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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT
08:00 16 June 2006 – 08:00 17 June 2006

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Assassinations	—	2	2	2 civilians during an air attack, C. Gaza
Physical Assault	1	—	1	1 civilian beaten in Ash Shuyukh town
Injuries	5	—	5	Incl. 1 child run over by a settler vehicle
Air Attack	—	1	1	2 missiles fired by a UAV on a vehicle
Attacks	6	—	6	Incl. 4 during confrontations & 1 in raid
Raids	23	—	23	Incl. 3 in Jenin and 11 in Bethlehem
Air Patrols	1	2	3	Incl. troops dispatched by helicopters
Arrests	7	—	7	Incl. 2 Palestinian Police officers
Detentions	19	—	19	At checkpoints and residential areas
Destruction of Property	1	1	2	Incl. 1 vehicle destroyed, Central Gaza
Closure of Checkpoints	7	—	7	Incl. Huwwara and Beit Iba partially
Flying Checkpoints	16	—	16	Incl. 4 in Jerusalem & 7 in Jenin
Closure (per District)	6	1	7	Incl. a buffer zone in Northern Gaza
Closure of Main Roads	33	—	33	Incl. 3 in Jerusalem & 1 in Ramallah
Closure of Crossing Points	—	7	7	Incl. Beit Hanun and Rafah partially
Settler Violence	2	—	2	Incl. fruit-bearing trees set on fire
Provocation of Pal. Forces	—	1	1	2 surveillance aerostats launched
Palestinian Attacks	—	9	9	16 mortars fired towards the Green Line
Pal. Security Measure	—	1	1	Attempt to fire mortars blocked
Demonstrations	2	—	2	In Bil'in & Al Khadr against the Wall
TOTAL	129	25	154	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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<p style="text-align: center;">ALL DISTRICTS</p>	<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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WEST BANK

