

مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00, 26 October 2008 – 08:00, 27 October 2008

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injury	1	—	1	A Pal. National Security officer in Beth.
Physical Assault	1	—	1	Severely beat a police officer in Raml'h
Arrests (per person)	12	—	12	Incl. 4 in Ramallah & 4 in Bethlehem
Detentions	16	—	16	At checkpoints & in residential areas
Raids	26	—	26	Incl. 3 in Jenin & 3 in Tubas
Closure of Checkpoints	17	—	17	Incl. access impeded at 11 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	5	—	5	Incl. 2 in Jerusalem & 1 in Ramallah
Attacks	4	—	4	2 by raids & 2 by confrontations
Curfew	1	—	1	On Deir Istiya town in Salfit district
House Occupation	1	—	1	In Husan village in Bethlehem district
Destruction of Property	10	—	10	Incl. desecrating cemeteries by settlers
Wall Construction	23	—	23	Jer., Raml'h., Qalq., Salfit, Heb., Beth.
Closure (per District)	7	—	7	Incl. Jerusalem, Tulkarm & Hebron
Closure of Main Roads	54	—	54	Incl. 13 in Nablus & 9 in Bethlehem
Closure of Crossing Points	—	3	3	Partial opening of 4 crossings
Medical Obstruction	1	—	1	Ambulances & civil defense vehicles
Settler Violence	7	—	7	Incl. desecration of a cemetery in Hebron
TOTAL	186	3	189	

DISTRICT	EVENTS
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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: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem. The Israeli army also continues to close the entrances to al-Aqsa Mosque compound in the old city of Jerusalem and impede civilian access to the mosque. Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with barbed wire and cement blocks the entrance opposite the junction to Dahiyat al-Bareed in the city of Jerusalem, after leveling the area, and to deny civilian access. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and dirt barricades the entrance to the village of Jaba’. 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. Raid: The Israeli army raided Anata town and searched a house. Wall Gates: <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. Wall Construction: 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, and south of Beit Hanina village.
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RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades and cement blocks the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil; the western entrances to the villages of Safa and Ein Yabrud; the road between the villages of Ras Karkar and Kharbatha Bani Harith and the junction to the villages of Kafr Malik – Ein Samiya. Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at the checkpoint on the overpass to ‘Atara town and impede civilian access. Flying Checkpoint: At 11:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the town of Silwad and the village of Ein Yabrud and searched civilians and vehicles.
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Ramallah and the town of Beituniya. (ii) At 02:00, the Israeli army raided Beituniya town and arrested a civilian. (iii) The Israeli army raided Al Jalazun refugee camp and arrested a civilian. • <u>Arrests:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army arrested in Beituniya town the civilian Mus'ab Fathi Yousef Al Barari. (ii) The Israeli army arrested in Al Jalazun refugee camp the civilian Muhammad Hassan Abdulhafez Abu Sharifah. • <u>Detention:</u> At 13:00, the Israeli army detained at the overpass leading to Atara town the police officer Abdallah Abdulaziz Abu Hasan and severely beat him. He was admitted to the Government Hospital in Ramallah city after his release. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues west of 'Abud town 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>Settler Violence:</u> At 15:30, a group of settlers entered the debris of the previously evacuated settlement of Homesh and installed a number of tents on its debris. • <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"> • <u>Checkpoint:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) 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. (ii) At 15:10, the Israeli army prevented ambulances and Civil Defense vehicles from crossing Tayasir checkpoint to reach the village of Ein Al Beidah, located in the Jordan Valley, after the village was affected by torrential rain. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 15:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Al Far'a village. (ii) At 23:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Tubas city and Kashda village until 02:00.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> The Israeli army continues to declare the district of Tulkarm a closed military zone and to impede civilian access to and from the district. • <u>Closure of Main Road:</u> The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western entrance to the village of Shofeh. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Einav checkpoint that is set up on Tulkarm-Nablus road and at Jubara checkpoint.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Raid:</u> At 23:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Tulkarm, the town of Deir Al Ghusun and the village of Far'un. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
<p style="text-align: center;">QALQILYA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the northern entrance to the town of Azzun. • <u>Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at the checkpoint that is set up at the eastern entrance to the city of Qalqiliya and impede civilian access. • <u>Arrest:</u> At 19:10, the Israeli army arrested at the eastern entrance to the city of Qalqiliya the civilian Muhammad Kayed Hassan. • <u>Settler Violence:</u> At 17:10, a group of settlers from the settlement of Qadumim seized the olive crop from the land of a civilian from the village of Kafr Qaddum located near the settlement. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> <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. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Land leveling for Wall construction continues in the villages of Immatin and Kafr Laqif as well as east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and 'Azzun.
<p style="text-align: center;">NABLUS</p>	<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 cement blocks the roads of Sarra-Jit, Tel-Burin, Beit Furik-Salem, the road between Aqraba town and the main road and the eastern entrance to the village of Al Lubban Ash Sharqiya; and with dirt barricades the road between the villages of Tel and Madama, the southern entrance to the village of Qaryut, the eastern entrance to the village of Al Lubban Ash Sharqiya, the western entrance to the town of Aqraba, the southern entrance to the village of Duma, the northern entrance to the town of Qabalan, the western entrance to the village of Majdal Bani Fadil as well as the settler bypass road connecting the village of Deir al-Hatab to Alon Moreh settlement. (ii) On 10 August 2008, the Israeli army re-opened the Jenin-Nablus road between the junction to Deir Sharaf village and the settlement of Shavei Shomron, allowing daily passage from 06:00 until 17:00. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus: <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.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) Beit Furik checkpoint is open to civilian residents of the town of Beit Furik and the nearby village of Beit Dajan. • Raid: At 02:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus and Balata refugee camp in the city, searched a number of houses, arrested 3 civilians from the city and withdrew at 05:00. • Arrests: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army arrested at Huwwara checkpoint the civilian Rami Muhammad Ramadan Az Zubaidi. (ii) The Israeli army arrested in the city of Nablus the civilians: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Osamah Nayef Issa; 2. Suhayb Anis Issa; and 3. Muhammad Qarqesh.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the northern entrance to Salfit city and the eastern entrance to the village of Yasuf. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and iron gates the northern entrances to the town of Bruqin and the village of Qarawat Bani Hassan and the western entrance to the town of Kafr Ad Dik. • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Deir Ballut and Za'tara checkpoints and prevent civilian vehicles from heading towards the village of Kafr Ad Dik. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Rafat until 10:00.. (ii) At 11:25, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Yasuf until 11:50. (iii) At 13:15, the Israeli army raided the town of Kafr Ad Dik. Confrontations took place between civilians and the Israeli army while patrolling the area. The Israeli army withdrew at 14:00. (iv) At 23:40, the Israeli army raided Deir Istiya town, opened fire and fired sound grenades and imposed curfew on the area for allegedly throwing stones towards the main road adjacent to the town. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of the city of Salfit, and in the village of Marda and the town of Kafr Hares north of the settlement of Ariel.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: 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. • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions and impede civilian access at al-Hamra checkpoint set up along al-Badhan road connecting the districts of Jericho and Nablus as well as on the checkpoint set up on the junction to the village of al-'Auja along Al-Mu'arrajat road that connects the districts of Jericho and Ramallah.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Arrest:</u> At 17:30, the Israeli army at the D.C.O. checkpoint arrested the civilian Naser Al Jahalin from Aqbat Jaber refugee camp in Jericho city.
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) Since September 15, 2007, the Israeli army has been preventing civilian access, according to military order 07.02.S, to the 22-dunum land that has been confiscated in accordance with confiscation order number 07.31.T. The 22-dunum area has been set to construct a passage in the area of Mazmouriyyeh 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 two sideways east and south of Al Walaja village and the roads of Beit Jala-Wadi Ahmad, Talita-Nazlet As Sidr in the city of Beit Jala, Al Khadr town-Road # 60, Al Khadr town-Beit Jala housing, Wadi Rahal-Efrat and the sideway east of Beit Fajjar town. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 08:45, the Israeli army raided the village of Dar Salah, set up a flying checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles. Again at 21:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the area until 00:30. (ii) At 19:45, the Israeli army raided the village of Husan. Confrontations took place between civilians and the Israeli army while patrolling the area until 20:30. (iii) At 22:15, the Israeli army raided the city of Bethlehem, fired sound grenades while surrounding and searching a building and detonated the doors of a number of apartments in the building wounding a Palestinian National Security officer. The Israeli army arrested a civilian and withdrew at 23:40. (iv) At 00:20, the Israeli army raided the village of Ash Shawawra and patrolled the area until 00:30. (v) At 02:50, the Israeli army raided the town of Taqu'a, searched 3 houses and arrested a child. • <u>Arrests:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:20, the Israeli army arrested at Al Container checkpoint the Palestinian National Security officer Midhat Saleem Ahmad Hamdouni. (ii) At 14:30, the Israeli army arrested at Al Container checkpoint the Palestinian National Security officer Tal'at Nasr Ali Al Louh. (iii) The Israeli army arrested in the city of Bethlehem Muhammad Abdulmajeed Al Kawamleh. (iv) The Israeli army arrested in Taqu'a town 17-year-old Yahya Kayed Jibril. • <u>House Occupation:</u> At 03:50 on 25 October 2008, the Israeli army stationed troops in a house in the village of Husan after occupying and

