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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT
08:00 17 July 2005 – 08:00 18 July 2005

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Death	—	1	1	In the city of Khan Yunis
Injuries	—	10	10	Incl. 2 children and 1 elderly civilian
Air Attack	—	1	1	1 UAV missile towards 2 vehicles
Attacks	9	24	33	Incl. 4 during raids & 25 from posts
Raids	23	2	25	Incl. 7 in Tulkarem & 8 in Hebron
Air Patrols	1	1	2	Incl. helicopters over Bethlehem
Arrests (per person)	8	—	8	Incl. 1 child
Detentions	9	1	10	At checkpoints & in residential areas
House Demolitions	*	—	—	Notifications to demolish 2 houses
Land Levelling	—	1	1	Opposite West Khan Yunis RC
Wall Construction	23	—	23	Incl. Jer., Ram'lah, Beth., & Qalqiliya
Destruction of Property	—	2	2	2 civilian vehicles destroyed
House Occupations	5	—	5	Incl. a number of houses in Tulkarem
Checkpoints	(All)	—	(All)	
Flying Checkpoints	5	—	5	Incl. 2 in Ramallah & 1 in Tulkarem
Closure (per District)	5	—	5	Incl. Jerusalem & Jericho (partially)
Closure of Main Roads	(Unidentified)	(10)	—	Roads connecting districts
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)	—	(All)	Incl. 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate closed
Closure of Crossing Points	—	3	3	Incl. 2 partially open
Medical Obstruction	—	1	1	1 mortar fired towards 1 hospital
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	3	4	Incl. open fire towards 1 Pal. location
Palestinian Attacks	4	21	25	Incl. 29 mortars fired
TOTAL	93	71	164	

DISTRICT	EVENT
ALL DISTRICTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Beginning at 23:55 on 12 July 2005, the Israeli army continues to impose a total closure on the West Bank and Gaza Strip, preventing civilians and workers from crossing the Green Line, following the suicide attack carried out in the Israeli city of Netanya.

WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Closure: Israeli troops positioned at checkpoints set up at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem continue to prevent civilians from other districts from entering the city. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Qalandiya and An Nabi Samwil checkpoints and impede civilian access. Wall Gates: The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Dahiyat al Aqbat, from the village of Hizma to 'Anata, along the Hizma-Jaba' road, the area of Al 'Eizariya to Ash Shayyah, near Al Quds University, in the town of As Sawahira ash Sharqiya, from the village of Beit Surik to Biddu, and in the areas of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina. Arrest: At 19:00, the Israeli army arrested Kamal Feisal Masalmeh, a 16-year-old boy from the city of Bethlehem, in the city of Jerusalem.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the areas of Al Midya to Budrus, Al Midya to Ni'lin, Bil'in to Saffa, in the village of Beit Liqya, and in the town of Beituniya. Flying Checkpoints: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> At 15:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint along the Ramallah-Bir Zeit road and searched civilians and vehicles. At 09:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to town of 'Atara and arrested 1 civilian, claiming that he was driving an illegal motorcycle. Raids: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> At 20:00, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Beit Rima and fired sound grenades while patrolling the area. At 22:30, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Deir Ghassana and patrolled the area. At 00:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the villages of Mazari' an Nubani and 'Arura. Arrest: Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up on the overpass to the town of 'Atara arrested Mohammed Mustafa Hussein.

<p style="text-align: center;">JENIN</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;">TULKAREM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: At 08:00, the Israeli army closed the entrances to the towns of Deir al Ghusun and ‘Attil with dirt barricades. • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • Flying Checkpoint: At 19:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Qaffin and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids/House Occupations/Palestinian Attacks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Beginning at 02:45 on 13 July 2005, the Israeli army remains positioned in the city of Tulkarem and Tulkarem refugee camp (in which security responsibility was previously transferred back to the Palestinian Authority) and continues to occupy a number of buildings, which it converted into military posts. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians and an armed confrontation took place between armed Palestinian individuals and the Israeli army in the city and refugee camp. (ii) At 08:30, the Israeli army raided the town of ‘Attil, occupied 2 houses, and converted them into military posts. (iii) At 09:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Seida and arrested 2 civilians. (iv) At 14:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Bal’a and raided 1 Palestinian National Security location. (v) At 17:00, the Israeli army raided the town of ‘Anabta. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. An armed confrontation also took place between armed Palestinian individuals and the Israeli army. (vi) At 01:10, the Israeli army raided the town of ‘Illar. An armed confrontation took place between armed Palestinian individuals and the Israeli army while patrolling the area. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the village of Seida: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Anas Mahmoud ‘Ajaj; and (ii) Mohammed Mahmoud Raddad. • House Occupation: At 21:10, the Israeli army occupied 1 house along the road connecting Dahiyat Shuweika to Dahiyat Iktaba and converted it into a military post.
<p style="text-align: center;">QALQILYA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Gates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. (ii) At 22:00, the Israeli army closed the Wall gate to the village of ‘Azzun ‘Atma, denying access to civilians.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction continues in the village of Immatin east of the settlement of Immanuel. • Raid: At 22:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Izbat Salman.
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attack: At 02:00, the Israeli army opened fire from its location on 'Ibal Mountain towards the old city of Nablus.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the north-eastern entrance to the city of Salfit through the village of Yasuf with cement blocks. The Israeli army opens the road from 06:00 until 18:00 only. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the main north-western entrance to the city of Salfit with dirt barricades. The road has been closed since the beginning of the current <i>Intifada</i> (Uprising). • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to close Deir Ballut checkpoint overnight and open it at various times in the morning, impeding civilian movement. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the town of Deir Ballut near the Green Line, in the villages of Az Zawiya and Rafat, north of the city of Salfit, and between the village of Marda and the settlement of Ari'el.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The road between the city of Jericho and the village of Al 'Auja (Road # 90) is closed with cement blocks. The Israeli army continues to prevent farmers not holding Jericho IDs from reaching their agricultural land, forcing them to apply for access permits. At various times, the Israeli army also impeded civilian movement into the city of Jericho.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army continues to close the road to the village of An Nu'man, in the north-eastern Bethlehem district, isolating the village. The Israeli army considers civilians' residence in the village illegal. • Checkpoint: At 08:00, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the 'Container') checkpoint and prevented civilians, except those from the districts of Bethlehem and Hebron, from crossing into the district of Bethlehem. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues north of 'Ayda refugee camp towards the area north of the city of Beit Jala. • Raids/Detention: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 16:35, the Israeli army raided the village of Khalayil al Louz and searched 1 house. (ii) At 18:00, an Israeli army patrol raided 'Ayda refugee camp.

	<p>Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. The Israeli army also detained 1 child for several hours before releasing him.</p> <p>(iii) At 19:00, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Al Khadr and patrolled the area.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Air Patrol: At 19:20, Israeli army helicopters patrolled the skies over the district of Bethlehem.
HEBRON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close Ash Shuhada' Street and the area of As Sahleh in the H2 section of the city of Hebron with cement blocks and barbed wire, denying civilians and vehicles access. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close Ash Shallala Street with cement blocks. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues west of the town of Surif to Beit Ula, in the town of Idhna, from the village of Deir Samit to Beit 'Awwa, from Beit 'Awwa to the village of Al Burj, and south of the towns of Adh Dhahiriya and as Samoa'. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 07:00, the Israeli army raided the towns of Ash Shuyukh and Surif and arrested 2 civilians from the town of Ash Shuyukh and 1 civilian from the town of Surif. (ii) At 09:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, set up 2 checkpoints in the area of 'Ein Sarah and along As Salaam Street, and searched civilians and vehicles. At 23:00, the Israeli army raided the city again and searched a number of houses in Dahiyat az Zaytoun. (iii) At 18:30, the Israeli army raided the towns of Dura and As Samoa' and searched a number of houses. (iv) At 24:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the towns of As Samoa' and Yatta. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the town of Ash Shuyukh: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Mousa Mohammed al Halayqah; (ii) 'Amer Hussein al Halayqah. (iii) The Israeli army arrested Ahmed Ali al Hih in the town of Surif. (iv) At 09:00, Israeli troops positioned along the settler bypass road near the town of Halhul arrested Fadi Mousa Ghuneimat, claiming that he was driving an illegal vehicle. • House Demolitions: At 19:00, the Israeli army distributed notices to demolish 2 houses in the village of Al Burj, claiming that they are in close proximity to the Wall. The houses belong to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Mohammed Salem al Masharqah; and (ii) Ali Mohammed al Masharqah.

GAZA STRIP

<p style="text-align: center;">NORTHERN GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open to humanitarian cases and VIPs only. • Air Attack/Destruction of Property: At 17:20, an Israeli army UAV fired 2 missiles towards 2 civilian vehicles in the area of Al ‘Alami in the town of Beit Lahiya, injuring 3 individuals, including 1 Palestinian Police officer, and destroying the vehicles. • Attack/Medical Obstruction/Provocation of Palestinian Forces: At 16:35, the Israeli army fired 2 mortars from its location in the area surrounding the settlement of Nisanit towards Balsam Hospital and the Palestinian Civil Defence Centre in the town of Beit Lahiya. • Palestinian Attacks: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:30, 3 Qassam mortars were fired towards the Green Line. (ii) At 16:30, armed Palestinian individuals failed to fire 1 unidentified mortar towards the Green Line. The mortar exploded in the air. (iii) At 19:10, 3 unidentified mortars were fired towards the settlement of Dugit. (iv) At 19:40, 3 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line. (v) At 23:15, armed Palestinian individuals failed to fire 1 Qassam mortar towards the Green Line. The mortar exploded in the area where it was fired, damaging an electricity transformer. (vi) At 23:35, 1 Qassam mortar was fired towards the Green Line. (vii) At 01:50, 1 mortar was fired towards Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing. (viii) At 02:10, 1 mortar was fired towards Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing.
<p style="text-align: center;">GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Ash Shuhada’ - Nitsareem Junction remains closed. (ii) Ash Shuhada’ Junction - Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing road is closed. (iii) Sheikh ‘Ajlin coastal road is closed with dirt barricades. • Attacks/Provocation of Palestinian Forces: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 12:50, the Israeli army announced (through the DCO) that it opened fire towards, and injured, 1 civilian, claiming that he approached the Israeli army military post in the area surrounding Al Hajj Fadhl factory on the Eastern Line south of Gaza city. The injured civilian was transported to an Israeli hospital for treatment of injuries sustained. (ii) At 14:30, the Israeli army opened fire from the area surrounding the settlement of Nitsareem towards Palestinian territory south of Gaza city. (iii) At 00:20, the Israeli army opened fire from the military post in the area of Al Hajj Fadhl factory on the Eastern Line towards 1 Palestinian National Security location south of Gaza city.

<p style="text-align: center;">CENTRAL GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Attack/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:</u> At 15:00, the Israeli army opened fire from the settlement of Nitsareem towards 1 Palestinian National Security location in the vicinity of the settlement. • <u>Palestinian Attacks:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 19:20, 2 Qassam mortars were fired towards the settlement of Nitsareem. (ii) At 21:00, 2 mortars were fired towards the settlement of Nitsareem. (iii) At 02:00, 1 Qassam mortar was fired towards the settlement of Nitsareem. The Israeli army responded by opening fire and firing 1 tank shell towards An Nuseirat refugee camp. (iv) At 02:30, 2 Qassam mortars were fired towards the settlement of Nitsareem. 1 mortar exploded in the area where it was fired.
<p style="text-align: center;">KHAN YUNIS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Abu Al 'Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) is closed. (ii) Western road (Khan Yunis) is closed. (iii) Morag road, connecting Khan Yunis' eastern and western roads, is closed. (iv) Deir al Balah junction to Abu Holi checkpoint (Kfar Darom road) is closed. (v) Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis road (At Tuffah Checkpoint) is closed. (vi) Abu Holi road is closed. At 23:15, the Israeli army opened Salah ad Din road between Al Matahin and Abu Holi checkpoints, allowing access to civilians. At 24:00, the road was closed again. • <u>Attacks/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:00, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 8 towards civilian houses in Al Amal neighbourhood in the city of Khan Yunis, killing 1 civilian. (ii) At 11:35, the Israeli army opened fire from Points 9, 10, and 11 towards civilian houses in An Namsawi neighbourhood and West Khan Yunis refugee camp in the city of Khan Yunis. (iii) At 11:35, and again at 19:15, Israeli troops positioned at Abu Holi checkpoint along Salah ad Din road opened fire towards civilians waiting in the vicinity of the checkpoint to cross. (iv) At 14:10, the Israeli army opened fire from Points 9, 10, 11, and 12 towards civilian houses in An Namsawi neighbourhood and West Khan Yunis refugee camp in the city of Khan Yunis, injuring 1 elderly civilian and 1 child. (v) At 15:50, the Israeli army opened intensive fire and fired 1 tank shell towards civilians waiting in the vicinity of At Tuffah checkpoint to cross, injuring 4 civilians (1 child and 3 female civilians). • <u>Raid/Land Levelling:</u> At 22:05, the Israeli army, including 4 bulldozers, raided Palestinian territory near Point 12 opposite West Khan Yunis

