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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT 08:00 19 July 2011 – 08:00 20 July 2011

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assaults	2		2	Civilians beaten in Jericho and Hebron
Air Attack	_	1	1	A missile fired by F16 combat aircraft
Attacks	2	1	3	2 in confrontations and 1 by a mil. post
Raids	35	_	35	Incl. 7 in Jenin and 7 in Hebron
Air Patrols		7	7	Over all districts of the Gaza Strip
Arrests (per Person)	8	_	8	Incl. a child and security officer
Detentions	12	_	12	At checkpoints and in residential areas
Wall Construction	15	_	15	Incl. Jerusalem, Bethlehem, and Hebron
Destruction of Property	5	_	5	House furniture and 2 barracks destroyed
Confiscation of Property	3	_	3	A pistol, rifle, and irrigation networks
Closure of Checkpoints	8	_	8	Incl. access impeded at 5 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	28	_	28	Incl. 7 in Salfit and 5 in Jericho
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. private vehicles imported
Settler Violence	3	_	3	Incl. attempt to burn a civilian home
Palestinian Attack	_	1	1	A mortar fired towards the Green Line
Demonstrations	1	1	2	Incl. in solidarity with prisoners
TOTAL	176	15	191	

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 Oalandiya 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.
- Flying Checkpoint: At 16:00 on 18 July 2011, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Beit Duqqu village and searched civilians and vehicles.

• Attacks:

- (i) At 21:30, the Israeli army fired rubber-coated steel bullets and tear gas grenades on civilians in Silwan neighbourhood in Jerusalem city, allegedly for throwing stones. The Israeli army also arrested a child.
- (ii) At 21:50, Israeli troops positioned near Shu'fat refugee camp in Jerusalem city fired sound and tear gas grenades on civilians, ostensibly for throwing stones.

• Raids

- (i) At 04:00 on 19 July 2011, the Israeli army raided Al 'Isawiya village and arrested two civilians (brothers).
- (ii) At 02:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Qalqiliya refugee camp.

• Arrests:

(i) The Israeli army arrested Sameh Mahir Sarhan in Silwan neighbourhood in Jerusalem city.

The Israeli army arrested two civilians in Al 'Isawiya village:

- (ii) Nabil Ahmed Mustafa; and
- (iii) Sa'd Ahmed Mustafa.

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	 Settler Violence: At 13:40, a group of Israeli settlers from Ma'ale Mikhmas settlement gained access to the outskirts of Mikhmas village and attacked as well as attempted to set fire to a home belonging to Ahmed Salem Mousa Ka'abneh. Settlers also severely beat Ka'abneh's family members because they tried to confront them. As a result, Hidayah, Ka'abneh's 15-year-old daughter, sustained contusions and was transported to hospital for medical treatment. Before evacuating settlers from the area, the Israeli army detained Ka'abneh's two sons and released them at a later time. Wall Gates: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the Wall gate in Abu Dis town. 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. • 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	 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 10:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Silwad town and searched civilians and vehicles. At 21:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to Yabrud village and searched civilians and vehicles. At 01:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Deir as Sudan village and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids: At 02:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Ramallah and El Bireh cities. At 03:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Deir Mash'al village. 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.
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. Raids: At 09:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled As Silat al Harithiya and Al Yamun towns. At 10:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Al 'Araqa and Al Hashimiya villages. At 04:10, the Israeli army raided Al Yamun town and arrested a civilian.

	 (iv) At 04:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Jenin city and 'Arrana village. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Mohammed Taher Rayeq Zayed in Al Yamun town. 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	• <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. The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the detour road leading to Ramin village along the Tulkarem-Nablus main road. Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions and impede civilian access at 'Einav checkpoint on the Tulkarem-Nablus main road. Flving Checkpoints: At 09:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Far'un village and searched civilians and vehicles. At 12:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Qaffin town and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids: At 09:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Kafr Zibad village. At 10:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled 'Attil village. At 11:10, the Israeli army raided Kafr 'Abbush village and served a summons on Aysar Zakariya Abdul Rahman to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. At 16:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled 'Anabta town. 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 Tulkarem city in solidarity with their relative prisoners. Protestors also demanded that all prisoners be released from Israeli jails. 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 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.
QALQILYA	 Closure of Roads: (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun.

(ii) In addition to closing the iron gate installed since the outbreak the second *Intifada*, the Israeli army has continued to close since 03:10 on 01 July 2011 the eastern entrance to Kafr Qaddum village with dirt barricades.

• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 11:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between 'Izbat Salman 'Izbat Jal'ud villages and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 11:50, and again at 20:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Qalqiliya city and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iii) At 18:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Jinsafut village and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iv) At 20:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to 'Azzun town and searched civilians and vehicles.
- Raid: At 01:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled 'Azzun town.

• 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 continues 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.

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- (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.
- Flying Checkpoint: At 12:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Beita town and searched civilians and vehicles.

• Raids/Destruction/Confiscation of Property:

- (i) At 21:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled 'Asira ash Shamaliya town.
- (ii) At 21:40, the Israeli army raided Talluza village and thoroughly searched 29 civilian homes, causing damage to furniture. In addition to seizing a pistol and hunting rifle from a home, the Israeli army arrested three civilians, including a father and son. At 05:45, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
- (iii) At 23:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Al Badhan village.
- (iv) At 23:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Sarra village.
- (v) At 24:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the Popular housing quarter east of Nablus city.
- (vi) At 00:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled As Sawiya village.
- Arrests: The Israeli army arrested three civilians in Talluza village:
- (i) Sadeq Ahmed Darawsheh;
- (ii) Husam Abdullah Abu Shaqrah; and his son
- (iii) Hazem Husam Abdul Shaqrah.

• Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) 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.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the entrance to two detour roads connecting Marda village to respective farmland.
- (iii) 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.
- <u>Checkpoint</u>: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions and impede civilian access at the Za'tara junction checkpoint.

• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 14:00, and again at 21:20, and at 00:15 and 05:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Yasuf village and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 21:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Iskaka village and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iii) At 00:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Bruqin town and searched civilians and vehicles.
- Raid: At 00:30, the Israeli army raided Kafr ad Dik town, set up a checkpoint, at its entrance, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area.

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	Arrest: On 18 July 2011, Israeli troops positioned at the Za'tara junction
	 Arrest: On 18 July 2011, Island thoops positioned at the Za data Junction checkpoint arrested Mohammed Dawoud Ahmed Halabiyyeh, a Palestinian National Security officer. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area north of Deir Istiya town southeast of Emmanuel settlement.
JERICHO	 Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between Jericho city and Al 'Auja village with cement blocks. Checkpoints: 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. 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. Flving Checkpoints: At 11:10, and again at 15:20, and at 19:30 and 22:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to Jericho city and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids/Destruction of Property/Physical Assault: At 08:30, the Israeli army raided Az Zubeidat village and demolished an animal shelter belonging to Fayez Ahmed Zbeidat, allegedly because it had been installed without the required licence. Israeli troops also severely beat Zbeidat because he attempted to prevent the demolition. At 10:10, the Israeli army raided Al Jiftlik village and demolished a barracks belonging to Suleiman Abed Abu Sa'dah, ostensibly because it had been installed without the required licence. At 22:30, the Israeli army raided Fasayil village, set up a checkpoint at its entrance, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area.
BETHLEHEM	 Closure: 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. 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/Detention:

- (i) At 19:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Jannata town and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 23:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on An Nashash junction (the southern entrance to Bethlehem city) and searched civilians and vehicles.
- Raid: At 00:15, the Israeli army raided Al Khadr town and searched a civilian home.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction continues 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 leading to the entrance to As Simiya village.

• Raids/Physical Assault:

- (i) At 11:10, the Israeli army raided Beit Ula town, searched two civilian homes and a commercial premise, and severely beat Jassem Kamal Abdullah Farash.
- (ii) At 11:25, the Israeli army raided Hebron city, searched a number of commercial premises, and served summonses on three civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. At 16:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city again.
- (iii) At 14:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Wadi ash Shajina village.
- (iv) At 18:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Beit 'Amra village.
- (v) At 03:25, the Israeli army raided As Samoa' town and searched a civilian home.
- (vi) At 03:35, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Dura town.

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- <u>Confiscation of Property</u>: In the morning of 19 July 2011, the Israeli army confiscated irrigation networks on approximately 30 *dunums* of land cultivated with grapevines and vegetables in Al Baq'a area east of Hebron city. The land belonged to:
- (i) 'Izz ad Din ar Rajabi;
- (ii) 'Aref ar Rajabi;
- (iii) Sameeh ar Rajabi;
- (iv) 'Areef ar Rajabi; and
- (v) Subhi ar Rajabi.
- <u>Settler Violence</u>: On 19 July 2011, a group of Israeli settlers discharged solid waste and wastewater from house roofs on a motorcade of the Hebron Governor while he was making a tour around neighbourhoods in the old city of Hebron.
- <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. • Violations of the Ceasefire: (i) The Israeli army opened fire from its location on the Green Line on farmland in Central Gaza. Israeli F16 combat aircraft fired a missile on Palestinian territory east of Gaza city. (ii) Armed Palestinian individuals fired a mortar towards the Green Line.

(iii) Israeli F16 combat aircraft patrolled the skies over all districts of the Gaza Strip.

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. Air Patrol: In the morning of 19 July 2011, Israeli reconnaissance aircraft patrolled the skies over Northern Gaza district. Palestinian Attack: In the evening of 19 July 2011, armed Palestinian individuals fired a mortar towards the Green Line.

• <u>Demonstration</u>: In the morning of 19 July 2011, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place near Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing north of Beit Hanun town in protest against the Seam Zone, which the Israeli army imposes at a distance of 300 metres into Palestinian territory along the Border Fence with Israel. The Israeli army prevents Palestinian farmers and landlords 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. (ii) Ash Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 04 January 2010, the Crossing has been closed upon an Israeli unilateral decision. Air Attack: In the evening of 19 July 2011, Israeli F16 combat aircraft fired a missile on vacant land east of Ash Shuja'iya neighbourhood east of Gaza city. 		
CENTRAL GAZA	<u>Attack</u> : In the morning of 19 July 2011, the Israeli army opened fire from its location on the Green Line on farmland northeast of Al Qarara town.		
KHAN YUNIS	Incidents not reported.		
RAFAH	 Closure of Crossing Points: Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. Rafah (Al 'Awdah) Crossing was open for civilians departing the Gaza Strip and to 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. 		