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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT 08:00 18 June 2009 – 08:00 19 June 2009

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assault	1	_	1	A civilian beaten in old city of Hebron
Injury	1	_	1	A civilian in the old city of Jerusalem
Attacks	2	1	3	Incl. 1 in a raid and 1 from a mil. post
Raids	26	_	26	Incl. 7 in Ramallah and 4 in Bethlehem
Arrests (per person)	14	_	14	Incl. a Palestinian security officer
Detentions	14	_	14	Incl. 2 Palestinian security officers
Closure of Checkpoints	9	_	9	Access impeded at 6 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	12	_	12	Incl. 3 in Ramallah and 3 in Nablus
House Demolitions	*	_		Notices to demolish 7 houses delivered
Wall Construction	21		21	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Salfit, & Qalqiliya
Destruction of Property	*		_	Notices to cease construction of houses
Confiscation of Property	1	_	1	Medicines and fertilisers seized, Salfit
Closure (per District)	7	_	7	Incl. 4 areas in the city of Hebron
Closure of Main Roads	48	_	48	Incl. 2 in Jerusalem and 3 in Ramallah
Closure of Crossing Points	_	4	4	3 crossing points partially open
Settler Violence	1	_	1	A civilian severely beaten in Jerusalem
Provocation of Pal. Forces	2	_	2	2 security officers served summons
TOTAL	159	5	164	

DISTRICT	EVENTS
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WEST BANK

ALL DISTRICTS

• 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.

• Closure:

- (i) 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.
- (ii) On 05 January 2009, the Israeli authorities issued Military Order # S/02/09 on the closure of and denial of civilian access to the "demarcation area" along the Wall in the area surrounding the city of Jerusalem. Accordingly, local residents and civilians holding permits can access this area through crossings and gates set up at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem. (The demarcation area is defined by a set of military orders relating to land confiscation for Wall construction).
- (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 Beit Iksa due it its geographical significance as it overlooks the city of Jerusalem.

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• Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and dirt barricades the entrance to the village of Jaba'.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the iron gate along the Wall section, separating the area of Dahiyat al Bareed from the town of Ar Ram.
- <u>Checkpoint</u>: 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.

• Raids:

- (i) At dawn on 18 June 2009, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of 'Anata.
- (ii) At 12:00, the Israeli army raided Qalandiya refugee camp. While patrolling the area, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians.
- <u>House Demolitions</u>: On 18 June 2009, the Israeli army distributed notices for the demolition of 7 houses in the neighbourhood of Silwan in the city of Jerusalem, claiming they were built without the required construction licences. The affected houses belong to the families of 'Odeh, Abu Thiyab, Ar Ruweidhi, Abu Sneineh, 'Abbasi, and At Tawil.

• <u>Settler Violence</u>: In the evening of 18 June 2009, a group of Israeli settlers severely beat Mohammed al Hallaq in the old city of Jerusalem, leaving him with injuries and a bone fracture in the arm. Consequently, Al Hallaq was transported to hospital for medical treatment.

• Wall Gates:

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

• <u>Closure of Main Roads</u>: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades and cement blocks the entrances to the town of Sinjil, the village of Saffa; and the junction to the villages of Kafr Malik – 'Ein Samiya.

• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 12:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the entrance to Al Jalazun refugee camp and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 15:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the villages of Kafr Malik and Deir Jarir, searched civilians and vehicles, and arrested 1 civilian.
- (iii) At 16:05, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the vicinity of the village of Sinjil along the Ramallah-Nablus main road and searched civilians and vehicles.

• Raids/Attack:

- (i) At 11:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Bir Zeit. At 02:30, the Israeli army raided the town again, searched 1 house, arrested 1 university student, and withdrew at 03:30.
- (ii) At 12:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Dura al Oar'.
- (iii) At 23:25, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of 'Arura.
- (iv) At 01:25, the Israeli army raided the town of 'Atara and opened indiscriminate fire while patrolling the area.
- (v) At 02:05, the Israeli army raided the village of Kafr Malik and arrested 1 civilian.
- (vi) At 02:35, the Israeli army raided Al Jalazun refugee camp and arrested 1 civilian.

