مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT 08:00 18 June 2011 – 08:00 19 June 2011

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES	
Physical Assaults	3	_	3	Incl. a journalist hit by a gas grenade	
Attacks	4	1	5	4 in confrontations and 1 by the navy	
Raids	20	_	20	Incl. 6 in Bethlehem and 5 in Hebron	
Arrests (per Person)	4	_	4	Incl. a child	
Detentions	14	_	14	Incl. 2 peace activists & 2 security officers	
Destruction of Property	2	_	2	Water tanks and satellite dishes damaged	
Attacks on Property	*	_	_	Notices to demolish makeshift houses	
Closure of Checkpoints	8	_	8	Incl. access impeded at 5 checkpoints	
Flying Checkpoints	22		22	Incl. 4 in Jerusalem and 5 in Tulkarem	
Closure (per District)	8		8	Incl. Jerusalem and 5 areas in Hebron	
Closure of Main Roads	44	_	44	Incl. 10 in Nablus and 14 in Hebron	
Closure of Crossing Points	_	6	6	Rafah Crossing open to civilians	
Settler Violence	2		2	A civilian beaten and house attacked	
Demonstrations	2		2	Against settler violence and land grab	
TOTAL	133	7	140		

DISTRICT EVENTS

WEST BANK

• Closure:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to Jerusalem city and to prevent civilians from other Palestinian districts from entering the city, only allowing access to civilians holding special permits.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the 'demarcation area' along the Wall in the area surrounding Jerusalem city and restrict access to the area to local residents as well as to civilians holding special permits.
- (iii) The Israeli army continues to impose a blockade and deny civilian access to a hill between Biddu and Beit Iksa villages.

• 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.
- (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with an iron gate the eastern entrance to Beit Iksa village and force civilians to access Jerusalem city through Qalandiya checkpoint.
- <u>Checkpoint</u>: The Israeli authorities continue to consider Qalandiya checkpoint a "border crossing point" and designates a special crossing lane for holders of Jerusalem IDs and those possessing permits to access Jerusalem city.
- Attack: At 17:55, the Israeli army fired tear gas grenades on civilians near Jaffa Gate in the old city of Jerusalem, allegedly for throwing stones.

• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 11:05, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to 'Anata town, searched civilian vehicles, and arrested a civilian.
- (ii) At 16:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Mikhmas village and searched civilians and vehicles.

• Arrests:

- (i) At 00:15, Israeli troops positioned at Jaba' checkpoint set up on the road connecting Jerusalem, Ramallah, and Jericho districts arrested three unidentified civilians.
- (ii) Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up on the junction to 'Anata town arrested Mohammed Khalil 'Odeh al Huroub.

• Wall Gates:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the Wall gate in Abu Dis town.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to deny civilian access through the Wall gate on Ash Shayyah road in the area between As Sawahira ash Sharqiya and As Sawahira al Gharbiya villages, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem IDs to cross, after subjecting them to thorough searches using electronic devices.

JERUSALEM

	 Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the area north of Qalandiya village; south of Az Za'ayyem village; and in Wadi al 'Eizariya west of Ma'ale Adumim settlement.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to Sinjil town and Saffa village as well as the junction to Kafr Malik and 'Ein Samiya villages. Flying Checkpoint: At 16:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to At Tayba town on the road connecting Ramallah and Jericho districts and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids: In the evening of 18 June 2011, the Israeli army raided Bil'in village. While patrolling the area, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. At 00:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Beit Liqya town. Meantime, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the area west of 'Abud town in the area surrounding 'Ofarim settlement and north of Al Lubban al Gharbi and Rantis villages.
JENIN	 Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of Dotan settlement. Raids: At 15:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Kafr Ra'i town and Fahma village. 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 intensify its restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint east of the city of Tubas. Raid/Attacks on Property: On 16 June 2011, the Israeli army raided Al Hadidiya village in the Northern Jordan Valley area. Giving them a respite until 05 August 2011, the Israeli army distributed notices for the demolition of barracks and makeshift houses belonging to four families. Owners of the affected structures included: Abdullah Hafeth Bani 'Odeh; Saleh Yousef Bisharat; Ali Abu Sari Bisharat; and Abdul Rahim Bisharat.
TULKAREM	Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road connecting Kafr al Labad town to Shufa village as well as the road connecting Shufa and 'Izbat Shufa villages. The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the detour road leading to Ramin village along the Tulkarem-Nablus main road.

•	Checkpoint: The	Israeli army con	tinues to intensify	restrictions and	impede
	civilian access at	'Einav checkpoi	nt on the Tulkaren	n-Nablus main r	oad.

