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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 08 September 2004 – 08:00 09 September 2004

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Deaths	1	2	3	Incl. in Jericho & near Jabalya RC
Physical Assaults	4	_	4	Civilians severely beaten
Injuries	5	27	32	Incl. a 5-year-old child
Air Attack	_	1	1	1 field near Jabalya RC
Attacks	5	8	13	Incl. 7 in raids & 5 from mil. posts
Raids	25	4	29	Incl. cont. presence in N. Gaza
Air Patrols	2	3	5	Incl. 3 over Northern Gaza
Arrests (per person)	26	1	27	Incl. 1 child, 4 officers, & 2 injured
Detentions	6	1	7	Incl. in residential compounds
House Demolitions	1	1	2	In Hebron and Sheikh Zayed city
Destruction of Property	2	2	4	1 building gate, poultry farm, crops
Land Levelling	_	1	1	Agricultural land in Al Qarara
Wall Construction	16	_	16	Jer., Jenin, Ramallah, Beth. Hebron
House Occupations	(Many)		(Many)	In the city of Nablus
Checkpoints	All		All	
Flying Checkpoints	(Dozens)	(Dozens)	_	Closing all districts
Closure (per District)	(All)	(All)	(All)	Hebron city closed military zone
Closure of Main Roads	(Most)	(6)	(Most)	Esp. connecting cities
Closure of Wall Gates	(All)	_	(All)	Permits required to cross
Closure of Crossing Points	_	5	5	1 partially open
Medical Obstruction	1	_	1	Ambulance denied transporting ill
Attacks on Religious Sites	2	_	2	Incl. preventing calls to prayers
School Disruptions	2	2	4	Incl. 3 in Hebron
Raids on Voter R. Centres	6	_	6	5 in Jerusalem and 1 in Dura
Settler Violence	2		2	Incl. beating school students
Provocation of Pal. Forces		1	1	Open fire towards Pal. post
Palestinian Attacks		5	5	4 Qassam mortars & 6 mortars
TOTAL	170	64	106	

DISTRICT EVENT

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.

WEST BANK

Closure: 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. Wall Gates: The Israeli army closed the iron Wall gate to Kubsa junction, leading to the towns of Al 'Eizariya, Abu Dis and As Sawahira, and detained hundreds of civilians at both sides of the gate. **Wall Construction:** (i) Wall construction continues along the main road between Qalandiya checkpoint and Ar Ram, the area of Al Agbat, 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. (ii) Wall construction in the villages of Qatanna and Biddu remains suspended following an Israeli Supreme Court order. Raids: (i) The Israeli army, accompanied by Police dogs, raided the town of Ar **JERUSALEM** Ram, searched houses, and arrested 3 civilians. The Israeli army raided Shu'fat refugee camp, raided 1 voter (ii) registration centre at the Women's Centre, photocopied documents and files, and took photographs of the voter registration officers. (i) At 16:00, the Israeli army arrested Haytham Faeq Hassouneh, a Palestinian Civil Defence officer, on his way to work in the city of Ramallah. (ii) The Israeli army arrested 3 unidentified civilians in the town of Ar Ram. **Detentions:** At 10:45, the Israeli army closed Qalandiya checkpoint and prevented civilians from reaching their homes or workplaces in both directions (i.e. in the cities of Ramallah and Jerusalem). Attack on Religious Sites: The Israeli Supreme Court issued a decision to prevent the Directorate of Religious Endowments from removing 3,000

tons of soil from the area surrounding Al Aqsa Mosque compound. **Raids on Voter Registration Centres:** The Israeli army raided voter

