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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 27 October 2003 – 08:00 28 October 2003

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Deaths	_	1	1	
Injuries	_	2	2	
Attacks	5	4	9	
Raids	3	_	3	
Air Patrols	3		3	
Arrests (per person)		3	3	
Detentions	1		1	
Curfews	1	_	1	
Confiscation of Property	1	_	1	
Checkpoints	All	_	All	
Flying Checkpoints	7	_	7	
Closures (per District)	10	_	10	
Closure of Main Roads	All	(3)	All	
Closure of Gates	All	_	All	
Closure of Crossing Points	_	4	4	2 Open only part-time.
School Disruption	1	_	1	
Settler Violence	1	_	1	
TOTAL	33	14	47	

DISTRICT	EVENT	
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WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	 Construction of Separation Wall: Israeli authorities continue construction of the separation wall in Abu Dis, Al Eizariya and Al Sawahira areas. Closures: (i) The city of Jerusalem remains closed to all civilians from other districts. (ii) The gate between Abu Dis and Jerusalem is closed.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	 Closure: Ramallah and El Bireh remain closed areas. Checkpoints: The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance of Kafr Ni'ma preventing passage of civilians. The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the road of Surda/Abu Qash slowing the movement of vehicles. The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance of Deir Ibzi' and detained many civilians until after the time for breaking the Ramadan fast. Confiscation of Property: The Israeli army confiscated land in the village of Silwad for construction of a road that will connect an Israeli military location with an Israeli watchtower being built.
JENIN	 Closure: Jenin remains a closed military area. Separation Wall Closure: All gates along the separation wall remain closed to residents without a special Israeli permit. Checkpoint: The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the northern entrance preventing civilians form moving. Obstruction of Education: For a second time, the Israeli army has prevented students and teachers from reaching the school of Aba, despite earlier arrangements reached with the Israeli DCO allowing their movement. Raids: The Israeli army raided the town of Tubas, where they opened random fire and fired sound bombs.
JERICHO	 <u>Closure</u>: The city of Jericho is a closed military area. <u>Checkpoint</u>: The Israeli army detained workers from the Mishor Adummim Industrial area from 06:00 until 11:00, despite the fact that the workers had valid

	Israeli permits.
BETHLEHEM	 <u>Closures</u>: Bethlehem is a closed military area. <u>Raid</u>: At 11:00, the Israeli army raided Palestinian Area A in Beit Jala.
TULKAREM	 <u>Closure</u>: The city of Tulkarem remains a closed military area. <u>Separation Wall Closure</u>: All gates along the separation wall remain closed to those not granted a special Israeli permit. <u>Raid</u>: At 17:30, the Israeli army, reinforced by 3 tanks and 2 APC's, raided the village of Seida, where they opened fire and fired smoke bombs.
NABLUS	 Closure: Nablus remains a closed military area. Settler Violence: Near Einabus, south of Nablus, 5 young settlers attacked a delegation from "Rabbis for Human Rights", which was documenting the settlers cutting down olive trees. A complaint was lodged at the Ariel police station. The members of the delegation were: Rabbi Arik Ascherman; Dalya Bones; David Nir; and John Ross, a 66-year old journalist, who was taken to hospital.
HEBRON	 <u>Closure</u>: H1 and H2 areas remain closed military areas. <u>Checkpoint</u>: The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the road of Tarqumiya/Hebron, where they detained vehicles for hours.
QALQILYA	 <u>Closure</u>: The city of Qalqiliya remains a closed military area. <u>Separation Wall Closure</u>: All gates along the separation wall remain closed to all those not granted an Israeli special permit.
SALFIT	 Closure: The city of Salfit is a closed military area. The Israeli army closed the area located between Iskaka and the settlement of Ariel, near the Israeli military post, and prevented Palestinian civilians from reaching their land to harvest the olive crop. Checkpoints: The Israeli army closed the dirt road used for agricultural purposes on grounds that it is near the Eli Zahav /Peduel settlements junction. At 16:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the Salfit/Farkha road.

- (iii) At 19:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the Khirbet Qeis and Kafr 'Ein road.
- <u>Curfew</u>: At 19:50, the Israeli army imposed curfew over the village of Marda.
- <u>Air Patrol</u>: At 23:30, Israeli helicopters patrolled over the city of Salfit.
- Attacks:
- (i) At 18:00 and again at 20:45, the Israeli army opened fire from a tank positioned at the Tel Irsal military post towards Wadi Abdil Rahman.
- (ii) At 23:30, the Israeli army opened fire from a tank towards the town of Kafr 'Ein.
- Raid: At 19:50, the Israeli army, including 4 jeeps, raided the village of Marda, where they opened fire and fired sound bombs until 20:40.

GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA	 Closure: Beit Hanoun (Erez) crossing is closed. 3737 workers were allowed into the Erez industrial zone and 200 individuals were allowed in issued with Israeli magnetic ID's. Death: At 09:40, Karim Elayan Al Kafarni, 28 years old, was shot and killed by the Israeli army near Point 57, east of Jabaliya. Bird trapping equipment was found on him. Injuries: 1 civilian was injured in the area where Karim Al Kafarni was killed. Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in the area where Karim Al Kafarni was killed.
GAZA CITY	 Closures: (i) Al Shuhada' junction (Nitsareem) remains closed. (ii) Al Mintar crossing was opened between 08:30 and 15:00.
CENTRAL GAZA	Activity not yet reported.
KHAN YUNIS	 <u>Closure</u>: Abu Ajin road and the western road remain closed. <u>Attack</u>: At 17:50 and again at 21:15, the Israeli army opened fire and Israeli tanks fired shells intensely from Point 12 towards civilian houses in Al Nimsawi neighborhood.

RAFAH

- <u>Closure</u>: Sufa crossing remains closed. Only specific kinds of cargo were allowed through between 07:00 and 13:00. Workers were not allowed through.
- Attack/Injury: At 15:40, the Israeli army opened fire from Salah ad Din gate towards civilian houses in Al Shu'ara' neighborhood, injuring 30 year-old Ghazi Muhammad Al Jabaliya, whose leg was hit by a bullet.