• Flying Checkpoints/Detention:

- (i) At 10:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Kafriyat road connecting Tulkarem and Qalqiliya districts and searched civilians and vehicles. Israeli troops also detained Yousef Mohammed ash Shafi'i and released him after coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO). At 15:10, the Israeli army set up another checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 14:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Far'un village and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iii) At 16:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Baqa ash Sharqiya town and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iv) At 17:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Qaffin town and searched civilians and vehicles.
- Raid: At 23:50, the Israeli army raided Dahiyat Shuweika in Tulkarem city and searched a house.
- <u>Wall Gates</u>: Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Land levelling for adjustment of the Wall route was suspended for the weekend in the area surrounding Jubara village. According to an Israeli High Court decision, the new Wall route will be constructed west of the village.

• <u>Closure of Roads</u>: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun.

• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 08:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Qalqiliya city and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 10:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Jit village and searched civilians and vehicles.
- Raid: At 18:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled 'Azzun town.

• Wall Gates:

(i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal detector

- (ii) The Israeli army continues close with an iron gate the entrance to the village of Wadi ar Rasha and to deny civilian access. The Israeli army allows residents to access the village through Gate #109. Having removed the iron gate at the entrance to the village of Ras 'Atiya, the Israeli army only allows students to cross to their schools outside the village through the Habla gate.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in Kafr Laqif village north of Karnei Shomron settlement; in Immatin village northeast of Imanuel settlement; and east of Kafr Thulth town near Ma'ale Shomron settlement.

QALQILYA

Closure of Main Roads: (i) The Israeli army continues to close the roads of Till-Burin and Beit Furik-Salem; the settler bypass road connecting the village of Deir al Hatab to the settlement of Alon Moreh; the road connecting the town of 'Aqraba to the village of Osarin; and the detour road between the town of Qabalan and the village of Osarin. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the northern entrance to the town of Qabalan; the southern entrances to the town of Jamma'in and the villages of Duma and Qaryut; and the western entrance to An Nagura village opposite the settlement of Shavei Shomron. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus: At Tur neighbourhood checkpoint (set up on Jerzim Mount) is closed (i) 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. **NABLUS** At 'Awarta commercial checkpoint, civilians are allowed to cross (ii) between 05:00 and 20:00, but between 05:00 and 15:00 on Fridays. All vehicles can access the city of Nablus, but only commercial vehicles and ambulances can leave the city through the checkpoint. Flying Checkpoint: At 22:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Beit Furik town and searched civilians and vehicles. Raid: At 23:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Al Badhan village. Arrest: On 17 June 2011, the Israeli army arrested 16-year-old 'Ubadah Fat'hi Mustafa Qitt in Madama village, allegedly for throwing stones. **Demonstration:** At 18:000, a mass demonstration, international peace activists, took place in 'Iraq Burin village in protest against land confiscation for construction of Israeli settlement projects. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during which a number of participants sustained injuries as a result of tear gas inhalation. A tear gas grenade hit Wajdi Mohammed Ishtayyeh, a journalist, leaving him with contusions in the hand. **Closure of Main Roads:** The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the northern (i) entrance to Salfit city and with cement blocks the northern entrance to the Brugin town. The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the entrance to (ii) two detour roads connecting Marda village to respective farmland. (iii) Beginning on 14 November 2010, the Israeli army has continued to **SALFIT** open the northern entrance to Salfit city to civilian buses only. The entrance had been closed for seven years. **Checkpoint:** The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions and impede civilian access at the Za'tara junction checkpoint. **Raid:** At 01:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Bruqin town. Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the area north of Deir Istiya town southeast of Emmanuel settlement.

JERICHO	 Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between Jericho city and Al 'Auja village with cement blocks. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Al Hamra checkpoint set up along Al Badhan road connecting Jericho and Nablus districts, only allowing access to residents of Jericho district of the Jordan Valley area. The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the junction to Al 'Auja village along Al-Mu'arrajat road connecting Jericho and Ramallah districts, only allowing access to residents of Jericho district as well as to others holding access permits. Flying Checkpoints: At 13:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to Jericho city and searched civilians and vehicles. At 14:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Al 'Auja village and searched civilians and vehicles.
BETHLEHEM	 Closure: The Israeli army continues to close roads to An Nu'man village, with the exception of the road leading to the Wall gate in the southeastern area of the village. Beginning on 15 September 2007, the Israeli army has continued to prevent civilians from accessing or staying on 22 dunums of confiscated land in Al Mazmuriya area in Beit Sahur and Bethlehem cities. Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close the Beit Jala-Wadi Ahmed road; a road east of Beit Fajjar town; the road connecting Tuqu' town to Khirbet al Baq'a village; and the detour road connecting Wadi Fukin and Al Jab'a villages. Checkpoint: At 09:50, the Israeli army intensified restrictions at As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the 'Container') checkpoint and impeded civilian access. Flving Checkpoints/Detention: At 10:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in 'Ush Ghurab area east of Beit Sahur city and searched civilians and vehicles. At 16:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near Dar Salah village at the eastern entrance to Beit Sahur city and searched civilians and vehicles until 17:40. At 21:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the junction to Kfar 'Etzion settlement on the Bethlehem-Hebron main road and searched civilians and vehicles. Israeli troops also detained Tawfiq Jihad Bakr Yousef, a Palestinian National Security officer, and released him at 22:05 after coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO).

• Raids/Attack/Detention:

- (i) At 22:10, the Israeli army raided Tuqu' town and fired flares while it was patrolling the area.
- (ii) At 23:15, the Israeli army raided Abu Nujeim village, detained Yousef Ali Rabay'ah, and released him at a later time.
- (iii) At 01:20, the Israeli army raided Bethlehem and Beit Sahur cities as well as Ad Duheisha and 'Ayda refugee camps. The Israeli army patrolled these areas until 04:05.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the area northwest of Beit Jala city; around Al Walaja village; and east of Efrat settlement.

• Closure:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close Ash Shuhada' Street, As Sahleh and Khuzq al Far areas, and the old gold market in the old city of Hebron. In addition to closing the entrance to Al Qeisi neighbourhood, the Israeli army continues to close the entrances to the area of Al Hisba (the fruits and vegetables market) with an iron gate and Al Laban Market with iron plates.
- (ii) Beginning on 05 January 2009, the Israeli army has continued to close the area located along the Green Line south of the town of Yatta. Having seized land for Wall construction, the Israeli army evacuated residents and denied civilian access to the area.

• Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to Adh Dhahiriya and As Samoa' towns, Al 'Arrub refugee camp, and At Tuwani and Al Karmil villages.
- (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 all roads leading to Road # 60 as well as detour roads along the settler bypass road leading to Yatta town.

• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 11:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Fawwar junction and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 19:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to Halhul town and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iii) At 19:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Ar Ramadin village and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iv) At 21:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Adh Dhahiriya town and searched civilians and vehicles.

• Raids:

- (i) At 10:35, and again at 17:20, and at 19:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Hebron city.
- (ii) At 12:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Idhna town.
- (iii) At 17:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Dura town.

Hebron

• Settler Violence/Destruction of Property:

- (i) At 16:10, a group of Israeli settlers severely beat Anas Hashem Abu Halaweh along Ash Shalala Street in the old city of Hebron. Consequently, Abu Halaweh was transported to hospital for treatment of contusions sustained.
- (ii) At 23:40, a group of Israeli settlers attacked a house belonging to 'Amer al Karaki in the old city of Hebron. Settlers damaged water tanks and satellite dishes on the house roof.
- <u>Demonstration/Physical Assaults/Detentions</u>: At 13:00, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place on civilian farmland near Karmei Tzur settlement in Beit Ummar town in protest against Israeli settler vehicle and land confiscation. While intercepting the demonstration, Israeli troops severely beat a number of protestors. As a result, two civilians, including a child, sustained contusions. Israeli troops also detained town international peace activists.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the area surrounding Eshkolot settlement west of Adh Dhahiriya town.

GAZA STRIP

ALL DISTRICTS

- At 02:00 on 18 January 2009, the unilateral ceasefire declared by the Israeli authorities came into effect. At a later time on the same day, armed Palestinian groups announced an agreement to cease fire. The ceasefire has been further renewed on 10 April 2011.
- <u>Violation of the Ceasefire</u>: The Israeli navy opened fire on Palestinian fishing boats at sea off the beach of Northern Gaza district.

NORTHERN GAZA

- Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing was closed.
- Attack: At dawn on 18 June 2011, the Israeli navy opened fire on Palestinian fishing boats at sea off the As Sudaniya beach west of Beit Lahiya town.

GAZA

- Closure of Crossing Points:
- (i) Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 02 March 2011, the Crossing has been effectively closed upon an Israeli unilateral decision.
- (ii) Ash Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 04 January 2010, the Crossing has been closed upon an Israeli unilateral decision.

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 was open to civilians arriving from Egypt and to those departing the Gaza Strip. Sufa Crossing is closed. Karm Abu Salem (Karem Shalom) Crossing was closed. 		