# مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



# PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

# **DAILY SITUATION REPORT**

08:00 24 September 2010 – 08:00 25 September 2010

## **SUMMARY OF EVENTS**

EVENT	WEST BANK	GAZA STRIP	TOTAL	NOTES
Deaths	1	1	2	A 14-month infant and fisherman
Injuries	5	_	5	Incl. a child and 2 journalists
Attacks	7	1	8	Incl. 1 in a raid and 1 by navy boats
Raids	8	_	8	Incl. 2 in Jerusalem and 2 in Bethlehem
Arrests (per person)	4	_	4	Incl. a female civilian
Detentions	15	_	15	Incl. an Israeli peace activist
Wall Construction	19	_	19	Incl. Jer., Raml'h., Salfit, & Hebron
Destruction of Property	2	_	2	House furniture & vehicle's windshield
Attack on Property	1	_	1	Civilians denied access to their land
House Occupation	1	_	1	Converted into a mil. post in Hebron
Closure of Checkpoints	10	_	10	Incl. access impeded at 6 checkpoints
Flying Checkpoints	24	_	24	Incl. 5 in Bethlehem and 5 in Hebron
Closure (per District)	9	_	9	Incl. Jerusalem & 2 areas in Ramallah
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
Settler Violence	7	_	7	Incl. civilians provoked in Jericho
Demonstrations	6	_	6	Against settlement activity & the Wall
TOTAL	161	7	168	

DISTRICT	EVENTS				
WEST BANK					
ALL DISTRICTS	<ul> <li>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.</li> </ul>				
JERUSALEM	<ul> <li>Closure: <ol> <li>On 24 September 2010, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at checkpoints located at the entrances to Jerusalem, around AI Aqsa Mosque compound, and on roads leading the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, allegedly to provide protection to celebrations of the Jewish Holiday of Sukkot. Israeli troops also denied access to civilians under 50 years of age to access the AI Aqsa Mosque compound and perform Friday prayers. As a result, worshippers were forced to perform prayers on streets and near checkpoints set up at the entrances to the old city of Jerusalem.</li> <li>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.</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to impose a blockade and deny civilian access to a hill between Biddu and Beit Iksa villages.</li> <li>Closure of Main Roads:</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and dirt barricades the entrance to the village of Jaba'.</li> <li>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.</li> <li>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.</li> <li>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.</li> <li>Attack: At 12:30 after Friday prayers, 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. Civilians protested against the killing of a civilian by Israeli settlers in the neighbourhood, as was reported on 22 September 2010.</li> </ol></li></ul>				

#### • Raids/Attack:

- (i) In the evening of 24 September 2010, the Israeli army raided Al 'Isawiya village. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and civilians, during which an infant died of tear gas inhalation.
- (ii) At 03:00, the Israeli army raided Hizma village and opened indiscriminate fire, while it was pursuing a civilian and searching two houses. Israeli troops also arrested two civilians, including a woman.
- <u>Death</u>: Mohammed Mahmoud Abu Sarah, 14 months old, died as a result of tear gas inhalation in Al 'Isawiya village.
- Arrests: The Israeli army arrested two civilians in Hizma village:
- (i) Kifah Mahmoud Salem Salah ad Din, a female civilian; and
- (ii) Rafiq Ali al Khatib.
- <u>Demonstration</u>: At 11:30, civilians performed Friday prayers in the sit-in tent erected in Silwan neighbourhood in Jerusalem city in protest against eviction of civilian houses for construction settlement enterprises. Civilians also protested against the killing of a civilian by Israeli guards of settlement outposts in the neighbourhood, as was reported on 22 September 2010.

#### • 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 resumed 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 to prevent weekly demonstrations against Wall construction.
- Raid: At 14:00, the Israeli army raided Surda village and patrolled the area until 16:30.

#### • Settler Violence:

(i) At 10:00, a group of Israeli settlers gained access, under protection of the Israeli army, to the Olive Mountain near Beituniya town, allegedly to celebrate the Jewish Holiday of Sukkot. The Israeli settlers and troops withdrew at a later time.

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	(ii) At 17:55, a group of Israeli settlers gathered near 'Ein Qiniya village and attack civilian vehicles.
	Demonstrations/Attacks/Injuries:     At 12:30, a mass demonstration took place in An Nabi Salih village against Israeli settler violence and confiscation of civilian land for expansion of Halamish settlement. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which the Israeli army injured 14-year-old Wa'd Basem Abdul Rahman at Tamimi. A number of participants were also wounded as a result of tear gas inhalation. Additionally, Israeli troops detained an Israeli peace activist.
	(ii) At 12:30, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in Ni'lin town against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which the Israeli army injured a number of participants as a result of tear gas inhalation.
	<ul> <li>(iii) At 12:40, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in Bil'in village against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which the Israeli army wounded two civilians and two journalists. A number of participants were also injured as a result of tear gas inhalation.</li> <li>• Wall Construction: Wall construction was resumed 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.</li> </ul>
JENIN	<ul> <li>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.</li> <li>Raid: At 17:00, the Israeli army raided 'Anin village and patrolled the area until 17:30.</li> <li>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.</li> </ul>
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	<ul> <li>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.</li> <li>Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at 'Einav checkpoint set up on Tulkarem-Nablus main road.</li> <li>Flying Checkpoints: <ol> <li>At 15:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Beit Lid town and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>At 17:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Qaffin town and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>

	<ul> <li><u>Detention</u>: At 20:00, Israeli troops positioned at the Wall gate to Jubara village detained Fu'ad Mohammed Mahir 'Awadh and released him at 03:30.</li> <li><u>Wall Gates</u>: Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits.</li> </ul>
QALQILYA	<ul> <li>Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun.</li> <li>Flving Checkpoints: <ol> <li>At 09:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near Jit village and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>At 16:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near Baqat al Hatab village and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>At 18:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint underneath the overpass to 'Azzun town on the Qalqiliya-Tulkarem main road and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>At 23:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to 'Azzun town and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>At 23:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near Kafr Qaddum village and searched civilians and vehicles.</li> <li>Attack on Property: At 11:00, the Israeli army denied access to residents of Kafr Qaddum village to their land and harvest olive crops near Kedumim settlement east of the village.</li> <li>Settler Violence: At 11:30, a group of armed Israeli settlers gathered along the road connecting Kafr Qaddum and Hajja villages and withdrew at a later time.</li> <li>Wall Gates:</li> <li>The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at 'Azzun 'Atma Wall gate and to search civilians, including students, with a metal detector.</li> <li>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.</li> </ol></li></ul>
NABLUS	<ul> <li>Closure of Main Roads:         <ul> <li>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.</li> </ul> </li> <li>(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.</li> </ul>

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	• <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.
	(iii) At 19:15, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions and impeded
	civilian access at Huwwara checkpoint.
	• Flying Checkpoints/Detentions:
	(i) At 14:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint near Shavei
	Shomron settlement on the Nablus-Jenin main road, detained two
	civilians, and released them at a later time.
	(ii) At 16:55, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between
	Till and 'Iraq Burin villages and arrested two civilians.
	Arrests: Israeli troops positioned at the flying checkpoint set up in the area
	between Till and 'Iraq Burin villages arrested two civilians:
	(i) Yousef Hafeth Qa'dan; and
	(ii) Ayman Khaled As'ad Qadous.
	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
	two detour roads connecting the village of Marda to respective
SALFIT	agricultural land.
	• Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions and
	impede civilian access at the Za'tara junction checkpoint.
	• Settler Violence: At 14:00, Israeli settlers gained access to Al 'Ein area near
	Kafr ad Dik town, provoked civilians, and withdrew at 15:00.
	• Wall Construction: Wall construction was resumed 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:
JERICHO	(i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Al Hamra
JEKICHU	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. At 22:00, the Israeli army closed the
	checkpoint and denied civilian access until 22:30.

- (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.
- <u>Flying Checkpoints</u>: At 10:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to Jericho city and searched civilian vehicles. At 16:40, the Israeli army set up another checkpoint, detained Samer Saleem Mousa, and released him at a later time.
- <u>Raid</u>: At 03:35, the Israeli army raided Fasayil village, searched two houses, interrogated three civilians (brothers), and withdrew at 04:10.
- <u>Settler Violence</u>: At 12:10, a group of Israeli settlers gathered near Al Hamra checkpoint, provoked civilians crossing the checkpoint, and withdrew at 15:00.

#### • 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 10:05, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Battir village and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 13:25, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on An Nashash junction and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iii) At 15:50, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to Husan village and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iv) At 20:40, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Kfar 'Etzion settlement on the Bethlehem-Hebron main road and searched civilians and vehicles.

#### • Raids/Destruction of Property:

- (i) At 21:15, the Israeli army raided An Nu'man village, set up a checkpoint in the village's centre, and patrolled the area until 22:30.
- (ii) At 23:00, the Israeli army raided Al Khadr town and thoroughly searched a house, causing damage to furniture. At 00:15, the Israeli army withdrew from the area.
- <u>Settler Violence</u>: At 16:40, a group of Israeli settlers from Efrat settlement attacked civilian vehicles in Um Rukba area between Al Khadr town and the settlement, breaking the windshield of a vehicle belonging to Mousa 'Isa Salah, a resident of Al Khadr town.

#### **BETHLEHEM**

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#### • <u>Demonstrations/Attack</u>:

- (i) At 12:00, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in Al Ma'sara village in protest against Wall construction. Confrontations took place between the Israeli army and protestors, during which the Israeli army injured 10 participants as a result of tear gas inhalation.
- (ii) At 12:10, a mass demonstration, including international peace activists, took place in Al Walaja village in protest against land levelling for completion of Wall construction.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction was resumed 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 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 10:20, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Zif village and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (ii) At 12:05, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on Al Fawwar junction and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iii) At 15:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction to Kharsa village and searched civilians and vehicles.
- (iv) At 16:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between Yatta and As Samoa' towns and searched civilians and vehicles.
- Raid: At 17:30, the Israeli army raided Hebron city, set up a checkpoint, searched civilians and vehicles, and patrolled the area.
- <u>House Occupation</u>: At 15:00, Israeli troops occupied and converted into a military post the roof of a house belonging to 'Isa Isma'il al Furoukh near Beit 'Einun town. Israeli troops reported to the house owner that they would remain positioned on the roof until 01 October 2010.

#### **HEBRON**

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- <u>Settler Violence</u>: At 09:40, a group of Israeli settlers gained access to civilian farmland and attempted to cut down trees in the area between Idhna and Dura town. Subsequently, the Israeli army evacuated settlers from the area.
- <u>Wall Construction</u>: Wall construction was resumed 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.
- <u>Violation of the Ceasefire</u>: Israeli navy officers opened fire on Palestinian fishing boats at sea off the Northern Gaza district's beach, killing a fisherman.

# NORTHERN GAZA

- <u>Closure of Crossing Point</u>: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is partially open to previously-coordinated humanitarian cases and foreign nationals.
- <u>Attack</u>: In the morning of 24 September 2010, Israeli navy officers opened intensive fire on Palestinian fishing boats at sea off the As Sudaniya beach west of Beit Lahiya town, killing a fisherman.
- <u>Killing</u>: Israeli navy officers killed Mohammed Mansour Bakr at sea off the As Sudaniya beach west of Beit Lahiya town.

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#### 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.

# CENTRAL GAZA

• Events not reported.

#### **KHAN YUNIS**

• Events not reported.

#### **RAFAH**

#### • 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 allowed to civilians and patients, who had received medical treatment at Egyptian hospitals.
 (iii) Sufa Crossing is closed.
 (iv) Karm Abu Salem (Karem Shalom) Crossing is closed.