 in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points	_	4	4	Incl. aid & construction cargo allowed
Settler Violence	6	_	6	Incl. a female civilian run over, Nablus
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1		1	A Police vehicle detained in Jericho
Palestinian Attack	_	1	1	A mortar fired towards the Green Line
Demonstration	1	_	1	In solidarity with prisoners, Ramallah
TOTAL	178	5	183	

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#### **WEST BANK**

#### • Closure:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to Jerusalem city and to prevent civilians from other Palestinian districts from entering the city, only allowing access to civilians holding special permits.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the 'demarcation area' along the Wall in the area surrounding Jerusalem city and restrict access to the area 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.

#### • 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) The Israeli army continues to close with an iron gate the eastern entrance to Beit Iksa village and force civilians to access Jerusalem city through Qalandiya checkpoint.

#### • Checkpoints:

- (i) The Israeli authorities continue to consider Qalandiya checkpoint a "border crossing point" and designates a special crossing lane for holders of Jerusalem IDs and those possessing permits to access Jerusalem city.
- (ii) At 21:10, the Israeli army intensified restrictions and impeded civilian access at Jaba' checkpoint on the road connecting Jerusalem, Ramallah, and Jericho districts.

#### • Raids:

- (i) At 19:40, the Israeli army raided Qalandiya refugee camp and arrested seven civilians.
- (ii) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided Biddu town. Having destroyed its main gate, the Israeli army raided and searched a sports club.
- <u>Arrests</u>: The Israeli army arrested seven civilians in Qalandiya refugee camp, including
- (i) Hamad Ahmed al Khatib; and
- (ii) 'Issam Kamal Younes.

#### • Wall Gates:

- (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 Ash Shayyah road in the area between As Sawahira ash Sharqiya and As Sawahira al Gharbiya villages, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem IDs to cross, after subjecting them to thorough searches using electronic devices.

#### **JERUSALEM**

	Wall Construction: Wall construction was resumed in the areas north and south of Qalandiya village; south of Az Za'ayyem village; and in Wadi al 'Eizariya west of Ma'ale Adumim settlement.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul> <li>Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to Sinjil town and Saffa village as well as the junction to Kafr Malik and 'Ein Samiya villages.</li> <li>Flying Checkpoint: At 21:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the overpass to 'Atara town and denied civilian access in both directions until 21:30.</li> <li>Demonstration: At 11:15, a mass sit-in demonstration took place in the centre of Ramallah city in solidarity with their relative prisoners. Protestors also demanded that all prisoners be released from Israeli jails.</li> <li>Wall Construction: Wall construction was resumed in the area west of 'Abud town in the area surrounding 'Ofarim settlement and north of Al Lubban al Gharbi and Rantis villages.</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 Dotan settlement.</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: <ol> <li>The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road connecting Kafr al Labad town to Shufa village as well as the road connecting Shufa and 'Izbat Shufa villages.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the detour road leading to Ramin village along the Tulkarem-Nablus main road.</li> <li>Checkpoint: At 09:40, the Israeli army intensified restrictions and impeded civilian access until 12:00 at 'Einav checkpoint on the Tulkarem-Nablus main road.</li> <li>Flying Checkpoint: At 09:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Kafriyat road connecting Tulkarem and Qalqiliya and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>Raids: At 18:40, the Israeli army raided Tulkarem city, set up a checkpoint, searched civilians and vehicles, and served a summons on Mohammed Mahmoud Heikal adh Dhamiri to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. At 01:10, the Israeli army raided the city again, searched three houses, and arrested a civilian.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>

#### • Arrests:

- (i) At 11:00, Israeli troops positioned at 'Einav checkpoint on the Tulkarem-Nablus main arrested 'Ubadah Murad Ahmed Shadid, a university student from 'Illar town.
- (ii) The Israeli army arrested Ahmed Mohammed Bashir Jayyousi in Tulkarem city.
- <u>Wall Gates</u>: Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
- Wall Construction: Land levelling for adjustment of the Wall route was 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.

#### • Closure of Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun.
- (ii) In addition to closing the iron gate installed since the outbreak the second *Intifada*, the Israeli army has continued to close since 03:10 on 01 July 2011 the eastern entrance to Kafr Qaddum village with dirt barricades.

#### • Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 11:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between Al Funduq and Immatin villages and searched civilians.
- (ii) At 21:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint underneath the overpass to 'Azzun town on the Qalqiliya-Tulkarem main road and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iii) At 21:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to 'Azzun town and searched civilians and vehicles.

#### Raids:

- (i) At 08:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Far'ata village.
- (ii) At 10:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Al Funduq village.
- (iii) At 16:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled 'Azzun and Kafr Thulth towns. In Kafr Thulth town, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles.
- <u>Detentions</u>: At 21:50, the Israeli army detained two civilians, including a child, while they were present on their land east of 'Azzun town:
- (i) Yousef Ahmed Feisal, 17 years old; and
- (ii) Mohammed Feisal Saleem.
  - The Israeli army released both civilians after coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO).
- <u>Settler Violence</u>: At 11:00, a group of Israeli settlers from Kedumim settlement threw stones at civilian vehicles travelling along the Qalqiliya-Nablus main road.

