

## مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



## PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

## DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 04 August 2004 – 08:00 05 September 2004

## SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assaults	2	—	<b>2</b>	Demonstrators & 1 civilian beaten
Injuries	7	1	<b>8</b>	Incl. 2 children, 4 female civilians
Attacks	3	3	<b>6</b>	1 during raids, 3 from mil. posts
Raids	23	1	<b>24</b>	Incl. continued presence in Nablus
Arrests (per person)	13	3	<b>16</b>	Incl. 1 female child & 1 male child
Detentions	8	1	<b>9</b>	Incl. at checkpoints & fishermen
Destruction of Property	3	—	<b>3</b>	Incl. school doors and olive trees
Land Levelling	2	—	<b>2</b>	Incl. 300 <i>dunums</i> in Dura
Wall Construction	15	—	<b>15</b>	Jerusalem, Jenin, Ramallah, Beth.
House Occupations	6	—	<b>6</b>	1 in Tulkarem and 5 in Balata RC
Curfews	2	—	<b>2</b>	In Silat Adh Dhahr and Madama
Checkpoints	All	—	<b>All</b>	
Flying Checkpoints	(Dozens)	(Dozens)	—	Closing all districts
Closure (per District)	(All)	(All)	<b>(All)</b>	Hebron closed military zone
Closure of Main Roads	(Most)	(5)	—	Esp. connecting cities
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)	—	<b>(All)</b>	Permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points	—	4	<b>4</b>	2 partially open
Medical Obstruction	—	1	<b>1</b>	1 tank shell towards Nasser Hosp.
Settler Violence	1	—	<b>1</b>	Agricultural land burnt in Dura
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1	—	<b>1</b>	Pal. security location surrounded
Demonstration	1	—	<b>1</b>	In solidarity with prisoners
Palestinian Attacks	—	3	<b>3</b>	4 Qassam mortars and 2 mortars
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>104</b>	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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ALL DISTRICTS	Since 22 March 2004, the Israeli army has imposed a total closure on the West Bank and Gaza Strip, prevented civilians from crossing the Green Line and entering Jerusalem, and restricted movement between cities in the West Bank.
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## WEST BANK

JERUSALEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing.</li> <li>• <b>Wall Construction:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Wall construction was resumed along the main road between Qalandiya checkpoint and Ar Ram, the area of Al Aqbat, north of the village of 'Anata, in the area between the villages of Jaba' and Hizma, the area of Ash Shayyah, and in the town of As Sawahira Ash Sharqiya.</li> <li>(ii) Wall construction in the villages of Qatanna and Biddu remains suspended following an Israeli Supreme Court order.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Arrests:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The Israeli army arrested 6 civilians in the city of Jerusalem, including Qussay 'Odeh.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army arrested an unidentified civilian at a checkpoint set up near 'Anatot military post.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Detention:</b> The Israeli army closed Qalandiya checkpoint and detained hundreds of civilians, who, in effect, were unable to return to their homes.</li> <li>• <b>Demonstration:</b> A mass demonstration took place in the old city of Jerusalem in solidarity with political prisoners in Israeli prisons. The Israeli army severely beat several civilians, including mothers of political prisoners, injured 6 female civilians, and arrested 6 others.</li> </ul>
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> The Israeli army set up dozens of flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing.</li> <li>• <b>Wall Construction:</b> Wall construction was resumed in Rantis, Budrus, Midya, Ni'lin, Deir Qaddis, Beit Liqya, and Beituniya.</li> <li>• <b>Raid:</b> At 10:50, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Ramallah, surrounded 1 Palestinian National Security office, and ordered officers to present their IDs for inspection.</li> </ul>

