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Protection of Civilians Weekly Report

2 – 8 July 2008

Of note this week

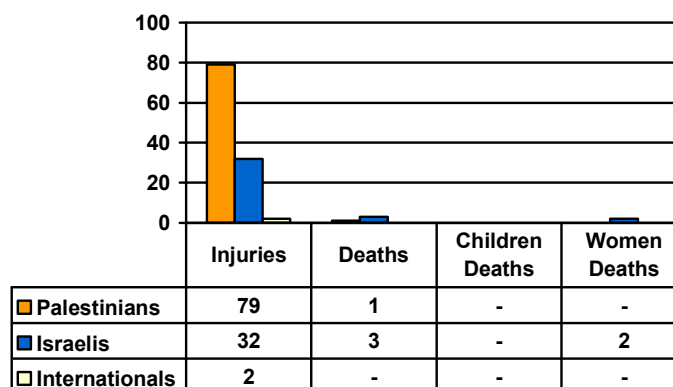
Gaza Strip:

- The IDF injured one Palestinian civilian when IDF patrol boats opened fire at Palestinian fishing boats west of Beach Camp, forcing the fishermen to return to shore.
- Israeli authorities renewed entry permits for 197 Gazan businessmen. However, only a small number of these businessmen have successfully obtained coordination to enter Israel.
- A 16-year-old Palestinian boy was killed and a 13-year-old Palestinian girl was injured when an unknown object/device exploded in the destroyed Gaza International Airport (Rafah).
- Several thousand Palestinians attempted to break through the Rafah terminal to cross into Egypt. The Egyptian Security Forces responded with water canons and tear gas (Rafah).
- A total of one rudimentary rocket and five mortar shells were fired from the Gaza Strip towards Israel by Palestinian militants. Three of these mortar shells landed in Gaza. No injured were reported.

West Bank:

- The IDF injured 78 Palestinian civilians, including 13 children, 62 of them during the weekly Ni'lin demonstrations against the construction of the Barrier which will cut off approximately 2,500 dunams of Palestinian private agricultural land. Two Israeli demonstrators were also injured by the IDF during these demonstrations.
- A Palestinian man from East Jerusalem killed one male and two female Israeli civilians in an attack using a bulldozer which he drove from a construction site onto a busy street in West Jerusalem. Thirty other Israeli civilians were injured (West Jerusalem).
- According to Palestinian sources, a 30-year-old Palestinian man from the town of As-Samu' sustained multiple bodily injuries when a group of settlers beat him and dragged him to the nearby settlement outpost of Asael. The settlers then tied him to an electricity pole where the assault continued (Hebron).
- The IDF forcibly entered the Nablus Mall, as well as several Islamic charitable societies and mosques, and confiscated both computers and files. Ownership of several properties and assets were transferred to the IDF by military order. Nablus Mall has been closed (Nablus).
- The IDF started construction works aimed at "upgrading" the Wadi Nar checkpoint - a staffed checkpoint controlling all Palestinian traffic on the only route that connects the southern West Bank to the central and northern areas. This checkpoint was slated for removal following a commitment made by the GoI to Mr. Tony Blair, the Quartet representative.
- 149 flying checkpoints (55% in the Hebron district), 93 IDF search operations and 8+ arrests/detentions of Palestinians were reported. This is the highest number of flying checkpoints reported since July 2007. The average number of flying checkpoints per week during the first half of 2008 was 78, while in 2007, the weekly average was 113.

Palestinian and Israeli conflict related casualties:¹



¹ Excluding Palestinian-Palestinian internal violence and other 'indirect' conflict related incidents.

1. Physical Protection – conflict related casualties

Gaza Strip:

- **8 July:** A Palestinian fisherman was injured and his fishing boat was damaged when IDF patrol boats opened fire at Palestinian fishing boats west of Beach Camp forcing them to return to shore (Gaza).

Other incidents (not involving casualties):

- **3 July:** One rudimentary rocket was fired from southeast of Beit Hanoun towards the Green Line. According to Israeli media, one rocket landed in the western Negev. No injuries were reported (North Gaza).
- **6 July:** IDF troops stationed on the border northeast of Beit Hanoun opened fire into the air as a group of Palestinian farmers attempted to reach their fields near the border. The Palestinian farmers left the area. No injuries were reported (North Gaza).
- **5 July:** IDF patrol boats opened fire targeting Palestinian fishing boats near Beit Lahia, forcing them to return to shore. No injuries or damage were reported (North Gaza).
- **7 July:** Palestinian militants fired two mortar shells from east of the Al Zaytoun Quarter targeting the Green Line. Both mortar shells landed in Gaza. No injuries were reported. Israeli media reports indicate that one of the mortar shells landed in an open area near the Karni crossing (Gaza).
- **8 July:** Two mortar shells were fired from east of Rafah targeting Sufa Crossing. One round landed in Gaza and the other landed in the Western Negev. No damage or injuries were reported. No group claimed responsibility for firing the mortar shells (Rafah).
- **8 July:** One mortar shell was fired from east of Rafah towards the Western Negev. The shell landed near Kibbutz 'Ein Hashlosha. No injuries or damage were reported. No group claimed responsibility for firing the mortar shell (Rafah).

West Bank:

- **2 July:** The Israeli police assaulted a group of Palestinian men, who tried to prevent a house demolition in East Jerusalem, injuring two, one of whom had his hand broken and was later arrested. The policemen also damaged a number of cars belonging to Palestinians. The Jerusalem municipality demolished the house later that same day (Jerusalem).
- **2 July:** A 30-year-old Palestinian man from East Jerusalem operating a bulldozer from a construction site, killed two Israeli women (ages 33 and 54) and one man (64) and injured thirty others, who were at that time in the street in West Jerusalem. During the attack, an Israeli bus was overturned and several cars were crushed before an Israeli civilian climbed onto the bulldozer and killed the man using a nearby police officer's gun (West Jerusalem).
- **3 July:** Four Palestinian children and six Palestinian adults were injured with rubber-coated metal bullets fired at them by the IDF during a demonstration organised by Palestinians, International and Israeli activists against the Barrier construction in Ni'lin village which will cut off approximately 2,500 dunums of Palestinian private agricultural land. Several cases of asphyxia were reported (Ramallah).
- **3 July:** A 17-year-old Palestinian boy from Al-Fawwar refugee camp was injured in his leg by live ammunition when IDF soldiers opened fire at stone-throwing Palestinians during an IDF search operation in the camp (Hebron).
- **4 July:** Two female French activists (ages 25 and 26) and a 65 years old Palestinian man were injured with rubber-coated metal bullets and suffered asphyxia from tear gas fired at them by the IDF during the weekly demonstration held by Palestinians, Israeli, and international activists protesting Barrier construction in Bil'in (Ramallah).
- **4 July:** Twenty Palestinians and two Israeli activists (ages 26 and 33) were injured with rubber-coated metal bullets fired at them by the IDF during a demonstration against the Barrier construction in Ni'lin village. Four Israeli activists were arrested (Ramallah).
- **4 July:** Eight Palestinians were injured in Al Far'a refugee camp during a confrontation between the IDF and Palestinian stone throwers. One Palestinian boy was injured by live ammunition and seven Palestinians (two men ages 18 and 23, and five boys (ages 14, 15(2), 16 and 17) were injured by rubber coated metal bullets (Tubas).
- **5 July:** Four Palestinian children and seven Palestinian adults were injured with rubber-coated metal bullets fired at them by the IDF during a demonstration against Barrier construction in Ni'lin village. In addition to this, one 21-year-old Palestinian male had his hand broken after being hit by a bulldozer during that demonstration. Four Palestinian males were arrested (Ramallah).
- **5 July:** According to Palestinian sources, a 30-year-old Palestinian man from the town of As-Samu' sustained multiple injuries when a group of settlers beat him and dragged him to the

nearby settlement outpost of Asael. The settlers then tied him to an electricity pole where the assault continued. The IDF prevented the ambulance from reaching him for approximately two hours before it was allowed through. The settlers also set 15 dunums of Palestinian agricultural land on fire (Hebron).

- **6 July:** Seven Palestinian males from Ni'lin village were injured with rubber-coated metal bullets fired at them by the IDF when, together with other members from the local community, violated the curfew imposed by the IDF on the village in response to the weekly demonstrations against the Barrier. Two Palestinians were arrested (Ramallah).
- **6 July:** Two Palestinian men (ages 28 and 80) from the village of Sa'ir in Hebron, were injured when four settlers from Asfar settlement beat them near the village of Tuqu' in Bethlehem while they were grazing their sheep in the vicinity of the settlement (Bethlehem).
- **7 July:** Thirteen Palestinian males from Ni'lin village were injured with rubber-coated metal bullets fired at them by the IDF when, together with other members from the community, they violated the curfew imposed by the IDF on the village for a second day in response to the weekly demonstrations against the Barrier. Five Palestinians were arrested (Ramallah).
- **8 July:** A 35-year-old Palestinian man from the H1 area of Hebron City was injured after a group of Israeli soldiers beat him during a search campaign in the building where he lived in the Al Hawooz area of the city. The IDF arrested him after the search (Hebron).

Other incidents (not involving casualties/damage):

- **2 July:** A group of Palestinians threw stones at an Israeli bus travelling on Road 443 near At Tira Village. No injuries were reported. The bus sustained some damage (Ramallah).
- **3 July:** IDF troops entered Silwad village and conducted a search operation. During the operation, the IDF forcibly entered the village's mosque and confiscated documents and computers belonging to the mosque. No arrests were reported (Ramallah).
- **3 July:** IDF troops entered Qatanna village and conducted a search operation. During the operation, the IDF forcibly entered Qatanna's village council and confiscated documents and three computers belonging to the council. No arrests were reported (Jerusalem).
- **4 July:** Israeli settlers from Shilo settlement threw stones at two buses carrying peace activists travelling near the settlement. No injuries were reported. The bus sustained some damage (Ramallah).
- **7 July:** Two rallies were organised in Budrus village and in Ramallah City in support of the residents of Ni'lin village and to protest against IDF operations in that village. The rallies ended peacefully (Ramallah).

2. Physical Protection – other incidents involving casualties²

Gaza Strip:

- **2 July:** A 16-year-old Palestinian boy and a 13-year-old Palestinian girl were injured when an unknown object/device exploded in the destroyed Gaza International Airport, near Ash Shoka Village (Rafah).
- **2 July:** Four Palestinians were injured in an explosion in the Ash Sha'f neighbourhood. Local reports indicate that Islamic Jihad militants were preparing an explosive device which exploded prematurely. The explosion took place in a house belonging to a local family (Gaza).
- **4 July:** A Palestinian man was injured when a tunnel located under the Egypt-Gaza border collapsed. Four other individuals temporarily trapped in the tunnel as well were rescued without injury (Rafah).
- **5 July:** The 16 year-old Palestinian boy injured on 2 July in the explosion at the Gaza International Airport (noted above) succumbed to his injuries and died as a result of the wounds that he sustained (Rafah).
- **5 July:** A 23-year-old former PA police officer was injured when two unidentified armed men opened fire at him in Tel Es-Sultan Quarter (Rafah).
- **6 July:** A 44-year-old Palestinian man and a nine-year-old Palestinian girl were injured by live ammunition when an armed family dispute erupted between members of two families in An Nuseirat Camp. Police arrived on the scene and brought the situation under control (Central Gaza).

² Casualties recorded in this section relate to Palestinian inter-factional fighting, family and community disputes, reckless use of weapons, and disputed incidents. Also reported in this section are casualties indirectly related to the conflict such as incidents involving Unexploded Ordnance (UXO), traffic accidents between Israeli and Palestinians in the oPt and deaths resulting from delay in receiving medical treatment at a checkpoint or during a military operation/curfew. These casualties are not recorded in the total in Section 1.

- **8 July:** Two Palestinian men, ages 23 and 30, were killed in an explosion in the Hamas military training camp located west of Khan Younis. One Palestinian man was also injured in the explosion. The circumstances surrounding the explosion are unclear (Khan Younis).

