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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 22 October 2010 – 08:00 23 October 2010

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assaults	3	—	3	Incl. a French peace activist
Injury	1	—	1	A civilian in An Nabi Salih, Ramallah
Attacks	7	—	7	Incl. 1 in a raid and 1 by settlers
Raids	10	—	10	Incl. 2 in Qalqiliya and 4 in Hebron
Arrests (per person)	2	—	2	In the Hebron district
Detentions	13	—	13	At checkpoints and in residential areas
Wall Construction	14	—	14	Incl. Jerusalem, Qalqiliya, & Salfit
Destruction of Property	2	—	2	House furniture and truck wheel tyres
House Occupation	1	—	1	Converted into a mil. post in Ramallah
Closure of Checkpoints	11	—	11	Incl. access impeded at 8 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	23	—	23	Incl. 3 in Jerusalem and 4 in Bethlehem
Closure (per District)	7	—	7	Incl. Jerusalem & 2 areas in Bethlehem
Closure of Main Roads	42	—	42	Incl. 3 in Jerusalem and 3 in Ramallah
Closure of Crossing Points	—	5	5	Incl. humanitarian cases allowed access
Settler Violence	10	—	10	Incl. civilians stoned and olives stolen
Demonstrations	6	—	6	Incl. against settlement activity & Wall
TOTAL	152	5	157	

DISTRICT	EVENTS
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WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) On 22 October 2010, the Israeli army intensified restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to Jerusalem city, set up many flying checkpoints in the old city of Jerusalem and around Al Aqsa Mosque compound, and denied access to civilians to perform Friday prayers at the Al Aqsa Mosque. (ii) 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. (iii) 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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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. • Checkpoint: 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. • Physical Assault: At 12:25, Israeli troops severely beat Ibrahim Isma’il Khalil Dar ‘Isa, a resident of Al Khadr town in Bethlehem district, while he was at his workplace in Jerusalem city. Dar ‘Isa was transported to hospital for medical treatment. • Raid/Attack: At 20:45, the Israeli army raided Ar Ram town and fired a sound grenade on civilians, while it was patrolling the area. • Demonstration: At 16:30, a mass demonstration, including the a delegation of the International “Wise Men” (“the Elders”) Group as well as foreign peace activists, took place in Ash Sheikh Jarrah neighbourhood in Jerusalem city in protest against Israeli settlers’ seizure of civilian homes and settlement projects in East Jerusalem. • Wall Gates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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.
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area north of Qalandiya village; in Marj az Zaytun area south of Az Za'ayem village; in Wadi al 'Eizariya; and east of Ma'ale Adumim settlement.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. • Settler Violence: On 22 October 2010, a group of Israeli settlers from Dulip settlement threw stones at Palestinian farmers on their land in Deir Ibzi' village and stole their olive harvest. • Demonstrations/Raid/Attacks/Injuries/House Occupation: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 12:30, a mass demonstration, including international and Israeli peace activists, took place in An Nabi Salih village in protest against Israeli settler violence and confiscation of civilian land for expansion of Halamish settlement. Having raided the village, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which the Israeli army injured a civilian. Additionally, a number of participants sustained wounds as a result of tear gas inhalation. The Israeli army also occupied the roof of a civilian house, converted it into a military post, and damaged the house furniture. At 17:00, the Israeli army withdrew from both the house and the area. (ii) At 12:30, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in Ni'lin town in protest against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which the Israeli army injured a number of participants as a result of tear gas inhalation. (iii) At 12:30, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in Bil'in village in protest against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which tear gas grenades fired by Israeli troops hit and injured two civilians. Additionally, a number of civilians, including eight-year-old Lama Abdullah Burnat, sustained wounds as a result of tear gas inhalation. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area west of 'Abud town in the area surrounding 'Ofarim settlement and north of Al Lubban al Gharbi and Rantis villages.
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. • 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: 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. • Flying Checkpoint: At 11:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Bardala village and searched civilians and vehicles until 12:30.

<p>TULKAREM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. • Wall Gates: Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
<p>QALQILYA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun. • Flying Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the entrance to Kafr Laqif village and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 13:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Jit village and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 16:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the entrance to Jinsafut village on the Qalqiliya-Nablus main and searched civilians and vehicles. (iv) At 18:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to 'Izbat at Tabib village and searched civilians and vehicles. (v) At 20:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Hajja village and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 15:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Kafr Qaddum village. (ii) At 22:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled 'Azzun 'Atma village. • Settler Violence: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:00, a group of Israeli settlers from Kedumim settlement stole olive harvest from a piece of land belonging to Ayman Ishteiwi. The land is located near the settlement in An Natsha area in Kafr Qaddum village. (ii) At 20:20, a group of Israeli settlers gained entry into the eastern area of Kafr Qaddum village and opened fire on civilian houses. Subsequently, the Israeli army raided the village and pursued as well as evacuated settlers. (iii) At 20:30, a group of Israeli settlers closed the road to Al 'Uyun area in Wadi Qana. • Wall Gates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Kafr Laqif village north of Karnei Shomron settlement; in Immatin village northeast of Imanuel settlement; and east of Kafr Thulth town near Ma'ale Shomron settlement.
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (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. • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (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. (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 11:40, the Israeli army intensified restrictions and impeded civilian access at Huwwara checkpoint. (iv) At 07:00, the Israeli army intensified restrictions and impeded civilian access at the checkpoint set up at the entrance to Beit Furik town. • Flying Checkpoints: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 23:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Qusin village and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 07:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Till and 'Iraq Burin villages and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raid: At 03:00, the Israeli army raided 'Aqraba town and patrolled the area until 06:00. • Settler Violence: At 11:35, a group of Israeli settlers gathered in the area between Qusra and Jalud villages and withdrew at 13:00.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) 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. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions and impede civilian access at the Za'tara junction checkpoint.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 00:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between Bruqin town and Qarawat Bani Zeid village and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raid:</u> At 15:30, the Israeli army raided Deir Istiya town and patrolled the area until 16:00. • <u>Settler Violence:</u> At 09:20, three Israeli settlers, of whom one was armed with a pistol, gained access to Salfit city and Wadi al Matwi area. Having apprehended them, a Palestinian security patrol handed the settlers to the Israeli authorities (through the DCO) at 11:20. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues in the area north of Deir Istiya town southeast of Imanuel settlement.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between Jericho city and Al 'Auja village with cement blocks. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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 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.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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 in the south-eastern area of the village. (ii) According to Military Order # S/02/07, the Israeli army has continued since 15 September 2007 to deny civilian access to an area measuring 22 <i>dunums</i> of land in the area of Mazmuriya in the cities of Beit Sahur and Bethlehem. The land was confiscated pursuant to Military Order T/31/07. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> 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. • <u>Checkpoint:</u> At 07:30, the Israeli army intensified restrictions and impeded civilian access at As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the 'Container') checkpoint. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:50, and again at 07:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on An Nashash junction (the southern entrance to Bethlehem city) and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 12:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Za'tara town and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 07:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the eastern entrance to Beit Sahur city and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raid:</u> At 22:35, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Um Rukba area in Al Khadr town.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Demonstration/Attack/Injuries:</u> At 12:45, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in Al Ma'sara village in protest against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which a tear gas grenade fired by Israeli troops hit a French peace activist, leaving him with contusions. Also, several participants were injured as a result of tear gas inhalation. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues in the area northwest of Beit Jala city; in the area surrounding Al Walaja village; and east of Efrat settlement.
<p style="text-align: center;">HEBRON</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close Ash Shuhada' Street, As Sahleh and Khuzq al Far areas, and the old gold market in the old city of Hebron. In addition to closing the entrance to Al Qeisi 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. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to As Samoa' and Adh Dhahiriya, Al 'Arrub refugee camp, and At Tuwani village. (ii) The Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from 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 connecting Surif town to Al Jab'a village. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Beit 'Einun village and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 08:35, and again at 20:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Fawwar junction and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 14:00, and again at 20:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to Halhul town and searched civilians and vehicles. (iv) At 16:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to As Samoa' town and searched civilians and vehicles. (v) At 21:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the Wadi Sa'ir road and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 16:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Dura town. (ii) At 16:20, the Israeli army raided Idhna town, took photographs of land parcels, and withdrew at 17:00. (iii) At 21:05, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Al Majd village.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (iv) At 03:00, the Israeli army raided Beit Ummar town, searched two houses, and served a summons on Ahmed Khalil Abu Hashem to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. • Arrests: At 17:30, Israeli troops arrested two residents of Beit Ummar town, while they were returning from their workplace in Kiryat Arba' settlement: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) 'Allam Yousef Bader 'Awadh; and (ii) Khaldoun Mohammed Muhsen az Za'qiq. • Settler Violence/Detentions: At 08:45, a group of Israeli settlers from Sussia settlement gained access to agricultural land in Wadi As Suweid area east of Yatta town, threw stones at farmers, stole olive crops, and damaged a truck's wheel tyres. Israeli troops also detained two civilians and released them at a later time: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Marwan Yousef Abu Sabhah; and (ii) Ibrahim Hammad Abu Sabhah. • Demonstration/Attack: At 12:10, civilians performed Friday prayers on their land in Wadi al Qalamun area in Beit Ula town in protest against land confiscation for military purposes. The Israeli army fired sound and tear grenades on civilians. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area surrounding Eshkolot settlement west of Adh Dhahiriya town.
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GAZA STRIP

ALL DISTRICTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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.
NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing was 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.
GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Points: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Events not reported.

KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Events not reported.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Points: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Yasser ‘Arafat International Airport remains closed. (ii) 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. (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed. (iv) Karm Abu Salem (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed.

GENERAL

POLITICAL PRISONERS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sentence: The Israeli military court at ‘Ofar Detention and Interrogation Centre sentenced Adib Abu Rahmeh to 18 months in prison, 12 months with the stay of execution for a period of four years, and a fine of NIS 6,000 (approximately USD 1,670). Abu Rahmeh was charged of participating in the weekly peaceful demonstrations, organised by the Palestinian Popular Campaign against the Wall in Bil’in village in Ramallah district.
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