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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT 08:00 17 July 2011 – 08:00 18 July 2011

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assault	1		1	A child severely beaten in Nablus
Injuries		13	13	Incl. 5 children in Northern Gaza
Air Attacks	_	2	2	Missiles fired by F16 aircraft and UAV
Attacks	3	3	6	Incl. 2 in raids and 1 by the navy
Raids	39	2	41	Incl. 8 in Nablus and 12 in Hebron
Air Patrols		5	5	Incl. by helicopters and reconnaissance
Arrests (per Person)	6	_	6	Incl. 2 children
Detentions	14	_	14	Incl. a Palestinian security officer
Home Demolition	*	_	<u> </u>	Decision to demolish a woman's home
Land Levelling	_	2	2	In Central Gaza and Khan Yunis
Wall Construction	15	_	15	Incl. Jerusalem, Bethlehem, and Hebron
Destruction of Property	1	30	31	Incl. 29 homes damaged in Northern Gaza
Closure of Checkpoints	9	_	9	Incl. access impeded at 6 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	27	_	27	Incl. 5 in Qalqiliya and 8 in Hebron
Closure (per District)	8	_	8	Incl. Jerusalem & 5 areas in Hebron
Closure of Main Roads	46	_	46	Incl. 10 in Nablus and 15 in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points	_	4	4	Incl. construction cargo allowed in
Settlement Activity	1		1	Land levelled to build housing units
Settler Violence	1		1	An olive grove set on fire, Bethlehem
TOTAL	171	61	232	

DISTRICT **EVENTS**

WEST BANK

Closure:

- The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at checkpoints (i) 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.
- The Israeli army continues to close the 'demarcation area' along the (ii) Wall in the area surrounding Jerusalem city and restrict access to the area to local residents as well as to civilians holding special permits.
- The Israeli army continues to impose a blockade and deny civilian (iii) access to a hill between Biddu and Beit Iksa villages.

Closure of Main Roads:

- The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and dirt (i) barricades the entrance to the village of Jaba'.
- The Israeli army continues to close the iron gate along the Wall section, (ii)separating the area of Dahiyat al Bareed from the town of Ar Ram.
- The Israeli army continues to close with an iron gate the eastern (iii) entrance to Beit Iksa village and force civilians to access Jerusalem city through Qalandiya checkpoint.
- Checkpoint: 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.

JERUSALEM

Raids:

- At 11:40, the Israeli army raided Abu Dis town and served (i) summonses on a number of civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency.
- (ii) At 01:30, the Israeli army raided Qalandiya refugee camp. While surrounding and searching a coffee shop, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. At 01:45, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
- Home Demolition: On 17 July 2011, an Israeli court entered a decision, ruling for the demolition of a 85-square-metre home belonging to Widad Jibreel at Tawil, a female civilian, in Silwan neighbourhood in Jerusalem city, allegedly because it had been built without the required construction licence. In addition to imposing a fine of ILS 35,000 (approximately US\$ 10,200), the Israeli court gave Widad a respite until October 2011 to obtain a licence.

Wall Gates:

- The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the Wall gate in (i) 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.

	• <u>Wall Construction</u> : 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	 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. Flving Checkpoints: At 16:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Beit 'Ur al Foqa village and searched civilians and vehicles. At 16:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the overpass to 'Atara town and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids/Detentions: At 10:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled El Bireh city and Beituniya town. Meantime, the Israeli army raided a commercial premise, detained civilians inside, and released them after interrogation. At 12:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. At 21:40, the Israeli army raided Al Mughayyir village and arrested a child. At 01:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Mazari' an Nubani village. At 01:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Ramallah city. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Wahid Ramadan Ibrahim an Na'san, 17 years old, in Al Mughayyir village. 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.
JENIN	 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. Detention: At 16:00, Israeli troops positioned at Al Jalama checkpoint detained Badr Zakarneh, a Palestinian General Intelligence officer, and released him at 17:00. 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: (i) At 14:40, the Israeli army raided Al Far'a village, set up a checkpoint at its entrance, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area. (ii) At 01:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Al Far'a refugee camp.

