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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 03 September 2010 – 08:00 04 September 2010

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assault	1	_	1	A civilian severely beaten in Salfit
Attacks	6	1	7	2 in raids and 5 during confrontations
Raids	11	1	12	Incl. 3 in Tulkarem and 3 in Salfit
Air Patrol	_	1	1	Reconnaissance aircraft over Rafah
Arrests (per person)	3	_	3	1 in Jerusalem and 2 in Hebron
Detentions	16	_	16	Incl. 3 international peace activists
Wall Construction	19		19	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Salfit, & Hebron
Destruction of Property	3	_	3	House doors destroyed in Hebron
House Occupations	2	_	2	Converted into mil. posts in Hebron
Closure of Checkpoints	9	_	9	Incl. access impeded at 6 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	29	_	29	Incl. 8 in Qalqiliya and 8 in Hebron
Closure (per District)	9	_	9	Incl. Jerusalem & 2 areas in Ramallah
Closure of Main Roads	44	_	44	Incl. 4 in Salfit and 15 in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points	_	5	5	Incl. humanitarian cases allowed access
Provocation of Pal. Forces	2	_	2	Security vehicle and officers detained
Settler Violence	2	_	2	Incl. a main road closed in Hebron
Palestinian Attack	_	1	1	A mortar fired towards the Green Line
Demonstrations	5	_	5	Against Wall, Ramallah & Bethlehem
TOTAL	161	9	170	

DISTRICT EVENTS

WEST BANK

• Closure/Air Patrol:

- (i) On 04 September 2010, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem, set up many flying checkpoints in the old city of Jerusalem and around Al Aqsa Mosque compound, and regulated access to civilians to perform Friday prayers at the mosque. The Israeli army allowed access the Al Aqsa Mosque to perform prayers of the last Friday of the holy month of Ramadan to male civilians above 50 years and female civilians above 45 years, as well as to civilians holding permits, including men between 45 and 50 years and women between 30 and 45 years. In addition, the Israeli army flied a camera-equipped aerostat over the Al Aqsa Mosque compound and combat helicopter patrolled the skies to watch worshippers.
- (i) On 05 January 2009, the Israeli authorities issued Military Order # S/02/09 on the closure of and denial of civilian access to the "demarcation area" along the Wall in the area surrounding the city of Jerusalem. Accordingly, local residents and civilians holding permits can access this area through crossings and gates set up at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem. (The demarcation area is defined by a set of military orders relating to land confiscation for Wall construction).
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to impose a blockade and deny civilian access to a hill between the village of Biddu and Beit Iksa due to its geographical significance as it overlooks the city of Jerusalem.

JERUSALEM

• Closure of Main Roads:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and dirt barricades the entrance to the village of Jaba'.
- (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the iron gate along the Wall section, separating the area of Dahiyat al Bareed from the town of Ar Ram.
- (iii) On 28 May 2010, the Israeli army closed with an iron gate the eastern entrance to the village of Beit Iksa leading to the city of Jerusalem and reported to civilians that they should cross Qalandiya checkpoint to access the city.
- <u>Checkpoint</u>: The Israeli army continues to consider Qalandiya checkpoint a "border crossing point" and has designated a special crossing lane for holders of Jerusalem IDs and those possessing permits to access the city of Jerusalem.

• Wall Gates:

- (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 continues in the area of Al 'Eizariya to Ash Shayyah, from Beit Surik village to Biddu; in the areas of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina; west of the village of Al Jib; in the vicinity of the village of Qatanna; south of the village of Beit Hanina; and in the area surrounding the checkpoint set up at the entrance to Shu'fat refugee camp.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades and cement blocks the entrances to the town of Sinjil, the village of Saffa; and the junction to the villages of Kafr Malik – 'Ein Samiya. The Israeli authorities continue to declare the area located between civilian houses and the Wall in Ni'lin town and Bil'in village a closed military zone between 08:00 and 20:00 on Fridays. Civilian access to the area is denied except with a special permit. Raid: At 01:35, the Israeli army raided Khirbet Abu Falah village, searched a number of houses, and arrested a civilian. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Mohammed Abdul Rahman Hamayil in Khirbet Abu Falah village. Demonstrations/Attacks/Injuries/Detentions: At 12:30, a mass demonstration took place in An Nabi Salih village against Israeli settler violence and confiscation of civilian land for expansion of Halamish settlement. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which several participations sustained wounds of tear gas inhalation. At 12:30, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in Ni'lin town against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which the Israeli army wounded a number of participants as a result of tear gas inhalation. The Israeli army also detained three international peace activists. At 12:30, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in Bil'in village against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which the Israeli army injured a number of participants as a result of tear gas inhalation. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues west of the town of 'Abud; in the village of Bil'in; and in the areas of Al Midya to Ni'lin and Ni'lin to Deir Qaddis.
JENIN	 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. Settler Violence: At 16:30, a group of Israeli settlers gained access to the evacuated settlement of Homesh. Subsequently, the Israeli army evacuated settlers from the area.

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	 Wall Gates: 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.
TUBAS	• <u>Checkpoint</u> : Though allowing civilian access to the Northern Jordan Valley between 06:00 and 22:00, the Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint east of the city of Tubas.
TULKAREM	 Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road connecting the town of Kafr al Labad to the village of Shufa as well as the road connecting the villages of Shufa and 'Izbat Shufa. Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at 'Einav checkpoint set up on Tulkarem-Nablus main road. Attack: At 01:30, the Israeli army fired flares in the area surrounding Avnei Hefetz settlement. Raids: At 17:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Zeita town. At 23:15, the Israeli army raided and combed an area near Al Jarushiya town. At 00:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Dahiyat Shuweika in Tulkarem city. Wall Gates: Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.
QALQILYA	 Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun. Flying Checkpoints: At 09:10, and again at 16:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Qalqiliya city and searched civilians and vehicles. At 13:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Hajja village and searched civilians and vehicles. At 17:25, the Israeli army set up two flying checkpoints at the entrances to Kafr Qaddum and Baqat al Hatab villages and searched civilians and vehicles. At 17:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Jinsafut village and searched civilians and vehicles. At 21:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between Kafr Thulth town and Sanniriya village and searched civilians and vehicles. At 22:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between Hajja and Al Funduq villages and searched civilians and vehicles. Raids: At 16:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled 'Azzun town. At 02:55, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Ras 'Atiya village. Wall Gates: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal detector.

	(ii) The Israeli army continues close with an iron gate the entrance to the village of Wadi ar Rasha and to deny civilian access. The Israeli army allows residents to access the village through Gate #109. Having removed the iron 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.
NABLUS	 Closure of Main Roads: 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 Osarin; and the detour road between the town of Qabalan and the village of Osarin. The Israeli army continues to close the northern entrance to the town of Qabalan; the southern entrances to the town of Jamma'in and the villages of Duma and Qaryut; and the western entrance to An Naqura village opposite the settlement of Shavei Shomron. Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus: At 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 for civilian residents of the neighbourhood only between 07:00 and 02:00. At 'Awarta commercial checkpoint, civilians are allowed to cross between 05:00 and 20:00, but between 05:00 and 15:00 on Fridays. All civilian vehicles are allowed to access the city of Nablus, but only commercial vehicles and ambulances can leave the city through the checkpoint. Flving Checkpoints: At 11:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to 'Awarta town and searched civilians and vehicles. Raid: At 08:40, the Israeli army raided 'Urif village and patrolled the area until 10:20.
SALFIT	 Closure of Main Roads: (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the northern entrance to the city of Salfit. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the northern entrance to the town of Bruqin. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the entrance to two detour roads connecting the village of Marda to respective agricultural land. Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions and impede civilian access at the Za'tara junction checkpoint.

	• Flying Checkpoints:				
	(i) At 21:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint underneath the				
	overpass to Iskaka village and searched civilians and vehicles.				
	(ii) At 21:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to				
	Marda village and searched civilians and vehicles.				
	(iii) At 22:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between				
	Kafr Haris town and Haris village and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raids/Detention/Physical Assault:				
	(i) At 16:20, the Israeli army raided Marda town, detained and severely				
	beat Majed Ibdah, and released him at a later time. At 21:50, the Israeli army raided the village again and served summons on two civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency: (i) Nabhan Khaled Jum'ah Suleiman; and				
	(ii) Jihad Na'im al Khuffash.				
	At 23:50, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.				
	(ii) At 21:30, the Israeli army raided Az Zawiya town and patrolled the area until 21:50. Meantime, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians.				
	Wall Construction: Wall construction continues 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 Ariel.				
	 <u>Closure</u>: The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between the city of Jericho and the village of Al 'Auja with cement blocks. <u>Checkpoints</u>: 				
	(i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Al Hamra checkpoint set up along Al Badhan road connecting the districts of Jericho and Nablus. However, the Israeli army allows civilian access				
JERICHO	between 06:00 and 22:00.				
JERICHO	(ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 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, only allowing access to civilians whose IDs indicate that their place of residence of				
	the district of Jericho as well as to others holding access permits.				
	• Flying Checkpoint: At 22:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to Jericho city and searched civilians and vehicles.				
	Closure:				
	(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				
BETHLEHEM	in the south-eastern area of the village.				
DETTILETTENT	(ii) According to Military Order # 07/02/S, the Israeli army has				
	continued since 15 September 2007 to deny civilian access to an				
	area measuring 22 dunums (5.436 acres) of land in the area of				
	Mazmuriya in the cities of Beit Sahur and Bethlehem. The land was confiscated pursuant to Military Order # 07/31/T.				
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• Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road of Beit Jala-Wadi Ahmad; a road east of Beit Fajjar town; and a rural road connecting Tuqu' town to Khirbet al Baq'a village.

• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 08:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Ash Shawawra village and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 08:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on An Nashash junction (the southern entrance to Bethlehem city). At 19:35, the Israeli army set up another checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles until 20:15
- (iii) At 12:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the north-western entrance to Beit Jala city and searched civilians and vehicles.

