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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 14 September 2007 – 08:00 15 September 2007

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assaults	4	—	4	Incl. protestors beaten in Bethlehem
Injuries	6	—	6	5 civilians in Bethlehem & 1 in Hebron
Air Attack	—	1	1	A missile fired a UAV, Gaza city
Attacks	5	3	8	Incl. 2 in raids & 2 from military posts
Raids	18	—	18	Incl. 5 in Ramallah and 6 in Tulkarem
Air Patrol	—	1	1	A UAV over Gaza city
Arrest (per person)	1	—	1	1 civilian in the city of Ramallah
Detentions	19	—	19	Incl. 1 Palestinian security officer
Destruction of Property	—	2	2	Beach cabins and 1 vehicle destroyed
Closure of Checkpoints	15	—	15	Incl. access impeded at 8 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	13	—	13	Incl. 2 in Tulkarem and 3 in Qalqiliya
Closure (per District)	6	—	6	Incl. Jerusalem and Tulkarem partially
Closure of Main Roads	36	—	36	Incl. 5 in Tulkarm & 12 in Hebron
Closure of Wall Gate	1	—	1	Wall gate to Zeita village closed, Tulkarm
Closure of Crossing Points	—	7	7	Humanitarian cases and fuel allowed
Attack on Religious Site	1	—	1	Gates of Ibrahim Mosque closed, Hebron
Palestinian Attacks	1	3	4	Incl. fire opened towards a settler vehicle
Demonstrations	2	—	2	Against the Wall, Ramallah & Bethlehem
TOTAL	128	17	145	

DISTRICT	EVENT
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WEST BANK

<p style="text-align: center;">ALL DISTRICTS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Israeli army intensified its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem, set up several checkpoints in the old city of Jerusalem and around the Al Aqsa Mosque compound, and prevented civilians under 50 years of age from accessing the Al Aqsa Mosque to perform the first Friday prayers in the month of Ramadan. • Beginning in the evening on 10 September 2007, the Israeli army has continued to impose a complete closure on the West Bank districts and to prevent civilians, including workers, from entering the city of Jerusalem or crossing the Green Line due to the Jewish New Year. The Israeli closure will last until the evening on 16 September 2007. However, the Israeli army allowed access only to medics and 1,600 civilians to harvest olive crops.
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<p style="text-align: center;">JERUSALEM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to the city of Jerusalem. The Israeli army also continues to close the entrances to Al Aqsa Mosque compound in the old city of Jerusalem and impede civilian access to the mosque. • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance opposite the junction to Dahiyat al Bareed in the city of Jerusalem with a barbed wire gate and to deny civilian access. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close the road connecting Dahiyat al Bareed to the town of Ar Ram in order to complete Wall construction in the area. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and dirt barricades the entrance to the village of Jaba', which connects the village to the cities of Jerusalem, Ramallah, and Jericho. • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to consider Qalandiya checkpoint a "border crossing point" and has designated a special crossing for holders of Jerusalem IDs and those possessing permits to access the city of Jerusalem. • Wall Gates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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 was suspended for the weekend in Dahiyat al Bareed, Dahiyat al Aqbat, from the village of Hizma to 'Anata, along the Hizma-Jaba' road, the area of Al 'Eizariya to Ash Shayyah, from the village of Beit Surik to Biddu, in the areas of Al Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina, west of the village of Al Jib, and in the vicinity of the village of Qatanna.
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<p style="text-align: center;">RAMALLAH & EL BIREH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the eastern entrance to the village of Sinjil. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the western entrance to the village of Saffa. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close the settler bypass road connecting ‘Assur Hill in the village of Kafr Malik to Alon settler bypass road. • <u>Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the checkpoint set up on the overpass to the town of ‘Atara and to impede civilian access. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the area west of the town of ‘Abud as well as in the areas of Al Midya to Ni’lin and Ni’lin to Deir Qaddis. • <u>Raids/Detention/Physical Assault:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 00:10, the Israeli army, including 25 jeeps, raided the cities of Ramallah and El Bireh. In the city of Ramallah, the Israeli army set up a checkpoint, searched civilians and vehicles, and arrested 1 civilian. The Israeli army also detained and severely beat another civilian. At 01:45, the Israeli army withdrew from these areas. (ii) At 01:55, the Israeli army raided the towns of Deir Ghassana and Beit Rima as well as the village of Kafr ‘Ein and searched 1 greenhouse. • <u>Arrest:</u> The Israeli army arrested Thaer Ali Joudeh in the city of Ramallah. • <u>Demonstration/Attack/Injuries:</u> A mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in the village of Bil’in. Protestors demanded that the Israeli authorities expedite execution of the Israeli High Court’s decision on the modification of the Wall route as well as return approximately 1,100 <i>dunums</i> (271.815 acres) of land belonging to the village. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which the Israeli army injured a number of protestors as a result of tear gas inhalation.
<p style="text-align: center;">JENIN</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Road:</u> The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to the town of ‘Arraba east of the settlement of Dotan. • <u>Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army continues to close Tayasir checkpoint east of the town of Tubas, denying civilian access to the Northern Jordan Valley, except for civilians whose IDs indicate that their place of residence is the Northern Jordan Valley. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 09:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Al Kufeir and searched civilians and vehicles. • <u>Raid:</u> At 10:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Jenin.

