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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT 08:00 21 July 2010 – 08:00 22 July 2010

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Deaths	1	2	3	1 in Salfit and 2 in Northern Gaza
Physical Assault	1		1	A Palestinian security officer beaten
Injuries	1	7	8	Incl. 4 children and 1 civilian critically
Attacks	3	2	5	Incl. tank shells fired on Northern Gaza
Raids	20	1	21	Incl. 3 in Ramallah and 7 in Hebron
Air Patrol	_	1	1	Reconnaissance over Northern Gaza
Arrests (per person)	10		10	Incl. 7 in Ramallah and 2 in Hebron
Detentions	18		18	Incl. a Palestinian security officer
House Demolitions	2		2	2 civilian houses in Ramallah
Wall Construction	19		19	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Salfit, & Hebron
Destruction of Property	14		14	Incl. 2 commercial shops & barracks
Attack on Property	1		1	Notice to close blacksmith's workshop
House Occupation	1		1	Converted into a mil. post in Tulkarem
Closure of Checkpoints	9		9	Incl. access impeded at 6 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	15		15	Incl. 2 in Jerusalem and 6 in Qalqiliya
Closure (per District)	7		7	Incl. Jerusalem & 4 areas in Hebron
Closure of Main Roads	42		42	Incl. 4 in Salfit and 14 in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points		3	3	Incl. humanitarian cases allowed access
Settler Violence	1		1	Gaining access to an area in Ramallah
Provocation of Pal. Forces	4	_	4	Incl. 3 National Security buses detained
TOTAL	169	16	185	

DISTRICT EVENTS

WEST BANK

• Closure:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem and to set up flying checkpoints in the old city of Jerusalem and around the Al Aqsa Mosque compound.
- (i) On 05 January 2009, the Israeli authorities issued Military Order # S/02/09 on the closure of and denial of civilian access to the "demarcation area" along the Wall in the area surrounding the city of Jerusalem. Accordingly, local residents and civilians holding permits can access this area through crossings and gates set up at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem. (The demarcation area is defined by a set of military orders relating to land confiscation for Wall construction).
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to impose a blockade and deny civilian access to a hill between the village of Biddu and Beit Iksa due to its geographical significance as it overlooks the city of Jerusalem.

• 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) On 28 May 2010, the Israeli army closed with an iron gate the eastern entrance to the village of Beit Iksa leading to the city of Jerusalem and reported to civilians that they should cross Qalandiya checkpoint to access the city.
- <u>Checkpoint</u>: The Israeli army continues to consider Qalandiya checkpoint a "border crossing point" and has designated a special crossing lane for holders of Jerusalem IDs and those possessing permits to access the city of Jerusalem.

• Wall Gates:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to deny civilian access through the Wall gate on Ash Shayyah road in the area between the villages of As Sawahira ash Sharqiya and As Sawahira al Gharbiya, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem IDs to cross, after subjecting them to thorough searches using electronic devices.
- Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area of Al 'Eizariya to Ash Shayyah, from Beit Surik village to Biddu; in the areas of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina; west of the village of Al Jib; in the vicinity of the village of Qatanna; south of the village of Beit Hanina; and in the area surrounding the checkpoint set up at the entrance to Shu'fat refugee camp.

JERUSALEM

• Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades and cement blocks the entrances to the town of Sinjil, the village of Saffa; and the junction to the villages of Kafr Malik 'Ein Samiya.
- (ii) On 15 March 2010, the Israeli army issued a military order, providing that the area located between civilian houses and the Wall in the town of Ni'lin and the village of Bil'in would be a closed military zone between 08:00 and 20:00 on Fridays for a period of 6 months. To prevent weekly demonstrations against Wall construction, civilian access to the area will be denied except with a special permit.
- <u>Flying Checkpoint</u>: At 22:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to the town of 'Atara, searched civilians and vehicles, and arrested a civilian.

• Raids/Destruction of Property/Physical Assault:

- (i) At 09:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Al Lubban al Gharbi and demolished 2 houses, 2 mechanics' workshops, and a barracks, allegedly because they had been built without the required construction licences in Area C, which is under full Israeli control. While confronting the demolition, confrontations took place between civilians and the Israeli army. Israeli troops also severely beat Hazem Zeitoun, a Palestinian National Security officer, arrested a civilian, and withdrew at 14:30.
- (ii) At 03:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Ramallah and arrested a civilian
- (iii) At 04:50, the Israeli army raided the town of Silwad, searched a number of houses, and arrested 4 civilians.

• Arrests:

- (i) Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up on the overpass to the town of 'Atara arrested Ala' Jamil 'Odeh al Qadhi.
- (ii) The Israeli army arrested Firas Seif Radhwan in the village of Al Lubban al Gharbi.
- (iii) The Israeli army arrested Mohammed al Mazra'awi in the city of Ramallah.

The Israeli army arrested 4 civilians in the town of Silwad:

- (iv) Samer Kheirallah Hamad;
- (v) Mohammed Jadallah Hamad;
- (vi) Ali 'Atallah Hamad: and
- (vii) Malek Kheirallah Hamad.
- <u>House Demolitions</u>: The Israeli army demolished 2 houses in the village of Al Lubban al Gharbi belonging to:
- (i) Ahmed Ya'qoub Abu Salem; and
- (ii) Nitham 'Atallah Salem.
- <u>Settler Violence</u>: At 11:00, a group of Israeli settlers gained access to the area between the town of Silwad and the village of Deir Jarir. At 12:20, the Israeli army evacuated settlers from the area.

RAMALLAH & EL BIREH

	Wall Construction: Wall construction continues west of the town of 'Abud; in the village of Bil'in; and in the areas of Al Midya to Ni'lin and Ni'lin to Deir Qaddis.
JENIN	 Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan. Flying Checkpoint: At 16:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction the village of Al Jarba and searched civilians and vehicles until 17:20. Raid: At 16:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Az Zababida and patrolled the area until 17:20. Destruction of Property: At 11:00, the Israeli army demolished 10 vendor stalls on both side of the main road near Al Jalama checkpoint in the northern Jenin district, claiming that they had been located in Area C, which is under full Israeli control. 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 the town of Kafr al Labad to the village of Shufa as well as the road connecting the villages of Shufa and 'Izbat Shufa. Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at 'Einav checkpoint set up on Tulkarem-Nablus main road. Flying Checkpoint: At 20:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the town of Beit Lid and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids/House Occupation: At 03:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Tulkarem and Tulkarem refugee camp, occupied the roof of a house, converted it into a military post, and patrolled the area. At 07:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of 'Izbat Nasser. Wall Gates: Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
QALQILYA	 Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun. Flying Checkpoints/Detention: At 12:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the village of Jinsafut on the Qalqiliya-Nablus main road, detained Thaer Jamal Baliyah, and released him at a later time. At 14:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the city of Qalqiliya and searched civilians and vehicles.

- (iii) At 17:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Habla tunnel (the southern entrance to the city of Qalqiliya) and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iv) At 18:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of 'Azzun and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (v) At 19:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Jit and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (vi) At 21:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the villages of Hajja and Al Funduq and searched civilians and vehicles.
- Raid: At 09:35, the Israeli army raided the city of Qalqiliya, raided a blacksmith's workshop, and arrested a civilian. The Israeli army also delivered a notice for the closure of the workshop, served summonses on its owner to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency, and withdrew at 11:15.
- <u>Arrest</u>: The Israeli army arrested Shams ad Din Abdul Rahman Mansour in the city of Qalqiliya.

• 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.

• 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.

• <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 civilian vehicles are allowed to access the city of Nablus, but only commercial vehicles and ambulances can leave the city through the checkpoint.

NABLUS

	 Flying Checkpoint: At 19:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Yatma and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids: At 10:40, the Israeli army raided the village of 'Einabus and patrolled the area until 11:30. At 01:05, the Israeli army raided the village of 'Asira al Qibliya and patrolled the area until 01:40. At 03:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled 'Askar refugee camp in the city of Nablus. Provocation of Palestinian Forces: At 17:10, Israeli troops positioned at Huwwara checkpoint detained a Palestinian National Security vehicle and allowed it to cross at a later time.
SALFIT	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the northern entrance to the city of Salfit. The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the northern entrance to the town of Bruqin. The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the entrance to 2 detour roads connecting the village of Marda to respective agricultural land. Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions and impede civilian access at the Za'tara junction checkpoint. Attack: At 04:00, Israeli troops positioned in the area surrounding the settlement of Barkan opened fire on 2 civilians, claiming that they had attempted to gain access into the settlement, killing a civilian and injuring the other. The injured civilian fled. Killing: Israeli troops killed Bilal Mahmoud Abu Libdeh in the area surrounding the settlement of Barkan. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the city of Salfit, and in the village of Marda and the town of Kifl Haris 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: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Al Hamra checkpoint set up along Al Badhan road connecting the districts of Jericho and Nablus. However, the Israeli army allows civilian access between 06:00 and 22:00. The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the junction to the village of Al 'Auja along Al-Mu'arrajat road that connects the districts of Jericho and Ramallah, only allowing access to civilians whose IDs indicate that their place of residence of the district of Jericho as well as to others holding access permits. Flying Checkpoint: At 20:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Al 'Auja and searched civilians and vehicles.

Provocation of Palestinian Forces: (i) At 10:35, Israeli troops positioned at Al 'Auja checkpoint detained a Palestinian Police vehicle and allowed it to cross at 10:45 after coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO). (ii) At 11:20, Israeli troops positioned at Al 'Auja checkpoint detained a motorcade of the Director General of the Palestinian Intelligence agency and allowed it to cross at 11:35 after coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO). At 21:15, Israeli troops positioned at Al 'Auja checkpoint detained 3 (iii) buses transporting Palestinian National Security officer. Israeli troops allowed all 3 buses to cross after coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO). Palestinian National Security officers were leaving the city of Jericho on a vacation from a training course. **Detention:** At 22:30, Israeli troops positioned at Al 'Auja checkpoint detained Lu'ay Mohammed Jum'ah Sa'dat and allowed access to him at 23:00 after coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO). **Closure:** The Israeli army continues to close the roads to the village of (i) An Nu'man, with the exception of the road leading to the Wall gate in the south-eastern area of the village. According to Military Order # 07/02/S, the Israeli army has (ii) continued since 15 September 2007 to deny civilian access to an area measuring 22 dunums (5.436 acres) of land in the area of Mazmuriya in the cities of Beit Sahur and Bethlehem. The land was confiscated pursuant to Military Order # 07/31/T. Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road of Beit Jala-Wadi Ahmad; a road east of the town of **BETHLEHEM** Beit Fajjar; and an agricultural road connecting the town of Tuqu' to the village of Khirbet al Baq'a. Checkpoint: At 21:35, Israeli troops intensified their restrictions at As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the 'Container') checkpoint and impeded civilian access. Raids: (i) At 05:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Al 'Ubeidiya and patrolled the area until 06:00. At 06:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Za'tara. (ii) Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the town of Al Khadr; northwest of the city of Beit Jala; in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of Efrat settlement; and in the area surrounding Al Walaja. **Closure:** The Israeli army continues to close the following locales in the old city (i) of Hebron: Ash Shuhada' Street and the area of As Sahleh with cement **HEBRON** 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 As Sahleh. In addition to closing the entrance to Al Laban Market with iron plates, the Israeli army continues to install an iron gate at the entrance to the area of Al Hisba (the fruits and vegetables market) in the old city of Hebron, 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 entrance to the town of As Samoa'; the eastern entrance to the village of Kharsa; the entrance to the Al Qeisi neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron; the entrances to Al 'Arrub refugee camp, the village of At Tuwani, and the town of Adh Dhahiriya; and the road connecting the town of Surif to the village of Al Jab'a.
- (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 Road # 60.

• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 19:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the town of Kharsa, searched civilians and vehicles, detained Raed al 'Awawdeh, a Palestinian security officer, and released him after coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO).
- (ii) At 20:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Fawwar junction and searched civilians and vehicles.

• Raids/Destruction of Property:

- (i) At 14:50, the Israeli army raided the town of Bani Na'im and demolished a sheep pen, ostensibly because it was located in Area C, which is under full Israeli control.
- (ii) At 16:50, the Israeli army raided the town of Adh Dhahiriya, raided a commercial premise, and arrested a civilian. At 01:25, the Israeli army raided the town again and patrolled it until 03:35.
- (iii) At 23:20, the Israeli army raided Al 'Arrub refugee camp. While searching a number of houses, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. The Israeli army also arrested a civilian.
- (iv) At 00:45, the Israeli army raided the town of Sa'ir and searched a house.
- (v) At 00:50, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron and patrolled the area until 03:10.
- (vi) At 01:40, the Israeli army raided the village of At Tabaqa and searched a number of houses.

• Arrests:

(i) The Israeli army arrested Lu'ay Makharzeh in the town of Adh Dhahiriya.

- (ii) The Israeli army arrested Najm ad Din Majed ar Ra'i in Al 'Arrub refugee camp.
- <u>Detention</u>: At 12:50, Israeli troops detained Khaleed al Mad'houn in the old city of Hebron and released him at 13:10 after coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO).
- Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the section of Tarqumiya checkpoint terminal; in the area surrounding the settlement of Eshkolot near the town of Adh Dhahiriya; and in the area between the villages of 'Arab ar Ramadin and Imneizil.

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 for a week. Later, armed Palestinian groups extended the ceasefire until 05 February 2009. Despite the fact that the extension period expired, the ceasefire continues to hold pending negotiations carried out by Egypt.
- <u>Violation of the Ceasefire</u>: The Israeli army raided Palestinian territory and opened intensive fire and fired tank shells towards civilian houses and property in the district of Northern Gaza, resulting in the killing of 2 armed Palestinian individuals and injuring 7 civilians, including 4 children. Of these, a civilian was in a critical health condition.

NORTHERN GAZA

- <u>Closure of Crossing Point</u>: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open for previously-coordinated humanitarian cases and foreign nationals.
- Attack: At 14:30, the Israeli army fired a number of tank shells from its location on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory east of the town of Beit Hanun, killing 2 armed Palestinian individuals and injuring 7 civilians, including 4 children. Of those injured, 'Imad Taha al Kafarneh was in a serious health condition.
- <u>Killings</u>: The Israeli army killed 2 armed Palestinian individuals east of the town of Beit Hanun:
- (i) Mohammed Saber Hasan al Kafarneh; and
- (ii) Oasem Mohammed ash Shunbari.
- Raid/Air Patrol/Attack: At 15:00, the Israeli army, including 4 armoured vehicles covered by reconnaissance aircraft, raided 500 metres into Palestinian territory east of the town of Beit Hanun and opened fire intensively towards civilian houses and agricultural land.

GAZA

- Closure of Crossing Points:
- (i) Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is partially open for transportation of wheat and animal feed.

	(ii) 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	Incidents not reported.		
KHAN YUNIS	Incidents not reported.		
RAFAH	 Closure of Crossing Points: Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. Rafah (Al 'Awdah) Crossing is open on an exceptional basis to allow patients, students, and students holding visas to leave the Gaza Strip. Access was also allowed to civilians and patients, who had received medical treatment at Egyptian hospitals. In addition, a truck transporting medicines crossed to the Gaza Strip through the Crossing. Sufa Crossing is closed. Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is partially open for transportation of food supplies, humanitarian aid, diesel designated for the Gaza Electricity Generation Station, and cooking gas. 		