<p style="text-align: center;">JERUSALEM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <p>Closure: The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem, set up several checkpoints in the old city of Jerusalem and around Al Aqsa Mosque compound, and prevented civilians under 45 years of age from accessing Al Aqsa Mosque to perform Friday prayers.</p> <p>Closure of Main Roads:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance opposite the junction to Dahiyat Al Bared in the city of Jerusalem with barbed wire and has denied civilian access. (ii) The Israeli army completely closed with cement blocks the main road leading to Dahiyat al Bared checkpoint towards the town of Beit Hanina and the settlement of Neve Ya'akov. The Israeli army only allows access to vehicles belonging to civilian residents of Dahiyat al Bared and the town of Ar Ram who possess permits or hold Jerusalem IDs. To access Dahiyat al Bared checkpoint, civilians must first travel through the centre of Dahiyat al Bared, passing through Rosary Sisters' School. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close the eastern entrance to Dahiyat Bir Nabala with cement slabs, thereby completing the Wall section in the area. <p>Checkpoint: According to new measures implemented at Qalandiya checkpoint, which the Israeli army has converted into a "border crossing point", the Israeli army has designated a special crossing for civilians holding Jerusalem-issued IDs and those possessing permits to access the city of Jerusalem. The Israeli army has allowed other civilians to access the main road leading to the junction to the village of Jaba', which branches off to other districts.</p> <p>Wall Gates:</p> <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 Ash Shayyah road in the area between the villages of As Sawahira ash Sharqiya and As Sawahira al Gharbiya, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem-issued IDs to cross, after subjecting them to thorough searches using electronic devices. <p>Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in Dahiyat al Aqbat, from the village of Hizma to 'Anata, along the Hizma-</p>
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	<p>Jaba' road, the area of Al 'Eizariya to Ash Shayyah, near Al Quds University, in the town of As Sawahira ash Sharqiya, 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.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> The Israeli army set up 4 flying checkpoints on the junctions to the towns of Bir Nabala and Qalandiya as well as the villages of Jaba' and Hizma, searched civilian vehicles, and impeded civilian access.
<p>RAMALLAH & EL BIREH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Road:</u> The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil. • <u>Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the overpass to the town of 'Atara and to deny access to the city of Ramallah for civilians holding IDs issued in the northern districts of the West Bank. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the areas of Al Midya to Budrus, Al Midya to Ni'lin, Bil'in to Saffa, in the village of Beit Liqya, in the town of Beituniya, and west of the town of 'Abud and the village of Beit Sira. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 02:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the Ramallah-Bir Zeit main road and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raids/Detention:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 21:00, Israeli army infantry forces raided the area of 'Ein Shadid, which is located between the villages of An Nabi Salih and Kafr 'Ein, and combed the area until 01:30. (ii) At 04:40, the Israeli army raided the village of Kharbatha Bani Harith and arrested 5 civilians as well as 1 Palestinian Police officer. (iii) At 05:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Abu Shukheidim and searched 1 house after detaining residents inside. • <u>Arrests:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 12:15, Israeli troops positioned at 'Atara checkpoint arrested Ahmed Sidqi Zeidan, a Palestinian Police officer. <p>The Israeli army arrested 5 civilians and 1 Palestinian security officer in the village of Kharbatha Bani Harith:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) Ahmed Hussein Nimer, a Palestinian Police officer; (iii) Hani Raslan; (iv) Nasser Mohammed Dahbour; (v) Amjad Sameer Hammoudeh; (vi) Mu'ath Mustafa Injas; and (vii) Khaled Saleem Injas. • <u>Demonstration:</u> A mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in the village of Bil'in in protest against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which the Israeli army injured 3 civilian protestors, including 1 child.
<p>JENIN</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Road:</u> The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the unpaved detour road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Checkpoint:</u> 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. The Israeli army also continues to install a surveillance camera in order to observe the area surrounding the checkpoint. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> The Israeli army set up 7 flying checkpoints: 1 on the junction to the town of ‘Arraba; 3 at the entrances to the towns of Az Zababida, Tubas, and Meithalun; and 3 at the entrances to the villages of ‘Aqqaba, Fahma, and Sanur. Israeli troops positioned at these flying checkpoints searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 20:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Bruqin. Confrontations took place between civilians and the Israeli army, while it was patrolling the area. At 21:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. (ii) At 02:30, the Israeli army, including 6 jeeps, raided the village of ‘Anza, searched a number of houses, and withdrew at 05:00. (iii) At 02:30, the Israeli army, including 30 jeeps, raided the village of Al ‘Aqaba as well as searched civilian houses after forcing residents to evacuate. The Israeli army remains positioned in the area as of 08:00 this morning.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> The Israeli army continues to declare the district of Tulkarem 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 following roads: the road connecting Dahiyat Dhinnaba in the city of Tulkarem to the town of Kafr al Labad; the road connecting the town of Kafr al Labad to the village of Shufa; the southern entrance to the town of Baqa ash Sharqiya; the Kafr Sur-Wadi at Tin road; and the road connecting the town of Deir al Ghusun to ‘Attil plain. The Israeli army also continues to close with cement blocks the road connecting the town of Beit Lid to the village of Kur. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at ‘Einav checkpoint on the Tulkarem-Nablus road, impeding civilian access. (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Jubara checkpoint (the southern entrance to the city of Tulkarem) and to impede civilian access. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • <u>Raid:</u> At 13:00, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of ‘Anabta and patrolled the area until 13:50.
QALQILIYA	<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.

	<p>(ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at ‘Azzun ‘Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal detector.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the village of Immatin and east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and ‘Azzun.
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <p>(i) The Israeli army continues to close the Jenin-Nablus main road between the junction to the village of Deir Sharaf and the settlement of Shavei Shomron.</p> <p>(ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades Al Badhan road, which is the north-eastern entrance to the city of Nablus.</p> <p>(iii) The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting the city of Nablus to the town of ‘Asira ash Shamaliya.</p> • Checkpoints: <p>(i) The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing Huwwara, Beit Iba, At Tur Mountain, and Beit Furik checkpoints around the city of Nablus. The Israeli army closes the checkpoints overnight and reopens them at various morning hours.</p> <p>(ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Beit Iba and Huwwara checkpoints and to deny access to civilians between 15 and 30 years of age as well as holders of IDs issued in the districts of Jenin and Tulkarem.</p> • Flying Checkpoints: The Israeli army set up 3 flying checkpoints at the entrances to the town of ‘Asira ash Shamaliya as well as the villages of Talluza and Ijnisinya and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids/Air Patrol: <p>(i) At 13:45, Israeli troops, dispatched by Israeli army combat helicopters, raided and combed the mountainous area located between the town of ‘Asira ash Shamaliya and the villages of Talluza and Al Badhan.</p> <p>(ii) At 02:20, the Israeli army, including 40 jeeps, raided the city of Nablus, opened indiscriminate fire, searched a number of houses, and withdrew at 05:00.</p>
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <p>(i) The Israeli army has continued to close the main north-western entrance to the city of Salfit with dirt barricades since the beginning of the current <i>Intifada</i> (Uprising).</p> <p>(ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the south-eastern entrance to the village of Qarawat Bani Hassan as well as the western entrances to the towns of Bruqin and Deir Istiya and to the village of Marda. The Israeli army also continues to close with cement blocks the western entrance to the town of Kafr ad Dik.</p> • Checkpoints: <p>(i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Deir Ballut checkpoint and to deny civilian access to the town of Kafr ad Dik.</p>

	<p>(ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the Za'tara junction checkpoint and to prevent civilians holding IDs issued in the districts of Jenin and Tulkarem from crossing towards the southern districts of the West Bank.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend near the Green Line in the town of Deir Ballut and the villages of Az Zawiya and Rafat, northwest of the city of Salfit, and in the village of Marda and the town of Kifl Haris north of the settlement of Ari'el.
<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-issued 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-issued IDs. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to close Al Hamra checkpoint set up on the Jericho-Nablus road, denying civilian access, except for farmers holding Jericho-issued IDs. The Israeli army also continues to install a surveillance camera in order to observe the area surrounding the checkpoint.
<p style="text-align: center;">BETHLEHEM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: 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. The Israeli army considers the civilians' residence in the village illegal because they hold West Bank identity cards while their village is located within the Israeli-defined municipal boundaries of Jerusalem. • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close all roads to Road # 60 leading to the city of Jerusalem, thereby isolating the city of Bethlehem from its towns and villages located west of Road # 60. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road connecting the town of Beit Fajjar to the village of Marah Rabah. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the "Container") checkpoint and to deny access to civilian vehicles, except for those possessing access permits. • Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend north of 'Ayda refugee camp and in the Everest area, northwest of the city of Beit Jala. • Attack: At 01:45, the Israeli army fired flares over the area surrounding the village of Al Fureidis. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 19:30, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Tuqu'. Confrontations took place between civilians and the Israeli army, while it was patrolling the area. (ii) At 19:40, and again at 00:35, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided and patrolled the town of Al Khadr. (iii) At 22:50, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Beit Jala and 'Ayda refugee camp and patrolled the area until 23:10.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (iv) At 23:40, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided the city of Beit Sahur, the town of Al 'Ubeidiya, and the village of Beit Ta'mir and patrolled the area until 01:05. (v) At 01:20, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided and patrolled the town of Al 'Ubeidiya and the village of Dar Salah. (vi) At 01:30, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Bethlehem and patrolled the area. • Settler Violence: At 17:40, an Israeli settler vehicle ran over and injured 4-year-old Mohammed 'Imad Salah along Road # 60 near the town of Al Khadr. An Israeli ambulance transported the injured child to an Israeli hospital for medical treatment. • Demonstration: At 13:35, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in the town of Al Khadr in protest against Wall construction.
<p style="text-align: center;">HEBRON</p>	<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: Ash Shuhada' Street and the area of As 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 As Sahleh. (ii) Although it expired on 07 May 2006, the Israeli army continues to implement a military order stipulating the closure of civilian commercial shops on both sides of the road connecting the settlement of Kiryat Arba' to the Ibrahim Mosque in the old city of Hebron. Civilian vehicles continue to be prohibited from travelling along the road unless they possess access permits. Only Israeli settler vehicles are allowed unrestricted access on the road. • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the following locales: the area of Al Hawawir leading to the town of Halhul; 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 entrance to the village of Beit 'Einun; Al Baq'a junction south of the town of Beit 'Awwa; and the entrance to the village of 'Arab ar Ramadin. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to Al Qeisi neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron with cement blocks. • Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend west of the towns of Surif and Beit Ula, south of the towns of Adh Dhahiriya and As Samoa', and southeast of the town of Yatta. The Israeli army has also completed construction of most sections of the Wall in the town of Idhna, from the village of Deir Samit to the town of Beit 'Awwa, from Beit 'Awwa to the village of Al Burj, and in the village of Ar Ramadin.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raids/Physical Assault:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:40, the Israeli army raided the town of Ash Shuyukh, searched 1 house, and beat Ashraf Isma'il Hamdan, after which he was transported to Hebron Public Hospital for medical treatment. (ii) At 18:15, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, set up a checkpoint in the area of Ras Al Jora, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area. (iii) At 23:40, the Israeli army raided the town of Sa'ir. Confrontations took place between civilians and the Israeli army, during which the Israeli army injured 1 civilian. • <u>Settler Violence/Destruction of Property:</u> At 09:30, a group of Israeli settlers set fire to land cultivated with fruit-bearing trees in Tall Rumeida neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron. The land belongs to Rateb Saleem Abu Heikal.
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GAZA STRIP

ALL DISTRICTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beginning on 16 December 2005, the Israeli army has continued to impose a complete closure on the Gaza Strip ostensibly due to Palestinian individuals' firing of mortars towards the Green Line.
NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> Beginning at 18:00 on 28 December 2005, the Israeli army has continued to impose a buffer zone (through open fire as well as artillery and air attacks) in the area near the Green Line, including the area of the debris of evacuated settlements. • <u>Closure of Crossing Point:</u> Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open to foreign nationals, VIPs, and humanitarian cases after prior coordination. • <u>Air Patrol:</u> At 05:00, Israeli army combat helicopters patrolled the skies over the district of Northern Gaza. • <u>Provocation of Palestinian Forces:</u> At 15:30, the Israeli army launched 2 aerostats equipped with surveillance cameras: 1 over Beit Hanun (Erez) Industrial Zone and the other over the area opposite 1 Palestinian National Security location north of the town of Beit Lahiya. • <u>Palestinian Attacks:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:45, 3 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line. (ii) At 13:10, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line, but landed on Palestinian territory. (iii) At 23:15, 2 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line. (iv) At 02:50, 2 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line.
GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Points:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed. (ii) Ash Shuja'iyah (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. • <u>Palestinian Attack:</u> At 08:45, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Air Attack/Destruction of Property:</u> At 22:05, an Israeli army UAV fired 2 missiles towards 1 civilian vehicle near the Ash Shuhada' junction on Salah ad Din Street, extra-judicially killing 2 civilians and destroying the vehicle.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Assassinations:</u> The Israeli army extra-judicially killed 2 civilians near Ash Shuhada' junction: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) 'Imad Yaseen; and (ii) Habeeb 'Ashour.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Palestinian Attacks:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 15:20, 2 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line. (ii) At 16:00, 3 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line.
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 Crossing is partially open in both directions to passengers holding Palestinian IDs, humanitarian cases, as well as Arab and foreign diplomatic missions. (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed. (iv) Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed. • <u>Palestinian Attacks:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 16:10, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line. (ii) At 17:30, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line. • <u>Palestinian Security Measure:</u> At 17:30, Palestinian security forces seized a number of mortars as well as a mortar-launching pad, after having blocked an attempt by armed Palestinian individuals to fire mortars from the area south of Sufa Crossing east of the city of Rafah towards the Green Line.

GENERAL

WORK PERMITS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>West Bank:</u> A total of 1,163 work permits for crossing the Green Line have been delivered by the Israeli authorities to the Palestinian Chambers of Commerce, which sequentially delivered them to the Palestinian employment offices with which the Israeli authorities had suspended contacts. However, the number of permit-holding workers who were allowed to access areas inside the Green Line is unknown. • <u>Gaza Strip:</u> Valid work permits that have been issued by the Israeli authorities for crossing the Green Line total 10, whose holders were allowed to access areas inside the Green Line.
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