TULKAREM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> The Israeli army continues to declare the district of Tulkarem a closed military zone and to impede civilian access to and from the district. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the Dahiyat Iktaba-Bal'a road; the entrance to the village of Saffarin; the road connecting the town of Deir al Ghusun to 'Attil's plain; the road to the town of Deir al Ghusun's plain; and the entrance to the village of 'Izbat Abu Khamish. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Jubara checkpoint (the southern entrance to the city of Tulkarem) as well as at 'Einav checkpoint (the eastern entrance to the city). • <u>Wall Gates:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. (ii) Beginning at 08:00 on 13 September 2007, the Israeli army has continued to close the Wall gate leading to civilian land belonging to the village of Zeita. Until 16 September 2007, the Israeli army will allow civilians to access their land through the Wall gate to the town of 'Attil. • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 09:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Al Jarushiya and searched civilians and vehicles until 09:30. (ii) At 22:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the village of Far'un and searched civilians and vehicles until 22:30. • <u>Raids/Attack:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 12:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Beit Lid as well as the villages of Kafr Sur, Kafr Jammal, and Kafr 'Abbush. (ii) At 19:45, the Israeli army, including 5 jeeps, raided the village of Far'un, fired flares, and forced civilians to close their commercial shops, claiming that stones were thrown at Israeli settler vehicles. At 22:10, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. (iii) At 23:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Tulkarem.
QALQILIYA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Roads:</u> The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun as well as the road connecting the town of 'Azzun to the village of 'Izbat at Tabib. • <u>Wall Gates:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Passage through the Wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal detector. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Land levelling for Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the villages of Immatin and Kafr Laqif as well as east of the towns of Kafr Thulth and 'Azzun. • <u>Raid/Attack:</u> At 00:20, the Israeli army raided the city of Qalqiliya and fired sound grenades, while patrolling the area.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Palestinian Attack:</u> At 14:30, armed Palestinian individuals opened fire towards an Israeli settler vehicle travelling along the Qalqiliya-Nablus main road near the town of 'Azzun. Consequently, the Israeli army set up 3 checkpoints at the entrances to the town of 'Azzun as well as the villages of Jinsafut and An Nabi Elyas and searched civilians and vehicles.
NABLUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the Jenin-Nablus road between the junction to the village of Deir Sharaf and the settlement of Shavei Shomron. (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the settler bypass road connecting the village of Deir al Hatab to the settlement of Alon Moreh as well as the southern entrance to the village of Qaryut. (iii) The Israeli army continues to close the entrance to the village of Al Lubban ash Sharqiya with dirt barricades and cement blocks. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> The Israeli army continues to regulate times for crossing checkpoints set up around the city of Nablus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At Tur neighbourhood checkpoint (set up on Jirzim 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. (ii) Beit Furik checkpoint is open to civilian residents of the town of Beit Furik and the village of Beit Dajan until 17:30. (iii) Beginning on 23 November 2006, the Israeli army continues to close the checkpoint set up in the area between the city of Nablus and the town of 'Asira ash Shamaliya and to prevent civilians from crossing, only allowing access to humanitarian cases. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 18:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to the town of Jamma'in and prevented civilians from entering or exiting the town until 19:00. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 14:15, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Sabastiya. (ii) At 01:05, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Nablus.
SALFIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army has continued to close the main north-western entrance to the city of Salfit with dirt barricades since the beginning of the current <i>Intifada</i> (Uprising). (ii) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western entrance to the village of Marda and, with cement blocks, the western entrance to the town of Kafr ad Dik. • <u>Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Deir Ballut checkpoint and to deny civilian access to the town of Kafr ad Dik. (ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at the Za'tara junction checkpoint and to impede civilian access.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend 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 Ari'el. • Flying Checkpoint: At 22:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the city of Salfit and the village of Iskaka and searched civilians and vehicles until 23:30. • Raid: At 15:15, the Israeli army raided the village of Marda and searched 1 house.
<p style="text-align: center;">JERICHO</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between the city of Jericho and the village of Al 'Auja with cement blocks and to prevent farmers not holding Jericho Governorate IDs from reaching their land, forcing them to apply for access permits. The Israeli army also continues to deny access to the city to holders of Israeli IDs. • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions and impede civilian access at Al Hamra checkpoint set up along Al Badhan road connecting the districts of Jericho and Nablus as well as on the checkpoint set up on the junction to the village of Al 'Auja along Al Mu'arrajat road connecting the districts of Jericho and Ramallah.
<p style="text-align: center;">BETHLEHEM</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure: 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 in the south-eastern area of the village. • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close all roads to Road # 60 leading to the city of Jerusalem, thereby isolating the city of Bethlehem from its towns and villages located west of Road # 60. • Checkpoint: At 08:00, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at the '300 checkpoint' set up in the area between the cities of Bethlehem and Jerusalem and prevented civilians from accessing the city of Jerusalem to perform Friday prayers at the Al Aqsa Mosque. • Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend 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 the settlement of Efrat; and in the area surrounding the village of Al Walaja. • Raid/Detentions: At 13:00, the Israeli army raided the village of Dar Salah, set up a checkpoint, and searched civilians and vehicles. The Israeli army detained 1 civilian as well as 1 Palestinian Preventive Security officer and released them at 15:00. • Demonstration/Attack/Injuries/Physical Assaults: A mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place on land belonging to the village of Al Walaja in protest against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which the Israeli army injured 5 civilian protestors. The Israeli army also beat a number of protestors.

