مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT 08:00, 17 July 2010 – 08:00, 18 July 2010

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injury	1	_	1	Civilian in Beit Ummar town in Hebron dis
Physical Assaults	4	_	4	Civilians beaten during demonstrations
Arrest (per person)	1	_	1	University student in Qabatiya town, Jenin
Detentions	11	_	11	At checkpoints & in residential locales
Raids	22	1	23	Incl. 1 in Jerusalem & 1 in Ramallah
Checkpoints	8	_	8	Access impeded at 5 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	19	_	19	Incl. 3 in Ramallah & 2 in Jerusalem
Attacks	4	2	6	Incl. firing artillery shells
Air Patrol	_	1	1	Reconnaissance above Rafah districts
Land Leveling	_	1	1	Area of land in Rafah district
Wall Construction	_	_	_	Suspended for the weekend
Closure (per District)	7	_	7	Incl. Jerusalem city & areas in Hebron city
Closure of Main Roads	42	_	42	Incl. 3 in Jerusalem & 3 in Ramallah
Closure of Crossing Points		6	6	Only Rafah open for civilian access
Settler Violence	1	_	1	Severely beat a civilian in Hebron city
Demonstrations	4	_	4	Incl. in solidarity with PLC members
TOTAL	124	11	135	

DISTRICT EVENTS	
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Closure:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at checkpoints set up at entrances to the city of Jerusalem and Al Agsa Mosque.
- On 05 January 2009, the Israeli army issued military order (ii) # S/02/09 closing the seam line area, an extension of the Wall.
- The Israeli army continues to impose a blockade and deny civilian (iii) access to a hill located between the villages of Biddu and Beit Iksa.

Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and dirt barricades the entrance to the village of Jaba'.
- The Israeli army continues to close the iron gate along the Wall (ii) section separating the area of Dahiyat Al Bareed in Jerusalem city from the town of Ar Ram.
- On 28 May 2010, the Israeli army closed the eastern entrance to the (iii) village of Beit Iksa, which leads to the city of Jerusalem, by an iron gate, and told civilians to pass through Qalandiya checkpoint to Jerusalem city.
- Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to consider Qalandiya checkpoint a "border crossing point" and only allows holders of Jerusalem IDs to access the city of Jerusalem.
- Raid: At 20:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Ar Ram.
- **Demonstration:** On 17 July 2010, a mass demonstration took place in front of the US Consulate and the ICRC in occupied Jerusalem city against expulsion of the occupied city and in solidarity with 3 PLC members and a former minister who are threatened by the Israeli authorities to revoke their Jerusalem IDs and expel them from their homes in the city.

Wall Gates:

- The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu (i) Dis with cement blocks.
- The Israeli army continues to deny civilian access through the Wall (ii) 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.
- 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, south of Beit Hanina village, and in the area surrounding the checkpoint set up at the entrance to Shu'fat refugee camp.

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RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to the village of Sinjil, the village of Safa and the junction leading to the villages of Kafr Malik – Ein Samiya. On 15 March 2010, the Israeli army issued military order declaring the area located between civilian houses and the Wall in the town of Ni'lin and the village of Bil'in as closed military zones from 08:00 until 20:00 every Friday and for a period of 6 months. Civilian access is denied during the mentioned period without a special permit in order to prevent the weekly demonstrations against the Wall. Flying Checkpoint: At 22:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass leading to Atara town and at the entrances to the town of 'Abud and the village of Um Safa and searched civilians and vehicles. Raid: At 16:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Beituniya. Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend west of the towns and villages of 'Abud and Bil'in, and in the areas of al-Midya to Ni'lin and Ni'lin to Deir Qaddis.
JENIN	 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. Raid: At 01:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Qabatiya, opened fire and fired stun grenades while searching a house and arrested a university student. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested in the town of Qabatiya the civilian Sulaiman Ash-Shalabi. 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.
TOUBAS	• <u>Checkpoint</u> : The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint, east of the city of Tubas, allowing civilian access from 06:00 to 22:00.
TULKAREM	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road between the town of Kafr Al Labad and the village of Shofeh and the road between the villages of Shofeh and Izbat Shofeh. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Einav checkpoint that is set up on Tulkarm-Nablus main road. Raid: At 00:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the neighborhood of Shuweika in the city of Tulkarm. 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.
QALQILYA	• <u>Closure of Roads</u> : The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun.

• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 09:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of Jinsafut.
- (ii) At 11:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of 'Azzun. Again at 17:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iii) At 11:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of Immatin and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iv) At 11:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the villages of Hajja and Al Funduq and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (v) At 12:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the villages of Al Funduq and Jinsafut.
- (vi) At 20:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the junction leading to the village of Izbat At-Tabib.
- (vii) At 22:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of Jit and searched civilians and vehicles.
- Raid: At 16:25, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Jinsafut.

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.
- (ii) On 12 May 2010, the Israeli army erected an iron gate at the entrance to the village of Wadi Ar-Rasha (after removing the iron gate erected at the entrance to the village of Ras Atiya), and prevented civilians from the village from passing through it. The Israeli army only allows the passage of students to their schools outside the village through Habla town gate, while allowing the passage of civilians through gate # 109.

• 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 villages of Duma and Qaryut; and the western entrance to An Naqura village opposite Shavei Shomron settlement.

• Checkpoints:

- (i) At Tur neighborhood checkpoint (set up on Jerzim Mount) is closed on Fridays and Saturdays as well as during Jewish holidays. On 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 20:00 and on Friday from 05:00 until 15:00.

