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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 09 September 2010 – 08:00 10 September 2010

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injuries	_	2	2	2 armed Palestinian individuals, Gaza
Air Attacks	_	2	2	Missiles fired on Gaza & Rafah
Attack	_	1	1	6 tanks shells fired on Northern Gaza
Raids	6	_	6	Nablus (1), Bethlehem (2), Hebron (3)
Air Patrols	_	2	2	By F16 combat aircraft, Gaza & Rafah
Detentions	11	_	11	At checkpoints and in residential areas
Destruction of Property	1	3	4	Civilian vehicle and houses damaged
Closure of Checkpoints	8	_	8	Incl. access impeded at 5 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	24	_	24	Incl. 6 in Ramallah and 6 in Qalqiliya
Closure (per District)	7	_	7	Incl. Jerusalem & 2 areas in Bethlehem
Closure of Main Roads	44	_	44	Incl. 4 in Salfit and 15 in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points	_	6	6	Only Rafah Crossing open
Settler Violence	1	_	1	A civilian vehicle damaged, Jerusalem
Palestinian Attacks	_	3	3	4 mortars fired towards the Green Line
TOTAL	102	22	124	

DISTRICT	EVENTS
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WEST BANK

ALL DISTRICTS

• Beginning at 24:00 on 08 September 2010, the Israeli army has continued to impose a complete closure on the West Bank districts on the occasion of the Jewish New Year. Only allowing access to previously-coordinated diplomatic and international missions as well as humanitarian cases, the Israeli army has prevented civilians and workers from entering Jerusalem city and areas inside the Green Line. The closure will be in place until 24:00 on 11 September 2010.

• Closure:

- (i) Beginning on 08 September 2010, the Israeli army has continued to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to Jerusalem city, set up many flying checkpoints in the old city of Jerusalem and around Al Aqsa Mosque compound, and impede civilian access, allegedly to provide protection to celebrations of the Jewish New Year.
- (ii) 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).
- (iii) 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.
- <u>Settler Violence</u>: At 22:00, a group of Israeli settlers attacked and damaged a vehicle belonging to Ahmed Abu Zeid near the junction to Mikhmas village.

	Wall Catari
	 Wall Gates: The Israeli army continues to close the Wall gate in the town of Abu Dis with cement blocks. 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 Jewish New Year 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. Flving Checkpoints: At 10:10, and again at 22:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to 'Atara town and searched civilians and vehicles. At 20:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Beit Liqya town and searched civilians and vehicles. At 20:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to At Tayba town on the Ramallah-Jericho main road and searched civilians and vehicles. At 20:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Beit Rima town and searched civilians and vehicles. At 20:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Halamish village and searched civilians and vehicles. Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the Jewish New Year 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. 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. 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 12:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Qalqiliya city and searched civilians and vehicles until 17:20. At 17:00, the Israeli army set up two flying checkpoints at the entrances to Hajja and Jinsafut villages and searched civilians and vehicles. At 17:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to 'Azzun town and searched civilians and vehicles. At 17:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Jit village and searched civilians and vehicles. At 22:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Immatin village and searched civilians and vehicles. 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. 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.

	(ii) 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.
	• Flying Checkpoint: At 10:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in
	the area between Nablus city and 'Asira ash Shamaliya town and searched
	civilians and vehicles.
	Raid: At 23:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled An Nassariya village.
	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
SALFIT	two detour roads connecting the village of Marda to respective
SILIII	agricultural land.
	Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions and
	impede civilian access at the Za'tara junction checkpoint.
	Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the Jewish New
	Year 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.
	Closure: The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between the city of
	Jericho and the village of Al 'Auja with cement blocks.
	Checkpoints:
	(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
	between 06:00 and 22:00.
JERICHO	(ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the checkpoint
JERROHO	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 Checkpoints: At 16:25, and again at 21:55, 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
BETHLEHEM	An Nu'man, with the exception of the road leading to the Wall gate
	in the south-eastern area of the village.
	(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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- <u>Closure of Main Roads</u>: 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.
- <u>Flying Checkpoint</u>: At 12:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on An Nashash junction (the southern entrance to Bethlehem city) and searched civilians and vehicles.

• Raids:

- (i) At 14:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Husan village.
- (ii) At 19:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Battir village.
- Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the Jewish New Year 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.

• Closure:

- (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:

HEBRON

- (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 villages of At Tuwani and 'Abda, and the town of Adh Dhahiriya; and the road connecting the town of Surif to the village of Al Jab'a.
- (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.

• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 14:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Deir Samit village and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 15:30, the Israeli army set up two flying checkpoints on the junctions to Kureise and At Tabaqa villages and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iii) At 19:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to Halhul town and searched civilians and vehicles.

(iv)	At 23:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to
	Turrama village and searched civilians and vehicles.

• Raids:

- (i) At 15:30, and again at 02:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Hebron city.
- (ii) At 00:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Sa'ir town.
- Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the Jewish New Year 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. **ALL Violations of the Ceasefire: DISTRICTS** (i) The Israeli army fired six tank shells from its location on the Green Line towards civilian houses and property in the Northern Gaza district. Israeli combat aircraft fired missiles on Palestinian territory in the Gaza and Rafah districts, resulting in the injury of two armed Palestinian individuals. Armed Palestinian groups fired four mortars towards the Green Line. (ii)

NORTHERN GAZA	 Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is closed. Palestinian Attacks/Israeli Attack: In the morning of 09 September 2010, an unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line. At 22:00, two mortars were fired towards the Green Line. Consequently, the Israeli army fired six tank shells from its location on the Green Line towards agricultural land in the Al Kaff area in Beit Hanun town. In the morning of 10 September 2010, an unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.
GAZA	 Closure of Crossing Points: (i) Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed. (ii) Ash Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 04 January 2010, the Crossing has been closed upon an Israeli unilateral decision.

	• Air Attack/Injuries/Destruction of Property: At 22:00, Israeli F16 combat aircraft fired two missiles on two sites belonging to armed Palestinian groups in At Tuffah neighbourhood and Ansar area in Gaza city, injuring two armed Palestinian individuals and causing damage to neighbouring civilian houses.
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 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. For the second day, civilians who had performed 'Umrah (minor pilgrimage to Mecca in Saudi Arabia) were allowed to enter the Gaza Strip through the Crossing. Sufa Crossing is closed. Karm Abu Salem (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed. Air Attack: In the evening of 09 September 2010, Israeli F16 combat aircraft fired three missiles on smuggling tunnels on the Egyptian border south of Rafah city.