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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 26 June 2009 - 08:00 27 June 2009

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assaults	3		3	Incl. Palestinian security officer beaten
Injuries	3		3	Incl. 2 children in a protest, Bethlehem
Attacks	2	4	6	Incl. 3 in raids and 1 by navy boats
Raids	19	1	20	Incl. 4 in Ramallah and 1 in Khan Yunis
Air Patrols		3	3	2 by helicopters & 1 by reconnaissance
Arrests (per person)	2		2	2 children in Al Jalazun RC, Ramallah
Detentions	12		12	Incl. 2 international peace activists
Closure of Checkpoints	8	_	8	Incl. access impeded at 5 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	9		9	Incl. 1 in Qalqiliya and 1 in Jericho
Land Levelling	_	1	1	Agricultural land in Khan Yunis
Wall Construction	21		21	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Salfit, & Qalqiliya
Destruction of Property	_	1	1	Crops destroyed in Khan Yunis
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	_	5	5	2 crossing points partially open
Settler Violence	3	_	3	Incl. a village accessed in Ramallah
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	_	1	A security officer handed a summons
Pal. Security Measure	1		1	An Israeli female citizen handed over
Demonstrations	3	_	3	Against the Wall, Ramallah & Bethlehem
TOTAL	141	15	156	

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) On 26 June 2009, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem, set up several flying checkpoints in the old city of Jerusalem and around Al Aqsa Mosque compound, and denied access to civilians to perform Friday prayers at the mosque.
- (i) 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).
- (ii) 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.

JERUSALEM

• 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.

• 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.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	 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: At 20:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of El Bireh. At 01:35, the Israeli army raided the village of Mazari' an Nubani, searched a number of houses, and served summons to 2 civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. At 03:30, the Israeli army raided Al Jalazun refugee camp and arrested 2 children. Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 children in Al Jalazun refugee camp: Ahmed Sa'id Shatat, 14 years old; Adnan Mustafa Zubeidi, 14 years old. Settler Violence: At 11:50, a group of Israeli settlers gained access into the village of 'Ein Siniya and provoked civilians. Consequently, the Israeli army evacuated settlers from the area. Demonstrations/Attacks/Injuries: At 13:00, 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 2 civilians. A unmber of civilians also sustained injuries as a result of tear gas inhalation. At 13:00, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in the town of Ni'lin in protest against Wall construction. Confrontations also took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which a number of civilians sustained injuries as a result of tear gas inhalation. Palestinian Security Measure: At 21:00, Palestinian security forces handed over to the Israeli authorities (through the DCO) an Israeli young citizen after she had been located in the city of Ramallah. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues west of 'Abud town and in the areas of Al Midya to Ni'lin and Ni'lin to Deir Qadd
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. Flying Checkpoint: At 07:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the towns of Ya'bad and 'Arrabah and searched civilians and vehicles.

	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	• <u>Checkpoint</u> : 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	 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/Provocation of Palestinian Forces: At 00:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Tulkarem and Tulkarem refugee camp, searched 3 houses, and served a summons to Zeid Salam ash Shahed to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. At 03:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Lid, searched 1 house, and served a summons to Ihab Fadi Mohammed Zabadi, a Palestinian National Security officer, to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. 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. Flving Checkpoint: At 23:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Immatin and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids: (i) At 20:35, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of 'Azzun. (ii) At 01:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Kafr Qaddum. Settler Violence: At 19:55, a group of Israeli settlers severely Riyadh Birri, a Palestinian National Security officer, while he was present on his land near the village of Immatin, leaving him with injuries and contusions. Consequently, Birri was transported to hospital for medical treatment. 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	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the roads of Till-Burin; Beit Furik-Salem; and the main road and eastern entrance to entrance to the village of Al Lubban Ash Sharqi. The Israeli army also continues to close with dirt barricades the road between the villages of Till and Madama; the southern entrances to the villages of Qaryut and Duma; the eastern entrance to the village of Al Lubban Ash Sharqi; the western entrances to the town of 'Aqraba and the village of Majdal Bani Fadil; the northern entrance to the town of Qabalan; and the settler bypass road connecting the village of Deir al Hatab to the settlement of Alon Moreh. 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 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. At Huwwara checkpoint, access to civilians is allowed between 05:00 and 24:00 and to civilian vehicles around the clock. At Beit Furik checkpoint, civilian access is allowed between 05:00 and 23:00. 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: At 01:25, 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. Raids: At 19:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Sabastiya. At 20:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Qusra.
SALFIT	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the northern entrance to the city of Salfit. 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 Checkpoint: At 15:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Iskaka and searched civilians and vehicles until 16:00. 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	 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. Flying Checkpoint: At 21:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the village of Al 'Auja's centre and searched civilians and vehicles.
BETHLEHEM	 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. Flving Checkpoints: (i) At 17:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the area of An Nashash (the southern entrance to the city of Bethlehem) and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 18:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at northwestern entrance to the city of Beit Jala and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids: (i) At 08:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Al Khadr. (ii) At 10:00, the Israeli army raided the evacuated military post of 'Ush Ghurab east of the city of Beit Sahur, provided protection to a number of Israeli settlers who had gained access into the area, and withdrew at 11:30.

- (iii) At 23:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Tuqu'.
- (iv) At 03:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Beit Fajjar.
- <u>Demonstration/Physical Assaults/Detentions</u>: At 13:30, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in the village of Al Ma'sara in protest against Wall construction. Having denied access to the Wall construction site, Israeli troops severely beat a number of protestors, leaving 3 civilians, including 2 children, with contusions. Israeli troops also detained 2 German and British peace activists.
- 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.

• <u>Closure</u>:

- (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.

• Raids:

- (i) At 20:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Hebron.
- (ii) At 22:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Dura.
- (iii) At 22:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Tarqumiya.
- (iv) At 04:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Idhna.
- <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.

GAZA STRIP

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. Violations of the Ceasefire: The Israeli army raided Palestinian territory, opened intensive fire, and fired a number of tank shells towards civilian houses and property. The Israeli army also levelled agricultural land east of the town of Khuza'a in the district of Khan Yunis. In addition, Israeli navy boats opened fire intensively towards Palestinian fishing boats at sea off the district of Rafah.

NORTHERN GAZA	Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is closed.
GAZA	 Closure of Crossing Points: Al-Muntar (Karni) Crossing is closed. Al-Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. Air Patrol: In the evening of 26 June 2009, Israeli combat helicopters patrolled the skies over the eastern quarters of the Gaza city.
CENTRAL GAZA	Activities not reported.
KHAN YUNIS	• Raid/Air Patrol/Attack/Land Levelling: In the morning of 26 June 2009, the Israeli army, including 2 tanks, several armoured vehicles, and 3 bulldozers covered by combat helicopters and reconnaissance aircraft, raided Palestinian territory east of the town of Khuza'a, opened

	intensive fire, and fired a number of tank shells towards agricultural land. An armed confrontation also took place between the Israeli army and armed Palestinian individuals. Additionally, the Israeli army levelled agricultural land.
RAFAH	 Closure of Crossing Points: Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. Rafah (Al 'Awdah) Crossing is open an exceptional basis to allow access to a United Nations delegation comprising 13 members. Sufa Crossing is closed. Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is partially for transportation of food supplies and humanitarian aid. Attack: In the morning of 27 June 2009, Israeli navy boats opened intensive fire towards Palestinian fishing boats at sea off the city of Rafah's beach.

GENERAL

POLITCAL PRISONERS	• Administrative Detention: The Israeli military court at 'Ofar Detention and Interrogation Centre extended the order of administrative detention (arrest without charge or trial) against Siham 'Awadallah Ahmed al Heeh, a female resident of the town of Surif in the district of Hebron, for a period of 3 months consecutively.
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