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# PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

# **DAILY SITUATION REPORT**

08:00 16 October 2007 - 08:00 17 October 2007

# **SUMMARY OF EVENTS**

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	22	3	25	Incl. 13 in Nablus, 5 in Ssalfit
Arrests	25		25	Incl. 14 civilians in Hebron
Detentions	18	1	19	At checkpoints & in residential areas
Raids	29	1	30	Incl.7 in Jenin, 3 in Tulkarem
Checkpoints	18		18	Closure of checkpoints, stricter measures
Flying Checkpoints	12		12	Incl. 5 in Jerusalem, 4 in Jenin
Attacks	9	2	11	6 raids, 4 from military posts
Air Patrols		2	2	Helicopters and surveillance aircrafts
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1		1	Checkpoint set up near police station
Curfew	1		1	In Marda village in Nablus
House Occupation	4		4	3 buildings in Nablus, 1 house in Marda
Confiscation of Property	1		1	Revolver and ammo in Qaddoura camp
Demolition of Property	3	1	4	Vehicles damaged in Nablus
Land Leveling		1	1	Agricultural land razed in Khan Younis
Wall construction	26		26	Continues in Jerusalem, Bethlehem
Closures	6		6	Partial in Jerusalem, 3 areas in Jenin
Closure of Main Roads	36		36	Incl. 3 in Jerusalem, 12 in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points		7	7	Except for humanitarian cases
Settler Violence	2		2	Israeli army opens fire towards civilians
Palestinian Attacks	1	2	3	2 mortars fired towards the Green Line
Pal. Security Measures	1		1	
TOTAL	215	20	235	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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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.

# • <u>Closure</u>: 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. The Israeli army prevented worshippers from holding Friday prayer in al-Aqsa Mosque.

#### Closure of Main Roads:

- (a) 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.
- (b) The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting Dahiyat al-Bareed to the town of al-Ram in order to complete Wall construction in the area.
- (c) 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.

# • Checkpoints:

#### **JERUSALEM**

- (a) The Israeli army continues to consider Qalandya 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.
- (b) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Rafat and Ramot checkpoints, and the checkpoint set up near the village of Jaba'a, and impeded civilian access.
- <u>Flying Checkpoints</u>: The Israeli army set up 3 checkpoints at the entrances to the villages of Biddo, Beit Iksa and al-Nabi Samuel.

#### • 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 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.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction continues in Dahiyat al-Bareed, Dahiyat al-Aqbat, from the village of Hizma to 'Anata, along the Hizma-Jaba' road, 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, and in the vicinity of the village of Qatanna.
RAMALLAH	<ul> <li>Closure of Main Roads: <ol> <li>The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the western entrance to the village of Saffa.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to close the settler bypass road connecting 'Assur Hill in the village of Kafr Malik to Alon settler bypass road.</li> <li>Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the overpass to the town of 'Atara and to impede civilian access.</li> <li>Raids:</li> <li>At 10:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of al-Bireh.</li> <li>At 18:15, the Israeli army raided the village of Qarawat Bani Zayd, and patrolled it until 19:20.</li> <li>At 02:40, the Israeli army raided the refugee camp of Qaddoura in the city of al-Bireh, opened fire intensively and fired sound bombs while searching a house. Additionally, the Israeli army raided one civilian and confiscated a revolver and ammunition, as well as handed one civilian a notice to see the Israeli intelligence. The Israeli army withdrew at 04:45.</li> <li>Arrests: The civilian arrested in the refugee camp of Qaddoura in the city of al-Bireh is Khaled Ibrahim Nakhleh.</li> <li>Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area west of the town of 'Abud as well as in the areas of al-Midya to Ni'lin and Ni'lin to Deir Qaddis.</li> </ol> </li></ul>
JENIN	<ul> <li>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.</li> <li>Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to close Tayaseer 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.</li> <li>Flying Checkpoints: <ol> <li>At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the junction of the village of Misliyyeh, and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>At 10:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Arraba, and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>At 15:00, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint between the villages of al-Far'a and al-Badhan, and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>At 20:30, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the entrance to the refugee camp of al-Far'a, and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Raids: <ol> <li>At 15:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Kafr Ra'i.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>