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	 Arrests: At 02:00 on 17 June 2009, the Israeli army arrested 2 civilians during its raid into the town of 'Arura, in addition to those reported yesterday: Husam Jamil Mahmoud Khassib; and Bilal Mahmoud Bakr Saleh. Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up in the area between the villages of Kafr Malik and Deir Jarir arrested 'Isa Radhwan Shouman. The Israeli army arrested Adham Omar Abu 'Arqoub in the town of Bir Zeit. The Israeli army arrested Mohammed Hasan al Hajj in the village of Kafr Malik. The Israeli army arrested Bajes Khalil Nakhleh in Al Jalazun refugee camp. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues west of 'Abud town and in the areas of Al Midya to Ni'lin and Ni'lin to Deir Qaddis.
JENIN	 Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan. Raids: At 01:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Kufeirit. At 01:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Jaba'. At 01:40, the Israeli army raided the town of Al Yamun, searched 1 house, and withdrew at 02:30. At 02:50, the Israeli army raided the village of Kafr Dan, searched 2 houses, and served summons to a number of civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. At 03:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits, which affects the educational and health conditions of civilians living behind the Wall.
TUBAS	Checkpoint: Though allowing civilian access to the Northern Jordan Valley between 06:00 and 22:00, the Israeli army continues to close Tayasir checkpoint east of the town of Tubas.
TULKAREM	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western entrance to the village of Shufa. The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road connecting the town of Kafr al Labad to the village of Shufa. Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at 'Einav checkpoint set up on Tulkarem-Nablus main road. Raids: At 19:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Kafr al Labad.

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	 (ii) At 21:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of 'Anabta. (iii) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Kafr Zibad. Arrest: At 22:20 on 17 June 2009, the Israeli army arrested Dhiya' Jum'ah Abu Rabee', a high school student, during its raid into the city of Tulkarem, as was reported yesterday. Wall Gates: Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
QALQILYA	 Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun. Raid: At 00:40, the Israeli army raided the village of An Nabi Elyas and searched a number of houses. Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a detector. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues south of the town of Jayyus as well as near the settlement of Alfe Menashe in the villages of Ras Tira, Magharet ad Dab'a, and Wadi ar Rasha south of the city of Qalqiliya.
NABLUS	Closure of Main Roads: (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the roads of Sarra-Jit; Till-Burin; Beit Furik-Salem; the road between the town of 'Aqraba and the main road; and the eastern entrance to the village of Al Lubban Ash Sharqiya. The Israeli army also continues to close with dirt barricades the road between the villages of Til 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; and the settler bypass road connecting the village of Deir al Hatab to the settlement of Alon Moreh. (ii) Beginning at 16:00 on 16 June 2009, the Israeli army has continued to close with cement blocks a main entrance to the village of Majdal Bani Fadil, connecting it to the towns of 'Aqraba and Qabalan and the village of Osarin. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus: (i) At Tur neighbourhood checkpoint (set up on Jerzim Mount) is closed on Fridays and Saturdays as well as during Jewish holidays. On all other days, it is open for civilian residents of the neighbourhood only between 07:00 and 02:00. (ii) At Huwwara checkpoint, access to civilians is allowed between 05:00 and 24:00 and to civilian vehicles around the clock.

- (iii) At Beit Furik checkpoint, civilian access is allowed between 05:00 and 23:00.
- (iv) At 'Awarta commercial checkpoint, civilians are allowed to cross between 05:00 and 20:00, but between 05:00 and 15:00 on Fridays. All civilian vehicles are allowed to access the city of Nablus, but only commercial vehicles and ambulances can leave the city through the checkpoint.

• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 14:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the junction to the village of Al Lubban ash Sharqiya and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 18:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the city of Nablus and the town of 'Asira ash Shamaliya and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iii) At 18:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint along Al Badhan road (the eastern entrance to the city of Nablus) and searched civilians and vehicles.
- Raid: At 18:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Balata refugee camp in the city of Nablus.
- Arrests: On 16 June 2009, the Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in 'Askar refugee camp in the city of Nablus:
- (i) Mohammed Jamal Khadher;
- (ii) 'Uthman Abdul Haleem; and
- (iii) Fawzi Mohammed Bushkar.
- (iv) At 02:15 on 18 June 2009, the Israeli army arrested Shadi Ziyad Khalil al Ghaleeth during its raid into the city of Nablus, in addition to those reported yesterday.

• Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the northern entrance to the city of Salfit.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and iron gates the northern entrance to the town of Bruqin and the western entrance to the town of Kafr Ad Dik.
- <u>Checkpoint</u>: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions and impede civilian access at the Za'tara junction checkpoint.
- <u>Flying Checkpoint</u>: At 21:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the city of Salfit and searched civilians and vehicles until 22:00.
- Raid/Confiscation of Property: At 24:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Salfit, searched 1 house as well as 1 commercial shop, and confiscated medicines and fertilisers. At 01:20, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
- <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 Haris north of the settlement of Ariel.

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JERICHO	 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 at Al Hamra checkpoint set up along Al Badhan road connecting the districts of Jericho and Nablus. However, the Israeli army allows civilian access between 06:00 and 22:00. The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the junction to the village of Al 'Auja along Al-Mu'arrajat road that connects the districts of Jericho and Ramallah, only allowing access to civilians whose IDs indicate that their place of residence of the district of Jericho as well as to others holding access permits. Flving Checkpoint: At 16:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Al 'Auja and searched civilians and vehicles. Arrest: At 21:45, Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint set up on the junction to the village of Al 'Auja arrested Ibrahim Ahmed Ka'abneh, a Palestinian National Security officer. Provocation of Palestinian Forces: At 13:30, Israeli troops positioned on Al Karama (Allenby) Bridge served a summons to Mohammed 'Ata 'Odeh Subh, a Palestinian National Security officer, to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. Subh was on his way back from Jordan.
ВЕТНІЕНЕМ	 Closure: (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) According to Military Order # 07/02/S, the Israeli army has continued since 15 September 2007 to deny civilian access to an area measuring 22 dunums (5.436 acres) of land in the area of Mazmuriya in the cities of Beit Sahur and Bethlehem. The land was confiscated pursuant to Military Order # 07/31/T. Closure of Main Roads: In addition to 2 side roads east and south of the village of Al Walaja, the Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the roads of Beit Jala-Wadi Ahmad; Talita-Nazlat as Sidr in the city of Beit Jala; Al Khadr -Road # 60; Al Khadr -Beit Jala Housing Project; Wadi Rahhal-Efrat; and the side road east of the town of Beit Fajjar. Checkpoint: On 18 June 2009, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the 'Container') checkpoint and impeded civilian access. Raids: (i) At 20:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Al Khadr.

- (ii) At 02:45, the Israeli army raided the village of Battir and arrested 1 civilian.
- (iii) At 03:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the cities of Bethlehem and Beit Jala.
- <u>Arrest</u>: The Israeli army arrested Mohammed 'Eid Khalil Abu Nussiyyeh in the village of Battir.
- <u>Detentions</u>: At 11:45, Israeli troops positioned at As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the 'Container') checkpoint detained 2 Palestinian security officers. Before releasing them, Israeli troops served a summons to Mohammed 'Atiyyeh 'Ubayyat, a Palestinian National Security, to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the town of Al Khadr; northwest of the city of Beit Jala; in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of Ifrat settlement; and in the area surrounding the village of Al Walaja.

• Closure:

- (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. 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) The Israeli army continues to prevent civilian vehicles from travelling along the road connecting the settlement of Kiryat Arba' to the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron.
- (iii) On 05 January 2009, the Israeli army issued Military Order # 09/06/S for closure of the area located along the Green Line south of the town of Yatta, evacuation of civilian residents, and prevention of civilian access to the area. According to Military Orders # 05/03/T and 05/04/T, land in this area was confiscated for Wall construction.

• Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to the town of As Samoa'; the area of Al Hawawir leading to the town of Halhul; the road connecting the town of Surif to the village of Al Jab'a; the eastern entrance to the village of Kharsa; the entrance to the Al Qeisi neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron; as well as the entrances to Al 'Arrub refugee camp, the village of At Tuwani, and the town of Adh Dhahiriya.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from travelling along Ash Shalala Old Street in the old city of Hebron.
- (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road between the villages of Al Karmil and At Tuwani and all roads leading to Road # 60.

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(iv) The Israeli army continues to open the iron gate on the Farsh Al Hawa junction to Road # 35, which leads to Tarqumiya Crossing, from 05:00 until 07:00 and from 09:00 until 13:00.

• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 10:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the area of Al Fahs south of the city of Hebron and searched civilians.
- (ii) At 15:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to the town of Halhul, closed the iron gate on the overpass, denied civilian access, and reopened it at a later time.
- <u>Physical Assault</u>: Israeli troops severely beat Hussein Abdul 'Aziz Abu Hadeed near the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron, leaving him with contusion. Consequently, Abu Hadeed was transported to hospital for medical treatment.

• Raids:

- (i) At 14:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Khirbet Al Hijra and distributed notices for the cessation of construction of 5 houses belonging to the village of Al Masharqah.
- (ii) At 20:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Hebron.
- (iii) At 01:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit 'Awwa and served a summons to a civilian to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency.
- Arrest: At 18:30, the Israeli army arrested Mohammed Mahmoud al Atrash near the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron, allegedly because he was in possession of a knife.
- Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the section of Tarqumiya checkpoint terminal and in the area between southeast of the village of 'Arab ar Ramadin and the village of Imneizil.

At 02:00 on 18 January 2009, the unilateral ceasefire declared by the

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Israeli authorities came into effect. At a later time on the same day, armed Palestinian groups announced an agreement to cease fire for a week. Later, armed Palestinian groups extended the ceasefire until 05 **ALL** February 2009. Despite the fact that the extension period expired, the DISTRICTS ceasefire continues to hold pending negotiations carried out by Egypt. Violation of the Ceasefire: The Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location on the Green Line towards agricultural land and civilian houses in the area surrounding Sufa Crossing in the district of Rafah. **NORTHERN** Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open for previously-coordinated humanitarian cases and foreign nationals. **GAZA Closure of Crossing Points**: **GAZA** Al-Muntar (Karni) Crossing is closed. (i) Al-Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is partially for transportation of fuel. (ii)

CENTRAL GAZA	Activities not reported.
KHAN YUNIS	Activities not reported.
RAFAH	 Closure of Crossing Points: Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. Rafah (Al 'Awdah) Crossing is closed. Sufa Crossing is closed. Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is partially for transportation of food supplies and humanitarian aid. Attack: At dawn on 19 June 2009, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location on the Green Line towards agricultural land and civilian houses in the area surrounding Sufa Crossing northeast of the city of Rafah.

GENERAL

POLITCAL PRISONERS	 Sentences: The Israeli military court at Salem Military Camp entered sentences against the following political prisoners: Murad Suheil, a resident of the town of 'Azzun in the district of Qalqiliya, for 10 years in prison; Mu'taz Abdul Mannan Jum'ah, a resident of the village of Kafr Qaddum in the district of Qalqiliya, for 34 months in prison along with a fine of ILS 2,000 (approximately USD 500); and Bary Zuheir, a resident of the town of Deir al Ghusun in the district of Tulkarem, for 31 months in prison along with a fine of ILS 2,000 (approximately USD 500). In addition, the Israeli military court at Salem Military Camp postponed the trial of 6 other political prisoners. Extension of Administrative Detention: The Israeli military court 'Ofar Detention and Interrogation Centre extended the administrative detention (arrest without charge or trial) 	
	with a fine of ILS 2,000 (approximately USD 500); and (iii) Bary Zuheir, a resident of the town of Deir al Ghusun in the district of Tulkarem, for 31 months in prison along with a fine of ILS 2,000 (approximately USD 500). In addition, the Israeli military court at Salem Military Camp postponed the trial of 6 other political prisoners. • Extension of Administrative Detention: (i) The Israeli military court 'Ofar Detention and Interrogation Centre	
	prisoners. (iii) The Israeli military court at Al Jalama Detention Camp extended the administrative detention against 13 political prisoners and put off the trial of 2 others.	