HEBRON

- **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. The Israeli army also 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, thereby controlling civilian access in the area.
 - (ii) Although it expired on 07 May 2006, the Israeli army continues to implement a military order stipulating the prohibition of civilian vehicles from travelling along the road connecting the settlement of Kiryat Arba' to the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron unless they possess access permits.
- **Closure of Main Roads:**
 - (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the following locales: the entrance to the town of As Samoa'; the area of Al Hawawir leading to the town of Halhul; the area of Al Fahs south of the city of Hebron; the junction to the area of Farsh al Hawa leading to Road # 35 northwest of the city of Hebron; the road connecting the town of Surif to the village of Al Jab'a; the entrance to the village of Beit 'Einun; and the eastern entrance to the village of Kharsa. The Israeli army also continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to Al Qeisi neighbourhood in the old city of Hebron as well as the main entrance to Al 'Arrub refugee camp.
 - (ii) In accordance with Military Order # 378, the Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from travelling along Shalala Old Street that leads to the old city of Hebron, only allowing Israeli vehicles as well as Israeli army vehicles to travel along this street.
- **Wall Construction:** Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the section of Tarqumiya checkpoint terminal, the remaining section of the Wall route that separates the settlement of Eshkolot from the village of Ar Ramadin, and near the village of Imneizil southeast of the town of Yatta.
- **Flying Checkpoints:** At 09:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to towns of Idhna and Tarqumiya and searched civilians and vehicles.
- **Raid/Attack/Injury:** At 18:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Sa'ir. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during which the Israeli army injured 1 civilian.
- **Attack on Religious Site:** At 20:20, the Israeli army closed the gates to the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron, while civilian worshippers were performing the *Tarawih* prayers (nightly prayers performed during the month of Ramadan), claiming to be investigating a suspicious object. The Israeli army also closed all gates leading to the area of the Ibrahimi Mosque.

GAZA STRIP

<p>NORTHERN GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Point:</u> Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open to humanitarian cases, after prior coordination. • <u>Attack:</u> At dawn on 15 September 2007, the Israeli army fired several tank shells from its locations on the Green Line towards agricultural land north of the town of Beit Lahiya. • <u>Palestinian Attack/Israeli Attack:</u> At 04:05, armed Palestinian individuals detonated 2 explosive devices (weighing 30 kg. each) near Israeli army infantry forces, while patrolling the area near the Green Line north of the town of Beit Hanun. Consequently, Israeli troops opened intensive fire towards Palestinian territory.
<p>GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Points:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed. (ii) Ash Shuja'iyah (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is partially open for transportation of fuel. • <u>Air Attack/Destruction of Property:</u> At 16:00, an Israeli UAV fired 1 missile towards and destroyed a vehicle transporting armed Palestinian individuals along Al Jala' Street in Gaza city. • <u>Attack/Destruction of Property:</u> At dawn on 15 September 2007, Israeli navy boats opened intensive fire towards and damaged beach cabins south of Gaza city.
<p>CENTRAL GAZA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Palestinian Attack:</u> At 16:00, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line.
<p>KHAN YUNIS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Palestinian Attack:</u> In the evening on 14 September 2007, 2 mortars were fired towards the Green Line.
<p>RAFAH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Crossing Points:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah Crossing is closed. (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed (iv) Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed.