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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 31 August 2005 – 08:00 01 September 2005

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	3	—	3	3 children during confrontations
Attacks	5	8	13	Incl. 5 during raids & 9 from posts
Raids	30	2	32	Incl. 1 in Jerusalem & 11 in Tulkarem
Air Patrols	2	—	2	Over Tubas and Bethlehem
Arrests	22	1	23	Incl. 1 child and 1 Pal. security officer
Detentions	18	—	18	Incl. 3 children & 2 security officer
Land Levelling	—	2	2	Incl. north of Sufa Crossing
Wall Construction	24	—	24	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Beth., Salfit, Qalq.
Land Confiscation	2	—	2	Incl. 7 m ² in Al Harayeq in Hebron
Confiscation of Property	1	1	2	Incl. palm trees around Kfar Darom
House Occupations	2	—	2	1 building & 1 house in Hebron
Checkpoints	(All)	—	(All)	Access restricted to permit holders
Flying Checkpoints	16	—	16	Incl. 4 in Bethlehem & 3 in Hebron
Closure (per District)	5	—	5	Incl. Jerusalem and Jericho (partially)
Closure of Main Roads	*	(8)	—	*Incl. vicinity of settlements in Jenin
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)	—	(All)	Incl. Um ar Rihan Wall gate closed
Closure of Crossing Points	—	3	3	Incl. 2 partially open
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	4	5	Incl. open fire towards 1 Pal. location
Palestinian Attacks	2	—	2	Incl. armed confrontation in Nablus
Pal. Security Measure	3	1	4	Incl. 1 explosive device detonated
TOTAL	136	22	158	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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<p style="text-align: center;">ALL DISTRICTS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Since 15 August 2005, the Israeli army has continued to impose a complete closure over the West Bank and Gaza Strip and declare them closed military zones. The Israeli army prevented civilians, including workers, from entering the city of Jerusalem or crossing the Green Line in order to complete the demolition of settler houses in 4 Israeli settlements in the district of Jenin and in all evacuated settlements in the Gaza Strip.
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WEST BANK

<p style="text-align: center;">JERUSALEM</p>	<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 and set up several checkpoints in the old city of Jerusalem and in the vicinity of Al Aqsa Mosque compound. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Qalandiya checkpoint and to impede civilian access. • Wall Gates: The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Dahiyat al Aqbat, from the village of Hizma to 'Anata, along the Hizma-Jaba' road, the area of Al 'Eizariya to Ash Shayyah, near Al Quds University, in the town of As Sawahira ash Sharqiya, from the village of Beit Surik to Biddu, and in the areas of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina. • Raid/Confiscation of Property: The Israeli army raided the town of Al 'Eizariya, arrested 1 civilian outside a mosque, and confiscated a bag containing papers from the arrested civilian. • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Salem Dayyoub in the town of Al 'Eizariya.
<p style="text-align: center;">RAMALLAH & EL BIREH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the areas of Al Midya to Budrus, Al Midya to Ni'lin, Bil'in to Saffa, in the village of Beit Liqya, and in the town of Beituniya. • Flying Checkpoint: The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the villages of Rammun and Deir Dibwan, searched civilians and vehicles, and arrested 3 civilians. • Raids: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 02:00 on 29 August 2005, the Israeli army raided the village of Beit Liqya and arrested 4 civilians. (ii) At 08:30, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Beit Rima and the villages of Kafr 'Ein and Mazari' an Nubani and patrolled the area until 09:30.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrests: Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up in the area between the villages of Rammun and Deir Dibwan arrested 3 civilians: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Mahmoud Ghannam; (ii) Qassem an Nubani; and (iii) Iyad Mikhel. The Israeli army arrested 4 civilians in the village of Beit Liqya: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (iv) Adib Mohammed Mafarjeh; (v) Jihad Rabah 'Assi; (vi) Rasem 'Abbas 'Assi; and (vii) Adham Fawwaz Mafarjeh.
JENIN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Settlement Evacuation Areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close all roads leading to Israeli settlements that were evacuated in the district of Jenin. The Israeli army has designated alternate roads, including detour routes, connecting towns and villages to the city of Jenin for civilian access. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the main entrance to the town of 'Arraba with cement blocks. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close the iron gate set up in the vicinity of the village of Imreiha south of the town of Ya'bad, along the road connecting the districts of Jenin and Tulkarem, and to deny civilian access in both directions. (iv) The Israeli army continues to close Al Jalama Commercial Crossing, preventing civilians from crossing. The Israeli army opened Salim Crossing as an alternative, which will be open 3 days a week from 09:00 until 13:00. (v) The Israeli army continues to restrict civilian movement (except for humanitarian cases) through Um ar Rihan (Shaked) gate to 3 hours daily from 07:00–08:00, 12:00–13:00, and 14:00–15:00. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint east of the town of Tubas and impede civilian access. • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • Flying Checkpoint: At 17:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the vicinity of the town of 'Arraba, searched civilians and vehicles, and arrested 1 child. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 02:00, the Israeli army, including 20 jeeps, raided and patrolled the town of Qabatiya until 05:00. (ii) An Israeli army patrol raided the town of Tubas and patrolled the area. • Air Patrol: An Israeli army helicopter patrolled the skies over the town of Tubas. • Arrest: Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up in the vicinity of the town of 'Arraba arrested Ayman 'Ayed al Atrash, 17 years old.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Palestinian Security Measure:</u> At 16:00, Palestinian security forces detonated 1 explosive device located in the city of Jenin.
TULKAREM	<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 the iron gate set up on the junction to the settlement of 'Einav along the Tulkarem-Nablus road, preventing civilians from crossing in both directions. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the main entrance to the town of Qaffin with cement blocks and barbed wire. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close the main entrance to the village of Shufa with cement blocks and dirt barricades. (iv) The Israeli army continues to close the road between the town of Bal'a and the village of Al 'Atara with dirt barricades. (v) The Israeli army continues to close Al Kafriyat road at Jubara checkpoint, rerouting Palestinian civilian traffic through a new 3-km-long tunnel connecting the districts of Qalqiliya and Tulkarem. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> At 09:20, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints at the entrances to the villages of Al Jarushiya and Al Masqufa and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Attack:</u> At 18:20, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location in the area surrounding the DCO west of the city of Tulkarem, claiming to be conducting military training. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Qaffin, searched 3 houses, and arrested 2 civilians. (ii) At 10:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Baqa ash Sharqiya, arrested 1 civilian, and withdrew at 15:00. (iii) At 11:45, the Israeli army, including 2 armoured vehicles and 1 jeep, raided and patrolled the city of Tulkarem, Dahiyat Shuweika, and the village of Jubara. (iv) At 14:10, the Israeli army raided the town of Bal'a. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during which the Israeli army injured 3 children. At 14:50, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. (v) At 21:55, Israeli army infantry forces, including 20 soldiers with ladders, equipment, and maps, raided the village of Shufa and conducted training exercises to raid civilian houses located at the eastern and western entrances to the village. At 23:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. (vi) At 01:40, the Israeli army raided the city of Tulkarem, the village of Izbat al Jarad, and Tulkarem refugee camp, opened indiscriminate fire while searching a number of houses in the city of Tulkarem, and arrested 3 civilians. At 05:30, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.

	<p>(vii) The Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Zeita.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in the town of Qaffin: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Usamah Saleh ‘Ammar; and (ii) Ali Tawfiq Harsheh. (iii) The Israeli army arrested Muntasser Kittaneh in the town of Baqa ash Sharqiya. <p>The Israeli army arrested 3 civilians in the city of Tulkarem:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (iv) Wa’el Feissal az Zaqleh; (v) Majdi Yousef As’ad; and (vi) Majd Ibrahim al Hamshari.
<p style="text-align: center;">QALQILIYA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Gates: <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 restrictions at ‘Azzun ‘Atma Wall gate and to search civilians with a metal detector. • Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction continues in the village of Immatin and in the area east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and ‘Azzun. • Arrest: At 10:00, the Israeli army arrested Shadi Bassam Abu Shareb, a resident of the city of Qalqiliya, while he was working in the area of Bir as Sabe’ inside the Green Line.
<p style="text-align: center;">NABLUS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the main road between the junction to the village of Deir Sharaf and the settlement of Shavei Shomron leading to the district of Jenin. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting the city of Nablus and the town of ‘Asira ash Shamaliya. • Flying Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint along Al Badhan road east of the city of Nablus and arrested 4 individuals, including 1 Palestinian National Security officer. (ii) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the town of ‘Asira ash Shamaliya and the village of Talluza and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids/Palestinian Attack: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 02:20, the Israeli army, including 12 jeeps, raided the city of Nablus and opened indiscriminate fire while patrolling several neighbourhoods. (ii) At 04:00, the Israeli army raided Balata refugee camp. An armed confrontation took place between armed Palestinian individuals and the Israeli army while patrolling the area. (iii) At 04:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Kafr Qalil. Electricity was cut off to the village. The Israeli army also threw a suspicious

	<p>object while patrolling the area.</p> <p>(iv) The Israeli army raided 'Ein Beit el Ma' refugee camp and arrested 1 civilian.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrests: Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up along Al Badhan road east of the city of Nablus arrested 4 individuals: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Ra'fat Mohammed Nassar, a Palestinian National Security officer; (ii) Lu'ay Hani Mashaqi; (iii) Feissal Shafiq Mashaqi; and (iv) Sameh Sa'id an Nimer. (v) The Israeli army arrested Mohammed Yousef 'Atiyyeh in 'Ein Beit el Ma' refugee camp. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Detention: At 14:00, the Israeli army detained 3 children, claiming that they approached the settlement of Shavei Shomron, until 20:00.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close the main north-western entrance to the city of Salfit with dirt barricades. The road has been closed since the beginning of the current <i>Intifada</i> (Uprising). • Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close Deir Ballut checkpoint overnight and open it at various times in the morning, impeding civilian movement. (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Za'tara checkpoint, impeding civilian access. • Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the town of Deir Ballut and the villages of Az Zawiya and Rafat near the Green Line, northwest of the city of Salfit, and in the villages of Marda and Kifl Haris north of the settlement of Ari'el. • Flying Checkpoint: At 21:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Bruqin and searched civilians and vehicles until 22:30. • Raid: At 00:15, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided and patrolled the town of Bruqin and the village of Farkha until 02:30. • Arrest: At 09:00, Israeli troops positioned at Za'tara checkpoint arrested Mohammed Jamal Hussein. • Palestinian Security Measure: At 12:30, Palestinian security forces coordinated with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO) to defuse 32 old mortars, located during work to construct a street in the town of Biddya.
JERICHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The road between the city of Jericho and the village of Al 'Auja (Road # 90) is closed with cement blocks. The Israeli army continues to prevent farmers not holding Jericho ID cards from reaching their agricultural land, forcing them to apply for access permits. The Israeli army also sporadically impedes civilian movement into the city of Jericho, except for holders of Jerusalem and Jericho ID cards.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Al Hamra checkpoint, connecting the districts of Jericho and Nablus, and to impede civilian access. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint along Al Mu'arajat road, connecting the districts of Jericho and Ramallah, and searched civilians and vehicles until 14:00. (ii) At 18:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of 'Ein ad Duyuk, prevented civilian vehicles leaving the city of Jericho from crossing, and thoroughly searched vehicles entering the city, impeding civilian access until 00:30. • <u>Raid/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:</u> At 20:30, an Israeli army patrol raided Palestinian Authority controlled territory in the area of Adh Dahiyat in the city of Jericho, patrolled the area 50 meters away from 1 Palestinian National Security checkpoint, and withdrew at a later time. • <u>Palestinian Security Measure:</u> At 05:00 on 31 August 2005, Palestinian security forces provided protection to a number of Jewish worshippers while they were visiting a synagogue in the city of Jericho.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> The Israeli army continues to close the road to the village of An Nu'man, in the north-eastern Bethlehem district, isolating the village. The Israeli army considers civilians' residence in the village illegal. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction continues north of 'Ayda refugee camp towards the area north of the city of Beit Jala. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint along Wadi an Nar road between the town of Al 'Ubeidiya and the village of As Sawahira ash Sharqiya and searched civilians and vehicles until 11:45. (ii) At 22:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the town of Beit Fajjar and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 01:15, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided and patrolled the city of Beit Jala. (ii) At 01:15, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided and patrolled the town of Beit Fajjar. • <u>Air Patrol:</u> At 11:15, Israeli army helicopters patrolled the skies over the city of Bethlehem and its suburbs. • <u>Palestinian Attack/Raid:</u> At 21:15, an armed Palestinian individual threw 1 handmade explosive device at the entrance to Gilo tunnel along Road # 60 leading to the city of Jerusalem. The Israeli army closed the DCO checkpoint and prevented civilians from crossing. The Israeli army also raided the city of Beit Jala, set up 2 checkpoints at the entrance to the Beit Jala housing project and on the junction to the settlement of Kfar 'Etzion, between the districts of Bethlehem and Hebron, searched civilian vehicles, and impeded civilian movement until 22:30.

HEBRON

- **Closure:**
 - (i) The Israeli army continues to close Ash Shuhada' Street and the area of As Sahleh in the H2 section of the city of Hebron with cement blocks and barbed wire, denying access to civilians and vehicles.
 - (ii) The Israeli army continues to close Ash Shallala old and new streets in the H1 section of the city of Hebron with cement blocks located 300 meters inside the H1 section.
- **Closure of Main Road:** At 23:40, the Israeli army closed Road # 60 between the town of Beit Ummar and Al 'Arrub refugee camp, claiming to be investigating a suspicious object along the road. The road was reopened after the suspicious object was removed.
- **Wall Construction:** Wall construction continues west of the town of Surif to Beit Ula, in the town of Idhna, from the village of Deir Samit to the village of Beit 'Awwa, from Beit 'Awwa to the village of Al Burj, and south of the towns of Adh Dhahiriya and As Samoa'.
- **Flying Checkpoints:**
 - (i) At 21:40, the Israeli army set up 2 flying checkpoints at the entrance to the town of Dura and in the area between the villages of As Sikka and Al Majd and searched civilians and vehicles.
 - (ii) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to the town of Halhul and searched civilians and vehicles.
- **Raids/House Occupation:**
 - (i) At 11:40, the Israeli army raided the area of Bab az Zawiya in the city of Hebron, occupied 1 building, and converted it into a military post.
 - (ii) At 15:00, the Israeli army, including 2 jeeps, raided the town of Beit Kahil and served summons to a number of civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence Service.
- **Detention:** At 16:00, the Israeli army searched 1 building in the old city of Hebron and detained 1 Palestinian National Security officer and 1 Palestinian Police officer.
- **House Occupation:** At 14:00, the Israeli army occupied 1 house near the settlement of Kiryat Arba' in the old city of Hebron and converted it into a military post.
- **Land Confiscation:**
 - (i) The Israeli army issued Military Order # T/92/05 to confiscate 15 m² of civilian land in the area between the villages of Um al 'Abed and Karma in order to install security equipment in the area surrounding the settlement of 'Otni'el.
 - (ii) The Israeli army issued Military Order # T/94/05 to confiscate 7 m² of civilian land in the area of Al Harayeq near the settlement of Hagai south of the city of Hebron in order to install security equipment in the area surrounding the settlement.

GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Point:</u> Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open to humanitarian cases and VIPs only.
GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Ash Shuhada' – Netzarim Junction remains closed. (ii) Ash Shuhada' Junction - Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing road is closed. • <u>Attack/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:</u> At 22:50, the Israeli army opened fire from the area surrounding Al Hajj Fadhl factory towards 1 Palestinian National Security location east of Gaza city. • <u>Raid/Land Levelling:</u> At 18:50, an Israeli army bulldozer raided 300 meters into Palestinian territory opposite Point 68 on the Green Line east of Gaza city and levelled land.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Attacks:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 19:40, an Israeli army tank positioned at the entrance to the evacuated settlement of Kfar Darom opened indiscriminate fire towards Palestinian territory in all directions. (ii) At 00:50, the Israeli army opened indiscriminate fire from its location in the area surrounding Abu Nahiyah building towards Palestinian territory south of the city of Deir al Balah. • <u>Confiscation of Property:</u> At 13:15, the Israeli army confiscated a number of palm trees belonging to Nihad Abu Bashir in the area surrounding the evacuated settlement of Kfar Darom.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Abu Al 'Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) is closed. (ii) Western road (Khan Yunis) is closed. (iii) Morag road, connecting Khan Yunis' eastern and western roads, is closed. (iv) Deir al Balah junction to Abu Holi checkpoint (Kfar Darom road) is closed. (v) Abu Holi road is closed. • <u>Attacks/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 11:30, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 7 towards Palestinian territory in the city of Khan Yunis. (ii) At 16:10, the Israeli army opened fire from the evacuated settlement of Morag towards 2 Palestinian National Security locations south of the city of Khan Yunis.

RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Road:</u> Al Mawasi/Rafah road is closed. • <u>Closure of Crossing Points:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Yasser Arafat International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah Crossing is closed to Palestinian civilians under the age of 35. • <u>Attacks/Provocation of Palestinian Forces/Palestinian Security Measure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:00, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 5.5 along the Egyptian border towards Palestinian security forces while sealing off 1 tunnel located south of the city of Rafah. (ii) At 16:50, the Israeli army opened fire from Point 8 along the Egyptian border towards Palestinian territory in Tall Zu'rub neighbourhood in Rafah refugee camp. • <u>Raid/Land Levelling:</u> At 15:35, the Israeli army, including 4 bulldozers, raided 50 meters into Palestinian territory near Points 200 and 201 on the Green Line north of Sufa Crossing and levelled land. • <u>Arrest:</u> At 21:30, the Israeli army arrested 1 unidentified civilian along the Egyptian border south of Yasser Arafat International Airport, claiming that he approached the Egyptian border.
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