#### • 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.

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- (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.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction was resumed in Kafr Laqif village north of Karnei Shomron settlement; in Immatin village northeast of Imanuel 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 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 vehicles can access the city of Nablus, but only commercial vehicles and ambulances can leave the city through the checkpoint.
- (iii) At 20:40, the Israeli army closed Huwwara checkpoint, redirected traffic to 'Awarta checkpoint, and reopened it at 05:35.

#### • Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 09:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Sarra village on the Nablus-Qalqiliya main road and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 10:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Yitzhar settlement, searched civilians and vehicles, and arrested a civilian. At 20:50, the Israeli army set up another checkpoint and impeded civilian access.
- (iii) At 10:30, and again at 20:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Deir Sharaf village and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iv) At 21:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between Beit Furik town and Beit Dajan village and searched civilians and vehicles.

#### **NABLUS**

- <u>Physical Assault</u>: At 17:15, Israeli troops positioned at 'Awarta checkpoint detained and severely beat Samer Suleiman Abdullah 'Odeh, leaving him with contusions. 'Odeh was transported to hospital for medical treatment.
- Raids: At 23:25, the Israeli army raided Nablus city and Balata refugee camp and provided protection to a group of Israeli settlers, who visited Prophet Joseph Shrine. In the refugee camp, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. At 05:20, the Israeli army withdrew from both areas.
- <u>Arrest</u>: Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up on the junction to Yitzhar settlement arrested Farouq Abu Zeid.

#### • Settler Violence:

- (i) At 16:35, a group of Israeli settlers from Yitzhar settlement set fire to civilian land in the area between Madama and 'Asira al Qibliya villages. Settlers also threw stones at civilians, injuring Mohammed Ghassan Suleiman Ziyadeh in the head. Furthermore, the Israeli army fired tear gas grenades on civilians who attempted confront settlers. Consequently, two female civilians sustained wounds as a result of tear gas inhalation.
- (ii) At 17:50, an Israeli settler vehicle ran over Falastin Mohammed 'Awadh Nassar, a female resident of Madama village, leaving her with contusions. Falastin was admitted to hospital for treatment.
- (iii) At 20:10, a group of Israeli settlers set fire to civilian farmland near Yanun village, damaging a number of olive trees. Palestinian Civil Defence teams extinguished the fire.
- (iv) At 01:15, a group of Israeli settlers raided Kafr Qalil village and made a tour around the village's streets.

#### • Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the northern entrance to Salfit city and with cement blocks the northern entrance to the Brugin town.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the entrance to two detour roads connecting Marda village to respective farmland.
- (iii) Beginning on 14 November 2010, the Israeli army has continued to open the northern entrance to Salfit city to civilian buses only. The entrance had been closed for seven years.
- <u>Checkpoint</u>: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions and impede civilian access at the Za'tara junction checkpoint. At 13:05, the Israeli army closed the checkpoint, denied civilian access, and reopened it at a later time. At 13:40, the Israeli army closed the checkpoint again and denied civilian access until 14:35. At 20:10, the Israeli army closed the checkpoint for the third time, denied access to civilian vehicles travelling to Nablus city, and reopened it at 05:35.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction was resumed in the area north of Deir Istiya town southeast of Emmanuel settlement.

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JERICHO	<ul> <li>Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between Jericho city and Al 'Auja village with cement blocks.</li> <li>Checkpoints: <ol> <li>The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Al Hamra checkpoint set up along Al Badhan road connecting Jericho and Nablus districts, only allowing access to residents of Jericho district of the Jordan Valley area.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the junction to Al 'Auja village along Al-Mu'arrajat road connecting Jericho and Ramallah districts, only allowing access to residents of Jericho district as well as to others holding access permits.</li> <li>Flying Checkpoints: At 20:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to Jericho city. At 22:15, the Israeli army set up another checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles until 23:00.</li> <li>Raid: At 01:35, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Al 'Auja village.</li> <li>Provocation of Palestinian Forces: At 11:30, Israeli troops positioned at Al Hamra checkpoint detained a Palestinian Police vehicle and allowed to cross at a later time.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
BETHLEHEM	<ul> <li>Closure: <ol> <li>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 southeastern area of the village.</li> <li>Beginning on 15 September 2007, the Israeli army has continued to prevent civilians from accessing or staying on 22 dunums of confiscated land in Al Mazmuriya area in Beit Sahur and Bethlehem cities.</li> <li>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.</li> <li>Flving Checkpoints: <ol> <li>At 08:05, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Jannata village and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>At 09:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Beit Fajjar town and searched civilians and vehicles until 10:10.</li> <li>At 14:40, and again at 00:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on An Nashash junction (the southern entrance to Bethlehem city) and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Raids: <ol> <li>At 10:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Nahhalin village.</li> <li>At 10:30, the Israeli army raided Battir village, searched two houses, and arrested three civilians, including two brothers.</li> <li>At 12:15, the Israeli army raided the evacuated 'Ush Ghurab military post east of Beit Sahur city, levelled land, and withdrew at 17:00.</li> </ol> </li> </ol></li></ul>

