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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT
 08:00, 28 July 2008 – 08:00, 29 July 2008

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Arrests (per person)	19	—	19	Incl. 3 in Jerusalem & 3 in Nablus
Detentions	15	—	15	At checkpoints & in residential areas
Raids	28	—	28	Incl. 2 in Tubas & 2 in Jerusalem
Closure of Checkpoints	15	—	15	Incl. access impeded at 9 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	18	—	18	Incl. 3 in Jenin & 2 in Jerusalem
Attacks	2	—	2	All during raids into residential areas
Air Patrol	1	—	1	Airborne infantry troops in Jenin district
House Demolition	1	—	1	5-story building in Beit Hanina, Jer.
Destruction of Property	1	—	1	Burning house furniture in Burin, Nab.
Land Leveling	1	—	1	Leveling land in Nablus district
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. 5 in Salfit & 3 in Jerusalem
Closure of Crossing Points	—	3	3	Incl. humanitarian cases allowed
Attack on Religious Site	1	—	1	Storming a mosque in Abu Dis, Jerusalem
Settler Violence	3	—	3	Incl. setting fire to a house in Burin, Nab.
TOTAL	194	3	197	

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: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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. The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting Dahiyat al-Bareed to al-Ram town to complete Wall construction in the area. 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: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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. The Israeli army intensified its restrictions on the checkpoint set up near the village of Jaba' and the checkpoint set up at the entrance to the village of Rafat and impeded civilian access. Raids: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Since dawn on 28 July 2008, the Israeli army continued to maintain presence in the village of Beit Hanina, besieged a building and forced its inhabitants to evacuate it, demolished a 5-story building under the pretext of not being licensed and arrested its owner. The Israeli army raided the town of Abu Dis and stormed and searched a mosque. Arrests: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> At 17:00, the Israeli army arrested at the checkpoint set up near Jaba' village the Palestinian General Intelligence officer Basel Sulaiman Salama Gunaimat for allegedly finding a knife in his possession. The Israeli army arrested in the city of Jerusalem the civilian Muhannad Ayyub Abu Shukhaidem from the city of Hebron. The Israeli army arrested in the village of Beit Hanina the civilian Majed Rashed Abu Eishah. House Demolition: The Israeli army demolished in Beit Hanina village a 5-story building belonging to the civilian Majed Rashed Abu Eishah.
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Wall Gates:</u> <ol 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. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues 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.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ol 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. • <u>Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at the checkpoint on the overpass to ‘Atara town and impede civilian access. • <u>Raids:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of El Bireh. (ii) At 23:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Ein Siniya. (iii) At 01:30, the Israeli army raided Silwad town, searched a number of houses, arrested 5 civilians, including a Palestinian General Intelligence officer, and withdrew at 03:00. • <u>Arrests:</u> The Israeli army arrested in the town of Silwad the civilians: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Bilal Ayyub Hammad; (ii) Muhammad Ayyub Hammad; (iii) Ahmad Sami Abu Wardah; (iv) Hassan Mifreh Hammad; and (v) Haytham Jamil Ayyad. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues west of ‘Abud town and in the areas of al-Midya to Ni’lin and Ni’lin to Deir Qaddis.
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to ‘Arraba town, east of the settlement of Dotan. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:10, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of Al Jarba and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 09:30, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint in the area between the town of Qabatiya and the village of Mesilla. (iii) At 10:30, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint on the junction leading to the town of Az Zababida and searched civilians and vehicles.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:20, Israeli army airborne infantry troops raided the village of Mesilla and patrolled the area. (ii) At 02:25, the Israeli army raided the village of Ash Shuhada and searched a house. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested the following 2 civilians, while working inside Israel, for allegedly not having work permits : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Sameer Ibrahim Sawaftah; and (ii) Yaser Naim Zeid Al Kilani. • 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"> • 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. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 19:55, the Israeli army raided the town of Aqaba. Confrontations took place between civilians and the Israeli army while patrolling the area. The Israeli army also set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 20:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Tubas.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army continues to declare the district of Tulkarm a closed military zone and to impede civilian access to and from the district. • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western entrance to the village of Shofeh. • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Einav checkpoint that is set up on Tulkarm-Nablus road and at Jubara checkpoint. • Raid: At 22:20, the Israeli army raided Anabta town. Confrontations took place between civilians and the Israeli army while patrolling the area. The Israeli army withdrew at 01:15. • Wall Gates: Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
QALQILYA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun • Checkpoint: 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. • Flying Checkpoint: At 09:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the town of Jayyus and village of Kafr Jamal. • Raid: At 23:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Qalqiliya. Again at 03:00, the Israeli army raided the area, searched 2 houses and arrested a civilian. • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested in the city of Qalqiliya the civilian Yousef Mahmoud Muhammad Al Baz.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Wall Gates:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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 continues 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> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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 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. (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. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> 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. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 18:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the villages of Al Badhan and Talluza and arrested a civilian. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 18:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Al Badhan village. (ii) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus and Askar refugee camp and arrested 2 civilians from the city of Nablus • <u>Arrests:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army arrested in the villages of Al Badhan and Talluza the civilian Yahya Al Gawi. (ii) The Israeli army arrested in the city of Nablus the civilians Ma’moun Zahi As Safadi and Mu’in Ahmad Alewi. • <u>Land Leveling:</u> At 16:15, the Israeli army carried out leveling and