	<p>converting it into a military post. The Israeli army withdrew at 00:55 on 27 October 2008.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the area northwest of al-Khadr town; northwest of Beit Jala city; in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of Ephrata settlement; and in the area surrounding al-Walaja village.
HEBRON	<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: 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) Although it expired on 07 May 2006, the Israeli army continues to implement a military order stipulating the prohibition of civilian vehicles from traveling 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 entrance to the town of al-Samoa'; the area of al-Hawawir leading to the town of Halhoul; the area of al-Fahs south of the city of Hebron; the road connecting the town of Surif to the village of al-Jab'a; the entrance to the village of Beit 'Einun; and the eastern entrance to the village of Kharsa. The Israeli army also continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to al-Qeisi neighborhood in the old city of Hebron as well as the main entrance to al-'Arrub refugee camp. (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. (iv) The Israeli army continues to open the iron gate on the junction of Farsh Al Hawa, which leads to Road # 35 that leads to Tarqumiya Crossing, from 05:00 until 07:00 and from 09:00 until 13:00. • Flying Checkpoint: At 16:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint under the overpass leading to Halhul town (on bypass road # 35) and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids: At 09:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Hebron. Again at 15:15, the Israeli army raided the area and searched a house. Again at 01:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the area.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <u>Settler Violence:</u><ul style="list-style-type: none">(i) At 12:00, a group of settlers entered a land belonging the woman civilian Firyal Abu Haykal in Tal Rumeidah neighborhood in the old city of Hebron. Consequently, the Israeli army intervened and evacuated the settlers from the area.(ii) At 19:20, a group of settlers from the settlement of Kharsina attacked the house of a civilian in the old city of Hebron.(iii) On 26 October 2008, a group of settlers from Kiryat Arba' settlement attacked civilian houses and vehicles and Ar Ras Islamic cemetery located near the settlement in the old city of Hebron, damaged the wheels and bodies of a number of vehicles and destroyed the gravestones of a number of tombs in the Islamic cemetery.• <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues in the section of Tarqumiya checkpoint terminal, the remaining section of the Wall route that separates the settlement of Eshkolot from the village of al-Ramadin, and near the village of Imneizil southeast of the town of Yatta.
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GAZA STRIP

<p>ALL DISTRICTS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Entering into force at 06:00 on 19 June 2008, the cease fire agreement has continued to hold. The agreement includes, <i>inter alia</i>, a complete cessation of all hostilities.
<p>NORTHERN GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open (for previously coordinated humanitarian cases).
<p>GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Points: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Al-Muntar (Karni) Crossing is partially open (for entry of basic necessities). (ii) Al-Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is partially open (for entry of limited amounts of fuel).
<p>CENTRAL GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
<p>KHAN YOUNIS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
<p>RAFAH</p>	<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 is closed. (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed. (iv) Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is partially open (to allow entry of food and goods).

GENERAL

<p>POLITICAL PRISONERS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Administrative Detention: The Israeli military court at Ofer Military Camp issued orders of administrative detention for varied periods ranging from 4 to 6 months against 4 political prisoners from the district of Bethlehem. • Release of Woman Political Prisoner: On 26 October 2008, the Israeli authorities released the oldest woman prisoner Sonia Ar Ra'i from the city of Qalqiliya after spending 12 years in Israeli jails.
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