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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT
 08:00 24 June 2009 – 08:00 25 June 2009

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Attacks	—	11	11	Incl. 4 in raids & 4 from military posts
Raids	19	3	22	Incl. 1 in Central Gaza and 1 in Rafah
Air Patrols	—	2	2	Reconnaissance over C. Gaza and Rafah
Arrests (per person)	11	—	11	Incl. 2 children and 1 Pal. security officer
Detentions	12	—	12	At checkpoints and in residential areas
Closure of Checkpoints	8	—	8	Access impeded at 5 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	15	—	15	Incl. 2 in Bethlehem and 2 in Hebron
House Demolitions	*	—	—	Notices distributed in Jerusalem
Land Levelling	—	3	3	Agricultural land, C. Gaza & K. Yunis
Wall Construction	21	—	21	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Salfit, & Qalqiliya
Destruction of Property	3	4	7	Incl. a road levelled in Rafah
Closure (per District)	7	—	7	Incl. 4 areas in the city of Hebron
Closure of Main Roads	47	—	47	Incl. 3 in Ramallah and 11 in Qalqiliya
Closure of Crossing Points	—	3	3	4 crossing points partially open
Settler Violence	4	—	4	Incl. olive trees and crops destroyed
Palestinian Attack	—	1	1	1 mortar fired towards the Green Line
Pal. Security Measures	7	—	7	7 settlers handed over, Nablus & Jericho
Demonstrations	1	—	1	In solidarity with prisoners, Bethlehem
TOTAL	155	27	182	

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"> Closure: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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. 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). 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 to its geographical significance as it overlooks the city of Jerusalem. Closure of Main Roads: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and dirt barricades the entrance to the village of Jaba'. The Israeli army continues to close the iron gate along the Wall section, separating the area of Dahiyat al Bared from the town of Ar Ram. Checkpoint: 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. Raid: On 24 June 2009, the Israeli army raided the village of Al 'Isawiya and distributed notices for the demolition of a number of civilian houses, allegedly because they had been built without the required construction licences. Wall Gates: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks. 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.
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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.
<p style="text-align: center;">RAMALLAH & EL BIREH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: 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. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At dawn on 24 June 2009, the Israeli army raided the town of Silwad and arrested 5 civilians. (ii) At 11:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Bir Zeit. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 5 civilians in the town of Silwad: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) 'Eid Tayseer Saleh Hammad; (ii) 'Isa Thaeer 'Isa Hammad; (iii) Thaeer 'Isa Mirshed Hammad; (iv) Abdullah Basheer Hammad; and (v) Rabee' Bilal Hammad. • Settler Violence/Destruction of Property: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:00, a group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of Halamish set fire to olive groves in the village of Deir Nidham, causing damage to 120 olive trees. (ii) At 04:00, a group of Israeli settlers set fire to crops in the area between the towns of Turmus'ayya and Sinjil. • 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.
<p style="text-align: center;">JENIN</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 12:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Jenin as well as the villages of Deir Abu Da'if and 'Arrana and patrolled these areas until 15:00. (ii) On 24 June 2009, the Israeli army raided the villages of 'Anin and Kafr Dan and served summons to 6 civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. • 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.
<p style="text-align: center;">TUBAS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 town of Tubas.

TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western entrance to the village of Shufa. (ii) 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. • Raid: At 00:35, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Dahiyat Iktaba in the city of Tulkarem. • 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 agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun. • Flying Checkpoints: (i) At 10:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the towns of 'Azzun and Kafr Thulth and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 00:05, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the eastern entrance to the city of Qalqiliya and searched civilians and vehicles until 00:30. • Wall Gates: (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 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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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:

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 12:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint along the road connecting the districts of Nablus and Qalqiliya, searched civilians and vehicles, and arrested a Palestinian General Intelligence officer. (ii) At 14:30, 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. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 00:25, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Beit Imrin. (ii) At 02:15, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus and Balata refugee camp and searched a number of houses. In the refugee camp, the Israeli army arrested 4 civilians, including 2 children. • <u>Arrests:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up along the road connecting the districts of Nablus and Qalqiliya arrested Khaled Fares Mousa al Hindi, a Palestinian General Intelligence officer. <p>The Israeli army arrested 4 civilians in Balata refugee camp in the city of Nablus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) Abdullah Sameer Hashash, 17 years old; (iii) Mahdi Mohammed Fayyumi, 17 years old; (iv) Mohammed Jameel Abu 'Assab; and (v) Ahmed Saleem Abu Maryam. • <u>Settler Violence/Destruction of Property:</u> At 11:00, a group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of Yitzhar attacked a construction site in the village of Burin, threw stones at workers, and damaged construction materials. • <u>Palestinian Security Measure:</u> At 13:30, Palestinian security forces handed over the Israeli authorities (through the DCO) 5 Israeli settlers after they had gained access into the city of Nablus.
SALFIT	<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 with dirt barricades the northern entrance to the city of Salfit.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions and impede civilian access at the Za'tara junction checkpoint. • Flying Checkpoints: (i) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Yasuf and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 22:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Iskaka and searched civilians and vehicles until 00:30. • Raid: At 09:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Biddya and patrolled the area until 10:30. • Wall Construction: 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.
JERICHO	<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 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: (i) 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. (ii) 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. • Flying Checkpoint: At 16:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the DCO offices at the southern entrance to the city of Jericho, searched civilians and vehicles, and arrested 1 civilian. • Arrest: Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up near the DCO offices at the southern entrance to the city of Jericho arrested Isma'il Husam Nawawreh. • Palestinian Security Measure: At 06:20, Palestinian security forces handed over to the Israeli authorities (through the DCO) 2 Israeli settlers after that they had gained access into the city of Jericho.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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.

	<p>(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 <i>dunums</i> (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.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. • Flying Checkpoint: At 15:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the area of An Nashash and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids/Detentions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Bethlehem. (ii) At 21:25, the Israeli army raided the village of Dar Salah, set up a checkpoint, and searched civilians and vehicles. • Demonstration: At 11:30, families of political prisoners held a sit-in demonstration in front of offices of the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) in the city of Bethlehem in solidarity with political prisoners. Protestors also demanded that prisoners be released from Israeli prisons. • Wall Construction: 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.
<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. 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.

	<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 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. (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. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Fawwar junction and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 22:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Halhul and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 23:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the area of An Nabi Yunis (the eastern entrance to the town of Hahlul) and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Hebron. At 20:45, the Israeli army raided the city again, set up a checkpoint, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area. (ii) At 16:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Idhna. (iii) At 01:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Tarqumiya. • <u>Settler Violence:</u> At 21:20, a group of Israeli settlers threw stones at a Palestinian Police station in the old city of Hebron. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> 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.
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GAZA STRIP

<p style="text-align: center;">ALL DISTRICTS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 for a week. Later, armed Palestinian groups extended the ceasefire until 05 February 2009. Despite the fact that the extension period expired, the ceasefire continues to hold pending negotiations carried out by Egypt.
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Violations of the Ceasefire:</u> (i) The Israeli army raided Palestinian territory in the districts of Central Gaza, Khan Yunis, and Rafah civilian houses and property. Israeli navy boats also opened fire intensively towards Palestinian fishing boats at sea off the districts of Khan Yunis and Rafah. (ii) Armed Palestinian groups fired 1 unidentified mortar towards the Green Line.
NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Point:</u> Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open for previously-coordinated humanitarian cases and foreign nationals.
GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Points:</u> (i) Al-Muntar (Karni) Crossing is closed. (ii) Al-Shuja'iyah (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is partially open for transportation of fuel. • <u>Palestinian Attack:</u> In the morning of 24 June 2009, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raid/Air Patrol/Attack/Land Levelling:</u> At 16:00, the Israeli army, including several armoured vehicles and 3 bulldozers covered by reconnaissance aircraft, raided Palestinian territory east of the city of Deir al Balah, opened intensive fire, and levelled land cultivated with fruit-bearing trees.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Attacks:</u> (i) On 24 June 2009, Israeli navy boats opened fire intensively towards Palestinian fishing boats at sea off the beach of the city of Khan Yunis. (ii) On 24 June, 2009, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location on the Green Line towards agricultural land and civilian houses east of the towns of Al Qarara, Khuza'a, and Al Fukhari. • <u>Raid/Attack/Land Levelling:</u> At dawn on 25 June 2009, the Israeli army, including several armoured vehicles and 1 bulldozer, raided Palestinian territory east of the town of Al Qarara and opened intensive fire towards agricultural land and civilian houses. An armed confrontation also took place between the Israeli army and armed Palestinian individuals. In addition, the Israeli army levelled agricultural land.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Points:</u> (i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah (Al 'Awdah) Crossing is open on an exceptional basis to allow access to 90 ill and injured civilians after they had received medical attention at Egyptian hospitals. (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed.

	<p>(iv) Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is partially for transportation of food supplies and humanitarian aid.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Attacks/Destruction of Property:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At dawn on 24 June 2009, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location on the Green Line towards agricultural land and civilian houses east of the town of Ash Shoka. (ii) At dawn on 24 June 2009, Israeli navy boats opened intensive fire towards the beach of the city Rafah as well as towards 2 Palestinian fishing boats, destroying 1 boat. • <u>Raid/Air Patrol/Attack/Land levelling/Destruction of Property:</u> At dawn on 24 June 2009, the Israeli army, including several tanks, armoured vehicles, and 1 bulldozer and covered by reconnaissance aircraft, raided Palestinian territory in the area surrounding Karm Abu Salem (Karem Shalom) Crossing Point near Yasser Arafat International Airport east of the city of Rafah. The Israeli army also fired flares over the area and levelled land as well as a road leading to the Crossing Point.
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GENERAL

<p>POLITICAL PRISONERS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Sentence:</u> An Israeli military court sentenced Tamir Kamal at Tarasheh, a resident of the district of Khan Yunis, to 19 years in prison.
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