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>JENIN</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing.</li> <li>• <b>Wall Gates:</b> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact education, economic and livelihood activities and impedes access to health facilities.</li> <li>• <b>Wall Construction:</b> Land levelling for Wall construction was resumed in Jalbun towards Al Mutilla, Raba, Al Mughayyir, Bardala and 'Ein al Beida, and towards the Jordan River.</li> <li>• <b>Raids/Curfew:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Beginning at 19:30 on 3 September 2004, the Israeli army remains positioned in the town of Silat Adh Dhahr and continued to impose curfew until 06:00.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army raided the village of Jaba', raided Jaba' Secondary Girls School after destroying its doors with explosives, and searched several houses.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>JERICHO</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> The Israeli army set up dozens of checkpoints throughout the city, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and prevented civilians from crossing.</li> <li>• <b>Arrest:</b> The Israeli army arrested an unidentified civilian at a checkpoint set up near the settlement of Mehola.</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>BETHLEHEM</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing civilians from crossing.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army continues to close the only road leading to the village of Al Nu'man, northeast of the Bethlehem district, isolating the village and placing it, together with the adjacent village of Al Khas, under the jurisdiction of the Jerusalem municipality. The Israeli army considers the civilian presence in the villages illegal.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Wall Construction:</b> Construction of the Wall was resumed north of the district of Bethlehem, west of Wadi Hilwa, along 'Ayda refugee camp, along the tunnel road (Gilo), along road # 60 towards the village of Husan, in Bir 'Ona and the village of Al Walaja.</li> <li>• <b>Flying Checkpoint:</b> At 16:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the city of Beit Sahur, searched civilian vehicles, and examined civilians' IDs.</li> <li>• <b>Raids:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 09:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Beit Jala.</li> <li>(ii) At 10:30, an Israeli army patrol raided the village of Dar Salah, set up</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<p>a checkpoint, and searched civilians and vehicles.</p> <p>(iii) At 13:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Al Khadr.</p> <p>(iv) At 14:05, an Israeli army patrol raided the town of Al 'Ubeidiya, set up a checkpoint at its southern entrance, searched civilian vehicles, and examined civilians' IDs.</p> <p>(v) At 02:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Bethlehem.</p> <p>(vi) At 03:20, the Israeli army raided 'Ayda refugee camp and arrested 1 Palestinian Presidential guard.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Arrest:</b> The Israeli army arrested Ala' Mohammed Nasr Allah, a Palestinian Presidential guard, in 'Ayda refugee camp.</li> </ul>
<b>TULKAREM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing.</li> <li>• <b>Wall Gates:</b> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact education, economic and livelihood activities and impedes access to health facilities.</li> <li>• <b>Flying Checkpoints:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 08:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Kafriyyat road, detained and searched dozens of civilian vehicles, and examined civilians' IDs.</li> <li>(ii) At 09:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the junction to the town of Bal'a and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Raids:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 13:00, and again at 20:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Tulkarem and its suburbs, occupied 1 house, converted it into a military post, and searched several houses. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. At 03:00, the Israeli army raided the city again and withdrew at 04:00.</li> <li>(ii) At 19:50, an Israeli army patrol raided Tulkarem refugee camp and took position at its northern entrance. At 03:00, the Israeli army raided the camp again and withdrew at 04:00.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>NABLUS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> The Israeli army set up dozens of flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing.</li> <li>• <b>Raids/Curfew:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 12:50, the Israeli army raided the village of Burqa and closed its entrances, thereby obstructing civilian movement.</li> <li>(ii) At 18:20, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus and Balata refugee camp, occupied 5 civilian buildings overlooking the camp, and converted them into military posts. The Israeli army remains positioned in the area as of 08:00 this morning.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<p>(iii) At 21:45, the Israeli army raided the village of Madama, imposed curfew, and forced civilians between the ages of 10 and 40 to gather in the village school yard. The Israeli army arrested 1 child and withdrew at 22:50.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Arrest:</b> The Israeli army arrested Abdul Karim Ghassan Ziyadeh, 17 years old, in the village of Madama.</li> <li>• <b>Detentions:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 14:00, the Israeli army detained 6 civilians at the entrance to the town of 'Asira Ash Shamaliya and confiscated their IDs.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army detained dozens of civilians at a checkpoint set up near the junction to the village of Sarra for an extended period of time, searched their personal belongings, and examined their IDs.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>HEBRON</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing. The Israeli army declared the city of Hebron a closed military zone.</li> <li>• <b>Raids:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 14:00, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, fired sound bombs, searched several houses after detaining their residents, and patrolled several neighbourhoods at various times.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army raided the town of Yatta, searched several houses, and arrested 1 female child.</li> <li>(iii) The Israeli army raided the town of Idhna and arrested 1 civilian.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Arrests:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The Israeli army arrested Iman Sabir Makhamreh, 14 years old, in the town of Yatta.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli army arrested Isma'il Battah in the town of Idhna. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Settler Violence:</b> A group of Israeli settlers from the settlement of Negohot set fire to agricultural land near the settlement in the town of Dura, damaging hundreds of olive trees.</li> <li>• <b>Land Levelling:</b> On 1 September 2004, the Israeli army levelled approximately 300 <i>dunums</i> (75 acres) of land north of the settlement of Negohot, located on land belonging to the town of Dura.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>QALQILYA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing.</li> <li>• <b>Wall Gates:</b> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. The closure continues to negatively impact education, economic and livelihood activities and impedes access to health facilities.</li> <li>• <b>Arrest:</b> At 21:00 on 3 August 2004, the Israeli army arrested Wahib Abdul Rahman Khalid, a Palestinian Police officer, during a raid on the town of Jayyus.</li> </ul>

<b>SALFIT</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> The Israeli army set up flying checkpoints throughout the district, closing all entrances to the city and roads connecting towns and villages, and preventing pedestrians and vehicles from crossing.</li> <li>• <b>Wall Construction:</b> Land levelling for Wall construction west of the village of Iskaka, north of the city of Salfit (around the settlement of Ariel) and in the villages of Al Zawiya and Deir Ballut remains suspended due to changes in the Wall route following an Israeli Supreme Court order.</li> <li>• <b>Raids:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 15:00, the Israeli army, including 10 jeeps, raided the city of Salfit, searched several houses after detaining their residents, and withdrew at 18:00. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during which the Israeli army injured 2 children</li> <li>(ii) At 23:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Kafr Ad Dik, searched 1 house, and severely beat 1 civilian, after which he was hospitalized.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Land Levelling:</b> On 2 September 2004, the Israeli army levelled land at the entrance to the village Kifl Haris, damaging 7 olive trees.</li> </ul>
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### GAZA STRIP

<b>NORTHERN GAZA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> The Beit Hanun Crossing remains closed.</li> <li>• <b>Palestinian Attack:</b> At 09:00, 2 Qassam mortars were fired towards the Green Line.</li> </ul>
<b>GAZA CITY</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> Nitsareem junction remains closed.</li> <li>• <b>Raid:</b> At 21:10, the Israeli army, including 10 tanks and 1 infantry force, raided Palestinian territory at the entrance to Al Muntar (Karni) crossing, east of the city of Gaza.</li> </ul>
<b>CENTRAL GAZA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Attack:</b> At 20:10, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from the area surrounding the settlement of Tall Katif towards civilian houses north and northeast of the area of Al Baraka, south of the city of Deir Al Balah.</li> </ul>
<b>KHAN YUNIS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Closure:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Abu al Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) is closed.</li> <li>(ii) Western road (Khan Yunis) remains closed.</li> <li>(iii) Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis road (Al Tuffah checkpoint) is partially open to pedestrians only.</li> <li>(iv) Abu Holi road is partially open.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Attack:</b> At 22:40, the Israeli army opened intensive fire and fired 11 tank shells from its location at Point 12 towards the area of Al Maqabir in An Namsawi neighbourhood, injuring 1 civilian. One of the tank shells landed within the walls of Nasser Hospital in the city of Khan Yunis.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Palestinian Attacks:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) At 22:00, 2 mortars were fired towards the settlement of Gadid.</li> <li>(ii) At 00:55, 2 Qassam mortars were fired towards the settlement of Netzer Hazani.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>RAFAH</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Closure:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Gaza International Airport remains closed.</li> <li>(ii) Rafah Crossing is partially open only to civilians under 16 and above 35 years old.</li> <li>(iii) Sufa Crossing is partially open to construction cargo only.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Detention:</u></b> At 15:00, the Israeli army detained several fishermen in the port of Rafah and arrested 3 of them after releasing the others.</li> <li>• <b><u>Arrests:</u></b> The Israeli army arrested 3 fishermen at the port of Rafah: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Ayman Khalil Al Bardawil;</li> <li>(ii) Ibrahim Khalil Al Bardawil; and</li> <li>(iii) Mohammed Abdullah An Najjar.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

## GENERAL

<b>POLITICAL PRISONERS</b>	<p><b><u>Hunger Strike:</u></b> Despite political prisoners' suspension of their hunger strike in all Israeli prisons following an agreement with the Israeli authorities in which several of their demands were met, PLC member Marwan Al Barghouthi, who has been on hunger strike for the 22<sup>nd</sup> consecutive day, declared he would continue his hunger strike until all political prisoners' demands are met.</p>
<b>WORK PERMITS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>West Bank:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The Israeli authorities renewed 4,639 work permits to cross the Green Line. The total number of those allowed to cross is unknown.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli authorities continue to refuse work permits for workers in the district of Jericho to cross the Green Line.</li> <li>(iii) The Israeli authorities restricted the issuing of work permits only to civilians who are married with children and over the age of 30.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b><u>Gaza Strip:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) The Israeli authorities renewed 1,267 work permits for workers in the Industrial Zones. However, beginning on 31 August 2004, workers were not allowed access to the Industrial Zones.</li> <li>(ii) The Israeli authorities renewed 5,083 work permits for workers to cross the Green Line. However, beginning on 1 September 2004, workers were not allowed access into the Green Line.</li> <li>(iii) The Israeli authorities permitted 2,609 construction workers, including 2,000 workers currently working inside the Green Line, to remain overnight inside the Green Line.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>