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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT 08:00 07 July 2010 – 08:00 08 July 2010

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assault	1		1	An 8-year-old child severely beaten
Injuries	_	2	2	2 children in Northern Gaza and Gaza
Attacks	2	7	9	Incl. 3 in raids and 3 by navy boats
Raids	6	2	8	Incl. 2 in Tulkarem and 1 in Khan Yunis
Air Patrols	1	2	3	Incl. troops dispatched by a helicopter
Arrests (per person)	2	_	2	2 civilians in the district of Hebron
Detentions	14	_	14	Incl. women and children
House Demolition	1	_	1	A house annex in Jerusalem
Land Levelling	_	2	2	In Northern Gaza and Khan Yunis
Wall Construction	19	_	19	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Salfit, & Hebron
Destruction of Property	1	1	2	Incl. a fishing boat damaged, Gaza
Closure of Checkpoints	9	_	9	Incl. access impeded at 6 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	13	_	13	Incl. 3 in Qalqiliya and 4 in Hebron
Closure (per District)	7	_	7	Incl. 4 areas in the city of Hebron
Closure of Main Roads	42	_	42	Incl. 4 in Salfit and 14 in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points	_	4	4	3 crossing points partially open
Settler Violence	4	_	4	Incl. olive trees cut down & cars stoned
Demonstration	1	_	1	In solidarity with political prisoners
TOTAL	123	20	143	

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.

• Checkpoints:

- (i) 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.
- (ii) Beginning on 11 April 2010, the Israeli army has continued to close the checkpoint set up near the entrance to Shu'fat refugee camp in the city of Jerusalem and to deny civilian access between 23:00 and 05:00, claiming to be carrying out infrastructure works between the checkpoint and the road leading to Shu'fat refugee camp.
- House Demolition: On 04 July 2010, the Israeli army forced Nayef Hamed Kusteiro to demolish a 49-square-metre annex to his house in the area of 'Aqbat as Saraya in the old city of Jerusalem, claiming that it had been built without the required construction licence. Kusteiro had to demolish the annex himself to avoid an exorbitant fine as well as costs of demolition if it had been pulled down by the Israeli Jerusalem Municipality.

• Wall Gates:

(i) The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks.

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	 (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 continues 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.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	 Closure of Main Roads: 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. On 15 March 2010, the Israeli army issued a military order, providing that the area located between civilian houses and the Wall in the town of Ni'lin and the village of Bil'in would be a closed military zone between 08:00 and 20:00 on Fridays for a period of 6 months. To prevent weekly demonstrations against Wall construction, civilian access to the area will be denied except with a special permit. Flying Checkpoint: At 13:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to the town of 'Atara, searched civilians an vehicles, and impeded civilian access until 15:00. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues 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.
JENIN	 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. Demonstration: At 11:00, families of political prisoners held a sit-in demonstration in front of offices of the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) in the city of Jenin in solidarity with their relative prisoners. Participants demanded that all prisoners be released from Israeli prisons. 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.
TUBAS	 Checkpoint: 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. Raids/Air Patrol: At 22:00, Israeli troops, dispatched by a combat helicopter, raided and combed the area between the villages of Bardala and 'Ein al Beida.

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TULKAREM	 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. Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at 'Einav checkpoint set up on Tulkarem-Nablus main road. Raids/Detentions: At 00:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Zeita. At 01:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Khirbet Jubara and searched a number of houses, after detaining residents outside. Wall Gates: Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
QALQILYA	 Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun. Flying Checkpoints: At 09:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of 'Azzun and searched civilians and vehicles. At 18:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Jit and searched civilians and vehicles. At 22:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the city of Qalqiliya and the town of Habla and searched civilians and vehicles. Wall Gates: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal detector. 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.
NABLUS	 Closure of Main Roads: 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. The Israeli army continues to close the northern entrance to the town of Qabalan; the southern entrances to the villages of Duma and Qaryut; and the western entrance to An Naqura village opposite Shavei Shomron settlement. Checkpoints: 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. (iii) At 16:10, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Beit Furik and impeded civilian access. Flying Checkpoint: At 20:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Burin and searched civilians and vehicles. Raid/Attack: At 21:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Deir al Hatab and fired flares, while it was patrolling the area. Settler Violence: At 21:30, a group of Israeli settlers cut down olive trees near the entrance to the village of Al Lubban ash Sharqi. Israeli settlers also threw stones at civilian vehicles travelling along the main road near the village as well as at a civilian house, leaving Mohammed Khalil Mohammed 'Uweiss with contusions. Subsequently, the Israeli army evacuated settlers from the area.
SALFIT	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the northern entrance to the city of Salfit. The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the northern entrance to the town of Bruqin. The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the entrance to 2 detour roads connecting the village of Marda to respective agricultural land. Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions and impede civilian access at the Za'tara junction checkpoint. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues 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.
JERICHO	 Closure: The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between the city of Jericho and the village of Al 'Auja with cement blocks. Checkpoints: 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. 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.

