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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 31 August 2007 – 08:00 01 September 2007

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assaults	7	—	7	Protestors beaten, Ramallah & Bethlehem
Injuries	7	—	7	Incl. an 8-year-old child in Hebron
Attacks	4	—	4	1 in a raid and 3 during confrontations
Raids	15	—	15	Incl. 4 in Ramallah & 3 in Tulkarem
Arrests (per person)	3	—	3	In Jenin, Nablus & Bethlehem
Detentions	17	—	17	Incl. 2 Israeli peace activists, Ramallah
House Occupations	2	—	2	Converted into military posts in Qalqiliya
Closure of Checkpoints	14	—	14	Incl. access impeded at 7 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	10	—	10	Incl. 2 in Jerusalem and 3 in Jenin
Closure (per District)	6	—	6	Incl. the An Nu'man village, Bethlehem
Closure of Main Roads	36	—	36	Incl. 5 in Tulkarem and 1 in Jericho
Closure of Crossing Points	—	7	7	Humanitarian cases and fuel allowed
Settlement Activity	1	—	1	Land levelled for cultivation of palm trees
Palestinian Attacks	—	3	3	3 mortars fired towards the Green Line
Demonstrations	3	—	3	Against the Wall, Ramallah & Bethlehem
TOTAL	125	10	135	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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.
JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem, set up several checkpoints in the old city of Jerusalem and around the Al Aqsa Mosque compound, and prevented civilians from accessing the Al Aqsa Mosque to perform Friday prayers. • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance opposite the junction to Dahiyat al Bareed in the city of Jerusalem with a barbed wire gate and to deny civilian access. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting Dahiyat al Bareed to the town of Ar Ram in order to complete Wall construction in the area. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and dirt barricades the entrance to the village of Jaba', which connects the village to the cities of Jerusalem, Ramallah, and Jericho. • 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. • 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 Ash Shayyah road in the area between the villages of As Sawahira ash Sharqiya and As Sawahira al Gharbiya, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem IDs to cross, after subjecting them to thorough searches using electronic devices. • Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in Dahiyat al Bareed, Dahiyat al Aqbat, from the village of Hizma to 'Anata, along the Hizma-Jaba' road, the area of Al 'Eizariya to Ash Shayyah, from the village of Beit Surik to Biddu, in the areas of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina, west of the village of Al Jib, and in the vicinity of the village of Qatanna.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<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 eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the western entrance to the village of Saffa.

	<p>(iii) The Israeli army continues to close the settler bypass road connecting 'Assur Hill in the village of Kafr Malik to Alon settler bypass road.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the overpass to the town of 'Atara and to impede civilian access. • Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the area west of the town of 'Abud as well as in the areas of Al Midya to Ni'lin and Ni'lin to Deir Qaddis. • Raids/Attack: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 02:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Bir Zeit, the village of Jifna, and Al Jalazun refugee camp. (ii) The Israeli army raided the village of Deir Abu Mash'al and opened fire, while patrolling the area. • Demonstration/Attack/Injuries/Physical Assaults/Detentions: At 13:30, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in the village of Bil'in in protest against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which the Israeli army injured 6 civilians as well as 1 Israeli peace activist with rubber-coated steel bullets. In addition, a number of protestors sustained injuries as a result of tear gas inhalation. Israeli troops also beat a number of protestors with clubs and detained 2 Israeli peace activists.
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 the settlement of Dotan. • Checkpoint: 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. • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • Flying Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 17:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the town of 'Arraba and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 20:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the towns of Az Zababida and Qabatiya and searched civilians and vehicles. (iii) At 21:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint along the settler bypass road east of the city of Jenin, searched civilian vehicles, and arrested 1 civilian. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Az Zababida. (ii) At 15:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Tubas. • Arrest: Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up along the settler bypass road east of the city of Jenin arrested Lu'ay 'Isa Washahi.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Settlement Activity: The Israeli army began levelling land south of the settlement of Maskiyyot in the area of Wadi al Malih in the Northern Jordan Valley for cultivation of palm trees.
TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army continues to declare the district of Tulkarem a closed military zone and to impede civilian access to and from the district. • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the Dahiyat Iktaba-Bal'a road; the entrance to the village of Saffarin; the road connecting the town of Kafr al Labad to the village of Shufa; the road to the town of Deir al Ghusun's plain; and the entrance to the village of 'Izbat Abu Khamish. • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Jubara checkpoint (the southern entrance to the city of Tulkarem) as well as at 'Einav checkpoint (the eastern entrance to the city). • Wall Gates: Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • Flying Checkpoint: At 22:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Al Jarushiya and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:00, the Israeli army and patrolled Dahiyat Dhinnaba in the city of Tulkarem. (ii) At 00:55, the Israeli army raided the city of Tulkarem and Tulkarem refugee camp, searched 1 house, and withdrew at 05:30.
QALQILIYA	<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 as well as the road connecting the town of 'Azzun to the village of 'Izbat at Tabib. • Wall Gates: <ol 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. • Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the villages of Immatin and Kafr Laqif as well as east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and 'Azzun. • Raid/House Occupations/Detentions: At 21:00, the Israeli army raided the town of 'Azzun, set up a checkpoint at its entrance, and searched civilians and vehicles. Having detained residents, the Israeli army also occupied 2 houses and converted them into military posts. At 05:00, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
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 Jenin-Nablus road between the junction to the village of Deir Sharaf and the settlement of Shavei Shomron.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the settler bypass road connecting the village of Deir al Hatab to the settlement of Alon Moreh as well as the southern entrance to the village of Qaryut. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the village of Al Lubban ash Sharqiya with dirt barricades and cement blocks. • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Huwwara and Beit Iba checkpoints (set up at the southern and western entrances to the city of Nablus respectively) are closed at 23:00. The Israeli army only allows civilian vehicles possessing access permits to cross these checkpoints. The Israeli army also searches civilians using metal detectors at Beit Iba checkpoint, impeding their access. (ii) At Tur neighbourhood checkpoint (set up on Jirzim 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. (iii) Beit Furik checkpoint is open to civilian residents of the town of Beit Furik and the village of Beit Dajan until 17:30. (iv) Beginning on 23 November 2006, the Israeli army continues to close the checkpoint set up in the area between the city of Nablus and the town of 'Asira ash Shamaliya and to prevent civilians from crossing, only allowing access to humanitarian cases. • Flying Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 21:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint along the road connecting the districts of Nablus and Tulkarem, searched civilians and vehicles, and arrested 1 child. (ii) The Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Talluza and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids: At 00:20, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus and Balata refugee camp and patrolled these areas until 03:45. • Arrest: Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up along the road connecting the districts Nablus and Tulkarem arrested 17-year-old 'Ameed Mohammed Hashash. • Detention: At 23:45, Israeli troops positioned at Huwwara checkpoint detained Khalil Mohammed Khalil, a Palestinian National Security officer, and released him at a later time.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army has continued to close the main north-western entrance to the city of Salfit with dirt barricades since the beginning of the current <i>Intifada</i> (Uprising). (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western entrance to the village of Marda and, with cement blocks, the western entrance to the town of Kafr ad Dik. • Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Deir Ballut checkpoint and to deny civilian access to the town of Kafr ad Dik.

	<p>(ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the Za'tara junction checkpoint and impeded civilian access.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the area northwest of the city of Salfit, and in the village of Marda and the town of Kifl Haris north of the settlement of Ari'el.
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 connecting the districts of Jericho and Ramallah.
BETHLEHEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: 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. • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close all roads to Road # 60 leading to the city of Jerusalem, thereby isolating the city of Bethlehem from its towns and villages located west of Road # 60. • Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the area northwest of the town of Al Khadr; northwest of the city of Beit Jala; in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of the settlement of Efrat; and in the area surrounding the village of Al Walaja. • Raids: At 02:40, the Israeli army raided the city of Bethlehem and the town of Al Khadr and patrolled the area until 04:30. • Arrest: At 14:00, Israeli troops positioned at the DCO checkpoint at the western entrance to the city of Beit Jala arrested Ali Abu Basma. • Demonstrations/Physical Assaults: Two mass demonstrations, including international peace activists, took place on land belonging to the villages Al Ma'sara and Al Walaja in protest against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors. Israeli troops also beat a number of protestors, leaving 4 protestors with contusions.
HEBRON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: <p>(i) The Israeli army continues to close the following locales in the old city of Hebron: Ash Shuhada' Street and the area of As 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 As 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.</p>

	<p>(ii) Although it expired on 07 May 2006, the Israeli army continues to implement a military order stipulating the prohibition of civilian vehicles from travelling along the road connecting the settlement of Kiryat Arba' to the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron unless they possess access permits.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <p>(i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the following locales: the entrance to the town of As Samoa'; the area of Al Hawawir leading to the town of Halhul; the area of Al Fahs south of the city of Hebron; the junction to the area of Farsh al Hawa leading to Road # 35 northwest 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 neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron as well as the main entrance to Al 'Arrub refugee camp.</p> <p>(ii) In accordance with Military Order # 378, the Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from travelling 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.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the section of Tarqumiya checkpoint terminal, the remaining section of the Wall route that separates the settlement of Eshkolot from the village of Ar Ramadin, and near the village of Imneizil southeast of the town of Yatta. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 19:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the town of Beit 'Awwa and the village of Deir Samit and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Attack/Injury:</u> At 16:40, the Israeli army opened fire towards civilians at the entrance to Al 'Arrub refugee camp, allegedly for throwing stones. As a result, Mohammed Nidhal Abu Ghalyeh, 8 years old, sustained bullet wounds. • <u>Raid:</u> At 01:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Dura, searched 1 house, and served a civilian a summons to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency.
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GAZA STRIP

<p>NORTHERN GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Point:</u> Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open to humanitarian cases, after prior coordination. • <u>Palestinian Attacks:</u> <p>(i) In the morning on 31 August 2007, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.</p> <p>(ii) In the afternoon on 31 August 2007, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.</p>
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GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Points:</u> (i) Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed. (ii) Ash Shuja'iyah (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is partially open for transportation of fuel. • <u>Palestinian Attack:</u> At dawn on 01 September 2007, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.
CENTRAL GAZA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
KHAN YUNIS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported.
RAFAH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Points:</u> (i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah Crossing is closed. (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed (iv) Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed.