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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 19 October 2004 – 08:00 20 October 2004

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Deaths	—	2	2	Incl. 1 civilian on his way to pray
Physical Assault	1	—	1	Civilians severely beaten in Khadr
Injuries	1	2	3	Incl. 1 female child & female civ.
Attacks	11	4	15	Incl. 11 in raids, 3 from mil. posts
Raids	31	2	33	Incl. cont. presence in Arraba
Arrests (per person)	8	—	8	Incl. 1 child and 2 female civilians
Detentions	5	2	7	Incl. in residential compounds
Wall Construction	18	—	18	Jer., Jenin, Ramallah, Beth. Hebron
Destruction of Property	2	1	3	Incl. heritage houses in Hebron
Confiscation of Property	1	—	1	JD 250 & \$ 100 during searches
Curfews	3	—	3	In Arraba, Silat Ad Dhahr, & Idhna
Checkpoints	All	—	All	
Flying Checkpoints	(Dozens)	(Dozens)	—	Closing all districts
Closure (per District)	(All)	(All)	(All)	
Closure of Main Roads	(Most)	(4)	(Most)	Esp. connecting cities
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)	—	(All)	Permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points	—	4	4	1 partially open
School Disruption	1	—	1	11 schools in Idhna due to curfew
Settlement Activities	1	1	2	Incl. expansion of road in Hebron
New Military Posts	1	1	2	Incl. 1 military base near 'Isawiya
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	—	1	Raid on Pal. Police station
Palestinian Attacks	—	2	2	3 mortars and 1 Qassam
TOTAL	85	21	106	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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ALL DISTRICTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Since 22 March 2004, the Israeli army has imposed a total closure on the West Bank and Gaza Strip, prevented civilians from crossing the Green Line and entering Jerusalem, and restricted movement between cities in the West Bank. • The Israeli army has renewed the closure between the districts of the West Bank and the Green Line due to the Jewish holidays.
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WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. • Wall Construction: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Wall construction continues along the main road between Qalandiya checkpoint and Ar Ram, the area of Al Aqbat, north of the village of 'Anata, in the area between the villages of Jaba' and Hizma, the area of Ash Shayyah, and in the town of As Sawahira Ash Sharqiya. (ii) Wall construction in the villages of Qatanna and Biddu remains suspended following an Israeli Supreme Court order. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army raided the village of Al 'Isawiya and closed all its entrances with cement blocks, except for the entrance leading to the village of Az Za'ayem. (ii) The Israeli army raided the town of Ar Ram and arrested 1 female civilian. • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Falasteen Ar Rujoub, a female civilian, in the town of Ar Ram. • Detentions: Israeli troops positioned at Qalandiya checkpoint detained dozens of civilians, under the age of 35, and forced them to wait for an extended period of time due to thorough searches. • New Military Post: The Israeli army began land levelling works for the construction of a military base near the Israeli military post on 250 <i>dunums</i> (62.5 acres) of civilian land which the Israeli army had confiscated from civilians in the villages of Al 'Isawiya and 'Anata.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up dozens of flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Budrus, Midya, Ni'lin, Deir Qaddis, Beit Liqya, and Beituniya.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:00, the Israeli army raided the towns of Beit Rima and Deir Ghassana, raided the Palestinian Police station in the town of Deir Ghassana, and searched 1 civilian house. (ii) At 18:30, the Israeli army raided the village Beit ‘Ur At Tahta and closed 1 olive oil press factory. (iii) At 01:45, the Israeli army raided the town of Bir Zeit and the villages of Kobar and Abu Shukheidim, opened intensive fire in the village of Abu Shukheidim, and patrolled the area.
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. The Israeli army continues to close all roads leading to the city with dirt barricades. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact education, economic and livelihood activities and impedes access to health facilities. (ii) The Israeli army closed Al Jalama commercial Wall crossing north of the city of Jenin. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Land levelling for Wall construction continues in Jalbun towards Al Mutilla, Raba, Al Mughayyir, Bardala and ‘Ein al Beida, and towards the Jordan River. • <u>Attack:</u> The Israeli army opened fire from its location in the settlement of Kadim towards civilian houses in the city of Jenin. • <u>Raids/Curfew:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 15:30, the Israeli army raided the town of ‘Arraba, imposed curfew, opened indiscriminate fire, and searched a number of houses, including 1 house from which 250 Jordanian Dinars and 100 USD were lost as Israeli troops raided the house. The Israeli army closed all entrances to the town with dirt barricades and remains positioned in the area as of 08:00 this morning. (ii) At 16:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Kafr Ra’i and the village of ‘Ajja, searched a number of houses, and arrested 1 civilian in the village of ‘Ajja. (iii) At 18:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Silat Ad Dhahr, opened intensive fire, imposed curfew, and withdrew at 20:00. (iv) The Israeli army raided the village of Ar Rama, fired sound grenades, and searched a number of houses. • <u>Arrest:</u> The Israeli army arrested Hani Shihadeh Abu Al Heijja in the village of ‘Ajja.

<p style="text-align: center;">TULKAREM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact education, economic and livelihood activities and impedes access to health facilities. • Flying Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to set up flying checkpoints, and placed dirt barricades, at the entrances to the city of Tulkarem and its towns, thereby preventing civilians from entering or exiting the city and forcing them to take rough detours. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 12:15, the Israeli army raided the town of Zeita and searched a number of houses. (ii) At 01:15, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Tulkarem and patrolled the area. (iii) At 03:25, the Israeli army raided Tulkarem refugee camp, opened fire, fired sound grenades, and withdrew at 04:00. (iv) At 04:15, the Israeli army raided the town of Dhinnaba, opened indiscriminate fire, searched 1 house after detaining its residents, and withdrew at 05:15.
<p style="text-align: center;">QALQILYA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. • Wall Gates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact education, economic and livelihood activities and impedes access to health facilities. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the tunnel under the Wall, which connects the city of Qalqiliya to the village of Habla. • Raid: At 02:50, the Israeli army raided the city of Qalqiliya, searched a number of houses, arrested 2 civilians, including 1 child, and withdrew at 04:40. • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the city of Qalqiliya: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Abdul Rahman Yousef Al Ja'idi, 15 years old; and (ii) Mahran Mohammed Dallal.
<p style="text-align: center;">NABLUS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army set up dozens of flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 15:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus. At 01:30, the Israeli army raided the city again and patrolled several neighbourhoods until 03:50. (ii) At 02:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Qusin and arrested 1 university student. • <u>Arrest:</u> The Israeli army arrested Mohammed Sami Abed Rabbu.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. The checkpoint set up at the entrance to the village of Deir Ballut continues to prevent civilians from entering or exiting the village. Access is only permitted at specific times. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Land levelling for Wall construction west of the village of Iskaka, north of the city of Salfit (around the settlement of Ariel) and in the villages of Al Zawiya and Deir Ballut, remains suspended due to changes in the Wall route following an Israeli Supreme Court order. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 19:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Az Zawiya, opened fire, and fired sound grenades while patrolling the village. (ii) At 20:15, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Salfit, patrolled the area, and withdrew at 20:45.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> The Israeli army set up dozens of checkpoints throughout the city, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and prevented civilians from crossing. The Israeli army continues to declare the city of Jericho a closed military zone and prevented all civilians from entering or exiting the city. However, the Israeli army allowed movement for civilians holding Jericho IDs, civilians arriving from, or leaving to, Jordan, humanitarian cases, and UN vehicles.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing civilians from crossing. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the only road leading to the village of Al Nu'man, northeast of the Bethlehem district, isolating the village and placing it, together with the adjacent village of Al Khas, under the jurisdiction of the Jerusalem municipality. The Israeli army considers the civilian presence in the villages illegal. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Construction of the Wall continues north of the district of Bethlehem, along 'Ayda refugee camp, and along the tunnel road (Gilo).

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 16:30, Israeli army patrols raided the city of Bethlehem and patrolled the area at various times until 00:30. (ii) At 01:40, the Israeli army raided the town of Al Khadr, searched a number of houses, severely beat a number of civilians, and damaged furniture in several houses during searches. At 03:10, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. (iii) At 02:20, the Israeli army raided the area of Al ‘Ubayyat, opened fire, fired sound grenades, searched 1 house, and arrested 1 civilian. At 03:40, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. (iv) At 07:30, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Beit Jala and arrested 1 female civilian. • <u>Arrests:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army arrested Iyad Ibrahim Abu Jalghif in the area of Al ‘Ubayyat. (ii) The Israeli army arrested Ahlam Abdullah Jawarish, a female civilian, in the city of Beit Jala.
HEBRON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Land levelling for wall construction continues west of the towns of Idhna and Beit ‘Awwa in the area between the villages of Khirbet Ba’er, north of the town of Beit ‘Awwa, Khirbet Um Al ‘Aqaf, south of the village of As Sikka, west of the town of Surif, and near the villages of Deir Al ‘Asal and Beit Ar Rush. • <u>Raids/School Disruption:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Beginning at 03:00, the Israeli army remains positioned in the town of Idhna, opened fire towards 1 house while surrounding it, injured 1 civilian, and arrested him. The Israeli army caused the disruption of classes in 11 schools serving 5,599 students and withdrew at 09:00. (ii) At 13:00, the Israeli army raided Al Fawwar refugee camp and detained 2 civilians until 23:00. (iii) At 02:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron and searched several houses. (iv) At 03:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Yatta, opened indiscriminate fire, and searched a number of houses. • <u>Arrest:</u> The Israeli army arrested an unidentified civilian in the town of Idhna. • <u>Settlement Activity:</u> The Israeli army demolished a number of heritage houses in the old city of Hebron for the expansion of the settler bypass road connecting the settlement of Kiryat Arba’ to the Ibrahimi Mosque.

GAZA STRIP

<p style="text-align: center;">NORTHERN GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: Beit Hanun Crossing remains closed. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 12:50, the Israeli army, including 2 tanks and 1 bulldozer, raided the area opposite the Industrial Zone in Beit Hanun, levelled Salah Ad Din road, and dug a trench in the middle of the road. (ii) At 20:05, the Israeli army, including 2 tanks and 2 bulldozers, raided Palestinian territory, took position in the area of Abu Safiyya hill, east of the town of Jabalya, and opened intensive fire in the vicinity of the area. • Killings: The 2 civilians whom the Israeli army killed near the Green Line east of the town Beit Hanun (reported yesterday) were identified as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Mohammed Ahmed Hamid; and (ii) Mohammed Kamal Ash Shawwa. • Palestinian Attack: At 05:40, 1 Qassam mortar was fired towards the Green Line.
<p style="text-align: center;">GAZA CITY</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: Nitsareem junction remains closed. • New Military Post: At 14:20, the Israeli army set up a new watchtower in the area between the western gate to the settlement of Nitsareem and the demolished buildings of the Palestinian Preventive Security near the city of Az Zahra' south of Gaza city.
<p style="text-align: center;">CENTRAL GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Killing: At 22:15, the Israeli army delivered the corpse of 'Ilayyan Jawad Al Wadiyyed to the Palestinian authorities. The Israeli army had opened fire towards Al Wadiyyeh as he was on the outskirts of Jabalya refugee camp and transported him to the areas inside the Green Line while he was injured. • Palestinian Attack: At 10:15, 3 mortars were fired towards the Green Line.
<p style="text-align: center;">KHAN YUNIS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Abu Al 'Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) is closed. (ii) Western road (Khan Yunis) remains closed. (iii) Abu Holi road is partially open. At 10:55, the Israeli army closed Salah Ad Din road, between Abu Holi and Al Matahin checkpoints. At 17:30, the Israeli army closed the road again. • Attacks: At 02:30, the Israeli army opened intensive fire and fired 1 tank shell from its location at Point 12 towards civilian houses in the area of Al Maqabir near An Namsawi neighbourhood. • Settlement Activity: At 12:50, the Israeli army erected a barbed wire fence south of Kissufim road in the area of Al Qarara.

RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Gaza International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah Crossing is partially open. (iii) Sufa Crossing is partially open for construction cargo only. • Attack: At 04:30, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location in the area surrounding Salah Ad Din gate towards civilian houses, killing 1 civilian as he was on his way to perform the morning prayers, and injuring 1 female child and 1 female civilian. • Killing: The Israeli army killed Ahmed Mohammed Bureikah in the area of Salah Ad Din gates.
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GENERAL

POLITICAL PRISONERS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report on Child Prisoners: The Palestinian Ministry of Detainee's Affairs issued a report on child prisoners held in Israeli prisons. Since the outbreak of the <i>Intifada</i> (uprising), the Israeli army has arrested 2,500 children. The report stated that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) 391 children are still held in Israeli prisons. (ii) 7% of child prisoners are ill. The Israeli Prisons Service does not provide the necessary medical treatment for the ill children and continues to postpone surgical operations for them. (iii) 25% of child prisoners come from the district of Nablus. (iv) 83% of child prisoners are school students. • Sentences Against Political Prisoners: Israeli courts issued sentences of administrative detention (arrest without charge or trial) against 15 political prisoners in Etzion Military Prison Camp for periods ranging from 3 – 6 months. • Deportation of Prisoners: Israeli authorities decided to deport 5 political prisoners from Binyamin Prison to Jordan. • Israeli Measures Against Prisoners: The Israeli army severely beat and injured child prisoner 'Izz Abdul Kareem Ad Dirbani, 17 years old, with rifle butts in the settlement of Etzion.
WORK PERMITS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • West Bank: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Israeli authorities renewed 9,934 work permits to cross the Green Line. The total number of those allowed to cross is unknown. (ii) Israeli authorities restricted the issuing of work permits only to civilians who are married with children and over the age of 30. • Gaza Strip: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Israeli authorities renewed 1,267 work permits for workers in the Industrial Zones. However, beginning on 31 August 2004, workers

	<p>have not been allowed access to the Industrial Zones.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="451 247 1406 352">(ii) Israeli authorities renewed 5,083 work permits for workers to cross the Green Line. However, beginning on 1 September 2004, workers have not been allowed access into the Green Line.<li data-bbox="451 359 1341 426">(iii) Israeli authorities permitted 2,687 construction workers to remain overnight inside the Green Line.
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