# مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



# PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

# DAILY SITUATION REPORT 08:00 04 July 2011 – 08:00 05 July 2011

## SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assaults	2	_	2	A civilian & his father severely beaten
Attacks	4	2	6	Incl. 1 by a mil. post & 2 by navy boats
Raids	28	_	28	Incl. 6 in Jenin and 6 in Hebron
Arrests (per Person)	15		15	Incl. a child and a Police officer
Detentions	14	_	14	At checkpoints and in residential areas
House Demolitions	1*		1	Incl. a house demolished in Bethlehem
Wall Construction	15		15	Incl. Jerusalem, Bethlehem, and Hebron
Confiscation of Property	1		1	A truck in Bethlehem
Closure of Checkpoints	9		9	Incl. access impeded at 6 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	14		14	Incl. 3 in Nablus and 3 in Jericho
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
Settlement Activity	*		_	Building of 900 housing units approved
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1		1	Taking position near a security post
TOTAL	158	6	164	

DISTRICT EVENTS

#### 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.
- <u>Checkpoint</u>: 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.
- <u>Arrests/Physical Assaults</u>: In the evening of 03 July 2011, the Israeli army arrested two civilians in Silwan neighbourhood in Jerusalem city:
- (i) Tareq Sa'adeh al 'Abbasi; and
- (ii) Basel Harbi al 'Abbasi.
- (iii) On 04 July 2011, and while searching a house in Silwan neighbourhood in Jerusalem city, Israeli troops severely beat and arrested Mohammed 'Awwad Abu Qalbein. Israeli troops also severely beat Mohammed's father, 76-year-old 'Awwad Abu Qalbein, leaving him with contusions. Consequently, the father was admitted to hospital for medical treatment.
- <u>Settlement Activity</u>: On 04 July 2011, the Planning Committee of the Israeli Jerusalem Municipality approved a scheme for construction of 900 housing units in Gilo settlement south of East Jerusalem.

#### • 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 continues 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>Raids: <ol> <li>At 00:35, the Israeli army raided Ramallah and El Bireh cities and patrolled them until 01:30.</li> <li>At 02:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Bir Zeit town.</li> <li>Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area west of 'Abud town in the area surrounding 'Ofarim settlement and north of Al Lubban al Gharbi and Rantis villages.</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 Dotan settlement.</li> <li>Flying Checkpoint: At 18:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between Kafr Qud and Kafr Dan villages and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>Raids/Detentions: <ol> <li>At 11:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Ya'bad town as well as Mirka and Misliya villages.</li> <li>At 15:35, the Israeli army raided Birqin town. While raiding two commercial premises, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. The Israeli army also detained a number of civilians and released them after interrogation. At 16:40, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.</li> <li>At 16:50, the Israeli army raided Kafr Dan village and patrolled it until 18:00.</li> <li>At 01:20, the Israeli army raided Jaba' town, searched a number of houses, arrested three civilians, and withdrew at 03:10.</li> <li>Arrests: The Israeli army arrested three civilians in Jaba' town:</li> <li>Bashar Anis Amin Khaliliyyeh;</li> <li>Ahmed Nimer Yousef Malaysheh; and</li> <li>Nazih Sa'id Abu 'Oun.</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> </ol> </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	Closure of Main Roads:     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.		

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	<ul> <li>(ii) 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 16:20, the Israeli army intensified restrictions and impeded civilian access at 'Einav checkpoint on the Tulkarem-Nablus main road.</li> <li>• Flying Checkpoint: At 17:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Kafriyat road connecting Tulkarem and Qalqiliya and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>• Wall Gates: Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> <li>• Wall Construction: Land levelling for adjustment of the Wall route continues in the area surrounding Jubara village. According to an Israeli High Court decision, the new Wall route will be constructed west of the village.</li> </ul>
QALQILYA	<ul> <li>Closure of Roads: <ol> <li>The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun.</li> <li>In addition to closing the iron gate installed since the outbreak the second Intifada, the Israeli army continues to close the eastern entrance to Kafr Qaddum village with dirt barricades.</li> <li>Flying Checkpoints: <ol> <li>At 09:20, and again at 20:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to 'Azzun town and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>At 11:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Kafr Laqif village and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Attack: At 11:20, Israeli troops positioned at the entrance to 'Azzun town opened indiscriminate fire on civilians.</li> <li>Wall Gates: <ol> <li>The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal detector.</li> <li>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.</li> <li>Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Kafr Laqif village north of Karnei Shomron settlement; in Immatin village northeast of Imanuel</li> </ol> </li> </ol></li></ul>
NABLUS	<ul> <li>Closure of Main Roads: <ol> <li>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.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>

(ii) The Israeli army continues to close the northern entrance to the town of Oabalan; the southern entrances to the town of Jamma'in and the villages of Duma and Oarvut; and the western entrance to An Nagura village opposite the settlement of Shavei Shomron. **Checkpoints:** The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus: At Tur neighbourhood checkpoint (set up on Jerzim Mount) is closed (i) 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. At 'Awarta commercial checkpoint, civilians are allowed to cross (ii) 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. **Flying Checkpoints:** At 13:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance (i) to Yatma village and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 17:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Huwwara town and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 21:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between Nablus city and 'Asira ash Shamaliya town and searched civilians and vehicles until 21:40. Raids: (i) At 17:05, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Huwwara town. At 18:40, the Israeli army raided Beita town. While patrolling the area, (ii) confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. At 19:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the town. At 19:35, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Osarin village. (iii) At 23:25, the Israeli army raided 'Agraba town, searched a number of (iv) houses, arrested two civilians, and withdrew at 05:45. **Arrests:** The Israeli army arrested two civilians in 'Aqraba town: (i) Jihad Fat'hallah Bani Manyeh; and Firsan Walid Ibrahim Bani Fadhel. (ii) **Closure of Main Roads:** The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the northern (i) entrance to Salfit city and with cement blocks the northern entrance to the Brugin town. The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the entrance to (ii) **SALFIT** two detour roads connecting Marda village to respective farmland. Beginning on 14 November 2010, the Israeli army has continued to (iii) open the northern entrance to Salfit city to civilian buses only. The entrance had been closed for seven years. Checkpoint: At 12:00, the Israeli army intensified restrictions and impeded

civilian access at the Za'tara junction checkpoint.

#### • Raids:

- (i) At 16:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Qarawat Bani Hassan village.
- (ii) At 18:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Biddya town.
- (iii) At 22:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Bruqin and Kafr ad Dik towns.

#### • Arrests:

(i) At 10:15, Israeli troops positioned at the Za'tara junction checkpoint arrested Iyad Ahmed Bisharat, a Palestinian Police officer.

At 12:00, Israeli troops positioned at the Za'tara junction checkpoint arrested three civilians:

- (ii) Ragheb Shihab;
- (iii) Ayman Makhlouf; and
- (iv) Ahmed Lubbadeh.
- Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area north of Deir Istiya town southeast of Emmanuel settlement.
- <u>Closure of Main Road</u>: The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between Jericho city and Al 'Auja village with cement blocks.

#### • Checkpoints:

- (i) 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.
- (ii) 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.

#### • Flying Checkpoints:

# (i) At 20:10, and again at 06:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to Jericho city and searched civilians and vehicles.

(ii) At 00:05, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Al 'Auja village and searched civilians and vehicles.

#### • Raids/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:

- (i) At 17:50, the Israeli army raided Al 'Auja village, took position in front of a Palestinian National Security post, and patrolled the area.
- (ii) At 01:05, the Israeli army raided Fasayil village and searched a house.
- <u>Detention</u>: At 20:15, Israeli troops positioned on *Al Karama* (Allenby) Bridge detained Murad Abdullah Hasan Bani 'Odeh, a resident of Seida village in Tulkarem district, while he was returning from Jordan. Israeli troops released Bani 'Odeh after serving a summons on him to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency.

#### **JERICHO**

#### **Closure:** The Israeli army continues to close roads to An Nu'man village, (i) with the exception of the road leading to the Wall gate in the southeastern area of the village. Beginning on 15 September 2007, the Israeli army has continued to (ii) prevent 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: 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. Checkpoint: At 05:05, the Israeli army intensified restrictions and impeded civilian access at As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the 'Container') checkpoint. **Raids/House Demolitions:** At 12:10, the Israeli army raided Harasa area east of Beit Sahur city (i) **BETHLEHEM** and delivered a notice for the demolition of a house belonging to Ahmed Mousa Jum'ah, allegedly because it had been built without the required construction licence. At 21:00, the Israeli army raided Um Rukba area in Al Khadr town, (ii) set up a checkpoint, searched civilians, and patrolled the area. (iii) At 07:20, the Israeli army raided Khirbet Sakariya village and demolished a house belonging to Mohammed Khalil Sa'id, ostensibly because it had been built without the required construction licence. Arrests: At 16:20, the Israeli army arrested Karam Nassri Nimer Abed Rabbu, a resident of Ad Duheisha refugee camp in Bethlehem city, while he was reporting to the Israeli Intelligence agency. Confiscation of Property: At 15:35, the Israeli army seized and took to Kfar 'Etzion settlement a truck belonging to Raja'i Amjad Murrah, allegedly because he transported and unloaded construction cargo in Area C, which is under full Israeli control, east of Beit Sahur city. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of Beit Jala city; around Al Walaja village; and east of Efrat settlement. (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 Hebron 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. Having seized land for Wall construction, the Israeli army evacuated residents and denied civilian access to the area.

#### • Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to Adh Dhahiriya and 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.
- (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 barricades a detour road leading to the entrance to As Simiya village.
- Attack: At 20:10, the Israeli army fired sound and tear gas grenades on civilians along Ash Shalala Street in the old city of Hebron, allegedly for throwing stones.

#### • Raids:

- (i) At 11:00, the Israeli army raided Hebron city and searched two houses as well as a mechanic's workshop.
- (ii) At 15:00, the Israeli army raided Idhna town and searched a house. At 02:20, the Israeli army raided the town again and searched two houses.
- (iii) At 20:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Adh Dhahiriya town.
- (iv) At 00:50, the Israeli army raided Yatta town and arrested a civilian.
- (v) At dawn on 05 July 2011, the Israeli army raided Al 'Arrub refugee camp, searched a house, and arrested a child.

#### • Arrests:

- (i) The Israeli army arrested Rami Ali Mahmoud an Najjar in Yatta town
- (ii) The Israeli army arrested 15-year-old Majd Ali al Hajajreh in Al 'Arrub refugee camp.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction continues 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>: The Israeli navy opened fire on Palestinian fishing boats at sea off the Northern Gaza beach.

## NORTHERN GAZA

• Closure of Crossing Point: 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.

	• Attacks: At 06:45 on 04 July 2011, and again at 07:00 on 05 July 2011, the Israeli navy opened intensive fire on Palestinian fishing boats at sea off As Sudaniya beach west of Beit Lahiya town.
GAZA	Closure of Crossing Points:     Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 02 March 2011, the Crossing has been effectively closed upon an Israeli unilateral decision.     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>