	• <u>Settlement Activity</u> : On 17 July 2011, Israeli settlers from Maskiyyot settlement in the Northern Jordan Valley area began levelling civilian land for construction of new housing units. Settlers also began constructing new storeys on buildings built several months ago.		
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. The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the detour road leading to Ramin village along the Tulkarem-Nablus main road. Checkpoint: At 22:50, the Israeli army intensified restrictions and impeded civilian access at 'Einav checkpoint on the Tulkarem-Nablus main road. Flving Checkpoint: At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Beit Lid town and searched civilians and vehicles. Raid: At 02:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Tulkarem refugee camp in Tulkarem city. Wall Gates: 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. 		
QALQILYA	 Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun. In addition to closing the iron gate installed since the outbreak the second <i>Intifada</i>, the Israeli army has continued to close since 03:10 on 01 July 2011 the eastern entrance to Kafr Qaddum village with dirt barricades. Flving Checkpoints: At 09:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Yitzhar settlement and searched civilians and vehicles. At 10:10, and again at 19:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Jit village and searched civilians and vehicles. At 19:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Beit Amin village and searched civilians and vehicles. At 20:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between 'Azzun town and 'Izbat at Tabib village and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids: At 13:00, the Israeli army raided Qalqiliya city and served summonses on five civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency: Mahmoud Abdul Latif Jaber; 		

- (ii) Abdullah Mohammed Abdullah Nazzal;
 (iii) Aness Fares 'Ammawi;
 (iv) Adham Zuheir 'Ammawi; and
 (v) Mohammed Khaled 'Ammawi.
 - At 15:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
- (ii) At 01:25, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Far'ata village.

• 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) 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.
- Wall Construction: 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 20:10, the Israeli army intensified restrictions at Shavei Shomron checkpoint and impeded civilian access.

• Flying Checkpoints:

(i) At 09:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Deir Sharaf village and searched civilians and vehicles.

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	(ii) At 09:25, 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 until 12:15.
	(iii) At 12:20, and again at 18:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Qabalan town and searched civilians
	and vehicles.
	• Raids/Physical Assault:
	(i) At 08:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Al Badhan village.
	(ii) At 18:10, the Israeli army raided Qaryut village. While searching a
	civilian home, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. The Israeli army also severely beat and arrested a
	child.
	(iii) At 19:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Beit Furik town.
	(iv) At 22:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Beit Imrin and Sabastiya villages.
	(v) At 23:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Yasid village.
	(vi) At 02:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Talluza village.
	(vii) At 02:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Nablus city.
	• Arrest: The Israeli army arrested 16-year-old 'Ubadah Ma'moun Sa'id in Qaryut village.
	• <u>Detention</u> : At 12:20, Israeli troops positioned at Huwwara checkpoint
	detained Muntasser Nafe' Abdullah Mansour and released him at a later
	time.
SALFIT	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the northern entrance to Salfit city and with cement blocks the northern entrance to the Bruqin town. The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the entrance to two detour roads connecting Marda village to respective farmland. 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. Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions and impede civilian access at the Za'tara junction checkpoint. Raid: At 10:30, the Israeli army raided Biddya town and patrolled it until 11:30. Arrest: At 11:50, Israeli troops positioned at the Za'tara junction checkpoint arrested Fadi Marwan Najjar, a resident of Burin village in Nablus district. Wall Construction: Wall construction was resumed in the area north of
JERICHO	 Closure of Main Road: 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 22:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Fasayil village and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 23:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to Jericho city and searched civilians and vehicles.
- Raid: At 08:55, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Jericho city.

• Closure:

- (i) 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.
- (ii) 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.
- 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.

• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 21:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Husan village and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 01:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the main road near Efrat settlement and searched civilians and vehicles.

Raids:

- (i) At 13:05, the Israeli army raided Bethlehem city, searched an uninhabited house, and arrested a civilian.
- (ii) At 21:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Al Khadr town.
- (iii) At 21:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Husan village.
- (iv) At 02:55, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Beit Jala city and 'Ayda refugee camp.

Arrests:

- (i) At 01:00 on 17 July 2011, the Israeli army arrested 'Ammar 'Imad Hasan Qasqas during its raid into Battir town, as was reported yesterday.
- (ii) The Israeli army arrested an unidentified civilian in Bethlehem city.

BETHLEHEM

	• <u>Settler Violence</u> : At 16:30, a group of Israeli settlers set fire to an olive grove belonging to Na'im Salahat in Al Manshiya village near Tuqu' town, causing damage to 15 olive trees.
	• <u>Wall Construction</u> : 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. 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
Hebron	leading to the entrance to As Simiya village.
	• Flying Checkpoints:
	(i) At 11:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Beit 'Awwa town and searched civilians and vehicles.
	(ii) At 11:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Sa'ir town and searched civilians and vehicles.
	(iii) At 19:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to As Sarra village and searched civilians and vehicles.
	(iv) At 22:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in As Sahleh area in the old city of Hebron and searched civilians and vehicles.
	(v) At 22:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Khallet al Maya village east of Yatta town and searched civilians and vehicles.
	(vi) At 00:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Kharsa village and searched civilians and vehicles.
	• Raids:
	(i) At 10:00, the Israeli army raided Hebron city, set up a checkpoint, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area. At 23:00, the Israeli army raided the city again, searched two homes, and arrested
	a civilian. (ii) At 11:10, the Igraeli army raided and natrolled At Tahaga village.
	(ii) At 11:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled At Tabaqa village.

- (iii) At 11:35, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Kharas village.
- (iv) At 11:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Adh Dhahiriya town.
- (v) At 12:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Bani Na'im and Yatta towns.
- (vi) At 13:00, the Israeli army raided Sa'ir town and searched a home.
- (vii) At 13:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Al 'Uddeisa village.
- (viii) At 21:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Ar Ramadin village.
- (ix) At 01:15, the Israeli army raided Surif town. While searching two homes, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians.
- (x) At 02:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Idhna town.
- Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Mahir Sa'id 'Abdeen in Hebron city.
- 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>: The Israeli army raided Palestinian territory and opened fire on civilian homes and property in Central Gaza and Khan Yunis. The Israeli navy opened fire on Palestinian fishing boats at sea off the Northern Gaza beach. Israeli F16 combat aircraft and UAVs fired missiles on Northern Gaza and Khan Yunis, resulting in the injury of 11 civilians, including five children. Two armed Palestinian individuals were also wounded.

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.
- Air Attack/Destruction of Property/Injuries: At 03:00 on 17 July 2011, F16 combat aircraft fired a missile on and destroyed an irrigation well on Al Qaraman Street in Beit Hanun town. In addition to causing damage to 29 civilian homes, 11 civilians, including five children, were injured during the Israeli aerial attack.
- <u>Attack</u>: At 21:30 on 16 July 2011, the Israeli navy opened intensive fire on Palestinian fishing boats at sea off the As Sudaniya beach west of Beit Lahiya town.

	• <u>Air Patrol</u> : In the evening of 17 July 2011, Israeli combat helicopters patrolled the skies over Northern Gaza district and dropped flyers, warning civilians not to approach as close as 300 metres from the Border Fence in an attempt to impose a Seam Zone. Civilians and landlords are already prohibited from accessing and tending their land in the area.
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	• Raid/Air Patrol/Attack/Land Levelling: At noon on 17 July 2011, the Israeli army, including several armoured vehicles and three bulldozers covered by reconnaissance aircraft, raided approximately 300 metres into Palestinian territory east of Al Bureij refugee camp. While levelling land, the Israeli army opened fire on civilian property.
KHAN YUNIS	 Air Attack/Injuries: At dawn on 18 July 2011, an Israeli UAV fired a missile on an armed Palestinian group in Khuza'a town, leaving two individuals with injuries. Of these, an armed individual was in critical health condition. Raid/Air Patrol/Attack/Land Levelling: At dawn on 18 July 2011, the Israeli army, including several armoured vehicles and bulldozers covered by reconnaissance aircraft, raided Palestinian territory east of Khuza'a town. While levelling land, the Israeli army opened fire on civilian property.
RAFAH	 Closure of Crossing Points: Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. Rafah (Al 'Awdah) Crossing was open for 535 civilians departing the Gaza Strip and to 668 others arriving from Egypt. Sufa Crossing is closed. 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.