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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT
 08:00, 26 July 2008 – 08:00, 27 July 2008

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Killing	1	—	1	Armed Pal. Individual in Hebron district
Injuries	3		3	3 civilians, incl. a child, in Hebron district
Arrests (per person)	5	2	7	Incl. 4 in Hebron & 1 in Ramallah
Detentions	17	—	17	At checkpoints & in residential areas
Raids	26	—	26	Incl. 4 on Hebron & 4 on Bethlehem
Closure of Checkpoints	16	—	16	Incl. access impeded at 10 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	18	—	18	Incl. 5 in Ramallah & 5 in Hebron
Attacks	8	—	8	Incl. 1 attack by a combat helicopter
Air Patrol	1	—	1	Combat helicopters above Hebron
Wall Construction	26	—	26	Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Heb., Beth.
Closure (per District)	8	—	8	Incl. Jerusalem, Tulkarm & Hebron
Closure of Main Roads	55	—	55	Incl. 15 in Hebron & 14 in Nablus
Closure of Crossing Points	—	5	5	Incl. humanitarian cases allowed
Settler Violence	1	—	1	3 settlers enter Ramallah city
TOTAL	185	7	192	

DISTRICT	EVENTS
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WEST BANK

ALL DISTRICTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints set up on the main roads connecting the West Bank districts, thereby isolating the northern districts from the southern districts as well as the Jericho district and the Jordan Valley from the remainder of the West Bank.
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JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Closure: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem. The Israeli army also continues to close the entrances to al-Aqsa Mosque compound in the old city of Jerusalem and impede civilian access to the mosque. Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance opposite the junction to Dahiyat al-Bareed in the city of Jerusalem with a barbed wire gate and to deny civilian access. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting Dahiyat al-Bareed to al-Ram town to complete Wall construction in the area. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and dirt barricades the entrance to the village of Jaba', which connects the village to the cities of Jerusalem, Ramallah, and Jericho. Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to consider Qalandiya checkpoint a "border crossing point" and has designated a special crossing for holders of Jerusalem IDs and those possessing permits to access the city of Jerusalem. (ii) At 22:00, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions on the checkpoint set up near Jaba' village and impeded civilian access. Wall Gates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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 al-Shayyah road in the area between the villages of al-Sawahira al-Sharqiya and al-Sawahira al-Gharbiya, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem IDs to cross, after subjecting them to thorough searches using electronic devices. Wall Construction: Wall construction was resumed in Dahiyat al-Bareed, Dahiyat al-Aqbat, from the village of Hizma to 'Anata, along the Hizma-Jaba' road, the area of al-'Eizariya to al-Shayyah, from the village of Beit Surik to Biddu, in the areas of al-Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina, west of the village of al-Jib, and in the vicinity of the village of Qatanna.
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<p style="text-align: center;">RAMALLAH & EL BIREH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades and cement blocks the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil; the western entrances to the villages of Safa and Ein Yabrud; the road between the villages of Ras Karkar and Kharbatha Bani Harith and the junction to the villages of Kafr Malik – Ein Samiya. (ii) As of 18:30 on 28 June 2008, the Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the entrance to the village of Al Mughayyir. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at the checkpoint on the overpass to ‘Atara town and impede civilian access. • Flying Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Al Jalazun refugee camp and arrested a civilian. (ii) At 14:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the villages of Qarawat Bani Zaid and Kafr Ein. (iii) At 22:00, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints, on the overpass leading to the village of Yabrud, and in the area between the town of Silwad and the village of Yabrud, and searched civilians and vehicles. (iv) At 22:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Um Safa village and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Deir Sudan village. (ii) At 22:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Silwad and opened indiscriminate fire and fired light flares while patrolling the area. • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested at the entrance to Al Jalazun refugee camp the civilian Tamer Muhammad Ayyub. • Settler Violence: At 14:10, a group of 3 settlers entered one of Ramallah city neighborhoods and left it at a later time. • Wall Construction: Wall construction was resumed west of ‘Abud town and in the areas of al-Midya to Ni’lin and Ni’lin to Deir Qaddis.
<p style="text-align: center;">JENIN</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to ‘Arraba town, east of the settlement of Dotan. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 12:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Meithalun town. (ii) At 03:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Jenin and patrolled the area until 06:00. (iii) At 06:00, the Israeli army raided Al Yamun town and the village of Kafr Dan and patrolled the area until 06:45. • 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.
<p style="text-align: center;">TOUBAS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to close Tayasir checkpoint east of the town of Tubas, denying civilian access to the Northern Jordan Valley, except for civilians whose IDs indicate that their place of residence is the Northern Jordan Valley.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raids:</u> (i) At 14:00, the Israeli army raided Al Far'a refugee camp. Confrontations took place between civilians and the Israeli army while patrolling the area. (ii) At 16:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Tubas and the village of Ibziq. (iii) At 17:30, the Israeli army raided Tammun town. Again at 00:30, the Israeli army raided the town and patrolled the area until 02:00.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> The Israeli army continues to declare the district of Tulkarm a closed military zone and to impede civilian access to and from the district. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western entrance to the village of Shofeh. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Einav checkpoint that is set up on Tulkarm-Nablus road and at Jubara checkpoint. • <u>Raid:</u> At 01:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Tulkarm city and Tulkarm refugee camp. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
QALQILYA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Roads:</u> The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun • <u>Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at the checkpoint that is set up at the eastern entrance to the city of Qalqiliya and impede civilian access. • <u>Raid:</u> At 19:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Qalqiliya and patrolled the area until 20:35. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> (i) Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal detector. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Land leveling for Wall construction was resumed in the villages of Immatin and Kafr Laqif as well as east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and 'Azzun.
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the Jenin-Nablus road between the junction to Deir Sharaf village and the settlement of Shavei Shomron. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the roads of Sarra-Jit, Tel-Burin, Beit Furik-Salem, the road between Aqraba town and the main road and the eastern entrance to the village of Al Lubban Ash Sharqiya; and with dirt barricades the road between the villages of Tel and Madama, the southern entrance to the village of Qaryut, the eastern entrance to the village of Al Lubban Ash Sharqiya, the western entrance to the town of Aqraba, the southern entrance to the village of Duma, the northern entrance to the town of Qabalan, the western

