

مجموعة الرقابة الفلسطينية



PALESTINIAN MONITORING GROUP

DAILY SITUATION REPORT

08:00, 26 September 2009 – 08:00, 27 September 2009

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

| EVENT | WEST BANK | GAZA STRIP | TOTAL | NOTES |
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| Injuries | — | 17 | 17 | Israeli troops opened fire at funeral |
| Physical Assault | 1 | — | 1 | Severely beat a civilian in Jerusalem dis. |
| Arrest (per person) | 1 | — | 1 | A civilian in Azzun town in Qalqiliya dis. |
| Detentions | 14 | — | 14 | At checkpoints & in residential locales |
| Raids | 17 | 1 | 18 | Incl. 1 in Ramallah & 1 in N. Gaza |
| Checkpoints | 10 | — | 10 | Access impeded at 7 checkpoints |
| Flying Checkpoints | 15 | — | 15 | Incl. 5 in Jerusalem & 1 in Qalqiliya |
| Attacks | 1 | 6 | 7 | Incl. attacks by artillery shells |
| Air Patrols | — | 2 | 2 | Copter & recon. above N. Gaza district |
| Wall Construction | — | — | — | Suspended for the weekend |
| Closure (per District) | 7 | — | 7 | Jer., Beth. (2 villages) & Hebron (4 areas) |
| Closure of Main Roads | 42 | — | 42 | Incl. 3 in Ramallah & 2 in Jerusalem |
| Closure of Crossing Points | — | 7 | 7 | All crossings are completely shut down |
| Settler Violence | 2 | — | 2 | Opening fire at houses in Hebron district |
| Palestinian Attack | — | 1 | 1 | Mortars fired towards the Green Line |
| TOTAL | 110 | 34 | 144 | |

| DISTRICT | EVENTS |
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WEST BANK

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| ALL DISTRICTS | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> As of 24:00 on 26 September 2009, the Israeli army imposed full closure on all West Bank districts on the occasion of Yom Kippur or Day of Atonement. The Israeli army prevented civilians and workers, including holders of permits, from entering the city of Jerusalem and Israel, with the exception of diplomatic and international missions and previously coordinated humanitarian cases. The closure will continue until 24:00 on 28 September 2009. |
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| JERUSALEM | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Closure: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> At 24:00 on 26 September 2009, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at checkpoints set up at entrances to the city of Jerusalem after imposing full closure on West Bank districts on the occasion of Yom Kippur or Day of Atonement. The Israeli army prevented civilians and workers, including holders of permits, from entering the city of Jerusalem, with the exception of previously coordinated humanitarian cases. On 05 January 2009, the Israeli army issued military order # S/02/09 closing the seam line area, an extension of the Wall, according to a set of land confiscation orders, for the construction of the Wall around the city of Jerusalem to prevent civilians from entering the city, with the exception of civilians living in the area and those holding permits. Entry is regulated through crossings and gates set up at entrances to the city of Jerusalem, as designated in the military order. The Israeli army has continues to impose a blockade and deny civilian access to a hill located in an area between the village of Biddu and Beit Iksa due to its geographical significance as it overlooks the city of Jerusalem. Closure of Main Roads: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks and dirt barricades the entrance to the village of Jaba'. The Israeli army continues to close the iron gate along the Wall section separating the area of Dahiyat Al Bareed in Jerusalem city from the town of Ar Ram. 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. Flying Checkpoints: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> At 17:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the village of Rafat and searched civilians and vehicles. |
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| | <p>(ii) In the evening on 26 September 2009, the Israeli army closed roads around the old city of Jerusalem to protect groups of Israeli Jews heading to Al Buraq Wall (the Wailing Wall) to perform Talmudic rituals on Yom Kippur or Day of Atonement.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Physical Assault: At 22:50, Israeli troops positioned at the checkpoint set up at the entrance to the village of Beit Iksa severely beat the civilian Ahmad Jamhur. As a result, he sustained contusions and evacuated to hospital for medical treatment. • 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 al-Shayyah road in the area between the villages of al-Sawahira al-Sharqiya and al-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 the area of al-‘Eizariya to al-Shayyah, from Beit Surik to Biddu, in the areas of al-Judeira, Bir Nabala, and Beit Hanina, west of al-Jib village, in the vicinity of the village of Qatanna, and south of Beit Hanina village. |
| <p style="text-align: center;">RAMALLAH & EL BIREH</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close the entrances to the village of Sinjil, the village of Safa and the junction to the villages of Kafr Malik – Ein Samiya. • Raid: At 21:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled Bir Zeit town. • Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend west of the town of ‘Abud and in the areas of al-Midya to Ni’lin and Ni’lin to Deir Qaddis. |
| <p style="text-align: center;">JENIN</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the road leading to ‘Arraba town, 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. |
| <p style="text-align: center;">TOUBAS</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Checkpoint: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Tayasir checkpoint, east of the town of Tubas, allowing access from 06:00 to 22:00. |
| <p style="text-align: center;">TULKAREM</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the western entrance to the village of Shofeh and the road connecting the town of Kafr Al Labad to the village of Shofeh. • Checkpoints: The Israeli army continues to intensify restrictions at Einav checkpoint that is set up on Tulkarm-Nablus main road. • Raids: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 19:20, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the neighborhood of Shuweika in the city of Tulkarm. |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) At 19:30, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Bal'a. (iii) At 21:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Beit Lid. • Wall Gates: Passage through the wall gates is restricted to civilians granted special Israeli permits. |
| QALQILYA | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Roads: The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the agricultural roads east of the town of 'Azzun. • Flying Checkpoint: At 09:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the entrance to the village of Izbet Tabib and detained 5 civilians, including 2 Palestinian National Security officers, and released them at 12:10. • Raid: At 11:40, the Israeli army raided Azzun and arrested a civilian. • Arrest: The Israeli army arrested in the town of Azzun the civilian Raed Ali Rashed Radwan. • Wall Gates: <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 detector. • Wall Construction: Wall construction was suspended for the weekend south of the town of Jayyus as well as near the settlement of Alfeh Minesheh in the villages of Ras Tira, Magharet Ad Dab'a and Wadi Ar Rasha, located south of Qalqiliya city. |
| NABLUS | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Main Roads: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the roads of Tel-Burin, Beit Furik-Salem, the road between Aqraba town and the main road and the eastern entrance to the village of Al Lubban Ash Sharqiya; and with dirt barricades the road between the villages of Tel and Madama, the southern entrances to the villages of Qaryut and Duma, the eastern entrance to the village of Al Lubban Ash Sharqiya, the western entrances to the town of Aqraba and the village of Majdal Bani Fadil, the northern entrance to the town of Qabalan, as well as the settler bypass road connecting the village of Deir al-Hatab to Alon Moreh settlement. (ii) As of 12:10 on 27 August 2009, the Israeli army continues to close by an iron gate the western entrance to An Naqura village, opposite Shavi Shomron settlement, after removing the dirt barricade at its entrance. • Checkpoints: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At Tur neighborhood 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 neighborhood only from 07:00 until 02:00. (ii) Awarta commercial checkpoint is open for civilians from 05:00 until 20:00, whereas on Friday, the checkpoint is open for civilians from 05:00 until 15:00. All vehicles are allowed to enter the city of Nablus through Awarta, but only commercial vehicles and ambulances are allowed to depart the city through this checkpoint. |