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	 Flying Checkpoints: At 09:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of 'Einabus and searched civilians and vehicles. At 10:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of Till and searched civilians and vehicles. At 17:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of Salem and searched civilian and vehicles. At 21:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the junction leading to the village of Deir Sharaf. Raids: At 10:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Asira Al Qibliya until 11:00. At 01:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus and Askar and Ein Beit El Ma' refugee camps in the city, set up a flying checkpoint in the city, patrolled the area and withdrew at 04:00. Demonstration: At 14:00, a demonstration by the inhabitants of Iraq Burin village took place in protest at confiscating land for establishing settlement projects. Confrontations took place with civilians causing suffocation to a number of demonstrators as a result of tear gas inhalation.
SALFIT	 Closure of Main Roads: 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 entrance to the town of Bruqin. The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the entrances of 2 side roads between the village of Marda and its agricultural land. Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Za'tara checkpoint and impede civilian access. Raids: At 00:20, the Israeli army raided the village of Qarawat Bani Hassan, searched 2 houses, served summons to 2 civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency and withdrew at 01:20. At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Yasuf and served summons to a number of civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. Wall Construction: 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 Kifl Hares 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: (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

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	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. • Raid: At 10:40, the Israeli army raided the village of Marj Na'ja and served summons to the civilian Noori As'ad Mar'i to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency.
BETHLEHEM	 Closure: 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. The Israeli army continues to prevent civilian access to an area that is located in the cities of Beit Sahur and Bethlehem. Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the roads of Beit Jala-Wadi Ahmad, the sideway east of Beit Fajjar town and the agricultural road that is located between the town of Taqu'a and the village of Khirbet Al Baq'a. Raids: At 21:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Battir. At 04:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Artas. Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend
	in the area northwest of the town of al-Khadr and Beit Jala city; in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of Ephrata settlement; and in the area surrounding al-Walaja village.
HEBRON	Closure: (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 continues to close the entrance to al Laban Market by iron boards. The Israeli army also continues to install an iron gate at the entrance to the area of al-Hisba in the old city of Hebron, thereby 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 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; the main entrance to al-'Arrub refugee camp; the village of At Tuwani as well as the entrance to the town of Adh Dhahiriya.

- (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 bypass Road # 60.
- **Flying Checkpoint:** At 13:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Halhul and searched civilians and vehicles.

Raids:

- (i) At 09:40, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron. Again at 02:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the area.
- (ii) At 19:35, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Dura.
- (iii) At 20:00, the Israeli army raided Al 'Arrub refugee camp where confrontations took place with civilians while patrolling the area.
- (iv) At 23:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Yatta town.
- (v) At 00:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Beit 'Awwa town.
- (vi) At 01:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Sa'ir town.
- (vii) At 01:55, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Adh Dhahiriya.
- <u>Settler Violence</u>: At 10:20, a group of Israeli settlers severely beat in the old city of Hebron the civilian Muhammad Abdulra'uf Al Muhtaseb. As a result, he sustained contusions and evacuated to hospital for treatment.

• Demonstrations:

- (i) At 11:30, a mass demonstration, with the participation of international peace activists, took place on civilian agricultural land belonging to the town of Beit Ummar, located near the settlement of Karmi Tsur, against settler attacks and to enable civilians to cultivate their land. Confrontations took place with the Israeli army. As a result, a civilian was injured, a journalist sustained contusions from beating and a number of demonstrators, including a journalist, suffered suffocation from tear gas inhalation.
- (ii) At 16:00, a mass demonstration, with the participation of international peace activists, took place in the old city of Hebron in protest at settlement activities, and to demand the opening of Ash Shuhada' Street and freedom of movement for civilians. The Israeli army obstructed the demonstration and severely beat demonstrators with clubs and rifle butts causing contusions to a number of them.
- Wall Construction: 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.

GAZA STRIP

At 02:00 on 18 January 2009, the Israeli army declared a unilateral ceasefire. In the meantime, armed Palestinian groups declared a oneweek-long ceasefire. Meanwhile, the ceasefire was extended until **ALL** 05 February 2009. The ceasefire is holding despite the end of the DISTRICTS specified period. The Israeli army violated the ceasefire by raiding Palestinian territory, opening fire in Rafah district and firing 3 mortars from its locations on the Green Line in Northern Gaza district. <u>Closure of Crossing Point</u>: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is closed. **NORTHERN** Attack: In the evening of 17 July 2010, the Israeli army fired 3 artillery **GAZA** shells from its locations inside the Green Line towards the periphery of Ash Shuhada' cemetery east of Jabalya town. **Closure of Crossing Points:** (i) Al-Muntar (Karni) Crossing is closed. **GAZA** Al-Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing for fuel transport is closed since (ii) 04 January 2010 by an Israeli unilateral decision. **CENTRAL** Activities not reported. **GAZA KHAN** Activities not reported. **YOUNIS Closure of Crossing Points:** Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. (i) (ii) Rafah (Al Awdah) Crossing is open. It allows the departure of civilian patients, students and visa holders, and the entry of civilians and patients who received treatment at Egyptian hospitals. Sufa Crossing is closed. (iii) **RAFAH** Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed. (iv) Raid: In the morning of 17 July 2010, the Israeli army, including a number of armored vehicles and a bulldozer covered by reconnaissance aircrafts, raided 150 meters inside Palestinian territory in the periphery of Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing east of Rafah city and opened fire intensively towards civilian agricultural land and houses while leveling an area of land.