Flying Checkpoints: At 19:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Mu'arrajat (i) road connecting the districts of Jericho and Ramallah and searched security and vehicles. (ii) At 22:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near Road # 90 juncture in the centre of the Al 'Auja village and searched civilians and vehicles. Settler Violence: At 10:20, a group of Israeli settlers beat a number of civilians, while they were working on land belonging to the Palestinian Ministry of *Waqf* and Religious Affairs north of the village of Al 'Auja. **Closure:** (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. According to Military Order # 07/02/S, the Israeli army has (ii) 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. Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road of Beit Jala-Wadi Ahmad; a road east of the town of Beit Fajjar; and an agricultural road connecting the town of Tuqu' to the **BETHLEHEM** village of Khirbet al Bag'a. **Detentions:** (i) At 09:00, Israeli troops positioned at As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the 'Container') checkpoint detained 2 civilians, including a woman, allegedly because they held Gaza-issued ID cards. Israeli troops released both civilians after coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO). At 23:35, Israeli troops positioned at As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the (ii) 'Container') checkpoint detained a bus, travelling to Ramallah district and transporting children and women., and released it at 00:30. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues 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. The Israeli army continues to close the following locales in the old city (i) 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 **HEBRON** 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.

• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Kharsa and searched security and vehicles.
- (ii) Ht 09:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Zif and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iii) At 15:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to the town of Halhul and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iv) At 20:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the area of Huneina in the town of Dura and searched civilians and vehicles.
- <u>Physical Assault</u>: At 09:00, Israeli troops severely beat 8-year-old Qusay Hasan Wazwaz in the old city of Hebron, leaving him with contusions. Consequently, Qusay was transported to hospital for medical treatment.

• Raids:

- (i) At 18:35, the Israeli army raided the town of Dura. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. The Israeli army also arrested a civilian.
- (ii) At 20:00, the Israeli army raided Al 'Arrub refugee camp. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians.

Arrests:

- (i) At 18:00, the Israeli army arrested 'Imad Fayez Mousa Rashed, a resident of the town of Yatta, while he was reporting to the Israeli Intelligence in the settlement of Kfar 'Etzion based on a previous summons.
- (ii) The Israeli army arrested Mohammed Younes ar Rujoub in the town of Dura
- Wall Construction: Wall construction continues 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

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. ALL Violation of the Ceasefire: The Israeli army raided Palestinian territory **DISTRICTS** and opened fire towards civilian houses and property in the districts of Northern Gaza and Khan Yunis. The Israeli army opened fire from its location on the Green Line towards the district of Northern Gaza. The Israeli navy opened fire and fired shells on Palestinian fishing boats at sea of the beaches of the Gaza and Rafah districts. Israeli attacks resulted in the injury of 2 children. Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open for previously-coordinated humanitarian cases and foreign nationals. Attack/Injury: At 13:00 on 05 July 2010, the Israeli army opened fire from its location on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory in the area surrounding Beit Hanun (Erez) Industrial Estate, injuring 13-year-old **NORTHERN** Ahmed Nafez Hamdan. **GAZA** Raid/Air Patrol/Attack/Land Levelling: At 10:00, the Israeli army, including several armoured vehicles and bulldozers covered by reconnaissance aircraft, raided 200 metres into Palestinian territory east of the town of Beit Hanun. The Israeli army opened intensive fire and fired a tank shell towards civilian houses and property and levelled land. **Closure of Crossing Points:** Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed. (i) (ii) Ash Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 04 January 2010, the Crossing has been closed upon an Israeli unilateral decision. **GAZA** Attack/Injury/Destruction of Property: At 10:30 on 05 July 2010, the Israeli navy opened fire intensively towards Palestinian fishing boats at sea off the Gaza city beach, injuring 14-year-old 'Allam Nasser Bakr, while he was onboard his father's fishing boat. In addition, the fishing boat was damaged. CENTRAL Incidents not reported. **GAZA** Raid/Air Patrol/Attack/Land Levelling: In the morning of 07 July 2010, the Israeli army, including several armoured vehicles and bulldozers covered by KHAN YUNIS reconnaissance aircraft, raided Palestinian territory east of the town of Al Qarara. The Israeli army opened intensive fire towards civilian houses and property and levelled land.

RAFAH	 Closure of Crossing Points: Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. Rafah (Al 'Awdah) Crossing is open on an exceptional basis to allow patients, students, and students holding visas to leave the Gaza Strip. Access was also allowed to civilians and patients, who had received medical treatment at Egyptian hospitals. Sufa Crossing is closed. Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is partially open for transportation of food supplies, humanitarian aid, diesel designated for the Gaza Electricity Generation Station, and cooking gas. Attack: In the morning of 07 July 2010, the Israeli navy opened fire intensively and fired shells on Palestinian fishing boats at sea off the Rafah city beach.
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