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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 18 September 2010 – 08:00 19 September 2010

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Injury	1		1	A civilian in Beit Ummar, Hebron
Attacks	5	1	6	Incl. 1 in a raid and 1 from a mil. post
Raids	11	1	12	Incl. 3 in Jenin and 1 in Northern Gaza
Air Patrol	_	1	1	Reconnaissance over Northern Gaza
Arrests (per person)	7	_	7	Incl. 2 in Jericho and 2 in Hebron
Detentions	14	_	14	Incl. a journalist and 2 int'l peace activists
Land Levelling	_	1	1	In Northern Gaza district
Closure of Checkpoints	8	_	8	Incl. access impeded at 5 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	26	_	26	Incl. 4 in Bethlehem and 7 in Hebron
Closure (per District)	8		8	Incl. Jerusalem & 5 areas in Hebron
Closure of Main Roads	42	_	42	Incl. 4 in Salfit and 13 in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points	_	6	6	Only Rafah Crossing open
Attack on Religious Site	1		1	Ibrahimi Mosque closed in Hebron
Settler Violence	1	_	1	Civilian vehicles stoned in Bethlehem
Provocation of Pal. Forces	3	_	3	Incl. security force detained, Ramallah
Demonstrations	2		2	Incl. against settlement activity
TOTAL	129	10	139	

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 Yom Kippur Holiday. 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 was at 24:00 on 18 September 2010.

• Closure:

- (i) Beginning on 17 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 Yom Kippur Holiday.
- (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) The Israeli army continues to close with an iron gate the eastern entrance to the village of Beit Iksa and force civilians to access Jerusalem city through Qalandiya checkpoint.
- <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.

• Raids/Detentions:

- (i) At 17:30 on 17 September 2010, the Israeli army raided Al 'Isawiya village. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians. Israeli troops also detained six children, released them at a later time, and arrested a civilian.
- (ii) At 23:55 on 17 September 2010, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Ar Ram town.

	Arrest: The Israeli army arrested Ala' ad Dary in Al 'Isawiya village.
	• 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 was suspended for the weekend in
	Al 'Eizariya area 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.
	• Closure of Main Roads:
	(i) 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.
	(ii) 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. Flying Checkpoints/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:
RAMALLAH	• Flying Checkpoints/Provocation of Palestinian Forces: (i) At 21:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to
&	An Nabi Salih village and searched civilians and vehicles.
EL BIREH	(ii) At 21:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to
	'Atara town and searched civilians and vehicles. Israeli troops detained
	a Palestinian security force and allowed it to cross after coordination
	with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO). The Palestinian forces
	had been in Khirbet Abu Falah village, where it preserved security and
	public order.
	• Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend
	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.
	Closure of Main Road: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt
	barricades the road leading to the town of 'Arraba east of Dotan settlement.
	• Raids:
	(i) At 19:40, the Israeli army raided Ya'bad town. While patrolling the
	area, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians.
JENIN	(ii) At 20:40, the Israeli army raided Ti'innik and 'Anin villages.
	Confrontations took place between civilians and the Israeli army while
	it was patrolling both villages.
	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. Flying Checkpoints/Detentions: At 17:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Kafriyat road connecting Tulkarem and Qalqiliya districts and searched civilians. At 18:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the road junction between 'Anabta town and Bizzariya village, searched civilians and vehicles, and arrested a civilian. Arrest: Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up on the road junction between 'Anabta town and Bizzariya village arrested Mustafa Mohammed Sa'id Hajjeh. 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. Flving Checkpoints: At 17:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between 'Azzun town and 'Izbat at Tabib village and searched civilians and vehicles. At 20:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to 'Azzun town and searched civilians and vehicles. At 23:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near An Nabi Elyas village on the Qalqiliya-Nablus main road and searched civilians and vehicles. Attack: At 07:00, Israeli troops guarding the Wall section around 'Azzun 'Atma village opened fire on three civilians, while they were attempting to gain access to their workplaces inside the Green Line. Israeli troops arrested a civilian, but the other two fled. Arrest: Israeli troops arrested an unidentified civilian near the Wall section around 'Azzun 'Atma 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. 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.

Closure of Main Roads: (i) 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 'Agraba 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 (ii) 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: (i) At Tur neighbourhood checkpoint (set up on Jerzim Mount) is closed on Fridays and Saturdays as well as during Jewish holidays. On all **NABLUS** 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 (ii) 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 Checkpoints:** (i) At 12:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between 'Iraq Burin and Till villages and searched civilians and vehicles. At 13:15, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between (ii) Nablus city and 'Asira ash Shamaliya town and searched civilians and vehicles. Raid/Attack: At 00:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled 'Asira ash Shamaliya town. The Israeli army also fired flares and withdrew at 02:20. **Closure of Main Roads:** The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the northern (i) entrance to the city of Salfit. The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the northern (ii) entrance to the town of Brugin. (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. **SALFIT Checkpoint:** The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions and impede civilian access at the Za'tara junction checkpoint. Raid: At 01:30, the Israeli army raided Yasuf village, searched a house, and served a summons on Mahmoud Raja Abdul Fattah to report to the Israeli Intelligence agency. At 02:20, the Israeli army withdrew from the area. 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 Ariel.

- <u>Closure of Crossing Point</u>: Al Karama (Allenby) Bridge is closed due to the Yom Kippur Holiday.
- <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.

• **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.
- (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.

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Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 20:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the juncture to Road # 90 in the centre of Al 'Auja village and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 22:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to Jericho city and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iii) At 07:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Fasayil village and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iv) At 07:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to 'Ein ad Duyuk village (the northern entrance to Jericho city) and searched civilians and vehicles.
- <u>Arrests</u>: At 06:00, Israeli troops arrested two civilians (brothers), residents of Fasayil village, while they were working in Tomer settlement:
- (i) Ahmed Mohammed Ka'abneh; and
- (ii) Khaled Mohammed Ka'abneh.
- <u>Detentions</u>: At 15:40, Israeli troops positioned at Al Hamra checkpoint detained two civilians and released them at a later time.

BETHLEHEM

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 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.
- <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.

• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 13:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the western entrance to Husan village and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 18:!5, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Beit Ta'mir village and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iii) At 19:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the eastern entrance to Beit Sahur city and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iv) At 19:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Jannata town and searched civilians and vehicles.
- Raid: At 14:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Tuqu' town.
- <u>Settler Violence</u>: At 13:25, a group of Israeli settlers threw stones at civilian vehicles travelling near the junction Kfar 'Etzion settlement on the Bethlehem-Hebron main road. At 14:50, the Israeli army evacuated settlers from the area.
- 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 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:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the entrance to the town of As Samoa'; the entrance to 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.
- (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/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:

(i) At 09:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Kharsa village and searched civilians and vehicles.

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- (ii) At 11:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Fawwar junction and searched civilians and vehicles. At 21:10, the Israeli army set up another checkpoint. Desire prior coordination, Israeli troops detained a Palestinian General Intelligence vehicle transporting convicts from Yatta town to Hebron city, and allowed it to cross at a later time.
- (iii) At 18:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Idhna town and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iv) At 19:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Tarqumiya town and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (v) At 20:05, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to Halhul town and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (vi) At 23:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Al Fahs area south of Hebron city and searched civilians and vehicles.

• Raids/Provocation of Palestinian Forces:

- (i) At 18:15, the Israeli army raided Halhul town, took position in front of the town's Palestinian Police station, and patrolled the area.
- (ii) At 18:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Sa'ir town.
- (iii) At 20:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Nuba town.
- <u>Attack on Religious Site</u>: On 18 September 2010, the Israeli army closed the Ibrahimi Mosque in the old city of Hebron and denied access to worshippers, allegedly to allow Israeli settlers to celebrate and perform religious rituals on the occasion of the Yom Kippur Holiday.

• Demonstrations/Attack/Injuries/Detentions:

- (i) At 14:00, a mass demonstration, including international peace activist, took place on farmland near Karmei Tzur settlement in Beit Ummar town in protest against settler violence. Protestors demanded that civilians be allowed access to and tend their land. Having declared the area a closed military zone, Israeli troops obstructed the demonstration. Confrontations also took place between Israeli troops and protestors, during which Israeli troops injured Mohammed 'Ayed 'Awadh. In addition, a number of participants sustained wounds as a result of tear gas inhalation. Israeli troops also arrested two civilians as well as detained a journalist and two international peace activists.
- (ii) At 17:00, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in the old city of Hebron in protest against settlement activity. Protestors demanded that the Ash Shuhada' Street be reopened and civilians allowed freedom of movement. Israeli troops obstructed the demonstration and prevented participants from accessing the Old Municipality square.
- Arrests: Israeli troops arrested two civilians in Beit Ummar town:
- (i) Mousa Hasan Abu Hashem; and
- (ii) Younes Mousa 'Arar.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend 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

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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 ALL **DISTRICTS** February 2009. Despite the fact that the extension period expired, the ceasefire continues to hold pending negotiations carried out by Egypt. Violation of the Ceasefire: The Israeli army raided Palestinian territory and opened fire on civilian houses and property in Northern Gaza district. Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is closed. Raid/Air Patrol/Attack/Land Levelling: In the morning of 18 September 2010, the Israeli army, including several armoured vehicles and bulldozers **NORTHERN** covered by reconnaissance aircraft, raided 300 metres into Palestinian GAZA territory east of Al Magbara ash Sharqiya east of Jabalya town. While levelling land, the Israeli army opened intensive fire on civilian houses and property. **Closure of Crossing Points:** (i) Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed. GAZA Ash Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 04 January (ii) 2010, the Crossing has been closed upon an Israeli unilateral decision. **CENTRAL** Events not reported. GAZA **KHAN YUNIS** Events not reported. **Closure of Crossing Points:** (i) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. (ii) Rafah (Al 'Awdah) Crossing is open to allow patients, students, and civilians holding visas to depart the Gaza Strip. Access was also **RAFAH** allowed to civilians and patients, who had received medical treatment at Egyptian hospitals. Sufa Crossing is closed. (iii)

Karm Abu Salem (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed.

GENERAL

POLITICAL PRISONERS

• Abuse of Female Political Prisoners: According to a report released by the Palestinian Ministry of Detainees' and Released Detainees' Affairs, 40 female political prisoners filed a petition to the Israeli High Court against the Nahshon force, which is assigned to transport prisoners to courts, hospitals, and various detention centres. Although it only takes an hour from the prison to court, female prisoners reported that they leave prisons at 03:00 and return at 23:00. Meanwhile, officers humiliate female prisoners, refuse that they use toilets, verbally abuse them, and refuse to offer them potable water. On buses, Palestinian female political prisoners are transported along with Israeli female criminal convicts.