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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 03 October 2008 – 08:00 04 October 2008

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assaults	3	—	3	Protestors left with contusions, Bethlehem
Injuries	6	—	6	Incl. a Japanese activist and a journalist
Attacks	6	—	6	During raids and confrontations
Raids	24	—	24	Incl. 5 in Salfit and 4 in Bethlehem
Arrests (per person)	3	—	3	2 in Nablus and 1 in Bethlehem
Detentions	19	—	19	Incl. a Palestinian Police officer, Jericho
House Occupation	1	—	1	Converted into a mil. post in Salfit
Closure of Checkpoints	17	—	17	Incl. access impeded at 11 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	10	—	10	Incl. 2 in Jerusalem and 2 in Nablus
Closure (per District)	7	—	7	Incl. 3 areas in Hebron
Closure of Main Roads	52	—	52	Incl. 13 in Nablus & 14 in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points	—	3	3	4 crossings partially open
Settler Violence	3	—	3	Incl. civilians' access to their land denied
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	—	1	Position taken near a Pal. checkpoint
Demonstrations	3	—	3	Incl. against settler violence in Qalqiliya
TOTAL	155	3	158	

DISTRICT	EVENTS
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 northern districts from southern districts as well as the district of Jericho and Jordan Valley from the remainder of the West Bank.
JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem and set up several checkpoints in the old city of Jerusalem and around the Al Aqsa Mosque compound. The Israeli army also impeded civilian access to the city of Jerusalem to perform Friday prayers at the Al Aqsa Mosque. • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance opposite the junction to Dahiyat al-Bareed in the city of Jerusalem with a barbed wire gate and to deny civilian access. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and dirt barricades the entrance to the village of Jaba', which connects the village to the cities of Jerusalem, Ramallah, and Jericho. • 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. • Wall Gates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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 al-Shayyah road in the area between the villages of al-Sawahira al-Sharqiya and al-Sawahira al-Gharbiya, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem IDs to cross, after subjecting them to thorough searches using electronic devices. • Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the area of al-'Eizariya to al-Shayyah, from the village of Beit Surik 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, and south of Beit Hanina village. • Raid: At 00:35, the Israeli army raided Qalandiya refugee camp and served summons to a number of civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades and cement blocks the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil; the western entrances to the villages of Saffa and Ein Yabrud; the road between the villages of Ras Karkar and Kharbatha Bani Harith and the junction to the villages of Kafr Malik – Ein Samiya.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at the checkpoint on the overpass to 'Atara town and impede civilian access. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction was suspended for the weekend west of 'Abud town and in the areas of al-Midya to Ni'lin and Ni'lin to Deir Qaddis. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 21:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of 'Ein Yabrud and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raid:</u> At 00:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Kafr Malik and searched 1 house. • <u>Demonstration/Attack/Injuries:</u> At 12:30, 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, including a journalist, as well as a Japanese peace activist. In addition, a number of protestors sustained injuries as a result of tear gas inhalation.
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to 'Arraba town, east of the settlement of Dotan. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> 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. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Zububa. (ii) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Jenin as well as raided and combed the Ash Shuhada' cemetery east of the city. At 03:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. (iii) At 03:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Siris.
TUBAS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army continues to close Tayasir checkpoint east of the town of Tubas, denying civilian access to the Northern Jordan Valley, except for civilians whose IDs indicate that their place of residence is the Northern Jordan Valley.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> The Israeli army continues to declare the district of Tulkarm a closed military zone and to impede civilian access to and from the district. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western entrance to the village of Shufa. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Einav checkpoint on Tulkarm-Nablus road and at Jubara checkpoint. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 15:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Far'un and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 16:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Shufa. (ii) At 21:55, the Israeli army raided the town of Qaffin. While patrolling the area, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians.

<p style="text-align: center;">QALQILYA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the agricultural roads east of the town of ‘Azzun • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at the checkpoint that is set up at the eastern entrance to the city of Qalqiliya and impede civilian access. • Wall Gates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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 metal detector. • Wall Construction: Land leveling for Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the villages of Immatin and Kafr Laqif as well as east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and ‘Azzun. • Flying Checkpoint: At 22:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the villages of Beit Amin and Sanniriya and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids: At 11:45, the Israeli army raided the town of ‘Azzun. At 16:10, the Israeli army raided the town again and patrolled the area until 24:00. • Settler Violence: At 11:50, a group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of Kedumim prevented civilian residents of the village of Kafr Qaddum from accessing their land for olive harvest. • Demonstration: At 17:50, a mass demonstration took place in the village of Kafr Qaddum in protest against settler attacks on civilian agricultural land in the village.
<p style="text-align: center;">NABLUS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the roads of Sarra-Jit, Tel-Burin, Beit Furik-Salem, the road between Aqraba town and the main road and the eastern entrance to the village of Al Lubban Ash Sharqiya; and with dirt barricades the road between the villages of Tel 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 as well as the settler bypass road connecting the village of Deir al-Hatab to Alon Moreh settlement. (ii) On 10 August 2008, the Israeli army re-opened the Jenin-Nablus road between the junction to Deir Sharaf village and the settlement of Shavei Shomron, allowing daily passage from 06:00 until 17:00. • 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 neighborhood 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 neighborhood only. (ii) Beit Furik checkpoint is open to civilian residents of the town of Beit Furik and the nearby village of Beit Dajan.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 16:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the junction to the village of Burqa and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) 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 20:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of ‘Asira ash Shamaliya. (ii) At 01:35, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Furik and patrolled the area until 02:10. • <u>Arrests:</u> At 22:00, Israeli troops positioned at Huwwara checkpoint arrested 2 civilians: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Ala’ ‘Akkoubeh; and (ii) Ihsan Ali ‘Awwadeh.
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 Salfit city and the eastern entrance to the village of Yasuf. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and iron gates the northern entrances to the town of Bruqin and the village of Qarawat Bani Hassan and the western entrance to the town of Kafr Ad Dik. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Deir Ballut and Za’tara checkpoints and prevent civilian vehicles from heading towards the village of Kafr Ad Dik. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the area northwest of the city of Salfit, and in the village of Marda and the town of Kafr Hares north of the settlement of Ariel. • <u>Flaying Checkpoint:</u> At 16:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the western entrance to the village of Haris and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raids/Attack/Injuries/House Occupation:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Bruqin. (ii) At 13:05, the Israeli army raided the town of Kafr ad Dik. While patrolling the area, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during which the Israeli army injured 2 civilians. At 16:45, the Israeli army raided the town again, occupied a house roof, and converted it into a military post. At 17:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. (iii) At 16:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Salfit. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during which the Israeli army injured 1 civilian. At 16:55, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. (iv) At 18:40, the Israeli army raided the village of Bani Hassan. While patrolling the area, confrontations took place between civilians and the Israeli army. At 19:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Settler Violence: At 11:00, a group of Israeli settlers entered the area of 'Ein al Muzrab between the towns of Kafr ad Dik and Deir Ghassana and provoked civilians.
<p style="text-align: center;">JERICHO</p>	<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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions and impede civilian access at al-Hamra checkpoint set up along al-Badhan road connecting the districts of Jericho and Nablus as well as on 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. (ii) At 21:00, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at the DCO checkpoint set up at the southern entrance to the city of Jericho and impeded civilian access. • Detention: At 17:30, Israeli troops positioned at Al Hamra checkpoint detained Raed Mohammed Hasan Rawwash, a Palestinian Police officer, and released him at a later time.
<p style="text-align: center;">BETHLEHEM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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) Beginning on 15 September 2007, the Israeli army has been preventing civilian access, according to military order 07.02.S, to an area of 22 <i>dunums</i> of land that has been confiscated in accordance with the Israeli Military Order No. 07.31.T. The 22-<i>dunum</i> area has been set to construct a passage in the area of Mazmuriya that is located in the cities of Beit Sahur and Bethlehem. • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the two sideways east and south of Al Walaja village and the roads of Beit Jala-Wadi Ahmad, Talita-Nazlet As Sidr in the city of Beit Jala, Al Khadr town-Road # 60, Al Khadr town-Beit Jala housing, Wadi Rahal-Efrat and the sideways east of Beit Fajjar town. • Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the area northwest of al-Khadr town; northwest of Beit Jala city; in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of Ephrata settlement; and in the area surrounding al-Walaja village. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Um Salamuna.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) At 17:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Battir and arrested 1 civilian. (iii) At 23:05, the Israeli army raided the town of Tuqu' and patrolled the area until 00:10. (iv) At 23:20, the Israeli army raided the village of Dar Salah, set up a checkpoint, and searched civilians and vehicles until 00:35. • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Yousef Burhan 'Uweineh in the village of Battir. • Demonstration/Attack/Injuries: At 12:00, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in the village of Al Ma'sara in protest against Wall construction. The Israeli army impeded protestors and fired sound and tear gas grenades. Israeli troops also beat protestors with clubs, leaving 1 civilian protestor with injuries as well as others with contusions. In addition, a number of protestors sustained injuries as a result of tear gas inhalation.
<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: al-Shuhada' Street and the area of al-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 al-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) Although it expired on 07 May 2006, the Israeli army continues to implement a military order stipulating the prohibition of civilian vehicles from traveling along the road connecting the settlement of Kiryat Arba' to the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron unless they possess access permits. • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the following locales: the entrance to the town of al-Samoa'; the area of al-Hawawir leading to the town of Halhoul; the area of al-Fahs south of the city of Hebron; the road connecting the town of Surif to the village of al-Jab'a; the entrance to the village of Beit 'Einun; and the eastern entrance to the village of Kharsa. The Israeli army also continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to al-Qeisi neighborhood in the old city of Hebron as well as the main entrance to al-'Arrub refugee camp. (ii) In accordance with Military Order # 378, the Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from traveling along Shalala Old Street that leads to the old city of Hebron, only allowing Israeli vehicles as well as Israeli army vehicles to travel along this street. (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 bypass Road # 60.

	<p>(iv) The Israeli army continues to open the junction of Farsh Al Hawa north of Hebron city, which leads to Road # 35 that leads to Tarqumiya Crossing. The Israeli army installed an iron gate instead of the dirt barricade. The Israeli army designated the following times for the daily opening the gate: from 05:00 until 07:00 and from 09:00 until 13:00.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the section of Tarqumiya checkpoint terminal, the remaining section of the Wall route that separates the settlement of Eshkolot from the village of al-Ramadin, and near the village of Imneizil southeast of the town of Yatta. • Flying Checkpoint: At 12:45, 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 and vehicles. • Raids/Provocation of Palestinian Forces/Detentions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 14:50, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, took position near a Palestinian National Security checkpoint set up in the area surrounding the Al Muqata'ah (complex of Palestinian security agencies), and patrolled the area. (ii) At 20:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the villages of Tarusa and Khirbet Suba. (iii) At 23:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Ash Shuyukh, searched a number of houses, detained 3 civilians, and released them at a later time. • Settler Violence: At 09:30, a group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of Kiryat Arba' in the old city of Hebron assaulted a number of civilians as well as Israeli peace activists, who were providing protection to civilians while harvesting olives on their land located near the settlement. Consequently, the Israeli army raided the area and detained an Israeli peace activist while he was confronting Israeli violence.
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GAZA STRIP

<p>ALL DISTRICTS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Entering into force at 06:00 on 19 June 2008, the cease fire agreement has continued to hold. The agreement includes, <i>inter alia</i>, a complete cessation of all hostilities.
<p>NORTHERN GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open (for previously coordinated humanitarian cases).
<p>GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Points: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Al-Muntar (Karni) Crossing is partially open for transportation of essential supplies. (ii) Al-Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is partially open for transportation of fuel supplies.

CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
KHAN YOUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Points:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah (al-Awdah) Crossing is closed. (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed. (iv) Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is partially open for transportation of food supplies and merchandise.