	<p>refugee camp and levelled land.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Killing:</u> The Israeli army killed Sa'id Issa Siyam in Al Amal neighbourhood in the city of Khan Yunis. • <u>Palestinian Attacks:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 14:15, 4 mortars were fired towards the settlement of Gadid. (ii) At 15:10, 9 mortars were fired towards the settlement of Gadid. (iii) At 15:40, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the settlement of Neve Dekalim. (iv) At 00:55, 1 Qassam mortar was fired towards the settlement of Gadid.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Yasser Arafat International Airport remains closed. (ii) Al Mawasi/Rafah road is closed. (iii) Rafah Crossing is closed to Palestinian civilians under the age of 35. • <u>Attacks/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:50, the Israeli army opened fired from the area surrounding the settlement of Morag towards Palestinian territory north of the city of Rafah. (ii) At 10:55, the Israeli army opened fired from Points 7 and 8 along the Egyptian border towards a number of children in the area surrounding Salah ad Din gate and Yabna neighbourhood in Rafah refugee camp. (iii) At 12:30, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 7 along the Egyptian border towards Palestinian territory in the area surrounding Salah ad Din gate. (iv) At 16:55, and again at 02:05, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 10.5 along the Egyptian border towards Palestinian territory in the area surrounding Tall Zu'rub military post. (v) At 20:20, the Israeli army opened fire from Points 19 and 21 towards civilian houses in the area of 'Ureibeh and Tall as Sultan neighbourhood in the city of Rafah. (vi) At 02:00, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 6.5 along the Egyptian border towards Palestinian territory in Al Barazil neighbourhood in Rafah refugee camp. (vii) At 05:55, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 19 towards the area of 'Ureibeh. • <u>Raid:</u> At 13:45, the Israeli army, including 1 tank and 2 bulldozers, raided 200 meters into Palestinian territory east of the road leading to the settlement of Morag. • <u>Palestinian Attacks:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:00, 1 mortar was fired towards the settlement of Neve Dekalim, injuring 3 Palestinian workers while they were in their workplaces inside the settlement. (ii) At 17:40, 5 mortars were fired towards the settlement of Rafiah Yam. (iii) At 21:00, 1 Qassam mortar was fired towards the settlement of Morag.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (iv) At 22:35, 4 mortars were fired towards the settlement of Morag. (v) At 02:10, 1 mortar was fired towards Tall Zu'rub military watchtower. The Israeli army responded by opening intensive fire towards Palestinian territory. (vi) At 02:45, 1 mortar was fired towards Tall Zu'rub military watchtower. The Israeli army responded by opening intensive fire towards Palestinian territory.
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GENERAL

WORK PERMITS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>West Bank:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Israeli authorities renewed 13,214 work permits to cross the Green Line. However, workers were not allowed access to areas inside the Green Line due to the imposed closure. (ii) Israeli authorities continued to restrict the issuing of work permits to civilians who are married with children and over the age of 30. • <u>Gaza Strip:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Israeli authorities renewed 843 work permits for workers to enter the Industrial Zones. However, workers were not allowed access to the Industrial Zones due to the imposed closure. (ii) Israeli authorities renewed 7,295 work permits for workers to cross the Green Line. However, workers were not allowed access to areas inside the Green Line due to the imposed closure.
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