	<p>entrance to the village of Majdal Bani Fadil as well as the settler bypass road connecting the village of Deir al-Hatab to the settlement of Alon Moreh.</p> <p>(iii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the roads around the town of Beita leading to the town of Aqraba and the villages of Osarin and Odala.</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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At Tur neighborhood 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 neighborhood only. (ii) Beit Furik checkpoint is open to civilian residents of the town of Beit Furik and the nearby village of Beit Dajan. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:40, the Israeli army raided the town of Asira Ash Shamaliya. Confrontations took place between civilians and the Israeli army while patrolling the area. The Israeli army also set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to the town. (ii) At 00:10, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus, opened fire and fired sound grenades while patrolling the area and withdrew at 04:00. (iii) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Beit Dajan village.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the northern entrance to Salfit city and the eastern entrance to the village of Yasuf. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and iron gates the northern entrances to the town of Bruqin and the village of Qarawat Bani Hassan and the western entrance to the town of Kafr Ad Dik. • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Deir Ballut and Za'tara checkpoints and prevent civilian vehicles from heading towards the village of Kafr Ad Dik. • Flying Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the towns of Bruqin and Kafr Ad Dik and searched civilians and vehicles until 11:00. (ii) At 09:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the town of Bruqin and the village of Qarawat Bani Zeid and searched civilians and vehicles until 11:00. (iii) At 13:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint under the overpass leading to the village of Iskaka. Again at 19:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles until 20:30. • Raids: At 01:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Hares village. • Wall Construction: Wall construction was resumed in the area northwest of the city of Salfit, and in the village of Marda and the town of Kafr Hares north of the settlement of Ariel.