	(ii) At 10:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of al-Zabadeh
	and the village of al-Far'a.
	(iii) At 22:30, 20 Israeli military jeeps raided the city of Jenin, and took
	position at the city's southern entrance, and withdrew at 23:00.  (iv) At 00:15, the Israeli army raided the village of Deir Abu Deif, searched
	a house and green houses, and withdrew at 02:00.
	(v) At 04:00, the Israeli army raided the city if Jenin and its refugee camp,
	searched a number of houses and withdrew at 06:00.
	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.
	• <u>Closure</u> : The Israeli army continues to declare the district of Tulkarem 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 Dahiyat Iktaba-Bal'a road; the entrance to the village of
	Saffarin; the road connecting the town of Deir al Ghusun to 'Attil's plain;
	the road to the town of Deir al-Ghusun's plain; and the entrance to the
	village of 'Izbat Abu Khamish.
	• <u>Checkpoints</u> : The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at
	Jubara checkpoint (the southern entrance to the city of Tulkarem) as well as
	at 'Einav checkpoint (the eastern entrance to the city). At 17:00, the Israeli
	army denied civilians between the age of 16 and 35 access through the
	'Einav checkpoint.  • Raids:
	(i) At 15:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Baldat
TULKAREM	Arrar.
	(ii) At 20:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Anabta where
	confrontations with civilians broke out during patrol of the town,
	resulting in the injury of 2 children.
	(iii) The Israeli army raided the town of Faqeen and arrested one civilian.
	• Arrests: (i) At 22:30, the Israeli army arrested civilian Mahmoud Alki al-Shafei
	from the refugee camp of Nour Shams, while he was at the Israeli
	Liaison Office applying for a permit.
	(ii) The civilian arrested in the town of Faqeen is Mahnmoud Fawwaz
	Ammar.
	• Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted
	special Israeli permits, which affects the educational and health conditions
	<ul> <li>of civilians living behind the Wall.</li> <li>Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks</li> </ul>
	the agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun as well as the road
	connecting the town of 'Azzun to the village of 'Izbat at Tabib
QALQILIYA	• Raids:
	(i) At 20:15, the Israeli army raided the village of Hibla and patrolled
	it until 21:15.
	(ii) At 21:15, the Israeli army raided the town of 'Azzun where clashed

with civilians broke out during patrol.

- (iii) At 02:50, the Israeli army raided the city of Qalqilya, searched a number of houses, arrested 3 civilians and withdrew at 04:30.
- (iv) The Israeli army raided the village of Kfar Droum, opened fired at random, and arrested a Palestinian police officer.

#### Arrests:

- (i) The 3 civilians arrested in the city of Qalqilya are:
- (b) Qassem Abdel Rahim Sway;
- (c) Mahmooud Mohammad al-Jeidi; and
- (d) Imad Marwan Hotari.
- (ii) The Israeli army arrested civilian Mahmoud Faleh Nazzal.
- (iii) The civilian arrested in the village of Kfar Droum is Ahmad Abed Jum'ah.
- <u>Settler Violence</u>: At 13:15, Israeli settlers opened fire near the village of Jeet towards civilian Badel Fattah Othman Abdel Fattah while he was picking olive east of the village, resulting in his injury.

#### • 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 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.

#### **Closure of Main Roads:**

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close the Jenin-Nablus road between the junction to the village of Deir Sharaf and the settlement of Shavei Shomron.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the settler bypass road connecting the village of Deir al-Hatab to the settlement of Alon Moreh as well as the southern entrance to the village of Qaryut.
- (iii) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the village of al-Lubban al-Sharqiya with dirt barricades and cement blocks.
- <u>Checkpoints</u>: The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus:
- (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.
- (iii) Beginning on 23 November 2006, the Israeli army continues to close the checkpoint set up in the area between the city of Nablus and the town of 'Asira al-Shamaliya and to prevent civilians from crossing, only allowing access to humanitarian cases.
- (iv) At 18:55, the Israeli army closed Huwara checkpoint and impede traffic in both directions claiming members of armed groups opened fire

#### **NABLUS**

towards the checkpoint.

- Raids: At 02:00 on Ocober 16, the Israeli army has been raiding the city of Nablus. The Israeli army opened fire intensively while searching a number of houses, and engaged in armed confrontations with civilians that resulted in the injury of 12 civilians, including 2 childern and a journalist who were critically injured. The Israeli army also occupied 3 buildings and turned them into military posts after detaining residents. In addition, the Israeli army arrested 2 civilians, including a child, and incurred damages to civilian vehicles. The Israeli army withdrew at17:00.
- Arrests: The 2 civilians arrested in the city of Nablus are:
  - (a) Mu'tassem Ashour; and
  - (b) Maher Hawash.
- <u>Settler Violence</u>: At 11:30, a bunch of Israeli settlers stoned civilians on the bypass road near the village of Tel resulting in the injury of civilian Othman Abdel Fattah Silwadi. At once the Israeli army interfered and evacuated the settlers.

#### • Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close the main north-western entrance to the city of Salfit with dirt barricades since the beginning of the current *Intifada* (Uprising).
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western entrance to the village of Marda and, with cement blocks, the western entrance to the town of Kafr al-Dik.

# • Checkpoints:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Deir Ballut and Za'tara checkpoints and to deny civilian access.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Za'tara junction checkpoint and impede traffic

#### • Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 09:30, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Deir Istiyya, and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) The Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Brougin, and searched civilians and vehicles.

#### Raids:

- (i) At 09:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Marda where confrontations with civilians broke out resulting in the injury of 5 civilians, including 4 children. The Israeli army also imposed curfew on the village, occupied one house and turned it into a military post, and withdrew at 8:00 today October 17.
- (ii) At 01:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Khirbet Qays, searched 8 houses and withdrew at 05:00.
- (iii) At 18:15, the Israeli army raided the town of Brouqin and patrolled it until 19:20
- (iv) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Salfit, and patrolled it until 03:00.
- Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the

# **SALFIT**

	city of Salfit, and in the village of Marda and the town of Kafr Hares north of the settlement of Ari'el.
JERICHO	<ul> <li>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.</li> <li>Checkpoints: 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 connecting the districts of Jericho and Ramallah.</li> </ul>
BETHLEHEM	<ul> <li>Closure: 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.</li> <li>Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close all roads to Road # 60 leading to the city of Jerusalem, thereby isolating the city of Bethlehem from its towns and villages located west of Road # 60.</li> <li>Raids: At 17:20, the Israeli army raided the town of al-Obaidiyyeh, searched a house, arrested one civilian and withdrew at 19:00.</li> <li>Arrests: The civilian arrested in the town of al-Obaidiyyeh is Ayed Mahmoud Rabay'ah.</li> <li>Palestinian Security Measures: At 15:10, the Palestinian forces handed over to the Israeli authorities through the D.C.O. female settler Karmid Bloom after she drove into Bethlehem by mistake.</li> <li>Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the town of al-Khader; northwest of the city of Beit Jala; in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of the settlement of Ephrata; and in the area surrounding the village of al-Walaja.</li> </ul>
HEBRON	• Closure:  (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:

- (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 Halhul; the area of al-Fahs south of the city of Hebron; the junction to the area of Farsh al-Hawa leading to Road # 35 northwest 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.
- **Flying Checkpoints**: At 09:30, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint at the entrance to the refugee camp of al-'Arroub, and searched civilians and vehicles.

#### • Raids:

- (i) At 19:30 on October 15, the Israeli army raided the refugee camp of al-'Arroub and opened fire intensively resulting in the injury of one civilian.
- (ii) At dawn on October 16, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit 'Ummar, searched a number of houses, arrested 13 civilians including a child and 4 university students.
- (iii) At 09:20, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron and patrolled it until 14:40.
- (iv) At 14:50, the Israeli army raided the town of Halhoul, set up a checkpoint in front of the police station. The raid recurred at 24:00 and the Israeli army searched a number of houses.
- (v) The Israeli army raided the town of Dura and arrested one civilian.

### • Arrests:

- (i) The 13 civilians arrested in the town of Beit 'Ummar are:
- (a) Mohammad Fathi Ikhlil, 16;
- (b) Ahmed Ibrahim Thalji;
- (c) Mohammad Tayseer al-Shobaki;
- (d) Youssef Mahmoud Ikhlil;
- (e) Firas Azzam:
- (f) Mohammad Azmi Ikhlil;
- (g) Atef Mohammad Adi;
- (h) Mohammad Imad Ikhlil;
- (i) Hassan Ali Adi;
- (j) Mohammad Mahmoud al-Shobaki;
- (k) Sameer Hassan Adi;
- (l) Youssef Mohammad Qoqas; and
- (m) Diya' Sameer Adi.

- (ii) The civilian arrested in the town of Dura is Ayed Mohammad Doudin.
- <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.

# **GAZA STRIP**

	• <u>Closure of Crossing Point</u> : Beit Hanoun (Erez) Crossing is partially open (to		
	allow previously coordinated humanitarian access).		
NODEHEDNI	• Palestinian Attacks:		
NORTHERN GAZA	(i) At 23:40, an (unidentified) mortar was fired towards the Green Line, but		
	fell in our areas.		
	(ii) In the evening of October 16, an (unidentified) mortar was fired towards		
	the Green Line.		
	Closure of Crossing Points:		
GAZA	(i) Al-Muntar (Karni) Crossing is closed.		
	(ii) Al-Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed.		
	• Raids: At dawn on October 17, Israeli tanks and military vehicles, backed		
	up by helicopters and surveillance aircrafts, raided the town of Abbasan and		
	opened fire intensively towards civilian houses, resulting in the injury of 3		
KHAN	civilians. In addition, the Israeli army searched a number of houses and		
YOUNIS	detained and investigated civilians. Furthermore, the Israeli army engaged		
	in armed confrontations with individuals from armed groups and razed		
	agricultural land. The Israeli army remains in the town until the preparation		
	of this report.		
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RAFAH	• Closure of Crossing Points:		
	(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 closed.		