	<p>digging work in the area of Al Khadara mountain located between the villages of Burin and Iraq Burin, installed a tent and withdrew at 20:00.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Settler Violence:</u> At 08:00, a group of settlers from the settlement of Yitzhar set fire to the house of the Palestinian National Security officer Said Mahmoud Said in the village of Burin burning the entire furniture of the house.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ol 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. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> 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. • <u>Raid:</u> At 16:10, the Israeli army raided the village of Qarawat Bani Hassan and patrolled the area until 16:30. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> 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.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> 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. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> 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. • <u>Raid:</u> At 14:50, the Israeli army raided the village of Al Auja and searched a house.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <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. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> 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

	<p>Jala, Al Khadr town-Road # 60, Al Khadr town-Beit Jala housing, Wadi Rahal-Efrat and the sideway east of Beit Fajjar town.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 14:30, the Israeli army raided the debris of the previously evacuated military camp of Osh Grab, east of Beit Sahur city, to provide protection to a group of settlers entering the area. (ii) At 14:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Al Ubeidiya town. (iii) At 18:40, the Israeli army raided Bethlehem city, searched a house and arrested a civilian. • <u>Arrests:</u> The Israeli army arrested in the city of Bethlehem the civilian Hassan Khaled Hassan Shukah. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues 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.
<p style="text-align: center;">HEBRON</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <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. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <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

	<p>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 close with dirt barricades the road of Wadi Al Quaff that leads to the town of Tarqumiya.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <p>(i) At 10:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Yatta and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> <p>(ii) At 11:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of Kharsa and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> <p>(iii) At 12:00, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints, in the area of Sinjer between Hebron city and Dura town, and on At Tabaqa junction and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> <p>(iv) At 12:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass leading to the town of Halhul and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> <p>(v) At 13:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass leading to the town of Beit Kahil and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> <p>(vi) At 21:00, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints, at the entrance to the area of Al Fahs south of Hebron city, and at the entrance to Al Fawwar refugee camp and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> • <u>Raids:</u> <p>(i) At 11:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Idhna, searched a house, issued a summon to a civilian to report to the Israeli Intelligence Agency and withdrew at 11:30.</p> <p>(ii) At 12:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, set up 2 flying checkpoints and patrolled the area. Again at 22:50 and at 01:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the area.</p> <p>(iii) At 13:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Humsa.</p> <p>(iv) At 00:25, the Israeli army raided Dura town and arrested 2 civilians.</p> <p>(v) At 02:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Yatta.</p> <p>(vi) At 02:30, the Israeli army raided Al Arrub refugee camp and arrested a Palestinian General Intelligence officer.</p> • <u>Arrests:</u> <p>(i) At 01:15 on 28 July 2008, the Israeli army arrested during a raid on the city of Hebron the civilian Bassam Yaser Khalaf Masoudeh.</p> <p>(ii) The Israeli army arrested in the town of Dura the civilians Rami Said Amr and Hamoudeh Yousef Amr.</p> <p>(iii) The Israeli army arrested in Al Arrub refugee camp officer Iyad Abdulmajeed Halqawi.</p> • <u>Settler Violence:</u> At 11:40, a group of settlers attacked a number commercial shop owners in the area of the central market in the old city of Hebron. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues 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

ALL DISTRICTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As of 06:00 on 19 June 2008, the Egyptian-brokered ceasefire agreement between Palestine 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.
NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanoun (Erez) Crossing is partially opened (for previously coordinated humanitarian cases).
GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Closure of Crossing Points: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Al-Muntar (Karni) Crossing is partially opened to allow entry of 140 tons of small stones used for construction. Al-Shuja'iyah (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is partially opened to allow entry of fuel.
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"> Closure of Crossing Points: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. Rafah (al-Awdah) Crossing is closed. Sufa Crossing is partially opened to allow entry of 86 trucks loaded with food, goods and cement. Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed.