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PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00 23 September 2010 – 08:00 24 September 2010

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Physical Assault	1	_	1	A civilian severely beaten in Hebron
Injuries	15	_	15	During confrontations in Jerusalem
Attacks	7		7	6 in confrontations and 1 by a settler
Raids	14	_	14	Incl. 2 in Ramallah and 5 in Qalqiliya
Arrests (per person)	4	_	4	Incl. 2 children
Detentions	13	_	13	Incl. a Palestinian security officer
Destruction of Property	1	_	1	A vehicle's wheel tyres damaged
House Occupations	2	_	2	Converted into mil. posts in Jericho
Closure of Checkpoints	8	_	8	Incl. access impeded at 5 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	26	_	26	Incl. 4 in Jerusalem and 9 in Qalqiliya
Closure (per District)	7	_	7	Incl. Jerusalem & 2 areas in Bethlehem
Closure of Main Roads	42	_	42	Incl. 4 in Salfit and 13 in Hebron
Closure of Crossing Points	_	5	5	2 crossing points partially open
School Disruption	1	_	1	A school raided and pupil arrested
Settler Violence	2		2	Incl. fired opened on a civilian
Provocation of Pal. Forces	1		1	A Presidential Guard vehicle detained
TOTAL	144	5	149	

DISTRICT	EVENTS		
WEST BA	ANK		
ALL DISTRICTS	• Beginning at 24:00 on 21 September 2010, the Israeli army has continued to imposed a complete closure on the West Bank districts on the occasion of the Jewish Holiday of Sukkot. 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 30 September 2010.		
JERUSALEM	Closure: (i) Beginning in the morning of 22 September 2010, the Israeli army has continued to intensify its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to Jerusalem city and set up many flying checkpoints in the old city of Jerusalem and around Al Aqsa Mosque compound after a civilian had been killed by Israeli settlers, as was reported on 22 September 2010. (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. (iii) The Israeli army continues to impose a blockade and deny civilian access to a hill between Biddu and Beit Iksa villages. 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 Beit Iksa village and force civilians to access Jerusalem city through Qalandiya checkpoint. Checkpoint: 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. Flving Checkpoint: At 15:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint underneath the overpass to Bir Nabala town and searched civilians and vehicles. Attacks/Injuries: (i) At 08:00, Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint set up near the entrance to Shu'fat refugee camp in Jerusalem city fired rubber-coated		

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steel bullets on school students, allegedly for throwing stones. Students protested against the killing of a civilian in Silwan neighbourhood, as

- (ii) At 12:35, the Israeli army fired rubber-coated steel bullets as well as sound and tear gas grenades on civilians in Silwan neighbourhood in Jerusalem city, allegedly for throwing stones at Israeli troops, who had replaced guards of Israeli settlement outposts. Palestinians protested against the killing of a civilian by Israeli settlers in the neighbourhood, as was reported on 22 September 2010. At 22:00, confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians after the Israeli army had raided the areas of Wadi Hilwa and Batn al Hawa in Silwan neighbourhood. Other confrontations took place in Ras al 'Amud area and at the entrances to Shu'fat refugee camp and Al 'Isawiya village, during which the Israeli army injured 15 civilians. Many others sustained wounds as a result of tear gas inhalation.
- <u>School Disruption</u>: At 12:30, Israeli troops raided an orphanage in 'Aqbat as Saraya area in the old city of Jerusalem, forced pupils out, and arrested a pupil.
- <u>Settler Violence</u>: At 12:30, an Israeli settler opened fire on a civilian in Silwan neighbourhood in the aftermath of a quarrel between them. Subsequently, Israeli troops evacuated the settler from the area.
- <u>Provocation of Palestinian Forces</u>: At 00:10, Israeli troops positioned at Jaba' checkpoint set up on the road connecting the districts of Jerusalem, Ramallah, and Jericho detained a Palestinian Presidential Guard vehicle transporting nine officers. Following coordination with the Israeli authorities (through the DCO), Israeli troops allowed access to the vehicle.

• 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 Jewish Holiday of Sukkot 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.

• <u>Closure of Main Roads</u>: (i) The Israeli army c

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- (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 to prevent weekly demonstrations against Wall construction.

	 Raids: (i) At 15:00, the Israeli army raided the Industrial Zone in Beituniya town and searched a number of houses. (ii) At 01:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Khirbet Abu Falah
	 <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction was suspended for the Jewish Holiday of Sukkot 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 Dotan settlement. 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. At 16:20, Israeli troops forced civilians to strip during physical searches. 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/Detentions: At 08:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near Jinsafut village and searched civilians and vehicles. At 08:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near Al Funduq village and searched civilians and vehicles. Israeli troops also detained as well as interrogated a civilian and 'Uqab 'Issam Kamel as Sa'di, a Palestinian National Security officer, and released them at a later time. At 18:00, the Israeli army set up another checkpoint and searched civilians and vehicles. At 09:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Kafr Laqif village and searched civilians and vehicles. At 11:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near 'Izbat at Tabib village and searched civilians and vehicles. At 11:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Qalqiliya city and searched civilians and vehicles. At 12:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between Kafr Thulth town and Sanniriya village and searched civilians and vehicles.

(vii) At 18:00, the Israeli army set up two flying checkpoints at the entrances to Jit and Hajja and searched civilians and vehicles.

• Raids:

- (i) At 11:25, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Magharet ad Dab'a.
- (ii) At 12:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Kafr Laqif village.
- (iii) At 19:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Hajja village.
- (iv) At 00:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Immatin village.
- (v) At 01:00, the Israeli army and patrolled Jit village.

• Wall Gates:

- (i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal detector.
- (ii) 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 'Aqraba to the village of Osarin; and the detour road between the town of Qabalan and the village of Osarin.
- (ii) 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.
- <u>Checkpoints</u>: 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 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 Checkpoints:

- (i) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the junction to Deir Sharaf village on the Nablus-Tulkarem main road and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) 09:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between Beit Furik and Beit Dajan village and searched civilians and vehicles.

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	 (iii) At 17:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between Nablus city and 'Asira ash Shamaliya town and searched civilians and vehicles. (iv) At 22:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near the junction to Shavei Shomron settlement on the Nablus-Jenin main road and
	searched civilians and vehicles until 23:15. • Raids:
	(i) At 01:00, the Israeli army raided Beit Furik town and patrolled the area until 02:20.
	(ii) At 01:00, the Israeli army raided Sarra village and patrolled the area until 02:00.
	• <u>Settler Violence</u> : At 07:00, a group of armed Israeli settlers gained access to a public park in Al Badhan village and walked along the village's streets.
	Closure of Main Roads: (i) The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the northern outropes to the city of Solfit.
SALFIT	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
	two detour roads connecting the village of Marda to respective agricultural land. • <u>Checkpoint</u> : The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions and impede civilian access at the Za'tara junction checkpoint.
	• <u>Wall Construction</u> : Wall construction was suspended for the Jewish Holiday of Sukkot 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</u>: The Israeli army continues to close Road # 90 between the city of Jericho and the village of Al 'Auja with cement blocks. <u>Checkpoints</u>:
	(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 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/Physical Assaults: (i) At 08:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Road # 90 near Al Jiftlik village and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 20:45, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to
	Az Zubeidat village and searched civilians and vehicles.

	 (iii) At 21:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Marj al Ghazal village and searched civilians and vehicles. • Raid/House Occupations/Detentions: At 20:25, the Israeli army raided Fasayil village, occupied the roofs of two houses, and converted them into military posts. Allegedly because stones had been thrown at an Israeli army patrol, Israeli troops forced many civilians out of their houses and detained them civilians in village's school yard. At 21:55, Israeli troops withdrew from the area.
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. Closure of Main Roads: 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. Flving Checkpoint: At 13:00, 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 00:30, the Israeli army raided Bethlehem city, searched a number of houses, arrested three civilians, including a child, and withdrew at 04:20. (ii) At 04:10, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Artas village. Arrests: The Israeli army arrested three civilians in Bethlehem city: (i) Ahmed Khadher al Qarbi, 16 years old; (ii) Bassam Mustafa al Qarbi; and (iii) Mohammed Bassam al Qarbi. Destruction of Property: At 16:40, Israeli troops positioned at As Sawahira ash Sharqiya (the 'Container') checkpoint put in place a nail barrier, damaging wheel tyres of a vehicle belonging to Mohammed 'Odeh. Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the Jewish Holiday of Sukkot 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.
HEBRON	• Closure: (i) The Israeli army continues to close Ash Shuhada' Street, As Sahleh and Khuzq al Far areas, and the old gold market in the old city of Hebron. In addition to closing the entrance to Al Qeisi neighbourhood, the Israeli army continues to close the entrances to the area of Al Hisba (the fruits and vegetables market) with an iron gate and Al Laban Market with iron plates.

(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 the entrances to As Samoa' and Adh Dhahiriya, Al 'Arrub refugee camp, and At Tuwani village.
- (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 the road between Al Karmil and At Tuwani villages; all roads leading to Road # 60; and the road connecting Surif town to Al Jab'a village.

• Flying Checkpoints:

- (i) At 13:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in Wadi an Nasara area in the old city of Hebron and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 13:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the overpass to Halhul town and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iii) At 14:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Idhna town and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iv) At 15:00, and again at 18:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Fawwar junction and searched civilians and vehicles.
- Physical Assault: Israeli troops severely beat Adham Idrees Zahdeh along Ash Shalala Street in the old city of Hebron, leaving him with contusions. at 21:40, Zahdeh was admitted to Hebron Public Hospital for medical treatment.

• Raids:

- (i) At 10:25, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Hebron city.
- (ii) At 03:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Hadab al Fawwar village.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction was suspended for the Jewish Holiday of Sukkot 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

ALL DISTRICTS

• 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. The ceasefire continues to hold.

NORTHERN GAZA	Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open to previously-coordinated humanitarian cases and foreign nationals.	
GAZA	 Closure of Crossing Points: Al Muntar (Karnei) Crossing is closed. Ash Shuja'iya (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. Beginning on 04 January 2010, the Crossing has been closed upon an Israeli unilateral decision. 	
CENTRAL GAZA	Events not reported.	
KHAN YUNIS	Events not reported.	
RAFAH	 Closure of Crossing Points: Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. Rafah (Al 'Awdah) Crossing is open 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. Medical aid was also transported through the Crossing. Sufa Crossing is closed. Karm Abu Salem (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed. 	

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POLITICAL PRISONERS	 Sentence: The Israeli military court in 'Ofar Detention and Interrogation Centre sentenced Nour ad Din Yousef Khalil Hamdan, a political prisoner from Ash Shawawra village in Bethlehem district, to nine years in prison. Prisoner Statistics: According to a report issued by the Media Directorate at the Palestinian Ministry of Detainees and Released Detainees Affairs, a total of 7,000 Palestinian and Arab political prisoners were being held towards the beginning of September 2010 throughout 22 Israeli prisons and detention and interrogation centres. 4,847 prisoners are sentenced to various periods in prison. These include 792 prisoners sentenced to life imprisonment once or for several times; 806 prisoners held in custody pending trial; and 199 held under administrative detention (arrest without charge or trial), including two children and three women. More than 1,500 prisoners suffer from various illnesses, including heart disease, cancer, kidney failure, amputated limb, or bullet wounds.
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