<p style="text-align: center;">JERICHO</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between the city of Jericho and the village of al-'Auja with cement blocks and to prevent farmers not holding Jericho Governorate IDs from reaching their land, forcing them to apply for access permits. The Israeli army also continues to deny access to the city to holders of Israeli IDs. • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions and impede civilian access at al-Hamra checkpoint set up along al-Badhan road connecting the districts of Jericho and Nablus as well as on 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. • Destruction of Property: On 23 July 2008, the Israeli army issued summons ceasing the construction of 4 houses in the village of Al Jiftlik and set the date of 14 August 2008 to review the order to demolish them. This comes following a fight between owners of the houses and a number of settlers from the settlement of Maswah over the borders of a land that the settlers claim to have rented from the Israeli army. The mentioned houses belong to the civilians Omar Muhammad Id'ais; Shahda Muhammad Id'ais; Taleb Muhammad Id'ais; and Hassan Eid Sa'ayda. • Palestinian Security Measure: At 05:20, the Palestinian side extradited to the Israeli side, through military liaison, 4 settlers caught attempting to enter the city of Jericho.
<p style="text-align: center;">BETHLEHEM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the roads to the village of An Nu'man, with the exception of the road leading to the Wall gate in the south-eastern area of the village. (ii) Since September 15, 2007, the Israeli army has been preventing civilian access, according to military order 07.02.S, to the 22-dunum land that has been confiscated in accordance with confiscation order number 07.31.T. The 22-dunum area has been set to construct a passage in the area of Mazmouriyyeh that is located in the cities of Beit Sahur and Bethlehem. • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the two sideways east and south of Al Walaja village and the roads of Beit Jala-Wadi Ahmad, Talita-Nazlet As Sidr in the city of Beit Jala, Al Khadr town-Road # 60, Al Khadr town-Beit Jala housing, Wadi Rahal-Efrat and the sideway east of Beit Fajjar town. • Raids: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Dar Salah and set up a flying checkpoint to search civilians and vehicles until 11:20. (ii) At 12:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Sahur and patrolled the area until 12:30. (iii) At 17:00, the Israeli army raided the cities of Bethlehem and Beit Jala and patrolled the area. • Physical Assault: At 19:10, Israeli troops positioned at Al Container checkpoint severely beat the civilian Nawwaf Yousef Abdallah Yousef from the tow of Al Obaidiya.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Wall construction was resumed in the area northwest of al-Khadr town; northwest of Beit Jala city; in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of Ephrata settlement; and in the area surrounding al-Walaja village.
HEBRON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the following locales in the old city of Hebron: al-Shuhada' Street and the area of al-Sahleh with cement blocks and barbed wire; the old gold market with an iron gate; the area of Khuzq al-Far near the settlement of Abraham Avino with a dirt barricade and an iron gate; and the entrance to the area of al-Khan with an electronic gate, isolating the area from al-Laban Market and the area of al-Sahleh. The Israeli army also 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, thereby controlling civilian access in the area. (ii) Although it expired on 07 May 2006, the Israeli army continues to implement a military order stipulating the prohibition of civilian vehicles from traveling along the road connecting the settlement of Kiryat Arba' to the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron unless they possess access permits. • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the following locales: the entrance to the town of al-Samoa'; the area of al-Hawawir leading to the town of Halhoul; the area of al-Fahs south of the city of Hebron; the junction to the area of Farsh al-Hawa leading to Road # 35 northwest of the city of Hebron; the road connecting the town of Surif to the village of al-Jab'a; the entrance to the village of Beit 'Einun; and the eastern entrance to the village of Kharsa. The Israeli army also continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to al-Qeisi neighborhood in the old city of Hebron as well as the main entrance to al-'Arrub refugee camp. (ii) In accordance with Military Order # 378, the Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from traveling along Shalala Old Street that leads to the old city of Hebron, only allowing Israeli vehicles as well as Israeli army vehicles to travel along this street. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road between the villages of Al Karmil and At Tuwani and all roads leading to bypass Road # 60. (iv) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road of Wadi Al Quaff that leads to the town of Tarqumiya. • Flying Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint under the overpass leading to Beit Kahil town. Again at 07:00, the Israeli army raided the area and impeded civilian access. (ii) At 11:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the towns of Halhul and Nuba and searched civilians and vehicles.

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| | <p>(iii) At 05:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass leading to the town of Halhul and prevented civilian access.</p> <p>(iv) At 06:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Idhna town and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raids:</u> <p>(i) At 18:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Ummar. Confrontations took place between civilians and the Israeli army wounding 3 civilians, including a child, and causing contusions to the civilian Ibrahim Muhammad Muqbel after severely beat him. The Israeli army also arrested a civilian and withdrew at 19:00.</p> <p>(ii) At 19:50, the Israeli army, including a bulldozer, with the cover of combat helicopters, raided the area of Deir Baha, located between Hebron city and Tpuah town, clashed with armed Palestinian individuals while besieging 2 houses, arrested 3 armed Palestinian individuals and demolished one of the houses by the bulldozer killing 1 armed Palestinian individual inside the house. Fire erupted in one of the houses in the area of Bir Al Mahjar after a light flare fired by combat helicopters fell on the house.</p> <p>(iii) At 23:00, the Israeli army raided the area of Qaizoun in the city of Hebron and searched a house after detonating its entrance door.</p> <p>(iv) At 00:15, the Israeli army raided Sa'ir town and opened fire while patrolling the area.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Killing:</u> The Israeli army killed in the area of Deir Baha, located between the city of Hebron and the town of Tpuah, the civilian Shihab Ad Deen Abdulaziz Muhammad An Natshah. • <u>Arrests:</u> <p>(i) The Israeli army arrested in the town of Beit Ummar the civilian Mujib Mousa Younis Az Za'aqiq.</p> <p>(ii) The Israeli army arrested in the area of Deir Baha, located between the city of Hebron and the town of Tpuah, the civilians:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Wael Muhammad Al Bitar; 2. Muhammad Abu Eishah; and 3. Said Al Bitar. • <u>House Demolition:</u> The Israeli army demolished in the area of Deir Baha, located between the city of Hebron and the town of Tpuah, the house of the civilian Wael Al Bitar. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction was resumed in the section of Tarqumiya checkpoint terminal, the remaining section of the Wall route that separates the settlement of Eshkolot from the village of al-Ramadin, and near the village of Imneizil southeast of the town of Yatta. |
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GAZA STRIP

<p>ALL DISTRICTS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As of 06:00 on 19 June 2008, the Egyptian-brokered ceasefire agreement between Palestinian factions in Gaza and Israel is holding. The <i>tahdia</i> (calm) includes, <i>inter alia</i>, a complete cessation of all hostilities. The agreement has been reached with Israel through Egyptian mediators.
<p>NORTHERN GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanoun (Erez) Crossing is partially opened (for previously coordinated humanitarian cases).
<p>GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Closure of Crossing Points: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Al-Muntar (Karni) Crossing is closed for the Jewish Shabbat. (ii) Al-Shuja'iyah (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is partially opened to allow entry of fuel. Arrests: On 26 July 2008, the Israeli army arrested 2 unidentified civilians, south of Al-Shuja'iyah (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing, on the Green Line, east of Gaza city, while attempting to enter Israel.
<p>CENTRAL GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Activities not reported.
<p>KHAN YOUNIS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Activities not reported.
<p>RAFAH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Closure of Crossing Points: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah (al-Awdah) Crossing is closed. (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed for the Jewish Shabbat. (iv) Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed.