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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 18 October 2006 – 08:00 19 October 2006

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assaults	4	—	4	Incl. civilians beaten in old city of Hebron
Injuries	4	2	6	Incl. 4 children
Incursion	—	1	1	Into areas east of the city of Rafah
Attacks	10	3	13	Incl. 5 in raids and 1 by navy boats
Raids	13	2	15	Incl. 5 in Jenin & 2 in Northern Gaza
Air Patrols	—	2	2	Helicopters over Northern Gaza & Rafah
Arrests	20	—	20	Incl. 4 children
Detentions	19	—	19	At checkpoints & in residential locales
House Demolitions	—	4	4	4 houses north of Rafah Crossing, Rafah
Land Levelling	—	2	2	In the district of Northern Gaza
Wall Construction	29	—	29	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Beth.
Confiscation of Property	1	—	1	1 computer and CDs, Ramallah
Closure of Checkpoints	10	—	10	Incl. Al Badhan checkpoint closed
Flying Checkpoints	16	—	16	Incl. 5 in Jerusalem and 6 in Jenin
Closure (per District)	6	—	6	Incl. 3 areas in the city of Hebron
Closure of Main Roads	30	—	30	Incl. 4 in Jerusalem & 2 in Ramallah
Closure of Crossing Points	—	5	5	Incl. Beit Hanun (Erez) partially
Settler Violence	1	—	1	Civilian houses stoned in Hebron
Provocation of Pal. Forces	—	1	1	Fire opened towards security officers
Palestinian Attacks	—	3	3	5 mortars fired towards the Green Line
Pal. Security Measure	1	—	1	1 illegal vehicle handed over, Qalqiliya
TOTAL	164	25	189	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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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 the northern districts from the southern districts as well as the Jericho district and the Jordan Valley from the remainder of the West Bank.
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JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Closure/Detentions: The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem, set up other checkpoints in the old city of Jerusalem and around Al Aqsa Mosque compound, and prevented civilians from accessing Al Aqsa Mosque in order to observe <i>Lailatu al Qadr</i> or the Night of Destiny. Confrontations took place between civilians and Israeli troops positioned at Dahiyat al Bareed checkpoint as well as at the checkpoint set up on the junction to the town of Abu Dis. The Israeli army also detained many civilians and released them at a later time. Closure of Main Roads: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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. The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting Dahiyat al Bareed to the town of Ar Ram in order to complete Wall construction in the area. The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks 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: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks. 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 Dahiyat al Bareed, Dahiyat al Aqbat, from the village of Hizma to 'Anata, along the Hizma-Jaba' road, the area of Al 'Eizariya to Ash Shayyah, near Al Quds University, in the town of As Sawahira ash Sharqiya, 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.
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 12:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the town of 'Anata and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 15:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Beit Hanina and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Qalandiya and searched civilians and vehicles.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<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 eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the western entrance to the village of Saffa. • <u>Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the overpass to the town of 'Atara and to impede access to the city of Ramallah for civilians holding IDs issued in the northern districts of the West Bank. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues in the areas of Al Midya to Budrus, Al Midya to Ni'lin, Bil'in to Saffa, in the village of Beit Liqya, in the town of Beituniya, and west of the town of 'Abud and the village of Beit Sira. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 21:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Abu Shukheidim and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raid/Confiscation of Property:</u> At 22:00, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided the city of El Bireh. While surrounding and searching 1 building, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. The Israeli army also arrested 1 civilian, after having confiscated 1 computer and CDs from his house. At 23:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. • <u>Arrests:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) On the morning of 18 October 2006, the Israeli army arrested 15-year-old Hammam Raja Msallam, while he was visiting his brother who is imprisoned in the Interrogation and Detention Centre at 'Ofar military post. (ii) The Israeli army arrested 'Abboud Ibrahim al Beebi in the city of El Bireh.
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Road:</u> The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the unpaved detour road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan. • <u>Checkpoint:</u> In addition to operating surveillance cameras, 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. The Israeli army also demands that children under 16 years of age present their birth certificates. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.

- **Flying Checkpoints:**

- (i) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on As Suweitat junction east of the city of Jenin and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 08:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Misliya and searched civilians and vehicles.

- **Raids/Detentions/Attacks/Injury:**

- (i) Beginning at 04:30 on 18 October 2006, the Israeli army remained positioned in the town of Qabatiya, took position in several neighbourhoods as well as at the entrances to the town, searched a number of houses, and detained dozens of civilians between 16 and 50 years of age in a school. Israeli troops also detained 7-year-old Basem Yasser Hanaysheh and 12-year-old Haytham Yasser Hanaysheh (brothers) so as to place pressure on their father to surrender himself to the Israeli army. In addition, the Israeli army arrested 17 civilians, including 3 children, and served summons to the families of 2 other civilians (described as “wanted individuals” by the Israeli authorities) to surrender themselves to the Israeli army; otherwise, the Israeli army would extra-judicially kill them and demolish their houses. At 21:00, the Israeli army, including 40 jeeps and 2 bulldozers, raided the town again, closed all its entrances with checkpoints, and denied civilian access. While patrolling the area, the Israeli army also opened intensive fire. At 22:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
- (ii) At 19:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Jenin, set up checkpoints in its surroundings, and searched civilians and vehicles. At 03:55, the Israeli army, including 10 jeeps, raided the city again, opened fire, fired sound grenades, and searched a number of houses after detaining residents outside. Confrontations also took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during which the Israeli army injured 1 child. The Israeli army remains positioned in the area as of 08:00 this morning.
- (iii) At 01:00, the Israeli army, including 15 jeeps, raided the town of Al Yamun and opened intensive fire. While patrolling the area, an armed confrontation took place between the Israeli army and armed Palestinian individuals. At 04:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.

- **Arrests:** The Israeli army arrested 17 civilians in the town of Qabatiya:

- (i) Ahmed Ali Abu ar Rub, 13 years old;
- (ii) Nour ad Din Falah Abu ar Rub, 15 years old;
- (iii) Mahmoud Khalil Abu ar Rub, 15 years old;
- (iv) Fadi Khalil Abu ar Rub;
- (v) Ali Mohammed Abu ar Rub;
- (vi) Jihad Subhi Tazaz’ah;
- (vii) Rizq Saleh Tazaz’ah;
- (viii) Salah Mohammed Abu ar Rub;
- (ix) Mohammed Falah Abu ar Rub;
- (x) ‘Izz ad Din Falah Abu ar Rub;
- (xi) Abdul ‘Azeez Mohammed Abu ar Rub;
- (xii) Mahmoud Mohammed Abu ar Rub;

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (xiii) Ghazi Mohammed Abu ar Rub; (xiv) Khaled Jamal Abu ar Rub; (xv) Abdul Rahman Jamal Abu ar Rub; (xvi) Mahmoud Ahmed Hanaysheh; and (xvii) Abdullah Ahmed Hanaysheh.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army continues to declare the district of Tulkarem 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 Dahiyat Iktaba-Bal'a road, the entrance to the village of Saffarin, and the road connecting the town of Deir al Ghusun to 'Attil plain. • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Einav checkpoint on the Tulkarem-Nablus road as well as at Jubara checkpoint (the southern entrance to the city of Tulkarem). At 'Einav checkpoint, the Israeli army has confined crossing times to the period between 07:00 and 17:00 every day. • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
QALQILIYA	<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. • 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. The Israeli army also continues to deny access to school students under 16 years of age unless they are accompanied by one of their parents. • Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction continues in the villages of Immatin and Kafr Laqif as well as east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and 'Azzun. • Raid: At 01:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of 'Azzun. • Palestinian Security Measure: At 09:00, Palestinian security forces handed over 1 illegal vehicle, seized in the city of Qalqiliya, to the Israeli authorities (through the DCO).
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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 Al Badhan road, which is the north-eastern entrance to the city of Nablus, as well as the southern entrance to the village of Qaryut. • 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) Huwwara and Beit Iba checkpoints (set up at the southern and western entrances to the city of Nablus respectively) are closed at 23:00.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) Al Badhan checkpoint (set up at the eastern entrance to the city of Nablus) remains closed with dirt barricades. (iii) Nablus-‘Asira ash Shamaliya checkpoint (set up at the northern entrance to city) is open from 06:30 to 20:00. (iv) At Tur neighbourhood checkpoint (set up on Jirzim 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. (v) Beit Furik checkpoint is open to civilian residents of the town of Beit Furik and the village of Beit Dajan until 17:30.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army has continued to close the main north-western entrance to the city of Salfit with dirt barricades since the beginning of the current <i>Intifada</i> (Uprising). (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western entrances to the town of Bruqin and the village of Marda. The Israeli army also continues to close with cement blocks the western entrance to the town of Kafr ad Dik. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Deir Ballut checkpoint and to deny civilian access to the town of Kafr ad Dik. (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the Za’tara junction checkpoint and to deny access to civilians under 35 years of age. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues near the Green Line in the town of Deir Ballut and the villages of Az Zawiya and Rafat, northwest of the city of Salfit, and in the village of Marda and the town of Kifl Haris north of the settlement of Ari’el. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:40, the Israeli army raided the town of Kafr ad Dik. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. (ii) At 04:15, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Salfit and patrolled the area.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> 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. • <u>Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army continues to close Al Hamra checkpoint set up on the Jericho-Nablus road, denying civilian access, except for farmers holding Jericho IDs. • <u>Physical Assaults/Detentions:</u> At 02:15, Israeli troops positioned at the DCO checkpoint set up at the southern entrance to the city of Jericho beat 2 civilians after having detained them. • <u>Raid:</u> At 10:30, the Israeli army raided the village of ‘Ein ad Duyuk, searched 1 house, and withdrew at 10:55.

<p style="text-align: center;">BETHLEHEM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) 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. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades Wadi al Laban road that branches off from Wadi an Nar road. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the "Container") checkpoint and to deny access to civilian vehicles, except for those possessing access permits. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the town of Al Khadr, north of 'Ayda refugee camp, and northwest of the city of Beit Jala. • Flying Checkpoint: At 10:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the north-western entrance to the city of Beit Jala and prevented civilians from accessing the city of Jerusalem in order to observe <i>Lailatu al Qadr</i> or the Night of Destiny at Al Aqsa Mosque. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Al Khadr. (ii) At 20:55, the Israeli army raided the city of Bethlehem and patrolled the area until 22:30.
<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: 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. (ii) Although it expired on 07 May 2006, the Israeli army continues to implement a military order stipulating the prohibition of civilian vehicles from travelling 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 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; and the entrance to the village of Beit 'Einun. The Israeli army also continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to Al Qeisi neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron. (ii) In accordance with Military Order # 378, the Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from travelling along Shalala Old Street

	<p>that leads to the old city of Hebron, only allowing Israeli vehicles as well as Israeli army vehicles to travel along this street.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues: in the section between the area south of the town of Beit Ula and Tarqumiya checkpoint terminal; the remaining section of the Wall route that separates the settlement of Eshkolot from the village of Ar Ramadin; and near the village of Imneizil southeast of the town of Yatta. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to the town of Halhul and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 12:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Yatta and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raid:</u> At 13:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, set up a checkpoint in front of Hebron University, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area. • <u>Arrest:</u> At 11:50 on 17 October 2006, the Israeli army arrested Mahmoud Ahmed Abu Salem during its raid on the city of Hebron, in addition to those reported yesterday. • <u>Detention/Injuries/Physical Assaults:</u> At 22:00, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions in the area surrounding the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron. As a result, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, while they were heading toward the mosque to observe <i>Lailatu al Qadr</i> or the Night of Destiny. During confrontations, the Israeli army injured 3 children and severely beat others. • <u>Settler Violence:</u> At 24:00, a group of Israeli settlers threw stones at civilian houses around the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron.
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GAZA STRIP

ALL DISTRICTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beginning on 25 June 2006, the Israeli army has reinforced the concentration of its armed forces along the northern and eastern borders of the district of Northern Gaza. Beginning on 28 June 2006, the Israeli army has also reinforced the concentration of its armed forces along the eastern border of the district of Rafah.
NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Point:</u> Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open only to foreign nationals, VIPs, and humanitarian cases. • <u>Attack:</u> At 17:55, Israeli navy boats opened fire towards the area of As Sudaniya northwest of the town of Beit Lahiya. • <u>Raids/Land Levelling:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:25, the Israeli army, including 40 armoured vehicles, raided 800 metres into Palestinian territory near Points 50 and 59 on the Green Line. The Israeli army also took position at a distance of 60 metres from the Eastern Road and levelled land to erect dirt barricades on Tallet Abu Safiya east of the town of Jabalya. (ii) At 14:20, the Israeli army, including 5 armoured vehicles and 2 bulldozers, raided Beit Hanun (Erez) Industrial Zone north of the town of Beit Hanun, levelled land, and withdrew at 16:00.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Air Patrol:</u> At 23:50, Israeli combat helicopters patrolled the skies over the district of Northern Gaza. • <u>Palestinian Attacks:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 23:40, 2 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line. (ii) At 01:30, 2 unidentified mortars were fired towards the Green Line. (iii) At 02:50, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.
GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Attack/Injury:</u> At 07:45, the Israeli army opened fire from one of its locations near Point 84 on the Green Line southeast of Gaza city, injuring 1 civilian.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
KHAN YUNIS	<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 Crossing is closed. (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed. (iv) Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed. • <u>Incursion/Attacks/Provocation of Palestinian Forces/Air Patrol:</u> Beginning at 18:20 on 07 August 2006, the Israeli army has remained positioned around Yasser 'Arafat International Airport east of the city of Rafah. Beginning at 03:25 on 18 October 2006, the Israeli army continued to expand the scope of its incursion so as to include areas along Salah ad Din main road as well as areas in As Salaam neighbourhood in Rafah refugee camp and north of Rafah Crossing. Claiming to be searching for tunnels, the Israeli army destroyed 4 houses (using explosives). The Israeli army also opened fire towards Palestinian National Security officers positioned at Rafah Crossing, injuring 1 officer while he was performing his security duties. At 23:30, the Israeli army supported military forces positioned in the area surrounding Rafah Crossing with 30 armoured vehicles covered by combat helicopters. In addition, the Israeli army used explosives to destroy 2 tunnels. The Israeli army remains positioned in the area as of 08:00 this morning. • <u>House Demolitions:</u> The Israeli army destroyed 4 houses north of Rafah Crossing belonging to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Hammad Salameh Jaradat; (ii) Muhareb Mansour Jaradat; (iii) 'Imad Abu Shallouf; and (iv) Mohammed Muhareb Abu Jaradat.