(iv) At 13:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Al Khadr town. At 00:55, the Israeli army raided the town again, set up a checkpoint, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area until 02:20. At 21:55, the Israeli army raided Beit Sahur city and distributed (v) notices for the demolition of two houses, claiming that they were in close proximity to the evacuated 'Ush Ghurab military post east of the city. At 02:05, the Israeli army raided Husan village, searched a house, (vi) arrested two children (brothers), and withdrew at 02:40. (vii) At 03:05, the Israeli army raided Bethlehem city and Ad Duheisha refugee camp. While searching a house in the refugee camp, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. The Israeli army also served a summons on Karam Nassri Abed Rabbu to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. At 04:20, the Israeli army withdrew from both areas. **Arrests:** (i) At 22:30, Israeli troops positioned at As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the 'Container') checkpoint arrested an unidentified civilian. The Israeli army arrested three civilians in Battir village: (ii) Ayman Mohammed Abdul Rahim Samarah; Ivad 'Adel Fares al Bat'hah; and (iii) (iv) Saher 'Adel Fares al Bat'hah. The Israeli army arrested two children in Husan village: Sa'd Ahmed Zu'oul, 17 years old; and his brother (v) (vi) Ayyoub Ahmed Zu'oul, 15 years old. Wall Construction: Wall construction was resumed in the area northwest of Beit Jala city; around Al Walaja village; and east of Efrat settlement. **Closure:** (i) The Israeli army continues to close Ash Shuhada' Street, As Sahleh and Khuzq al Far areas, and the old gold market in the old city of Hebron. 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 iron gate and Al Laban Market with iron plates. (ii) Beginning on 05 January 2009, the Israeli army has continued to close the area located along the Green Line south of the town of Yatta. Hebron Having seized land for Wall construction, the Israeli army evacuated residents and denied civilian access to the area. **Closure of Main Roads:** The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to Adh Dhahiriya and (i) As Samoa' towns, Al 'Arrub refugee camp, and At Tuwani and Al Karmil villages. (ii) The Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from travelling along Ash Shalala Old Street in the old city of Hebron. The Israeli army continues to close all roads leading to Road # 60 as (iii) well as detour roads along the settler bypass road leading to Yatta town.

(iv)	The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades a detour road
	leading to the entrance to As Simiya village.

#### • Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 18:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Al Fawwar refugee camp and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 07:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between Yatta town and Ar Rihiya village and searched civilians and vehicles.

#### • Raids:

- (i) At 09:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Al Birka area in Yatta town
- (ii) At 10:20, the Israeli army raided Hebron city and patrolled it until 12:20.
- (iii) At 14:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Yatta town.
- (iv) At 18:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Idhna town.
- (v) At 20:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Tarqumiya town.
- (vi) At 06:55, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Dura town.
- Wall Construction: Wall construction was resumed in the area surrounding Eshkolot settlement west of Adh Dhahiriya town.

#### **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. The ceasefire has been further renewed on 10 April 2011.
- <u>Violation of the Ceasefire</u>: Armed Palestinian individuals fired a mortar towards the Green Line.

## NORTHERN GAZA

• <u>Closure of Crossing Point</u>: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing was partially open to previously-coordinated critically ill civilians, foreign journalists, international organisations staff, merchants, businesspeople, and civilians intending to travel to Jordan through *Al Karama* (Allenby) Bridge in the West Bank.

## GAZA

## • Closure of Crossing Points:

- (i) Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 02 March 2011, the Crossing has been effectively closed upon an Israeli unilateral decision.
- (ii) Ash Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 04 January 2010, the Crossing has been closed upon an Israeli unilateral decision.

CENTRAL GAZA	Activities not reported.		
KHAN YUNIS	Palestinian Attack: In the morning of 03 July 2011, an unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.		
RAFAH	<ul> <li>Closure of Crossing Points:         <ul> <li>Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed.</li> <li>Rafah (Al 'Awdah) Crossing was open to civilians arriving from Egypt and to those departing the Gaza Strip.</li> <li>Sufa Crossing is closed.</li> <li>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.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		

## **GENERAL**

POLITICAL PRISONERS	<ul> <li>Hunger Strike: On 03 July 2011, political prisoners declared a one-day hunger strike in protest against Israeli policies of persecution, solitary confinement, deprivation of the right to education, and deliberate medical negligence.</li> </ul>
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