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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT 08:00 17 October 2010 – 08:00 18 October 2010

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injury	1	_	1	A civilian injured by settlers, Nablus
Attacks	3	1	4	Incl. 2 in raids and 1 from a mil. post
Raids	22	1	23	Incl. 6 in Qalqiliya and 5 in Hebron
Air Patrol	_	1	1	Reconnaissance aircraft, Khan Yunis
Arrests (per person)	6	_	6	Incl. a PLC member and college student
Detentions	14	_	14	At checkpoints and in residential areas
Land Levelling	_	1	1	In Khan Yunis district
Wall Construction	19	_	19	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Salfit, & Hebron
Land Confiscation	1	_	1	11.245 dunums of land in Qalqiliya
Destruction of Property	1	_	1	A vehicle's windshield in Nablus
House Occupation	1	_	1	Converted into a mil. post in Tulkarem
Closure of Checkpoints	11	_	11	Incl. access impeded at 8 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	21	_	21	Incl. 3 in Jerusalem and 7 in Qalqiliya
Closure (per District)	7	_	7	Incl. Jerusalem & 2 areas in Bethlehem
Closure of Main Roads	42	_	42	Incl. 10 in Nablus and 13 in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points	_	4	4	3 crossing points partially open
Attack on Religious Site	1	_	1	A mosque surrounded in Hebron
Settler Violence	5	_	5	Incl. 30 caravans transported, Jericho
TOTAL	155	8	163	

DISTRICT EVENTS

WEST BANK

• Closure:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to Jerusalem city and to prevent civilians from other districts from entering the city, only allowing access to civilians holding special permits.
- (i) On 05 January 2009, the Israeli authorities issued Military Order # S/02/09 on the closure of the "demarcation area" along the Wall in the area surrounding Jerusalem city. Access would be restricted to residents of the area as well as to civilians holding permits through crossings and gates defined in the military order.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to impose a blockade and deny civilian access to a hill between Biddu and Beit Iksa villages.

• 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.
- (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with an iron gate the eastern entrance to Beit Iksa village and force civilians to access Jerusalem city through Qalandiya checkpoint.

• <u>Checkpoint</u>: The Israeli army continues to consider Qalandiya checkpoint a "border crossing point" and has designated a special crossing lane for holders of Jerusalem IDs and those possessing permits to access the city of Jerusalem.

- **Flying Checkpoint:** At 22:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Hizma village and searched civilians and vehicles.
- Attack: At 17:00, Israeli troops fired rubber-coated steel bullets as well as sound and tear gas grenades on civilians in Silwan neighbourhood in Jerusalem city. Civilians confronted Israeli troops, who attempted to dismantle a sit-in tent erected in protest against settlement activity.

• Raids/Attack:

- (i) At 21:00, the Israeli army raided Beit Surik village, fired sound grenades, and arrested a civilian.
- (ii) At 21:45, the Israeli army raided Beit Duqqu and served a summons on Rashid Bassam Dawoud to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency.
- Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Wael Ali Salhah in Beit Surik village.

• Wall Gates:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the Wall gate in Abu Dis town.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to deny civilian access through the Wall gate on Ash Shayyah road in the area between As Sawahira ash Sharqiya and As Sawahira al Gharbiya villages, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem IDs to cross, after subjecting them to thorough searches using electronic devices.

JERUSALEM

	Wall Construction: Wall construction was resumed in Al 'Eizariya area to Ash Shayyah, from Beit Surik village to Biddu; in the areas of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina; west of Al Jib village; near Qatanna village; south of Beit Hanina village; 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 the entrances to Sinjil town and Saffa village as well as the junction to Kafr Malik and 'Ein Samiya villages. Flying Checkpoint: At 09:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint underneath the overpass to 'Ein Yabrud village and searched civilians and vehicles. Wall Construction: Wall construction was resumed west of the town of 'Abud; in the village of Bil'in; and in the areas of Al Midya to Ni'lin and Ni'lin to Deir Qaddis.
JENIN	 Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of Dotan settlement. Flying Checkpoint: At 11:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Fahma village and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids: At 10:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Kafr Ra'i town. At 11:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled 'Arraba town. At 11:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled 'Anza village. 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	 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 city of Tubas. Raids: At 02:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Tammun town. At 02:45, the Israeli army raided Al Far'a refugee camp, searched a house, and arrested a university student. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Ali Mohammed Ali 'Abbas in Al Far'a refugee camp.
TULKAREM	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road connecting the town of Kafr al Labad to the village of Shufa as well as the road connecting the villages of Shufa and 'Izbat Shufa. Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at 'Einav checkpoint set up on Tulkarem-Nablus main road. Flying Checkpoint: At 18:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Beit Lid town and searched civilians and vehicles. Raid/House Occupation: At 01:30, the Israeli army raided Tulkarem city, occupied a house roof, converted it into a military post, and arrested a civilian.

	• Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Sufyan Ahmed Saleem Isteitiyyeh in
	Tulkarem city.
	• <u>Wall Gates</u> : Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted
	special Israeli permits.
	• Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks
	agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun.
	• Flying Checkpoints:
	(i) At 08:50, and again at 20:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint
	on the junction to Jit village and searched civilians and vehicles.
	(ii) At 10:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near Al Funduq
	village on the Qalqiliya-Nablus main road and searched civilians and
	vehicles.
	(iii) At 19:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between
	Al Funduq and Jinsafut villages and searched civilians and vehicles.
	(iv) At 20:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to
	'Azzun town and searched civilians and vehicles.
	(v) At 21:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Jinsafut village and searched civilians and vehicles.
	• Attack: At 17:40, Israeli troops guarding the Wall section near 'Azzun
	'Atma village, which is isolated behind the Wall, opened indiscriminate fire
	on a number of Palestinian workers, while they were returning from their
	workplaces in Israel.
	• Raids/Attack/Detentions: (i) At 12:00, the Israeli array raided An Nahi Elyas village and sarrad
	(i) At 12:00, the Israeli army raided An Nabi Elyas village and served
QALQILYA	summonses on three civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency.
	(ii) At 19:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Kafr Laqif village.
	(iii) At 20:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled 'Azzun town.
	(iv) At 21:40, the Israeli army raided Kafr Qaddum village and fired flares,
	while it was patrolling the area.
	(v) At 21:45, the Israeli army raided Hajja village. While patrolled the area,
	the Israeli army detained two civilians and released them at a later time.
	(vi) At 21:45, the Israeli army raided Baqat al Hatab village, set up a
	checkpoint at its entrance, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled
	the area.
	• <u>Land Confiscation</u> : On 20 September 2010, the Israeli army issued Military
	Order # T/22/10 on the seizure of 11.245 <i>dunums</i> of civilian land in Kafr
	Qaddum village for construction of a settler bypass road to Kedumim
	settlement.
	• Wall Gates:
	(i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma
	Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal
	detector.
	(ii) The Israeli army continues close with an iron gate the entrance to the
	village of Wadi ar Rasha and to deny civilian access. The Israeli army
	allows residents to access the village through Gate #109. Having
	removed the iron gate at the entrance to the village of Ras 'Atiya, the

	Israeli army only allows students to cross to their schools outside the		
	village through the Habla gate.		
	• Closure of Main Roads: (i) The Israeli army continues to close the roads of Till-Burin and Beit Furik-Salem; the settler bypass road connecting the village of Deir al Hatab to the settlement of Alon Moreh; the road connecting the town of 'Aqraba to the village of Osarin; and the detour road between the town of Qabalan and the village of Osarin.		
	(ii) The Israeli army continues to close the northern entrance to the town of Qabalan; the southern entrances to the town of Jamma'in and the villages of Duma and Qaryut; and the western entrance to An Naqura village opposite the settlement of Shavei Shomron.		
	• <u>Checkpoints</u> : The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus:		
	(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.		
NABLUS	(ii) 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.		
	(iii) At 08:00, the Israeli army intensified restrictions and impeded civilian access at the checkpoint set up at the entrance to Beit Furik town.		
	(iv) At 21:15, the Israeli army intensified restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the junction to Shavei Shomron settlement on the Nablus-Jenin main road and impeded civilian access until 22:40.		
	 Raid: At 01:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Nablus city. Settler Violence: 		
	(i) At 19:50, a group of Israeli settlers from Yitzhar settlement threw stones at civilian vehicles travelling along the main road near the settlement, breaking the windshield of a vehicle belonging to Dawoud Abdul Kareem Shihadeh and injuring Saleem Ma'moun Saleem of broken glass. Subsequently, the Israeli army evacuated settlers from the		
	area. (ii) At 20:35, a group of Israeli settlers from Yitzhar settlement threw stones at civilian vehicles travelling along the road connecting 'Asira al Qibliya and 'Urif villages.		
SALFIT	Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the northern entrance to Salfit city and with cement blocks the northern entrance to the Bruqin town.		
	(ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the entrance to two detour roads connecting Marda village to respective farmland.		

	• <u>Checkpoint</u> : The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions and
	impede civilian access at the Za'tara junction checkpoint.
	• Flying Checkpoint: At 19:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at
	the entrance to Az Zawiya town and searched civilians and vehicles.
	• Raids:
	(i) At 00:20, the Israeli army raided Salfit city, searched two houses, and served summonses on two civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence
	agency. (ii) At 01:35, the Israeli army raided Iskaka village and served a summons
	on Ahmed Khaled Harb to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency.
	<u>Wall Construction</u> : Wall construction was resumed in the area northwest of the city of Salfit, and in the village of Marda and the town of Kifl Haris north of the settlement of Ariel.
	Closure: The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between Jericho
	city and Al 'Auja village with cement blocks.
	• Checkpoints:
	(i) The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Al Hamra
	checkpoint set up along Al Badhan road connecting Jericho and Nablus
	districts, only allowing access to residents of Jericho district of the
	Jordan Valley area.
	(ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at the checkpoint set
JERICHO	up on the junction to Al 'Auja village along Al-Mu'arrajat road
	connecting Jericho and Ramallah districts, only allowing access to
	residents of Jericho district as well as to others holding access permits.
	• Flying Checkpoints: At 09:00, and again at 19:30, the Israeli army set up a
	flying checkpoint near the junction to Vered Yericho settlement and
	searched civilians and vehicles.
	Settler Violence: At 18:00, a group of Israeli settlers transported 30 caravans
	to Pitsa-II settlement.
	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
BETHLEHEM	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: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt
	barricades the road of Beit Jala-Wadi Ahmad; a road east of Beit Fajjar
	town; and a rural road connecting Tuqu' town to Khirbet al Baq'a village.
	• Checkpoint: At 18:10, the Israeli army intensified restrictions and impeded
	civilian access at As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the 'Container') checkpoint.
	• Flying Checkpoints:
	(i) At 12:00, and again at 17:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint
	on An Nashash junction (the southern entrance to Bethlehem city) and

searched civilians and vehicles. At 19:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to (ii) Jannata town and searched civilians and vehicles. Wall Construction: Wall construction was resumed 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 Efrat settlement; and in the area surrounding Al Walaja. Closure: The Israeli army continues to close Ash Shuhada' Street, As Sahleh and (i) Khuzq al Far areas, and the old gold market in the old city of Hebron. In addition to closing the entrance to Al Oeisi neighbourhood, the Israeli army continues to close the entrances to the area of Al Hisba (the fruits and vegetables market) with an iron gate and Al Laban Market with iron plates. (ii) On 05 January 2009, the Israeli army issued Military Order # 09/06/S on the 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:** The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to As Samoa' and Adh Dhahiriya, Al 'Arrub refugee camp, and At Tuwani village. The Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from (ii) travelling along Ash Shalala Old Street in the old city of Hebron. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close the road between Al Karmil and At Tuwani villages; all roads leading to Road # 60; and the road **HEBRON** connecting Surif town to Al Jab'a village. **Flying Checkpoints:** At 11:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to (i) Beit Ummar town and searched civilians and vehicles. At 23:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to (ii) Zif village and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids/Attack on Religious Site/Detentions: (i) At 13:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Khirbet Safa village. At 01:15, the Israeli army raided Hebron city, searched a number of (ii) houses, and arrested a member on the Palestinian Legislative Council (PLC). At 01:30, the Israeli army raided Adh Dhahiriya town and searched (iii) a house. Following dawn prayers, the Israeli army surrounded a mosque and detained worshippers inside. At 06:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. (iv) At 04:30, the Israeli army raided Surif town, searched a house, and arrested a Palestinian National Security officer. At 06:05, the Israeli army raided Beit 'Awwa town and arrested a (v) civilian.

Arrests:

- (i) The Israeli army arrested Hatem Qafisheh, a PLC member, in Hebron city.
- (ii) The Israeli army arrested 'Isa Ghuneimat, a Palestinian National Security officer, in Surif town.
- (iii) The Israeli army arrested Seif Hussein Na'im Masalmeh in Beit 'Awwa town.

• Settler Violence:

- (i) On 17 October 2010, a group of Israeli settlers from Kfar 'Etzion settlement discharged wastewater, flooding dozens of *dunums* of civilian farmland in Wadi Shakhit area in Beit Ummar town.
- (ii) On 17 October 2010, a group of Israeli settlers, protected by Israeli troops, levelled a vast area of civilian land in Al Buweira area near Harsina settlement east of Hebron city.
- Wall Construction: Wall construction was resumed in the section of Tarqumiya checkpoint terminal; in the area surrounding the settlement of Eshkolot near the town of Adh Dhahiriya; and in the area between the villages of 'Arab ar Ramadin and Imneizil.

GAZA STRIP

ALL DISTRICTS	 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. The ceasefire continues to hold. Violation of the Ceasefire: The Israeli army raided Palestinian territory and opened fire on civilian houses and property in Khan Yunis district.
NORTHERN GAZA	• Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open to previously-coordinated humanitarian cases, foreign journalists, international organisations staff, merchants, businesspeople, and civilians intending to travel to Jordan through Al Karama (Allenby) Bridge in the West Bank.
	• Closure of Crossing Points:
GAZA	(i) Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed.
	(ii) Ash Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 04 January 2010, the Crossing has been closed upon an Israeli unilateral decision.
CENTRAL GAZA	Events not reported.
	• Raid/Air Patrol/Attack/Land Levelling: In the morning of 18 October 2010,
KHAN YUNIS	the Israeli army, including several armoured vehicles and two bulldozers covered by reconnaissance aircraft, raided Palestinian territory east of
	'Abasan al Jadida town. While levelling land, the Israeli army opened

intensive fire on civilian houses and property.

transportation of food supplies, humanitarian aid, and diesel designated for the Gaza Electricity Generation Plant.	RAFAH	 Closure of Crossing Points: Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. Rafah (Al 'Awdah) Crossing was open to allow civilians, patients, students, and civilians holding visas to depart the Gaza Strip. Access was also allowed to civilians and patients, who had received medical treatment at Egyptian hospitals. Sufa Crossing is closed. Karm Abu Salem (Karem Shalom) Crossing was partially open for transportation of food supplies, humanitarian aid, and diesel designated for the Gaza Electricity Generation Plant
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