# مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



# PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

# **DAILY SITUATION REPORT**

08:00 31<sup>st</sup> August 2011 – 08:00 01<sup>st</sup> September 2011

## **SUMMARY OF EVENTS**

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injury	1		1	1 civilian was assaulted in Ramallah District.
Arrest	3		3	incl. a PLC member
Raids	7	_	7	Incl. 3 in Jenin, 1 in Nablus, 1 in Salfit, 1 in Bethlehem, & 1 in Hebron
Temporary Detentions	11	_	11	At checkpoints and in residential areas
Closure of Checkpoints	9	—	9	Access allowed at 4 checkpoints and impeded at 5 checkpoints
Air Surveillance	1	_	1	A helicopter during deployment of infantry in Nablus District
Provocation of Palestinian forces	1	_	1	Civil Defence vehicle in Hebron District.
Attacks on Property	1		1	Settlers uprooted 32 olive trees in Salfit District
Flying Checkpoints	32	_	32	Incl. 3 in Jerusalem, 3 in Ramallah, 3 in Tulkarem, 4 in Qalqilya, 5 in Nablus, 3 in Salfit, 1 in Jericho, 5 in Bethlehem, & 5 in Hebron
Wall Construction	15	_	15	Incl. 4 in Jerusalem, 2 in Ramallah, 1 in Tulkarem, 3 in Qalqilya, 1 in Salfit, 3 in Bethlehem, & 1 in Hebron
Closure (per District)	8	_	8	Incl. 2 in Bethlehem,1 in Jerusalem & 5 Hebron
Closure of Main Roads	43	_	43	Incl. 5 in Bethlehem, & 15 in Hebron
Closure of Crossings		6	6	Rafah Crossing was opened for humanitarian cases
Settler Violence	1	_	1	Settlers uprooted 32 olive trees in the area of Wadi Qana in Salfit District stoned civilian vehicles and set fire to a field in Mikhmas village near Jerusalem.
Palestinian Attack	_	1	1	Armed Palestinian individuals fired mortar rounds towards the Green Line.
TOTAL	133	7	140	

DISTRICT	EVENTS				
WEST BANK					
JERUSALEM	<ul> <li>Closure: <ol> <li>The Israeli army continues its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to Jerusalem City and to prevent civilians from other Palestinian districts from entering the city, except those holding special permits.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to close the 'demarcation area' along the Wall in the area surrounding occupied East Jerusalem and restricts access to local residents as well as to civilians holding special permits.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to impose a blockade and deny civilian access to a hill between Biddu and Beit Iksa villages.</li> <li>Closure of Main Roads: <ol> <li>The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and dirt mounds the entrance to Jaba' village.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to close the gate along the Wall section separating the area of Dahiyat Al-Bareed from Al-Ram town.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to close with an iron gate the eastern entrance to Beit Iksa village and forces civilians to access Jerusalem city through Qalandiya checkpoint.</li> <li>Checkpoints: Israeli authorities continue to consider Qalandiya checkpoint a "border crossing point" and designate a special crossing lane for holders of Jerusalem IDs and another for those possessing permits to access Jerusalem city.</li> <li>Flving Checkpoints: At 11:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance of the village of Beit Iksa and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>Wall Gates:</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the Wall gate in Abu Dis town.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to deny civilian access through the Wall gate on Al-Shayyah road in the area between Al-Sawahira Al-Sharqiya and Al-Sawahira Al-Gharbiya villages, only allowing civilians holding Jerusalem IDs to cross, after subjecting them to thorough searches using electronic devices.</li> <li>Wall Construction: Wall construction has resumed in the areas north and south of Qalandiya village; south of Al-Za'ayyem village; and in Wadi Al-E</li></ol></li></ol></li></ul>				
RAMALLAH & AL BIREH	<ul> <li>Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to Sinjil village as well as the junction to Kafr Malik and 'Ein Samiya villages.</li> <li>Flying Checkpoints: <ol> <li>At 20:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance of the village of Deir Al-Sudan and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>At 00:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance of the village of Shuqba and assaulted a civilian called Ali Hamed Shalash and sprayed gas on his face.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>				

