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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 20 July 2011 – 08:00 21 July 2011

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	2	—	2	1 in Qalqiliya and 1 in Bethlehem
Attacks	4	4	8	Incl. 2 by mil. posts and 1 by the navy
Raids	40	1	41	Incl. 6 in Jenin and 8 in Hebron
Arrests (per Person)	22	—	22	Incl. 2 children & father and two sons
Detentions	16	—	16	Incl. a child and 3 security officers
Home Demolitions	**	—	—	Incl. a court decision to demolish a home
Land Levelling	2	1	3	In Hebron and Northern Gaza
Wall Construction	15	—	15	Incl. Jerusalem, Bethlehem, and Hebron
Destruction of Property	1*	—	—	Incl. a shop's door destroyed in Qalqiliya
Confiscation of Property	1	—	1	A computer in Kufeirit village, Jenin
Closure of Checkpoints	9	—	9	Incl. access impeded at 6 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	14	—	14	Incl. 2 in Jerusalem and 4 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. private vehicles imported
Demonstrations	2	—	2	Incl. against land grab and settlements
TOTAL	182	10	192	

DISTRICT	EVENTS
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WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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 Ikksa villages. • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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 Ikksa 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. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) In the morning of 20 July 2011, the Israeli army raided Al ‘Isawiya village and searched several civilian homes and commercial premises. (ii) At 03:00, the Israeli army raided Qalandiya refugee camp and arrested a civilian. • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Rajab ‘Atef Muteir in Qalqiliya refugee camp. • Home Demolition: On 20 July 2011, an Israeli court entered a decision on the demolition of a 100-square-metre home belonging to Nu’man Hasan Taha Abu Sneinah in ‘Ein al Luza area 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 89,000 (approximately US\$ 26,000), the court gave a respite to Abu Sneinah to obtain a licence until September 2011. • Wall Gates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the Wall gate in 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.
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the areas north and south of Qalandiya village; south of Az Za'ayem village; and in Wadi al 'Eizariya west of Ma'ale Adumim settlement.
<p style="text-align: center;">RAMALLAH & EL BIREH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 17:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Beit Rima town. (ii) At 03:00, the Israeli army raided Kobar village, searched a number of homes, and arrested three civilians, including a child. (iii) At 03:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled El Bireh city. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested three civilians in Kobar village: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) Mujahed Basel al Barghouthi, 17 years old; (iii) Sirri 'Isam al Barghouthi; and (iv) Ibrahim 'Afif al Barghouthi. • Demonstration/Raid/Attack: On 20 July 2011, residents of An Nabi Salih village and international peace activists erected a sit-in tent in protest against Israeli settler violence and confiscation of civilian land for construction of settlement activity. Protestors also expressed solidarity with political prisoners who suffer from tragic, inhuman conditions in Israeli jails. The Israeli army raided the village, set up a checkpoint at its entrance, and searched civilians and vehicles. The Israeli army also fired tear gas grenades, leaving several participants with injuries as a result of tear gas inhalation. • 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.
<p style="text-align: center;">JENIN</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. • Flying Checkpoint: At 11:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Ya'bad town and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids/Detentions/Confiscation of Property: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 04:00 on 20 July 2011, the Israeli army raided Beit Qad village, searched a poultry farm, and arrested two civilians. (ii) At 10:30, the Israeli army raided Ya'bad town, detained a number of civilians, and released them after interrogation. At 04:35, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town again. (iii) At 24:00, the Israeli army raided Kufeirit village, searched a home, confiscated a computer, and arrested a civilian. (iv) At 00:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled 'Arraba town and Fahma village. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested two civilians in Beit Qad village: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Zakariya 'Isa al Ghaul; and (ii) Suhayb Mahmoud Samarah. (iii) The Israeli army arrested Tareq Yousef Mahmoud Ighbariyyeh in Kufeirit village.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) 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. (ii) 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. • Flying Checkpoint: At 14:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Al Jarushiya village and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Dahiyat Shuweika in Tulkarem city. (ii) At 16:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Baqa ash Sharqiya town. (iii) At 16:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled 'Illar town. • 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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Roads: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (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 <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. • Flying Checkpoint: At 15:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Jit village and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids/Injury/Detentions/Destruction of Property: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 23:00, the Israeli army raided Jayyus town. While searching homes, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during which the Israeli army injured Yazan Ma'an Mohammed Saleem. The Israeli army also detained two civilians and released them at a later time: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Zahran Jamal Shamasneh; and (ii) Fadi Nabil.

	<p>(ii) At 01:10, the Israeli army raided Qalqiliya city. Confrontations took place between civilians the Israeli army while it was searching homes and a commercial premise. The Israeli army had already destroyed the commercial premise's door. The Israeli army detained Taqi Mohammed ash Sheikh Hamed and released him at a later time. The Israeli army also arrested a civilian and withdrew at 03:00.</p> <p>(iii) At 01:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled 'Azzun town.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Seif Ali Abdul Hafith Barham in Qalqiliya city. • Wall Gates: <p>(i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal detector.</p> <p>(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.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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.
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <p>(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.</p> <p>(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.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus: <p>(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.</p> <p>(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.</p> <p>(iii) At 21:25, the Israeli army intensified restrictions and impeded civilian access at Huwwara checkpoint.</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:10, and again at 21:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Yitzhar settlement and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 13:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Qusin village and searched civilians and vehicles until 14:00. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 19:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Yasid village. (ii) At 01:45, the Israeli army raided Nablus city and Balata refugee camp. The Israeli army arrested a civilian in the refugee camp. • <u>Arrest:</u> The Israeli army arrested Ghanem Tawfiq Sawalmeh in Balata refugee camp in Nablus city.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 21:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Yasuf village and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:00, the Israeli army raided Az Zawiya town and distributed notices for the demolition of home, an olive oil press, and two poultry farms belonging to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Mahmoud Abed 'Uthman Shuqeir; (ii) 'Adnan Ahmed Qaddourah Moqadi; (iii) Iyad Abdullah Shuqeir; and (iv) Nour ad Din 'Izzat Shuqeir. <p>The Israeli army claimed that the affected structures had been built without the required licences in Area C, which is under full Israeli control. At 12:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.</p> (ii) At 18:45, the Israeli army raided Haris village and patrolled it until 19:00. (iii) At 20:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Kifl Haris town. • <u>Arrest:</u> At 21:00, Israeli troops arrested Hani Yousef Mohammed near Ari'el settlement. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues in the area north of Deir Istiya town southeast of Emmanuel settlement.

<p style="text-align: center;">JERICHO</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Road:</u> The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between Jericho city and Al ‘Auja village with cement blocks. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:00, and again at 20:25, and at 07:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to Jericho city and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 19:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Fasayil village and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raid:</u> At 01:25, the Israeli army raided and patrolled ‘Aqbat Jaber refugee camp in Jericho city.
<p style="text-align: center;">BETHLEHEM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close roads to An Nu’mān village, with the exception of the road leading to the Wall gate in the south-eastern area of the village. (ii) Beginning on 15 September 2007, the Israeli army has continued to prevent civilians from accessing or staying on 22 <i>dunums</i> of confiscated land in Al Mazmuriya area in Beit Sahur and Bethlehem cities. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> 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. • <u>Physical Assault:</u> At 16:30, Israeli troops severely beat Mohammed Ahmed Hureizat, a resident of Yatta town in Hebron district, near Efrat settlement, leaving him with injuries and contusions. Hureizat was transported to hospital for medical treatment. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Dar Salah village. (ii) At 11:55, the Israeli army raided Ash Shawawra village and searched a commercial premise. (iii) At 12:30, the Israeli army raided Za’tara town and patrolled it until 13:00. (iv) At 22:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Um Rukba area in Al Khadr town. (v) At 02:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Artas village.

	<p>(vi) At 03:00, the Israeli army Ad Doha town and searched a home.</p> <p>(vii) At 03:40, the Israeli army raided Ad Duheisha refugee camp in Bethlehem city. While searching civilian homes, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. The Israeli army also arrested two civilians.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested two civilians in Ad Duheisha refugee camp in Bethlehem city: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Hamzeh Omar Mohammed as Seifi; and (ii) Sa'id Iyad Sa'id 'Ilayyan. • Demonstration: At 11:00, families of political prisoners held a sit-in demonstration on the square of the Nativity Church in Bethlehem city in solidarity with their relative prisoners. Protestors also demanded that all prisoners be released from Israeli jails. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of Beit Jala city; around Al Walaja village; and east of Efrat settlement.
Hebron	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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/Detention: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At dawn on 20 July 2011, the Israeli army raided Ar Ramadin village, detained 17-year-old Hazem Hatem Abdul 'Aziz al Jabarin, and released him at a later time. The Israeli army also arrested a civilian. (ii) At 11:55, the Israeli army raided Hebron city and arrested a civilian. At 03:40, the Israeli army raided the city again and patrolled it until 04:50. (iii) At 12:45, the Israeli army raided Yatta town and searched a number of civilian homes.

	<p>(iv) At 12:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Beit ‘Amra village.</p> <p>(v) At 14:25, the Israeli army raided Tarqumiya town and arrested a civilian.</p> <p>(vi) At 17:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Tarusa village.</p> <p>(vii) At 02:20, the Israeli army raided Adh Dhahiriya town, searched a number of homes, and arrested six civilians and a Palestinian security officer.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Arrests:</u> <p>(i) The Israeli army arrested Safwan Sami Mahmoud al Jabarin in Ar Ramadin village.</p> <p>(ii) The Israeli army arrested Faraj Mahmoud Mohammed ar Rifa’i in Hebron city.</p> <p>(iii) The Israeli army arrested Mustafa Hashem Karajah in Tarqumiya town.</p> <p>The Israeli army arrested six civilians and a Palestinian security officer in Adh Dhahiriya town:</p> <p>(iv) Mohammed Yousef al Battat;</p> <p>(v) Adham Mohammed Yousef al Battat, 17 years old;</p> <p>(vi) Haytham Mohammed Yousef al Battat, a Palestinian Presidential Guard officer;</p> <p>(vii) Mit’eb al Wureidat;</p> <p>(viii) Rasem Ali at Till;</p> <p>(ix) Rateb Ali Samamreh; and</p> <p>(x) Ashraf Isma’il al Wureidat.</p> • <u>Detentions:</u> At 17:30, the Israeli army detained three Palestinian General Intelligence officers in the old city of Hebron and released them after coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Mithqal Mohammed al Ja’bari; (ii) Hakam Hijazi; and (iii) ‘Adnan Abu ‘Eisheh. • <u>Land Levelling:</u> <p>(i) At 11:20, the Israeli army levelled a piece of land near Al ‘Arrub Agriculture College in the area between Beit Ummar town and Al ‘Arrub refugee camp.</p> <p>(ii) At 19:15, the Israeli army excavated civilian land in search of archaeological artefacts in Um Nir area near Sussia settlement east of Yatta town.</p> • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues in the area surrounding Eshkolot settlement west of Adh Dhahiriya town.
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<p>ALL DISTRICTS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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.
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Violations of the Ceasefire:</u> The Israeli army raided Palestinian territory and opened fire on civilian homes and property in Northern Gaza. The Israeli army opened fire from its location on the Green Line on Northern Gaza and Rafah. The Israeli navy opened fire on Palestinian fishing boats at sea off the Khan Yunis beach.
NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <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 <i>Al Karama</i> (Allenby) Bridge in the West Bank. • <u>Attack:</u> In the morning of 20 July 2011, the Israeli army opened fire from its location on the Green Line near Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing on civilian homes and farmland north of Beit Hanun town. • <u>Raid/Attack/Land Levelling:</u> In the morning of 20 July 2011, the Israeli army, including several armoured vehicles and bulldozers, raided Palestinian territory east of Beit Hanun town. While levelling land, the Israeli army opened fire on civilian homes and property.
GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Points:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) 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'iyah (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 04 January 2010, the Crossing has been closed upon an Israeli unilateral decision.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Incidents not reported.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Attack:</u> In the evening of 20 July 2011, the Israeli navy opened intensive fire on Palestinian fishing boats at sea off the beach of Khan Yunis.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Points:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah (<i>Al 'Awdah</i>) Crossing was open for civilians departing the Gaza Strip and to others arriving from Egypt. (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed. (iv) 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. 28 truckloads of wheat were also transported to the Gaza Strip through the Crossing. • <u>Attack:</u> At dawn on 20 July 2011, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location on the Green Line on agricultural land east of Ash Shoka town east of Rafah city.