مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT 08:00 19 June 2005 – 08:00 20 June 2005

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Death	_	1	1	1 armed Palestinian individual
Physical Assaults	4	_	4	Incl. 3 civilians severely beaten
Attacks	3	16	19	Incl. 3 during raids & 16 from posts
Raids	19	1	20	Incl. 2 in Ramallah & 3 in Tulkarem
Arrests (per person)	12	_	12	Incl. 2 children and 1 female civilian
Detentions	11	_	11	At checkpoints & in residential areas
House Demolitions	*	_		3 house demolition notices distributed
Wall Construction	23	_	23	Incl. Jer., Ramallah, Beth., & Hebron
Destruction of Property	1	_	1	1 taxi damaged on Tammun junction
Curfews	2	_	2	Baqa ash Sharqiya and Beit Furik
Checkpoints	(All)	_	(All)	
Flying Checkpoints	16	_	16	Incl. 1 in Jenin & 3 in Nablus
Closure (per District)	5	_	5	Incl. Jerusalem and Jericho (partially)
Closure of Main Roads	(Unidentified)	(9)		Incl. 3 partially
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)	_	(All)	Incl. searches at 'Azzun 'Atma
Closure of Crossing Points	_	2	2	Both closed completely
Settlement Activity	*	_		Tenders to construct housing units
Settler Violence	2	_	2	Olive trees set on fire in Deir al Hatab
Provocation of Pal. Forces	3	3	6	1 tank positioned near 1 Pal. post
Palestinian Attacks	1	7	8	Incl. 1 anti-tank mortar fired
TOTAL	102	30	132	

DISTRICT EVENT

WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	 Closure: Israeli troops positioned at checkpoints set up at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem continue to prevent civilians from other districts from entering the city. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Qalandiya and An Nabi Samwil checkpoints and impede civilian access. Wall Gates: The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Dahiyat al Aqbat, from the village of Hizma to 'Anata, the Hizma-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, and in the areas of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina. Arrest: Israeli troops positioned at Qalandiya checkpoint arrested Rajeh Taher Rajeh. Settlement Activity: The Israeli Ministry of Housing announced that, by the end of this year, it would invite tenders for construction of 700 housing units for Israeli settlers in the city of Jerusalem, including 300 units in the settlement of Ma'ale Adumim and 400 in the settlement of Beitar 'Ilit.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	 Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the areas of Al Midya to Budrus, Al Midya to Ni'lin, Bil'in to Saffa, in the village of Beit Liqya, and in the town of Beituniya. Flying Checkpoint/Detention: At 16:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Shuqba, searched civilian vehicles, and detained civilians. Raid: At 10:15, the Israeli army raided a neighbourhood in the city of El Bireh. At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the city again, set up a checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles until 02:10.
JENIN	 Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. Flying Checkpoint/Destruction of Property: At 13:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the town of Tammun, arrested 4 civilians, including 1 female civilian, and caused damage to 1 taxi. Raids/Detention: At 24:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Tubas and patrolled the area until 06:30. At 01:50, the Israeli army, including 15 jeeps, raided the city of Jenin, opened indiscriminate fire, detained 1 civilian for several hours, and arrested 1 child. At 02:35, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.

- <u>Arrests</u>: Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up on the junction to the town of Tammun arrested 4 civilians:
- (i) Iyad Ahmed Saba'neh;
- (ii) Bassem Mohammed Ibrahim;
- (iii) Ziyad Masalmeh; and
- (iv) 1 unidentified female civilian.
- (v) The Israeli army arrested Raed Abu al Hayja, 15 years old, in the city of Jenin.
- <u>Wall Gates</u>: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
- Flying Checkpoints/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:
- (i) At 08:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint between the town of Bal'a and the village of Al 'Atara, searched civilians and vehicles, and arrested 1 civilian.
- (ii) At 10:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Ja'run-Shuweika junction opposite a Palestinian National Security checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iii) At 12:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area of As Suwwana, opposite a Palestinian National Security checkpoint southeast of the city of Tulkarem, and searched civilians and vehicles.

• Raids/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:

- (i) At 08:50, the Israeli army raided Area (B) in Dahiyat Shuweika in the city of Tulkarem, set up a checkpoint in the centre of Dahiyat Shuweika, searched civilian vehicles, and examined civilians' IDs. The Israeli army also fired 1 sound grenade outside the Palestinian Police station in Dahiyat Shuweika while patrolling the area.
- (ii) At 20:15, an Israeli army patrol raided Palestinian Authority-controlled territory (according to the Palestinian interpretation of the agreement regarding the transfer of security responsibility for the district of Tulkarem) in the town of 'Illar, and patrolled the area.
- <u>Arrest</u>: Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up between the town of Bal'a and the village of Al 'Atara arrested an unidentified civilian.
- Palestinian Attack/Raid/Curfew: At 05:50, armed Palestinian individuals opened fire towards a settler vehicle travelling along the road between the settlement of Hermesh and the town of Baqa al Sharqiya, injuring 2 Israeli settlers. The Israeli army raided the town of Baqa ash Sharqiya, imposed curfew, set up 1 checkpoint at the entrance to the town and another checkpoint in the area of Ash Sha'rawiya, and searched civilians and vehicles. The Israeli army remained positioned in the area as of 08:00 this morning.

TULKAREM

Wall Gates: (i) Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma (ii) Wall gate and search civilians with a metal detector. Flying Checkpoint: At 12:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at **QALQILYA** the entrance to the city of Qalqiliya and arrested 1 civilian. Raid: The Israeli army raided and patrolled the villages of Khirbet Wadi ar Rasha and Ras Tira, located behind the Wall. **Arrest:** Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up at the entrance to the city of Qalqiliya arrested Saed Ali Abu Qamar. **Checkpoint:** At 11:30, the Israeli army closed Huwwara checkpoint set up south of the city of Nablus after arresting 1 child, preventing civilians from crossing in both directions. A cardboard box the child was carrying drew the troops' suspicion, after which it was destroyed (using explosives). At 12:20, the Israeli army reopened the checkpoint. **Flying Checkpoints:** At 16:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to (i) the town of 'Agraba and searched civilians and vehicles. At 19:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to (ii) the village of Salim east of the city of Nablus, searched civilian vehicles, and impeded civilian movement until 20:00. Physical Assault/Detention: Israeli troops positioned at the entrance to the village of Burga severely beat 3 civilians, after detaining them for over 2 hours. Raids/Curfew: **NABLUS** At 22:20, the Israeli army, including 1 tank and 1 jeep, raided the town (i) of Beit Iba, set up a checkpoint on the junction to the village of Zawata, and searched civilians and vehicles until 23:00. (ii) At 00:15, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided the town of Beit Furik, fired sound grenades, and imposed curfew. At 00:50, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the city of Nablus (iii) and patrolled the area until 01:30. **Arrests:** Israeli troops positioned at Huwwara checkpoint arrested Mohammed (i) Farhan Hashash, 15 years old. At 16:25, Israeli troops positioned at 'Awarta checkpoint arrested (ii) Zaher Fiddi Khalifah. Settler Violence: At 16:00, a group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of Alon Moreh set fire to olive trees on civilian land belonging to the village of Deir al Hatab east of the city of Nablus.

Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the (i) northeastern entrance to the city of Salfit through the village of Yasuf. The Israeli army opens the road from 06:00 until 18:00 only. The Israeli army continues to close the main northwestern entrance to (ii) the city of Salfit with dirt barricades. The road has been closed since the beginning of the current *Intifada* (Uprising). **Checkpoints:** The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at the town of Deir (i) Ballut checkpoint, impeding civilian movement. The Israeli army **SALFIT** closes the checkpoint overnight and opens it at various times in the morning. (ii) The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Za'tara checkpoint and prevented civilians, except professionals that can prove employment, from crossing. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the town of Deir Ballut near the Green Line, in the villages of Az Zawiya and Rafat, north of the city of Salfit, and between the village of Marda and the settlement of Ari'el. Closure: The road between the city of Jericho and the village of Al 'Auja (Road # 90) is closed with cement blocks. The Israeli army continues to prevent farmers not holding Jericho IDs from reaching their agricultural land, forcing them to apply for access permits. At various times, the Israeli army also impeded civilian movement into the city of Jericho. Checkpoint/Detention: At 18:30, Israeli troops positioned at Al Hamra **JERICHO** checkpoint set up along the Jericho-Nablus road detained 3 civilians, after confiscating an illegal vehicle they were driving, allegedly for locating an explosive device in the vehicle. Israeli troops arrested the vehicle driver, after releasing the other civilians. Arrest: Israeli troops positioned at Al Hamra checkpoint set up along the Jericho-Nablus road arrested an unidentified civilian. **Closure:** The Israeli army continues to close the only road leading to the village of Al Nu'man, in the northeastern Bethlehem district, isolating the village and placing it, together with the adjacent village of Al Khas, under the jurisdiction of the Jerusalem municipality. The Israeli army considers the civilian presence in the villages illegal. **BETHLEHEM** Wall Construction: Wall construction continues north of 'Ayda refugee camp towards the area north of the city of Beit Jala, and west of the village of Husan. Physical Assault: Israeli Police forces assaulted Bilal 'Ayesh 'Uweidhah in the vicinity of Beit Shemesh inside the Green Line. At 00:30, 'Uweidhah was admitted to Bethlehem Public Hospital.

	• Raids: (i) At 09:40, an Israeli army patrol raided the village of Dar Salah, set up a checkpoint, and searched civilians and vehicles until 09:55.
	(ii) At 23:20, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Al Khadr and Ad Duheisha refugee camp and patrolled the area.
HEBRON	 Closure: (i) The Israeli army continues to close Ash Shuhada' Street and the area of As Sahleh in the H2 section of the city of Hebron with cement blocks and barbed wire, denying civilians and vehicles access. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close Ash Shallala Street with cement blocks. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues west of the town of Surif to Beit Ula, in the town of Idhna, from the village of Deir Samit to Beit 'Awwa, from Beit 'Awwa to the village of Al Burj, and south of the towns of Adh Dhahiriya and As Samoa'. Flving Checkpoint: At 10:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Kharsa and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids: (i) At 10:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, set up a checkpoint in the area of Nimrah, and searched civilians and vehicles. At 18:30, and again at 22:50, the Israeli army raided the city again and patrolled the area. (ii) At 22:50, the Israeli army, including 3 jeeps, raided and patrolled the town of Bani Na'im. Arrest: On 19 June 2005, the Israeli army arrested Mu'taz Omar 'Adawi in the town of Kharas. House Demolitions: The Israeli army distributed notices to demolish 3 houses in the area of 'Arab al Hathalin, east of the town of Yatta, belonging to: (i) Yasser 'Eilet Jamil al Hathalin; (ii) Shu'ayb Khalil al Hathalin; (iii) Khalil Shu'ayb Khalil al Hathalin. Settler Violence: A group of Israeli settlers cut down dozens of olive and plum trees in the area of Wadi al Hussain in the vicinity of the city of Hebron.

GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA

- <u>Closure</u>: Beit Hanun Crossing is closed
- <u>Attack</u>: At 09:55, the Israeli army opened fire from its location in the settlement of Eli Sinai towards civilian houses near the settlement.

	• Palestinian Attack: At 02:55, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line, but landed on a civilian house located a few meters from where it was fired. 2 civilians were critically injured.
GAZA	 Closure: Ash Shuhada' (Nitsareem) Junction remains closed. Ash Shuhada' Junction-Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing road is closed. Palestinian Attacks: At 01:05, 2 Qassam mortars were fired towards the settlement of Nitsareem. At 02:55, 2 mortars were fired towards the settlement of Nitsareem.
CENTRAL GAZA	 Palestinian Attacks: (i) At 22:15, 2 Qassam mortars were fired towards the settlement of Kfar Darom. The Israeli army responded by opening indiscriminate fire and firing flares towards Palestinian territory. (ii) At 02:50, armed Palestinian individuals attempted to fire 3 mortars from the area of An Nuseirat. All 3 mortars exploded in the area from which they were fired.
KHAN YUNIS	 Closure: (i) Abu Al 'Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) is closed. (ii) Western road (Khan Yunis) is closed. (iii) Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis road (At Tuffah checkpoint) is partially open. (iv) Deir al Balah junction to Abu Holi checkpoint (Kfar Darom road) is closed. (v) Morag road, connecting Khan Yunis' eastern and western roads, is closed. Attacks: (i) At 17:25, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 9 towards Palestinian territory in West Khan Yunis refugee camp in the city of Khan Yunis. (ii) At 02:35, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 163 on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory east of the village of 'Abasan as Saghira.
RAFAH	 Closure: Yasser Arafat International Airport remains closed. Alon – Tall as Sultan checkpoint, at the entrance to Al Mawasi/Rafah, south of the city of Deir al Balah, is partially open. Al Mawasi/Rafah road is partially open. Attacks/Provocation of Palestinian Forces: At 09:00, and again at 19:20, the Israeli army opened fire from Tall Zu'rub military post towards Palestinian territory to the north.

- (ii) At 10:30, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 10 along the Egyptian border towards 1 Palestinian National Security location west of Bloc (J) in Rafah refugee camp, allegedly for suspecting civilians to be attempting to gain access into areas inside the Green Line.
- (iii) At 13:00, and again at 04:20, the Israeli army opened fire from the area surrounding the settlement of Rafiah Yam towards Palestinian territory west of the city of Rafah.
- (iv) At 13:05, and again at 15:05, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 7 along the Egyptian border towards Palestinian territory in the area surrounding Salah ad Din gate.
- (v) At 15:20, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 6.5 along the Egyptian border towards a number of children, claiming that they approached the Egyptian border opposite Al Barazil neighbourhood in Rafah refugee camp.
- (vi) At 15:50, the Israeli army opened fire from its location along the Egyptian border towards 1 Palestinian security patrol while evacuating a number of children near Point 6 along the Egyptian border opposite Al Barazil neighbourhood in Rafah refugee camp.
- (vii) At 16:25, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 9.5 along the Egyptian border towards Palestinian security patrols west of Bloc (J) in Rafah refugee camp.
- Raid/Provocation of Palestinian Forces: At 11:30, an Israeli army tank raided Palestinian territory and took position 50 meters away from 1 Palestinian National Security location opposite Point 9 along the Egyptian border in Bloc (J) in Rafah refugee camp.
- Palestinian Attack: At 12:00, armed Palestinian individuals fired 1 antitank mortar towards an Israeli army tank along the Egyptian border opposite Bloc (J) in Rafah refugee camp. An exchange of fire took place between the Israeli army and the armed Palestinian individuals, during which the Israeli army killed 1 Palestinian individual.
- <u>Killing</u>: The Israeli army killed Lutfi Wadi west of Bloc (J) in Rafah refugee camp.