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| | <p>(iii) At 09:30, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at Huwwara checkpoint and impeded civilian access.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <p>(i) At 12:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the villages of Salem, Azmut and Deir Al Hatab.</p> <p>(ii) At 15:10, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the city of Nablus and the town of Asira Ash Shamaliya.</p> <p>(iii) At 01:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the town of Jamma'in and the village of Einabus.</p> • <u>Raids:</u> <p>(i) At 12:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Beit Furik and the village of Deir Al Hatab.</p> <p>(ii) At 23:20, the Israeli army raided the city of Nablus to protect a group of Israeli settlers visiting Yousef (Joseph) tomb and withdrew at 05:00.</p> <p>(iii) At 23:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Qabalan.</p> |
| SALFIT | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the northern entrance to the city of Salfit, and continues to close with cement blocks and iron gates the northern entrances to the town of Bruqin and the western entrance to the town of Kafr Ad Dik. • <u>Checkpoint:</u> The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at Za'tara checkpoint and impede civilian access. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 00:35, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint in the area between the town of Bruqin and the village of Qarawat Bani Zeid. • <u>Raids:</u> <p>(i) At 22:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Kifl Hares and the village of Hares.</p> <p>(ii) At 00:50, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Yasuf until 01:35.</p> • <u>Wall Construction:</u> 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 Kafr Hares north of the settlement of Ariel. |
| JERICHO | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <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> <p>(i) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions at al-Hamra checkpoint and allow civilian access from 06:00 until 22:00.</p> <p>(ii) The Israeli army continues to intensify its restrictions on the checkpoint set up on the junction to the village of al-'Auja and allow access only to civilians holding Jericho and Jordan Valley IDs and those possessing permits.</p> |

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| <p style="text-align: center;">BETHLEHEM</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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) The Israeli army continues to prevent civilian access to an area that is located in the cities of Beit Sahur and Bethlehem. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> The Israeli army continues to close with dirt barricades the two sideways east and south of Al Walaja village and the roads of Beit Jala-Wadi Ahmad, Talita-Nazlet As-Sidr in the city of Beit Jala, Wadi Rahal-Efrat and the sideway east of Beit Fajjar town. • <u>Flying Checkpoint:</u> At 08:05, the Israeli army intensified its restrictions at As Sawahira Ash Sharqiya (the 'Container') checkpoint and impeded civilian access. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 18:45, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the village of Harmala. (ii) At 03:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the city of Bethlehem. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the area northwest of the town of al-Khadr; northwest of Beit Jala city; in the area of Wadi Rahhal east of Ephrata settlement; and in the area surrounding al-Walaja village. |
| <p style="text-align: center;">HEBRON</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Closure:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close the following locales in the old city of Hebron: al-Shuhada' Street and the area of al-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 al-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) On 05 January 2009, the Israeli army issued military order # 06/09 closing the area located near the Green Line, south of Yatta town, evacuating the area of those inside it and denying them access to it. • <u>Closure of Main Roads:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Israeli army continues to close with cement blocks the following locales: the entrance to the town of al-Samoa'; the area of al-Hawawir leading to the town of Halhoul; the road connecting the town of Surif to the village of al-Jab'a; and the eastern entrance to the village of Kharsa; the entrance to al-Qeisi neighborhood in the old city of Hebron; the main entrance to al-'Arrub refugee camp; the village of At Tuwani as well as the entrance to the town of Adh Dhahiriya. (ii) In accordance with Military Order # 378, the Israeli army continues to prohibit Palestinian vehicles from traveling along Shalala Old Street |

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| | <p>that leads to the old city of Hebron, only allowing Israeli vehicles as well as Israeli army vehicles to travel along this street.</p> <p>(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 bypass Road # 60.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Flying Checkpoints:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 15:30, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint on the junction leading to the town of Dura and searched civilians and vehicles. (ii) At 21:00, the Israeli army set up a flying checkpoint at the southern entrance to the town of Tarqumiya. • <u>Raids:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 14:45, the Israeli army raided the city of Hebron, set up a flying checkpoint and patrolled the area. Again at 01:00, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the area. (ii) At 16:40, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Halhul. (iii) At 19:05, the Israeli army raided and patrolled the town of Dura. (iv) At 21:30, the Israeli army raided the town of Idhna, set up a flying checkpoint and patrolled the area. • <u>Settler Violence:</u> At 18:30, a group of Israeli settlers entered the village of Wadi Ash Shajina, located south of Dura town, and opened fire towards civilian houses. • <u>Wall Construction:</u> Wall construction was suspended for the weekend in the section of Tarqumiya checkpoint terminal, in the periphery of Eshkolot settlement southwest of Adh Dhahiriya town and between southwest of Arab Ar Ramadin village and the village of Imneizil. |
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| <p style="text-align: center;">ALL DISTRICTS</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At 02:00 on 18 January 2009, the Israeli army declared a unilateral ceasefire. In the meantime, armed Palestinian groups declared a one-week-long ceasefire. Meanwhile, the ceasefire was extended until 05 February 2009. The ceasefire is holding despite the end of the specified period. • The Israeli army breached the ceasefire by raiding Palestinian territory, opening fire intensively and firing a number of artillery shells from its locations on the Green Line. Israeli navy boats also opened fire intensively towards Palestinian fishing boats at sea injuring 17 civilians. • Armed Palestinian groups violated the ceasefire by firing a mortar towards the Green Line. |
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| <p style="text-align: center;">NORTHERN GAZA</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Point: Beit Hanun (Erez) Crossing is closed. • Raid: In the evening on 26 September 2009, the Israeli army, including a number of tanks and armored vehicles, covered by helicopter gunships and reconnaissance aircrafts, raided Palestinian territory northwest of Beit Lahiya town and opened fire intensively towards civilian agricultural land and houses. • Attacks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) At 13:00, the Israeli army opened fire intensively from its locations on the Green Line towards civilians in Al Maqbara Ash Sharqiya, located east of Jabalya town, during the funerals of 3 civilians killed by Israeli airstrikes east of Gaza city, as mentioned in the previous report, injuring 17 civilians. (ii) At 24:00, the Israeli army fired a number of artillery shells from its locations on the Green Line towards Palestinian territory east of Jabalya town. (iii) In the evening on 26 September 2009, Israeli navy boats opened fire intensively towards Palestinian fishing boats at sea, opposite Al Waha area beach, located west of Beit Lahiya town. |
| <p style="text-align: center;">GAZA</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Points: (All Closed) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Al-Muntar (Karni) Crossing is closed. (ii) Al-Shuja'iyah (Nahal 'Oz) Crossing is closed. |
| <p style="text-align: center;">CENTRAL GAZA</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Palestinian Attack: At 23:45, 1 unidentified mortar was fired towards the Green Line. Consequently, the Israeli army fired 3 artillery shells from its locations on the Green Line towards the village of Wadi As Salqa, located southeast of Deir Al Balah city. |
| <p style="text-align: center;">KHAN YOUNIS</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities not reported. |
| <p style="text-align: center;">RAFAH</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closure of Crossing Points: (All Closed) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (iv) Yasser 'Arafat International Airport remains closed. (v) Rafah (Al Awdah) Crossing is closed. (vi) Sufa Crossing is closed. (vii) Karm Abu Salim (Karem Shalom) Crossing is partially open for the transport of food and humanitarian assistance. • Attack: In the morning on 26 September 2009, Israeli navy boats opened fire intensively towards Palestinian fishing boats at sea opposite Rafah city beach. |