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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 10 October 2008 – 08:00 11 October 2008

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assaults	12	—	12	Incl. 1 female child and 3 women beaten
Injuries	24	—	24	Incl. 6 international peace activists
Attacks	9	—	9	Incl. 2 in raids and 2 by Israeli settlers
Raids	21	—	21	Incl. 5 in Qalqiliya and 5 in Hebron
Arrests (per person)	9	—	9	In the town of Beit Ummer in Hebron
Detentions	18	—	18	Incl. 1 child & international peace activists
Wall Construction	23	—	23	Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Heb., Beth.
House Occupations	2	—	2	Converted into military posts in Hebron
Closure of Checkpoints	18	—	18	Incl. access impeded at 10 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	5	—	5	Incl. 1 in Qalqiliya and 1 in Bethlehem
Closure (per District)	7	—	7	Incl. Jerusalem and Tulkarem
Closure of Main Roads	53	—	53	Incl. 14 in Nablus & 9 in Bethlehem
Closure of Crossing Points	—	3	3	4 crossing points partially open
Settler Violence	4	—	4	Incl. olive trees burned & civilians beaten
Pal. Security Measure	1	—	1	Chemical materials located in Hebron
Demonstrations	4	—	4	Incl. against Wall construction, Ramallah
TOTAL	210	3	213	

DISTRICT	EVENTS
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WEST BANK

<p style="text-align: center;">ALL DISTRICTS</p>	<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.
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<p style="text-align: center;">JERUSALEM</p>	<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 continues 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.
<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 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. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at the checkpoint on the overpass to 'Atara town and impede civilian access.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. • Raid: At 01:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of El Bireh. • Demonstrations/Attacks/Injuries/Detentions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 12:00, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in the village of Bil’in in protest against Wall construction. Hundreds of international peace activists assisted civilian residents of the village in harvesting olive crops on civilian land located behind the Wall. The Israeli army, however, prevented civilians and activists from accessing the said land. Israeli troops also fired rubber-coated steel bullets as well as tear gas and sound grenades, injuring 10 civilians and an Israeli peace activist. In addition, a number of protestors sustained injuries as a result of tear gas inhalation. The Israeli army also detained 3 Israeli peace activists. (ii) At 12:30, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in the village of Ni’lin in protest against Wall construction. International peace activists and a delegation from the French Farmers’ Union assisted civilian residents of the village in harvesting olive crops on civilian land located behind the Wall. The Israeli army, however, prevented civilians and activists from accessing the said land. Israeli troops also fired rubber-coated steel bullets as well as tear gas and sound grenades, injuring 6 civilians and 4 peace activists. In addition, a number of protestors sustained injuries as a result of tear gas inhalation.
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to ‘Arraba town, east of the settlement of Dotan. • 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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checkpoint: 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. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 01:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Al Far’a. (ii) At 02:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Tammun. (iii) At 04:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Tubas.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army continues to declare the district of Tulkarm a closed military zone and to impede civilian access to and from the district. • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western entrance to the village of Shufa. • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Einav checkpoint on Tulkarm-Nablus road and at Jubara checkpoint. • Wall Gates: Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raids:</u> At 23:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Tulkarem and the town of Kafr Rumman and patrolled the area until 05:50.
QALQILYA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Roads:</u> The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the agricultural roads east of the town of ‘Azzun. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints set up at the eastern entrance to the city of Qalqiliya as well as at the entrance to the village of ‘Izbat Jal’ud and to impede civilian access. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> <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. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Land leveling for Wall construction continues in the villages of Immatin and Kafr Laqif as well as east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and ‘Azzun. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 17:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the towns of ‘Azzun and Kafr Thulth and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raids/Attacks:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 16:55, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of ‘Azzun. (ii) At 17:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Habla and opened fire while patrolling the area. (iii) At 21:10, the Israeli army raided the village of Kafr Qaddum and searched a number of houses. (iv) At 21:10, the Israeli army raided the city of Qalqiliya. While patrolling the southern quarter of the city, the Israeli army fired flares. (v) At 23:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Kafr Laqif and searched 2 houses.
NABLUS	<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 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.

	<p>(iii) The Israeli army continues to close the junction to the town of Beit Furik with cement blocks and dirt barricades.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 19:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of ‘Asira ash Shamaliya. (ii) At 00:40, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus, ‘Askar refugee camp, and the town of Beit Furik as well as patrolled these areas until 06:00. • Settler Violence: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 12:00, a group of Israeli settlers set fire to civilian land cultivated with olive trees in the area located between the villages of Bizzariya and Al ‘Attara. The Israeli settlers also opened fire, intimidating civilians. (ii) At 13:00, a group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of Bracha assaulted, beat, and opened fire towards civilians while they were harvesting olive crops in the village of Kafr Qalil. As a result, 2 civilians sustained bullet wounds. In addition, 6 other civilians, including a female child and 3 women, were left with contusions.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <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. • Checkpoints: 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. • 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 Hares 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:

	<p>(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.</p> <p>(ii) At 14:00, the Israeli army closed the checkpoint set up on the junction to the village of Al ‘Auja at the northern entrance to the city of Jericho as well as the DCO checkpoint set up at the southern to the city. At 18:00, both checkpoints were reopened.</p>
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <p>(i) The Israeli army continues to close the roads to the village of An Nu’mān, with the exception of the road leading to the Wall gate in the south-eastern area of the village.</p> <p>(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.</p> • 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 sideway east of Beit Fajjar town. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues 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. • Flying Checkpoint: At 02:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area of An Nashash (the southern entrance to the city of Bethlehem) and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raid: At 20:20, the Israeli army raided the village of Beit Ta’mir and patrolled the area until 20:30. • Demonstration/Physical Assaults: At 13:00, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in the village of Al Ma’sara in protest against Wall construction. Impeding the demonstration, Israeli troops beat protestors with their fists and rifle butts, leaving a number of protestors with contusions.
HEBRON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <p>(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</p>

	<p>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.</p> <p>(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.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <p>(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.</p> <p>(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.</p> <p>(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> <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> • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues 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. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 18:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Road # 35 near the overpass to the town of Halhul and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raids/House Occupations/Attack/Physical Assaults/Injuries:</u> <p>(i) Beginning at 04:00 on 10 October 2008, the Israeli army has remained in the town of Beit Ummar and continued to occupy 2 houses, which it had converted into military posts. As a result, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in protest against occupation of the 2 houses. The Israeli army fired rubber-coated steel bullets as well as tear gas and sound grenades towards protestors. Israeli troops also severely beat a number of protestors with clubs and rifle butts, injuring 6 civilians, including 3 female civilians, as well as 1</p>
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	<p>female international peace activist. Other protestors were also left with contusions. In addition, several protestors were injured as a result of tear gas inhalation. The Israeli army also arrested 9 civilians.</p> <p>(ii) At 12:20, the Israeli army raided Al 'Arrub refugee camp. While patrolling the area, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. Israeli troops also detained 12-year-old Malik Jawabreh and released him at 14:00.</p> <p>(iii) At 16:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron and searched 1 house.</p> <p>(iv) At 19:10, the Israeli army raided the town of Idhna. Confrontations took place between civilians and the Israeli army, while it was patrolling the area.</p> <p>(v) At 00:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Adh Dhahiriya.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 9 civilians in the town of Beit Ummar: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Isma'il Khalil Sabarneh; (ii) Samer Ali Abdul Hameed Sabarneh; (iii) Ahmed Ali Abdul Hameed Sabarneh; (iv) Jihad Khalil Hamdi al 'Alami; (v) Mohammed Ibrahim Hamdi al 'Alami; (vi) Ala' Nasser al 'Alami; (vii) Mohammed Mahmoud 'Ubeid Sabarneh; (viii) Khalil Mahmoud 'Ubeid Sabarneh; and (ix) Ibrahim Ali 'Ubeid Sabarneh. • Palestinian Security Measure: At 15:00, while carrying out their duty of preserving public security, Palestinian security forces located chemical materials used in manufacturing explosives in the city of Hebron.
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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.