	registration centres in several neighbourhoods in the city of Jerusalem, including 1 in the Nursing College in At Tur neighbourhood, and summoned voter registration officers in the centre to Al Muscobiya (the Russian Compound) Interrogation Centre. The Israeli army also raided voter registration centres in the neighbourhoods of Ath Thuri, Silwan, and the old city of Jerusalem.
RAMALLAH & EL BIREH	 Closure: 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. Wall Construction: Wall construction continues in Rantis, Budrus, Midya, Ni'lin, Deir Qaddis, Beit Liqya, and Beituniya. Raid: At 14:35, Israeli army patrols raided the city of Ramallah, set up a checkpoint, searched civilian vehicles, searched civilians' IDs, and served summons to several civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence. At 21:40, and again at 02:00, the Israeli army raided the city again, detained several civilians for an extended period of time, and raided 2 civilian buildings after destroying 1 of their doors.
JENIN	 Closure: 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. Wall Gates: 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. Wall Construction: Land levelling for Wall construction continues in Jalbun towards Al Mutilla, Raba, Al Mughayyir, Bardala and 'Ein al Beida, and towards the Jordan River. Raids/School Disruption: At 09:10, the Israeli army raided the town of Tubas, opened intensive fire, injuring 2 civilians, and arrested 2 civilians, including 1 child. Classes were disrupted in the town's Secondary Boys School, serving 518 students. At 15:30, an Israeli army Special Force, using a civilian vehicle, raided the city again and arrested 1 Palestinian Police officer. At 21:00, the Israeli army, including several jeeps, raided the city again, searched 1 house, arrested 1 civilian, and withdrew at 05:00. At 04:30, the Israeli army raided the village of Az Zababida and arrested 1 civilian. Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 4 civilians in the town of Tubas: Jawdat Bassam Jaradat; 15 years old; Mustafa Hussam Ad Din Abu Mutawe', a Palestinian Police officer; Ahmed Yoused Sidqi Mahasneh; and

	 (iv) Iyad Mahmoud Abu Mutawe'. (v) The Israeli army arrested Ghazal Murid Turkman in the village of Az Zababida.
TULKAREM	 Closure: 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. Wall Gates: 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. Attack: At 19:25, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its location in the DCO offices towards civilian houses in the city of Tulkarem. Raids: At 15:00, the Israeli army raided the town of Baqa Al Gharbiya and closed its entrances. At 03:10, the Israeli army raided the city of Tulkarem and its suburbs, searched 1 civilian building, took position in several neighbourhoods, and withdrew at 05:40.
QALQILYA	 Closure: 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. Wall Gates: 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. Raid: At 01:30, the Israeli army raided the town of 'Azzun, arrested 1 Palestinian Police officer, and withdrew at 05:00. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Iyad Abul Latif Abu Haniyyeh, a Palestinian Police officer, in the town of 'Azzun. Settler Violence: Israeli settlers from the settlement of Kedumim verbally insulted civilian farmers as they were working in their fields near the settlement's green house.
NABLUS	 Closure: 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. Raid: Beginning at 06:50 on 8 September 2004, the Israeli army remains positioned in the city of Nablus, continues to occupy several civilian buildings, which it converted into military posts, and withdrew at 10:45. At 24:00, the Israeli army, including approximately 20 jeeps, raided the city again and patrolled the area until 05:00.

	 <u>Detentions</u>: At 19:15, the Israeli army detained about 40 female university students at Beit Iba checkpoint on their way back to their homes. At 21:00, the Israeli army detained the students again at Shavei Shomron settlement checkpoint. <u>Settler Violence</u>: A group of Israeli settlers severely beat a number of school students in the town of Huwwara, leaving 1 child with bruises and scars.
SALFIT	 Closure: 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. Wall Construction: 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. Raids: At 18:50, the Israeli army raided the city of Salfit, searched 1 house belonging to the family of a political prisoner, and prevented an ambulance from transporting the house owner, who suffered high blood pressure during the search. The political prisoner's sister and wife also fell unconscious during the search. At 19:50, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. At 23:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Bruqin.
JERICHO	 Closure: 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. The Israeli army also prevented truck drivers holding Palestinian Authority-issued IDs from entering the city, while allowing trucks to either unload or have their drivers replaced. Raid: At 21:50, the Israeli army, including approximately 30 tanks, raided the city of Jericho. Israeli army reconnaissance aircraft and helicopters patrolled the skies over the area. The Israeli army raided 1 Internet café and opened intensive fire towards civilians inside, killing 1 civilian and injuring 3 others. The Israeli army also arrested 7 individuals, including 2 injured civilians and 2 Palestinian National Security officers, and withdrew at 23:00. Killing: The Israeli army killed 'Amer 'Aydiyyeh in the city of Jericho. Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 7 individuals in the city of Jericho: (i) Jamal Sa'du, an injured Palestinian National Security officer; (ii) Wael Al Hassanat, a Palestinian National Security officer; (iii) Hatim Abu Halimeh, an injured civilian; (iv) Shakir Ash Sheikh;

(vi) Mousa Nkeirat; and (vii) Ahmed Kharabish. • Closure: (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. (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. • Wall Construction: Construction of the Wall continues 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. • Raids: (i) At 10:30, an Israeli army patrol raided the city of Beit Jala and patrolled the area. (ii) At 11:20, an Israeli army jeep raided and patrolled the city of Beit Sahur. (iii) At 22:40, the Israeli army raided the village of Husan and arrested 1 civilian. (iv) At 01:30, the Israeli army raided the city of Bethlehem, searched 1 house, arrested 1 civilian, and patrolled several neighbourhoods until 04:00. (v) At 02:20, the Israeli army raided Al 'Aza refugee camp and fired sound grenades towards civilian houses, setting fire to 1 house. The Israeli army also searched several houses, arrested 1 civilian, and served summnons to a number of civilians to report to the Israeli Intelligence. (vi) At 03:20, the Israeli army raided 'Ayda refugee camp, searched 1 house, and arrested 2 civilians. • Arrests: (i) The Israeli army arrested Ayman Munir Mahamreh in the village of Husan. (ii) The Israeli army arrested Mahmoud Khalil 'Izbeh in the city of Bethlehem. (iii) The Israeli army arrested Raja'i 'Isa Al Barbari in Al 'Aza refugee camp. The Israeli army arrested 2 civilians in 'Ayda refugee camp: (iv) Mohammed Ibrahim Joudeh; and		(v) Jabir 'Aydiyyeh;
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•	<u>Closure</u> : 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.

- Wall Construction: Land levelling for wall construction continues west of the town of Beit 'Awwa in the area between the villages of Khirbet Ba'er, north of the town of Beit 'Awwa, and Khirbet Um Al 'Aqaf, south of the village of As Sikka.
- **Physical Assault:** Israeli army soldiers severely beat and injured 2 civilians at a checkpoint set up at the entrance to the town of Bani Na'im.

• Raids/School Disruption:

(i) On 7 September 2004, the Israeli army raided the village of Khirbet Salama, south of the town of Dura, and raided 1 school, which is used as a voter registration centre.

(ii) Beginning at 06:00 on 8 September 2004, the Israeli army remains positioned in the city of Hebron and demolished 1 house belonging to the family of a political prisoner in the neighbourhood of Abu Rummana. Classes were disrupted in 3 schools serving 1,854 students. The Israeli army also patrolled several neighbourhoods at various times, searched a number of houses, and arrested 4 civilians.

- House Demolition: The Israeli army demolished 1 house in the city of Hebron belonging to the family of political prisoner 'Adel Az Za'tari.
- Arrests: The Israeli army arrested 4 civilians in the city of Hebron:
- (i) Majid Zuheir Abu Munir;
- (ii) Dhiya' Zuheir Abu Munir;
- (iii) Nimer Yusri Salhab; and
- (iv) Jamil Dawood Manasrah.
- <u>Detentions</u>: The Israeli army detained hundreds of civilians at various checkpoints set up at the entrance to the city of Hebron, thereby preventing civilians from reaching their homes and workplaces, opened indiscriminate fire towards them, and severely beat others.
- <u>Attack on Religious Sites</u>: The Israeli army continues to ban calls to prayers in the Ibrahimi Mosque in the city of Hebron, claiming that they disturb the Jewish settlers during their religious rituals. The Israeli army imposed a schedule during which calls to prayers would be banned.

GAZA STRIP

NORTHERN GAZA

HEBRON

- Closure: Beit Hanun Crossing remains closed.
- <u>Air Attack</u>: At 02:00, Israeli army helicopters fired missiles towards 1 field near the central market in Jabalya refugee camp, killing 1 civilian and injuring 7 others.
- Attack: At 10:40, the Israeli army opened fire from its location inside

	Palestinian territory in the area surrounding the former Israeli Civil Administration building towards 1 Palestinian National Security location, north the town of Jabalya. • Raid/School Disruption: Beginning at 01:30 on 8 September, the Israeli army remains positioned inside Palestinian territory south of the town of Beit Hanun, north of the town of Beit Lahiya and the area of Quleibu hill east of Sheikh Zayed city. Israeli army helicopters patrolled the skies over the area and opened fire, and tanks fired shells towards civilian houses, injuring 17 civilians. The Israeli army also demolished 1 house west of Sheikh Zayed city. Classes were disrupted in several schools and the Israeli army remains positioned in the area as of 08:00 this morning. • Killing: The Israeli army killed Mohammed Mousa Al Hajj Ali during an air attack near Jabalya refugee camp. • House Demolition: The Israeli army demolished 1 house west of Sheikh Zayed city belonging to Mahmoud 'Ubeid. • Palestinian Attacks: (i) At 18:30, 2 Qassam mortars were fired towards the city of Ashdod. (ii) At 21:15, 2 Qassam mortars were fired towards the northern settlements.
GAZA CITY	 Closure: (i) Nitsareem junction remains closed. (ii) Sheikh 'Ajlin coastal road remains closed. (iii) Al Muntar (Karni) Crossing is closed.
CENTRAL GAZA	 Palestinian Attacks: (i) At 21:25, 4 mortars were fired towards the settlement of Nitsarim. (ii) At 21:30, 1 mortar was fired towards the settlement of Kfar Darom. (iii) At 21:55, 1 mortar was fired towards the settlement of Kfar Darom.
KHAN YUNIS	 Closure: Abu al Ajin road (Khan Yunis Al Sharqiya) is closed. Western road (Khan Yunis) remains closed. Al Mawasi/Khan Yunis road (Al Tuffah checkpoint) is closed. Abu Holi road is closed. The Israeli army ordered that movement along the road for humanitarian reasons be coordinated in advance. Attacks: At 07:30, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its locations in the settlement of Gadid towards 1 civilian near the settlement southwest of the city of Khan Yunis, killing him. At 19:40, the Israeli army opened intensive fire from its locations in the area surrounding the settlement of Neve Dekalim towards civilian houses in West Khan Yunis refugee camp, injuring 3 civilians, including a 5-year-old child.

	 Raid/School Disruption/Land Levelling/Destruction of Property: Beginning at 06:30 on 8 September 2004, the Israeli army remains positioned inside Palestinian territory south of Kissufim road in the area of Al Qarara. Classes were disrupted in 1 school. The Israeli army also searched several houses, detained 3 families in 1 house, arrested 1 civilian, levelled agricultural land, demolished 1 poultry farm, and withdrew at 14:50. Killing: The Israeli army killed an unidentified civilian south of the city of Khan Yunis as a result of shots fired from the settlement of Gadid. Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Hussein Al 'Amawi in the area of Al Qarara.
RAFAH	 Closure: (i) Gaza International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah Crossing is partially open. (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed.

GENERAL

POLITICAL PRISONERS	Hunger Strike: 4 political prisoners in Kedumim Prison have declared an openended hunger strike in protest of the harsh conditions they suffer in the prison.		
WORK PERMITS	 West Bank: Israeli authorities renewed 4,639 work permits to cross the Green Line. The total number of those allowed to cross is unknown. Israeli authorities continue to refuse work permits for workers in the district of Jericho to cross the Green Line. Israeli authorities restricted the issuing of work permits only to civilians who are married with children and over the age of 30. Gaza Strip: Israeli authorities renewed 1,267 work permits for workers in the Industrial Zones. However, beginning on 31 August 2004, workers have not been allowed access to the Industrial Zones. Israeli authorities renewed 5,083 work permits for workers to cross the Green Line. However, beginning on 1 September 2004, workers have not been allowed access into the Green Line. Israeli authorities permitted 2,609 construction workers, including 2,000 workers currently working inside the Green Line, to remain overnight inside the Green Line. 		