	• <u>Arrest</u> : In the evening August 31 <sup>st</sup> 2011, the Israeli army arrested 1 civilian called Suhaib Bassam Al-Saadi from Jenin refugee camp at a flying checkpoint on Nablus-Ramallah main road.					
	Wall Construction: Wall construction has resumed in the area west of 'Abud'					
	town in the area surrounding the illegal settlement 'Ofarim and north of Al-Lubban					
	Al-Gharbi and Rantis villages.					
	Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt mounds the					
	road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of the illegal settlement Dotan.					
	• Raids:					
	(i) At 09:25, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town					
	of Qabatia.					
JENIN	(ii) At 18:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of					
	Al-Urfa.					
	(iii) At 19:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of					
	Arraba.					
	• <u>Wall Gates</u> : Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits, which undercuts the access to education and health services					
	for civilians living behind the Wall.					
	Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to restrict Palestinian access to the					
TELLID A C	Northern Jordan Valley through the Tayasir checkpoint to between the hours of					
TUBAS	06:00 and 22:00. At 12:30, the Israeli army obstructed civilian access except for					
	the inhabitants of the Jordan Valley.					
	• <u>Closure of Main Roads</u> :					
	(i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt mounds the road connecting Kafr					
	Al-Labad town to Shufa village.					
	(ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt mounds the detour road leading					
	to Ramin village along the Tulkarem-Nablus main road.					
	• <u>Checkpoints</u> : At 23:30, the Israeli army increased restrictions on Palestinian					
	access at 'Einav checkpoint on the Tulkarem-Nablus main road and impeded the free flow of traffic.					
	• Flying Checkpoints:					
TULKAREM	(i) At 09:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint between the villages					
	of Kajr Sour and Kfar Jmal, and searched civilians and vehicles.					
	(ii) At 11:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the entrance of					
	the village of Safarin and searched civilians and vehicles.					
	(iii) At 22:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the junction of the					
	village of Bazaria east of the town of Anabta and searched civilians and					
	<ul> <li>vehicles.</li> <li>Wall Gates: Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted</li> </ul>					
	special Israeli permits.					
	Wall Construction: Land levelling for adjustment of the Wall route has resumed					
	in the area surrounding Jubara village. According to an Israeli High Court					
	decision, the new Wall route will be constructed west of the village.					
	Closure of Roads:					
QALQILYA	(i) Israeli forces continue to close with cement blocks agricultural roads east of					
	the town of 'Azzun.					
	(ii) In addition to closing the gate installed since the outbreak the second <i>Intifada</i> ,					
	the Israeli army continues to close with dirt mounds the eastern entrance to Kafr Qaddum village.					
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### • Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 10:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance of the city of Qalqilya and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 16:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the village of Hijjeh and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iii) At 20:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance of the town of 'Azzun and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iv) At 01:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the junction of the village of Jeet and searched civilians and vehicles.

## • Wall Gates:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to restrict access at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, using a metal detector.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with an iron gate the entrance to the village of Wadi Al-Rasha and to deny civilian access. The Israeli army allows residents to access the village through Gate #109. Having removed the gate at the entrance to the village of Ras 'Atiya; the Israeli army only allows students to cross to their schools outside the village through the Habla gate.
  - Wall Construction: Wall construction resumed in Kafr Laqef village north of Karnei Shomron settlement; in Immatin village northeast of Imanuel settlement; and east of Kafr Thulth town near Ma'ale Shomron settlement.

#### • Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close the roads of Till-Burin and Beit Furik-Salem; the settler bypass road connecting the village of Deir al Hatab to the settlement of Alon Moreh; the road connecting the town of 'Aqraba to the village of Osrin; and the detour road between the town of Qabalan and the village of Osrin.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the northern entrance to Qabalan town; the southern entrances to the town of Jamma'in and the villages of Duma and Oarvut.
- <u>Checkpoints</u>: The Israeli army continues to restrict times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus:
- (i) Al-Tur neighbourhood 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 between 07:00 and 02:00 only to residents of the neighbourhood.
- (ii) At 'Awarta commercial checkpoint, civilians are only allowed to cross between 05:00 and 20:00, and between 05:00 and 15:00 on Fridays. All vehicles can access the city of Nablus, but only commercial vehicles and ambulances can leave the city through the checkpoint.

#### • Flying checkpoints:

- (i) At 10:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the junction of the village of Sura village (on Nablus-Qalqilya main road) and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 14:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the junction of the village of Salem and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iii) At 16:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the junction of the village of Tel and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iv) At 01:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the junction of the village of Deir Sharaf and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (v) At 01:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the junction of the

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	village of Qusin and searched civilians and vehicles.
	• Raids: At 23:55, Israeli paratroopers were deployed from military helicopters and raided and combed the area between the town of Aseera Al-Shimaliye and the village of Talouza.
	Closure of Main Roads:
	(i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt mounds and cement blocks the northern entrance to Bruqin town.
	(ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt mounds the entrance to two detour roads connecting Marda village to its farmland.
	(iii) Since 14 November 2010, the Israeli army has opened the northern entrance to Salfit city to civilian buses only. The entrance had been closed for seven years.
	• <u>Checkpoints</u> : At 16:20, the Israeli army increased restrictions on Zatara checkpoint, obstructing the free flow of traffic.
	• Flying Checkpoints:
	(i) At 12:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance of the village of Hares and searched civilians and vehicles.
SALFIT	(ii) At 18:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance of the town of Qarawat Bani Hassan and searched civilians and vehicles until 20:00.
	(iii) At 18:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance of the town of Bidya and searched civilians and vehicles.
	• <u>Raids</u> : At 02:45, the Israeli army raided the area between the town of Kafl Hares and the village of Hares and fired flash grenades.
	• Arrests: On the evening of August 31 <sup>st</sup> 2011, the Israeli army arrested PLC member Hassan Youssef at Za'tara junction.
	• <u>Settler Violence</u> : On August 31 <sup>st</sup> 2011, a group of settlers attacked Palestinian land in the area of Al-Kaf Al-Wusta in Wadi Qana of the town of Deir Istiya and uprooted 32 olive trees owned by a Palestinian civilian called Abdel Kareem
	<ul> <li>Mansour.</li> <li>Wall Construction: Wall construction has resumed in the area north of Deir Istiya town southeast of the illegal settlement Emmanuel.</li> </ul>
	Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between Jericho city and Al 'Auja village with cement blocks.
	<ul> <li>Checkpoints:</li> <li>(i) Israeli forces continue to restrict access through Al-Hamra checkpoint set up</li> </ul>
	along the road connecting Jericho and Nablus Districts, only allowing access to
	residents of Jericho District and the Jordan Valley area. And from 23:20 to
JERICHO	23:50, Israeli forces closed the checkpoint while searching the surrounding
	area.  (ii) Israeli forces continue to restrict access at the checkpoint set up on the
	(ii) Israeli forces continue to restrict access at the checkpoint set up on the junction to Al-'Auja village, only allowing access to residents of the Jericho District and others with access permits.
	• Flying Checkpoints: At 17:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance of Jericho and searched civilians and vehicles.
	• <u>Closure:</u> (i) The Israeli army continues to close roads to An Nu'man village, with the
BETHLEHEM	exception of the road leading to the Wall gate in the south-eastern area of the village.
	(ii) Since 15 September 2007, the Israeli army has prevented civilians from

		accessing or staying on 22 <i>dunums</i> of confiscated land in Al Mazmuriya area in Beit Sahur and Bethlehem cities.				
	• CI	osure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close the Beit Jala-Wadi				
	Ahmed road; a road east of Beit Fajjar town; the road connecting Tuqu' town to					
	Khirbet al Baq'a village; and the detour road connecting Wadi Fukin and A					
	Jab'a villages.					
	• Flying Checkpoints:					
		(i) At 09:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the Al-Nashash				
		junction, near the southern entrance to Bethlehem, and searched civilians and vehicles. The checkpoint was set up again at 02:45.				
	(ii) At 11:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance of the village of Housan and searched civilians and vehicles.,					
	(iii) At 16:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance of the village of Nahalin and searched civilians and vehicles.					
		(iv) At 21:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint underneath the bridge				
		of the town of Al-Khader (on the road leading to Arab villages in Bethlehem District) and searched civilians and vehicles until 22:40.				
	• Ra	aids: At 20:25, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the neighbourhood area of				
		n Rukaba in the town of Al-Khader.				
		<b>all Construction:</b> Wall construction resumed northwest of Beit Jala town.				
		osure:				
	(i)	The Israeli army continues to close Al-Shuhada' Street, Al-Sahleh and Khuzq				
	(1)	Al-Far areas, as well as the old gold market in Hebron's Old City. In addition				
		to closing the entrance to Al-Qeisi neighbourhood, the Israeli army continues				
		to close the entrances to the area of Al-Hisba (the fruits and vegetables				
		market) with an electronic gate; Al-Laban Market also remains closed.				
	(ii)	Since 05 January 2009, the Israeli army has closed the area located along the				
	(11)	Green Line south of the town of Yatta. Having seized land for Wall				
		construction, the Israeli army evicted the Palestinian residents and denied them				
		access to the area.				
	• (1	Closure of Main Roads:				
	(i)	The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to Al-Dhahiriya and Al-				
		Samoa' towns, Al-'Arrub refugee camp, and Al-Tuwani and Al-Karmil villages.				
Hebron	(ii)	The Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from travelling				
		along the old Al-Shalala Street leading to Hebron's Old City.				
	(iii)	The Israeli army continues to close all roads leading to Road # 60 as well as detour roads along the settler bypass road leading to Yatta town.				
	(iv)	The Israeli army continues to close with dirt mounds a detour road leading to				
	(21)	the entrance to Al-Simiya village.				
	• FI	ying Checkpoints:				
	(i)	At 08:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the northern				
	(1)	entrance of the city of Hebron and searched civilians and vehicles. The				
		checkpoint was set up again at 20:00.				
	(ii)	At 17:40, the Israeli army forces set up a flying checkpoint at the junction				
	(11)	of the town of Al-Thahiriyye and searched civilians and vehicles.				
	(iii)	At 20:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the bridge of the				
	(111)	town of Halhoul and searched civilians and vehicles.				
	(iv)	At 20:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area of Al-				
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Sahla near the town of Yatta and searched civilians and vehicles.

- Raids: At 00:45, the Israeli forces raided the town of Yatta, searched several houses and arrested 1 civilian.
- <u>Arrests</u>: The civilian arrested in the town of Yatta is called Hani Mohammad Ideis.
- **Provocation of Palestinian Forces**:
- At 12:45, The Israeli detained Civil Defence vehicle while it was on its way to put out fire in the woods near the village of Tarama.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction resumed in the area surrounding the illegal settlement Eshkolot, west of Al-Dhahiriya town.

#### **GAZA STRIP**

#### At 02:00 on 18 January 2009, the unilateral ceasefire declared by Israel came into effect. At a later time on the same day, armed Palestinian groups announced an agreement to cease fire. The ceasefire has been further renewed **ALL** on 10 April 2011. DISTRICTS Palestine armed faction breached the ceasefire and fired a projectile at targets in the Green Line. Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing was partially opened **NORTHERN** before foreign journalists, humanitarian cases, employees of international **GAZA** organizations, businessmen, and passengers travelling through al-Karama Crossing. **Closure of Crossing Points:** Al-Muntar (Karni) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 02 March 2011, the (i) GAZA Crossing has been effectively closed following a unilateral Israeli decision. Al-Shija'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 04 January 2010, (ii) the Crossing has been closed following a unilateral Israeli decision. **KHAN YUNIS Palestinian Attack:** On the evening of August 31<sup>st</sup> 2011, armed Palestinians fired a projectile at targets in the Green Line. **Closure of Crossing Points:** Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. Rafah (Al 'Awdah) Crossing was closed. Sufa Crossing is closed. **RAFAH** Karm Abu Salem (Karem Shalom) Crossing was closed.