• Demonstrations/Attack:

- (i) At 12:30, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in the village of Al Ma'sara in protest against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which the Israeli army injured seven participants as a result of tear gas inhalation.
- (ii) At 12:30, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in the village of Al Walaja in protest against land levelling for completion of Wall construction.
- Wall Construction: Wall construction continues 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 Efrat settlement; and in the area surrounding Al Walaja.

• <u>Closure</u>:

- (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. In addition to closing the entrance to Al Laban Market with iron plates, the Israeli army 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, controlling civilian access in the area.
- (ii) Having evacuated civilian residents and denied civilian access, the Israeli army continues to close the area located along the Green Line south of the town of Yatta.

• Closure of Main Roads:

(i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to the town of As Samoa'; the eastern entrance to the village of Kharsa; the entrance to the Al Qeisi neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron; the entrances to Al 'Arrub refugee camp, the village of At Tuwani, and the town of Adh Dhahiriya; and the road connecting the town of Surif to the village of Al Jab'a.

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- (ii) The Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from travelling along Ash Shalala Old Street in the old city of Hebron.
- (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 Road # 60.
- (iv) Beginning on 01 September 2010, the Israeli army had continued to close with dirt barricades the entrance to Wadi Yaqin road leading to Bani Na'im town.

• Flying Checkpoints/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:

- (i) At 13:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Idhna town and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 13:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the northern entrance to Hebron city, which branches off Road # 35 near the overpass to Halhul town, and searched civilians and vehicles until 14:10
- (iii) At 13:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the junction to As Samoa' town, detained a Palestinian Preventive Security vehicle transporting three Preventive Security officers, and released it at 13:50 after coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO).
- (iv) At 15:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Al 'Arrub refugee camp and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (v) At 17:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles at the entrance to An Nabi Yunis area near Halhul town on the Hebron-Bethlehem town.
- Raid/Attack/Detentions/Destruction of Property: At 02:00, the Israeli army raided Hebron city, fired sound grenades, raided as well as searched a residential building and a number of houses, and detained residents outside. The Israeli army also destroyed house doors and arrested two civilians.
- Arrests: The Israeli army arrested two civilians in Hebron city:
- (i) Majdi Mohammed al 'Useili; and
- (ii) Anas Abdul Ghani Abdullah as Sayyed.
- <u>Provocation of Palestinian Forces</u>: At 18:00, the Israeli army detained a
 number of Palestinian Police officers along Ash Shalala Street in the old
 city of Hebron. Police officers were inspecting a commercial premise, in
 which a dead body had been located. The Israeli army released Police
 officers after coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO).

• House Occupations/Detentions:

- (i) In the morning of 03 September 2010, Israeli troops occupied and converted into a military post the roof of a house belonging to Nu'man Shabaneh on Road # 60 near the entrance to Bani Na'im town. Israeli troops gave a respite until 13:00 to Shabaneh to evacuate his house.
- (ii) At 17:00, Israeli troops occupied and converted into a military post the roof of a house belonging to Salem as Salaymeh in Al Baq'a area along Road # 60 near Kiryat Arba' settlement in the old city of Hebron. Israeli troops detained residents in a single room.

- <u>Settler Violence</u>: At 10:50, a group of Israeli settlers, protected by Israeli troops, gathered along Road # 60 near the entrance to Bani Na'im town, closed the road, and denied civilian access.
- Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in the section of Tarqumiya checkpoint terminal; in the area surrounding the settlement of Eshkolot near the town of Adh Dhahiriya; and in the area between the villages of 'Arab ar Ramadin and Imneizil.

GAZA STRIP

At 02:00 on 18 January 2009, the unilateral ceasefire declared by the Israeli authorities came into effect. At a later time on the same day, armed Palestinian groups announced an agreement to cease fire for a week. Later, armed Palestinian groups extended the ceasefire until 05 February 2009. Despite the fact that the extension period expired, the ceasefire continues to hold pending negotiations carried out by Egypt. Violations of the Ceasefire: (i) The Israeli army raided Palestinian territory and opened fire on civilian houses and property in Rafah district. (ii) Armed Palestinian individuals fired an unidentified mortar towards the Green Line.

NORTHERN GAZA	 Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open for previously-coordinated humanitarian cases and foreign nationals. Palestinian Attack: In the morning of 04 September 2010, an unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.
GAZA	 Closure of Crossing Points: Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed. Ash Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 04 January 2010, the Crossing has been closed upon an Israeli unilateral decision.
CENTRAL GAZA	Activities were not reported.
KHAN YUNIS	 Activities were not reported.
RAFAH	 Closure of Crossing Points: Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. Rafah (Al 'Awdah) Crossing is open on an exceptional basis to allow patients, students, and civilians holding visas to depart the Gaza Strip. Access was also allowed to civilians and patients, who had received medical treatment at Egyptian hospitals. Sufa Crossing is closed. Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed. Raid/Air Patrol/Attack: In the morning of 03 September 2010, the Israeli army, including several armoured vehicles and bulldozers covered by reconnaissance aircraft, raided Palestinian territory near Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing north of Beit Hanun town. The Israeli army opened intensive fire on agricultural land and civilian houses.