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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00, 25 October 2009 – 08:00, 26 October 2009

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	8	—	8	8 civilians in confrontations in Aqsa yards
Physical Assaults	11	—	11	Israeli army beating civilians in Aqsa yards
Arrests (per person)	21	—	21	Incl. 13 civilians arrested in Jerusalem city
Detentions	17	—	17	At checkpoints & in residential locales
Raids	19	—	19	Incl. 5 in Salfit & 3 in Bethlehem
Checkpoints	8	—	8	Access impeded at 5 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	19	—	19	Incl. 7 in Jerusalem & 5 in Qalqiliya
Attacks	10	1	11	Incl. 6 in confrontations & 4 in raids
Air Patrols	—	3	3	2 for reconnaissance & 1 for F-16s
Provocation of Pal. Forces	2	—	2	Incl. laying siege on a police station
Confiscation of Property	1	—	1	Computer in Bethlehem district
Destruction of Property	1	—	1	Settlers torching olive trees in Hebron
Wall Construction	21	—	21	Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Heb., Beth.
Closure (per District)	7	—	7	Jer., Beth. (2 villages) & Hebron (4 areas)
Closure of Main Roads	41	—	41	Incl. 1 in Jenin & 1 in Tulkarm
Closure of Crossing Points	—	5	5	Partial opening of 2 crossings only
Attack on Religious Sites	4	—	4	Incl. raiding Al Aqsa Mosque twice
Medical Obstruction	1	—	1	Denying medics access to injured civilians
Settler Violence	3	—	3	Incl. torching olive trees in Hebron district
Palestinian Attack	—	1	1	1 anti-armor mortar fired at Green Line
TOTAL	194	10	204	

DISTRICT	EVENTS
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WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) On 25 October 2009, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at checkpoints set up at entrances to the city of Jerusalem, set up flying checkpoints at entrances to the old city of Jerusalem and denied access to civilians, except the residents of the city. The Israeli army also set up numerous flying checkpoints at road intersections and entrances leading to Al Aqsa Mosque. (ii) On 05 January 2009, the Israeli army issued military order # S/02/09 closing the seam line area, an extension of the Wall, according to a set of land confiscation orders, for the construction of the Wall around the city of Jerusalem to prevent civilians from entering the city, with the exception of civilians living in the area and those holding permits. Entry is regulated through crossings and gates set up at entrances to the city of Jerusalem, as designated in the military order. (iii) The Israeli army continues to impose a blockade and deny civilian access to a hill located in an area between the villages of Biddu and Beit Iksa due to its geographical significance as it overlooks the city of Jerusalem. • 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 in Jerusalem city from the town of Ar Ram. • 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. • Flying Checkpoint: At 19:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Bir Nabala and searched civilians and vehicles. • Attack on Religious Site: At 08:00, the Israeli army raided the yards of Al Aqsa Mosque in the old city of Jerusalem where confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians inside the mosque who were attempting to confront threats by extremist Israeli settlers to raid Al Aqsa Mosque. Again at 10:30, the Israeli army raided the yards of Al Aqsa Mosque, fired rubber coated steel bullets, stun grenades and tear gas bombs towards civilians in Al Aqsa yards. Confrontations also took place between the Israeli army and civilians in the streets of the old city of Jerusalem and its neighborhoods. As a result, 8 civilians were injured and many civilians suffered suffocation from tear gas inhalation. Numerous civilians have been injured, including
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	<p>5 journalists and 2 medics from severe beating by clubs. The Israeli army prevented medics from transporting injured civilians to ambulances. The Israeli army arrested 12 civilians, including the Palestinian official in charge of Jerusalem file. The Israeli army prevented civilians from entering the mosque to perform the Dhuhr prayer after cutting off electricity to prevent the call for prayer from its minarets.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Arrests:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 16:20, the Israeli army at Qalandiya checkpoint arrested the civilian woman Sumoud Yaser Hasan Karajeh from the village of Safa in the district of Ramallah. The Israeli army severely beat her after she stabbed an Israeli soldier at the checkpoint. (ii) The Israeli army arrested 12 civilians in the yards of Al Aqsa Mosque and the streets of the old city of Jerusalem, including the Palestinian official in charge of Jerusalem file Hatem Abdulqader. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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 the area of al-‘Eizariya to al-Shayyah, from Beit Surik village to Biddu, in the areas of al-Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina, west of al-Jib village, in the vicinity of the village of Qatanna, 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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to the village of Sinjil, the village of Safa and the junction to the villages of Kafr Malik – Ein Samiya. • <u>Raid:</u> At 19:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Safa and searched the house of a civilian woman who was arrested after stabbing an Israeli soldier at Qalandiya checkpoint in the district of Jerusalem. The Israeli army withdrew at 20:00. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues west of the town of ‘Abud and in the areas of al-Midya to Ni’lin and Ni’lin to Deir Qaddis.
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to ‘Arraba town, east of the settlement of Dotan. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> 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.

TOUBAS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint, east of Tubas city, allowing access from 06:00 to 22:00.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western entrance to the village of Shofeh and the road connecting the town of Kafr Al Labad to the village of Shofeh. • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Einav checkpoint that is set up on Tulkarm-Nablus main road. • 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.
QALQILYA	<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. • Flying Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 12:05, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the eastern entrance to the city of Qalqiliya and impeded civilian access. Again at 18:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 12:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the northern entrance to the town of Azzun. Again at 17:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Qalqiliya, stormed and searched a post office after detaining civilians inside it, searched a number of houses and commercial shops, set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Al Quds Open University, served summons to 9 civilians, including Civil Defense officer Islam Ibrahim Al Harsi, to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency and withdrew at 12:00. (ii) At 07:45, the Israeli army raided the village of Izbat At Tabib and arrested a civilian. • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested in the village of Izbat At Tabib the civilian Abdulaziz Maher Abdulaziz Abu Haniyeh. • Wall Gates: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at ‘Azzun ‘Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal detector. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues south of the town of Jayyus as well as near the settlement of Alfeh Minesheh in the villages of Ras Tira, Magharet Ad Dab’a and Wadi Ar Rasha, located south of Qalqiliya city.
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the roads of Tel-Burin, Beit Furik-Salem, and the eastern entrance to the village of Al Lubban Ash Sharqiya; and with dirt barricades the southern entrances to the villages of Qaryut and Duma, the eastern entrance to

	<p>the village of Al Lubban Ash Sharqiya, the western entrances to the town of Aqraba and the village of Majdal Bani Fadil, the northern entrance to the town of Qabalan, as well as the settler bypass road connecting the village of Deir al-Hatab to Alon Moreh settlement.</p> <p>(ii) As of 12:10 on 27 August 2009, the Israeli army continues to close by an iron gate the western entrance to An Naqura village, opposite Shavi Shomron settlement, after removing the dirt barricade at its entrance.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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 from 07:00 until 02:00. (ii) Awarta commercial checkpoint is open for civilians from 05:00 until 20:00, whereas on Friday, the checkpoint is open for civilians from 05:00 until 15:00. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of An Nassariya. (ii) At 12:35, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Osarin. (iii) At 18:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Aqraba. (iv) At 01:35, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Nablus. (v) At 04:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Qabalan. • Arrest: At 10:20, the Israeli army arrested at Huwwara checkpoint university student Islam Jamal Salameh.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the northern entrance to the city of Salfit, and continues to close with cement blocks and iron gates the northern entrance to the town of Bruqin and the western entrance to the town of Kafr Ad Dik. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Za'tara checkpoint and impede civilian access. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Biddya until 12:45. (ii) At 14:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Iskaka and set up a flying checkpoint while patrolling the area. (iii) At 14:10, the Israeli army raided the town of Bruqin, set up a flying checkpoint in the middle of the town, detained a civil police vehicle carrying a police officer and released him at a later time following DCO intervention. (iv) At 22:05, the Israeli army raided the town of Kifl Hares and the village of Hares, opened fire indiscriminately and fired light flares in the sky while patrolling the area and withdrew at 23:10. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the city of Salfit, and in the village of Marda and the town of Kifle Hares north of the settlement of Ariel.

<p style="text-align: center;">JERICHO</p>	<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. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at al-Hamra checkpoint and allow civilian access from 06:00 until 22:00. (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions on the checkpoint set up on the junction to the village of al-‘Auja and allow access only to civilians holding Jericho and Jordan Valley IDs and those possessing permits. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 10:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Ein Ad Duyuk. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 01:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Jericho and arrested 2 children. (ii) At 02:25, the Israeli army raided Aqbat Jabir refugee camp in the city of Jericho and detained a child and released him at a later time. • <u>Arrests:</u> The Israeli army arrested in the city of Jericho Emar Shareef Al Qatrawi, 15-year-old, and Mahmoud Ahmad Ash Shawa, 15-year-old.
<p style="text-align: center;">BETHLEHEM</p>	<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) The Israeli army continues to prevent civilian access to an area that is located in the cities of Beit Sahur and Bethlehem. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the roads of Beit Jala-Wadi Ahmad and the sideway east of Beit Fajjar town. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 10:10, the Israeli army raided the debris of the previously evacuated military camp of Ush Grab, located east of Beit Sahur city, to protect a group of Israeli settlers entering the camp. The Israeli army withdrew at 15:40. (ii) At 17:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Arab Ar Rashayida and arrested 3 civilians. (iii) At 02:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Beit Fajjar, surrounded a civil police station, searched a house, confiscated a computer and arrested a civilian. • <u>Arrests:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army arrested in the village of Arab Ar Rashayida the civilians: Riyad Ahmad Issa Ar Rashayida; Iyad Ahmad Issa Ar Rashayida; and Saud Muhammad Hasan Ar Rashayida (ii) The Israeli army arrested in the town of Beit Fajjar the civilian Khaled Nadi Abdulaziz Taqatqah. • <u>Detention:</u> At 15:40, the Israeli army at As Sawahira Ash Sharqiya

	<p>(the 'Container') checkpoint detained police officer Muhammad Ali Said and released him at 17:15.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the town of al-Khadr; northwest of Beit Jala city; in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of Ephrata settlement; and in the area surrounding al-Walaja village.
<p style="text-align: center;">HEBRON</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (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) On 05 January 2009, the Israeli army issued military order # 06/09 closing the area located near the Green Line, south of Yatta town, evacuating the area of those inside it and denying them access to it. • Closure of Main Roads: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the following locales: the entrance to the town of al-Samoa'; the area of al-Hawawir leading to the town of Halhoul; the road connecting the town of Surif to the village of al-Jab'a; and the eastern entrance to the village of Kharsa; the entrance to al-Qeisi neighborhood in the old city of Hebron; the main entrance to al-'Arrub refugee camp; the village of At Tuwani as well as the entrance to the town of Adh Dhahiriya. (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. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road between the villages of Al Karmil and At Tuwani and all roads leading to bypass Road # 60. • Flying Checkpoints: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the area of An Nabi Yunis near the town of Halhul (on Hebron – Bethlehem main road) and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 21:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Idhna and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 22:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Bani Na'im and searched civilians and vehicles. (iv) At 22:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of Beit Anon and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids: At 13:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Beit Ummar.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Settler Violence: At 11:15, a group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of Haghai attacked a number of civilians harvesting the olive crop from their land that is located in the area between Al Fawwar refugee camp and the settlement. The Israeli settlers also torched a number of live trees. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the section of Tarqumiya checkpoint terminal, in the periphery of Eshkolot settlement southwest of Adh Dhahiriya town and between southwest of Arab Ar Ramadin village and the village of Imneizil.
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GAZA STRIP

ALL DISTRICTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At 02:00 on 18 January 2009, the Israeli army declared a unilateral ceasefire. In the meantime, armed Palestinian groups declared a one-week-long ceasefire. Meanwhile, the ceasefire was extended until 05 February 2009. The ceasefire is holding despite the end of the specified period. • The Israeli army violated the ceasefire by opening fire from its locations on the Green Line in the district of Central Gaza. • Armed Palestinian individuals breached the ceasefire by firing anti-armor mortar towards the Green Line.
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NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open for previously coordinated humanitarian cases and foreign nationals.
GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Points: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Al-Muntar (Karni) Crossing is closed. (ii) Al-Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Palestinian Attack: At 12:30, armed Palestinian individuals fired an anti-armor mortar towards the Israeli army near the Green Line, east of Al Maghazi refugee camp. Consequently, the Israeli army opened fire intensively and reconnaissance aircrafts patrolled the skies above Palestinian territory.
KHAN YOUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Points: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah (Al Awdah) Crossing is closed. (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed.

	<p>(iv) Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is partially open for the transport of food and humanitarian assistance.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Air Patrol: On 25 October 2009, Israeli F-16 warplanes and reconnaissance aircrafts patrolled the skies above Rafah city.
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GENERAL

<p>POLITICAL PRISONERS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prison Sentences & Administrative Detention: The Israeli military court at Salem Detention and Interrogation Centre passed prison sentences against the following political prisoners: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Muhammad Al Akhras from the town of Silat Adh Dhahr in the district of Jenin to 26 months in prison and 40 months with stay of execution and a fine of 2000 shekel (equivalent to US\$536). 2. Abdulhameed Salameh from the city of Tulkarm to 22 months in prison and a fine of 2000 shekel (equivalent to US\$536). Abdulhameed Salameh from the city of Tulkarm to 22 months in prison and a fine of 2000 shekel (equivalent to US\$536). 3. Qusay Hamzeh from the town of Azzun in the district of Qalqiliya to 12 months in prison and a fine of 2000 shekel (equivalent to US\$536). 4. Osamah Al Khroub from the city of Qalqiliya to 14 months in prison and a fine of 3000 shekel (equivalent to US\$804). 5. Mus'ab An Nouri from the city of Nablus to 6 months in prison and a fine of 1000 shekel (equivalent to US\$268). 6. Mahdi Noufal from the city of Qalqiliya to 6 months in prison and a fine of 1000 shekel (equivalent to US\$268). 7. Fadi Shkair from the town of Az Zawiya in the district of Salfit to 8 months in prison and a fine of 2000 shekel (equivalent to US\$536). 8. Ahmad Muhammad Soboh from the city of Jenin to 2.5 months in prison and a fine of 800 shekel (equivalent to US\$214). 9. Bashar Touqan from the city of Nablus to 5 months in prison and 18 months with stay of execution and a fine of 3000 shekel (equivalent to US\$804). 10. Nidal Shbaitah from the town of Azzun in the district of Qalqiliya to the days he had spent in prison and a fine of 2000 shekel (equivalent to US\$536). <p>The court postponed the trials of 13 political prisoners and extended orders of administrative detention for varied periods against 13 others.</p>
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