

مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT
 08:00, 26 July 2009 – 08:00, 27 July 2009

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Arrests (per person)	5	—	5	Incl. 2 in Ramallah & 2 in Hebron
Detentions	17	—	17	At checkpoints & in residential locales
Raids	23	—	23	Incl. 5 on Qalqiliya & 2 on Tulkarm
Closure of Checkpoints	10	—	10	Incl. access impeded at 6 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	12	—	12	Incl. 2 in Tulkarm & 1 in Jenin
Attacks	—	5	5	Incl. firing a number of tank shells
Air Patrol	—	1	1	Helicopter gunships patrolled Gaza city
School Obstruction	1	—	1	Searching a school in Qalqiliya district
Confiscation of Property	1	—	1	Civilian motorbike in Nablus district
Destruction of Property	2	—	2	Incl. detonating a vehicle in Jer. district
Wall Construction	21	—	21	Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Heb., Beth.
Closure (per District)	7	—	7	Jer., Beth. (2 villages) & Hebron (4 areas)
Closure of Main Roads	47	—	47	Incl. 1 in Jenin & 1 in Tulkarm
Closure of Crossing Points	—	4	4	Partial opening of 3 crossings only
Settler Violence	2	—	2	Incl. attempt to seize a house in Jerusalem
Demonstration	1	—	1	Incl. against the Wall in Tulkarm city
Palestinian Attack	—	1	1	Opening fire at army near the Green Line
TOTAL	149	11	160	

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: (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at checkpoints set up at entrances to the city of Jerusalem and Al Aqsa Mosque. (ii) On 05 January 2009, the Israeli army issued military order # 02/09 closing the seam line area, an extension of the Wall, according to a set of land confiscation orders, for the construction of the Wall around the city of Jerusalem to prevent civilians from entering the city, with the exception of civilians living in the area and those holding permits. Entry is regulated through crossings and gates set up at entrances to the city of Jerusalem, as designated in the military order. (iii) Beginning on 02 April 2009, the Israeli army has continued to impose a blockade and deny civilian access to a hill located in an area between the village of Biddu and the village of Beit Ikhsa due to its geographical significance as it overlooks the occupied city of Jerusalem. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 in Jerusalem city from the town of Ar Ram. Checkpoint: 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. At 08:30, the Israeli army closed the checkpoint and prevented civilian access in both directions under the pretext of finding a suspicious civilian vehicle parking near the checkpoint. The Israeli army re-opened the checkpoint at a later time. Raid: At 01:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the area of Sameeramis north of Jerusalem city. Settler Violence: On 26 July 2009, a group of settlers in Ash Sheikh Jarrah neighborhood in the city of Jerusalem attempted to seize a house belonging to the civilian Darwish Hijazi. Consequently, the Israeli army intervened and detained a number of civilians, including former minister Hatem Abdulqader and 11 international peace activists who attempted to confront the settler attack.
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 continues in the area of al-‘Eizariya to al-Shayyah, from Beit Surik village to Biddu, in the areas of al-Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina, west of al-Jib village, in the vicinity of the village of Qatanna, and south of Beit Hanina village.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to the village of Sinjil, the village of Safa and the junction to the villages of Kafr Malik – Ein Samiya. • Flying Checkpoint: At 13:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass leading to the town of Atara and detained police officer Basem Jabarah and released him at a later time following DCO intervention. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 18:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled El Bireh city. (ii) At 20:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Ramallah, set up a flying checkpoint and patrolled the area. • Arrests: At 03:10 on 26 July 2009, the Israeli army arrested during civilians during a raid on Al Jalazun refugee camp. They are Jihad Raed Dalaysheh and Muhammad Khaled Al Wawi. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues west of the town of ‘Abud and in the areas of al-Midya to Ni’lin and Ni’lin to Deir Qaddis.
JENIN	<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. • Flying Checkpoint: At 11:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the town of Arraba and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 00:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of At Tayba until 03:30. (ii) At 01:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Zububa village. (iii) At 01:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Jenin until 03:15. (iv) At 01:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Jaba’ town. (v) At 02:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Qabatiya 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.

TOUBAS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint, east of the town of Tubas, allowing civilian access from 06:00 to 22:00.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western entrance to the village of Shofeh and the road connecting the town of Kafr Kafr Al Labad to the village of Shofeh. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> On 26 July 2009, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Einav checkpoint that is set up on Tulkarm-Nablus main road. The Israeli army also detained and conducted field interrogation with civilians who are under the age of 30 years. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 22:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of Shofeh and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 01:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Attil and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 00:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the neighborhood of Dhinnaba in the city of Tulkarm. (ii) At 01:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Attil. • <u>Demonstration:</u> At 12:00, a mass demonstration set about in the city of Tulkarm with the participation of international peace activists against the apartheid Wall and demanding the closure of Israeli chemical factories “Gashouri” that are built west of the city on land belonging to civilians. • <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>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Jinsafut village. (ii) At 11:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Habla. (iii) At 13:30, the Israeli army raided Qalqiliya city, searched a house and a shop selling vehicle spare parts, served summon to a civilian to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency and withdrew at 17:50. (iv) At 17:25, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Azzun. (v) At 18:00, the Israeli army raided the village of An Nabi Elias and searched its school. • <u>Settler Violence:</u> At 21:20, a group of settlers near the junction leading to the village of Immatin threw stones towards civilian vehicles travelling on the Qalqiliya - Nablus main road. As a result, a vehicle belonging to the civilian Abdulhadi Badran was damaged. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.

	<p>(ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at ‘Azzun ‘Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a detector.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues south of the town of Jayyus as well as near the settlement of Alfeh Minesheh in the villages of Ras Tira, Magharet Ad Dab’a and Wadi Ar Rasha, located south of Qalqiliya city.
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the roads of 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 entrances to the villages of Qaryut and Duma, the eastern entrance to the village of Al Lubban Ash Sharqiya, the western entrances to the town of Aqraba and the village of Majdal Bani Fadil, the northern entrance to the town of Qabalan, as well as the settler bypass road connecting the village of Deir al-Hatab to Alon Moreh settlement. • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing the following 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 from 07:00 until 02:00. (ii) Awarta commercial checkpoint is open for civilians from 05:00 until 20:00, whereas on Friday, the checkpoint is open for civilians from 05:00 until 15:00. All vehicles are allowed to enter the city of Nablus through Awarta, but only commercial vehicles and ambulances are allowed to depart the city through this checkpoint. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 15:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Qusin village. (ii) At 00:40, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus and Ein Beit El Ma’ refugee camp in the city, searched a shopping mall in the city and withdrew at 02:40. • Arrest: The Israeli army at the checkpoint set up near the settlement of Shavi Shomron arrested 17-year-old child Ahmad Sameer Awwad after confiscating his motorbike.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the northern entrance to the city of Salfit, and continues to close with cement blocks and iron gates the northern entrances to the town of Bruqin and the western entrance to the town of Kafr Ad Dik. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Za’tara checkpoint and impede civilian access. • Flying Checkpoint: At 20:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Deir Ballut and detained 4 civilians and released them at 00:30. • Raid: At 01:50, the Israeli army raided the city of Salfit and searched the house of the Palestinian Legislative Council member Dr. Omar

	<p>Abdulrazeq and withdrew after serving him with a summon to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues 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>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. • Checkpoints: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at al-Hamra checkpoint and allow civilian access from 06:00 until 22:00. (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions on the checkpoint set up on the junction to the village of al-‘Auja and allow access only to civilians holding Jericho and Jordan Valley IDs and those possessing permits.
<p>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) The Israeli army continues to prevent civilian access to an area 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. • Checkpoint: At 13:30, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at As Sawahira Ash Sharqiya (the ‘Container’) checkpoint and impeded civilian access. • Flying Checkpoint: At 15:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on An Nashash area junction (the southern entrance to the city of Bethlehem) and searched civilians and vehicles until 17:50. • Raids: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:20, the Israeli army raided the village of Dar Salah and set up a flying checkpoint. (ii) At 02:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Al Khadr. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the town of al-Khadr; northwest of Beit Jala city; in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of Ephrata settlement; and in the area surrounding al-Walaja village.
<p>HEBRON</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ol 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

	<p>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.</p> <p>(ii) 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.</p> <p>(iii) On 05 January 2009, the Israeli army issued military order # 06/09 closing the area located near the Green Line, south of Yatta town, evacuating the area of those inside it and denying them access to it.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <p>(i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the following locales: the entrance to the town of al-Samoa'; the area of al-Hawawir leading to the town of Halhoul; the road connecting the town of Surif to the village of al-Jab'a; and the eastern entrance to the village of Kharsa; the entrance to al-Qeisi neighborhood in the old city of Hebron; the main entrance to al-'Arrub refugee camp; the village of At Tuwani as well as the entrance to the town of Adh Dhahiriya.</p> <p>(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.</p> <p>(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.</p> <p>(iv) The Israeli army continues to open the Iron Gate on the junction of Farsh Al Hawa, which leads to Road # 35 that leads to Tarqumiya Crossing, from 05:00 until 07:00 and from 09:00 until 13:00.</p> • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <p>(i) At 17:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Yatta and arrested a civilian.</p> <p>(ii) At 20:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in Ash Shalala road in the old city of Hebron and detained a number of civilians and released them following DCO intervention.</p> • <u>Raids:</u> <p>(i) At 21:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Beit Ummar.</p> <p>(ii) At 03:25, the Israeli army raided Dura town and arrested a civilian.</p> • <u>Arrests:</u> <p>(i) The Israeli army arrested at the entrance to the town of Yatta the civilian Mifleh Taleb Ali Najadi.</p> <p>(ii) The Israeli army arrested in the town of Dura the civilian Fayez Ismail Yousef Faqqusah.</p>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the section of Tarqumiya checkpoint terminal, in the periphery of Eshkolot settlement southwest of Adh Dhahiriya town and between southwest of Arab Ar Ramadin village and the village of Imneizil.
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GAZA STRIP

<p style="text-align: center;">ALL DISTRICTS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At 02:00 on 18 January 2009, the Israeli army declared a unilateral ceasefire. In the meantime, armed Palestinian groups declared a one-week-long ceasefire. Meanwhile, the ceasefire was extended until 05 February 2009. The ceasefire is holding despite the end of the specified period. • The Israeli army breached the ceasefire by opening fire intensively and firing a number of tank shells from its locations on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory. In addition, Israeli Navy boats opened fire intensively towards Palestinian fishing boats at sea in the districts of Northern Gaza and Gaza. • Armed Palestinian groups violated the ceasefire by opening fire towards the Israeli army near the Green Line.
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<p style="text-align: center;">NORTHERN GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open for previously coordinated humanitarian cases and foreign nationals. • Attack: In the evening on 26 July 2009, Israeli warboats opened fire intensively towards Palestinian fishing boats at sea opposite As Sudaniya area beach, west of Beit Lahiya town. • Palestinian Attack: At 15:00, armed Palestinian individuals opened fire towards the Israeli army near the Green Line east of Beit Hanun town. Consequently, the Israeli army opened fire intensively towards Palestinian territory.
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<p style="text-align: center;">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. (ii) Al-Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is partially open for fuel transport. • Attacks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) In the evening on 26 July 2009, the Israeli army opened fire intensively and fired a number of tank shells from its locations in the periphery of Al-Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing on the Green Line towards civilian agricultural land and houses east of Gaza city. (ii) In the evening on 26 July 2009, Israeli warboats opened fire intensively towards Palestinian fishing boats at sea opposite Gaza city beach.
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Air Patrol:</u> In the evening on 26 July 2009, Israeli helicopter gunships patrolled the sky above Gaza city.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
KHAN YOUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Points:</u> <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. (iv) Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is partially open for the transport of food and humanitarian assistance.