Other incidents (not involving casualties):

- **2 July:** The Gaza Municipality and the Gazan police organised a campaign to remove small shops and huts built along the shoreline without the Municipality's permission. (Gaza)
- **2 July:** Several thousand Palestinians attempted to break into the Rafah terminal in an attempt to cross into Egypt. The crowd threw stones at the Egyptian Security Forces, who responded with water cannons and tear gas to force them back to Gaza. A police unit arrived and brought the situation under control (Rafah).
- **3 July:** The Palestinian National Initiative organised a demonstration in front of the UNSCO compound to protest the siege imposed on Gaza. Approximately 500 people participated in the demonstration. The protestors submitted a letter requesting more active UN intervention aimed at lifting the siege. The letter was addressed to the UN Secretary General before the crowd dispersed at 12:20 hours (Gaza).
- **3 July:** Hamas police entered into areas which Israel withdrew from in 2005 in order to remove Gazan residents who the government claims are illegally occupying its land.
- **3 July:** Hamas supporters organised a demonstration at the PLC compound in Gaza City to support PLC members who were arrested by the IDF in the West Bank. Approximately 5,000 people participated in the demonstration which ended at 2200 hours (Gaza).
- **6 July:** Gunmen belonging to a local family broke into one of their family members' home in Bureij refugee camp. They set fire to the house and five dunums of agricultural land. The motive behind the incident is related to family dispute (Central Gaza).
- **7 July:** Unknown men set on fire a vehicle belonging to a Palestinian deportee from Bethlehem. The vehicle was parked in front of the man's home in the Tal El-Hawa area. The motive behind the attack is unknown (Gaza).
- **7 July:** Approximately 100 adult family members of Palestinians imprisoned in Israel, along with approximately 2,000 children, demonstrated in front of the ICRC office demanding the release of their relatives. The demonstration ended peacefully at 12:00 hours (Gaza).
- **8 July:** A Hamas delegation, including senior Hamas leaders, crossed into Egypt through Rafah terminal to participate in discussions regarding the ceasefire between Israel and the Palestinian factions (Rafah).

West Bank:

Other incidents (not involving casualties/damage):

No incidents to report.

Inter-factional violence

Gaza Strip:

Other incidents (not involving casualties):

- **5 July:** Clashes erupted between two groups from Al Quds Brigades, the military wing of Islamic Jihad, in An Nuseirat Camp. The motive allegedly pertains to a financial dispute. Police intervened and brought the situation under control. Several arrests were made. No injuries were reported. (Central Gaza).

West Bank:

Other Incidents (not involving casualties/damage):

No incidents to report.

3. Shelter and Property

Table 1: Structures Demolished/Damaged by the Israeli Authorities (IDF, Border Police, Civil Administration...etc) and Israeli Settlers

Date	Location, Governorate	Structures demolished	Structures damaged	People displaced	People affected
2 July	Beit Hanina, Jerusalem	1	1+	7 (including 5 children)	7
3 July	Al 'Isawiya, Jerusalem	1	3+	14 (including 6 children with special needs)	14
4 July	Near Qedumim Settlement	-	4	-	N/A
7 July	Nablus City, Nablus	-	13+	-	N/A
8 July	Nablus City, Nablus	-	6+	-	N/A
Total		2	27+	21	21+

- **2 July:** The Jerusalem Municipality accompanied by the IDF, the Israeli police and a bulldozer demolished a 110m² house in Beit Hanina belonging to a Palestinian family living there due to the lack of a building permit. According to the homeowner, no written warning was given informing the family of the date of the demolition. The family was allowed to remove some of the damaged furniture. The family lost their first house in 2006 in the same circumstances. According to the homeowner, the family had a court decision in place freezing the demolition. The family was reportedly awaiting a court decision to approve a new building (Jerusalem).
- **3 July:** The Jerusalem Municipality accompanied by the IDF, the Israeli police and a bulldozer demolished a 120m² house in Al 'Isawiya village belonging to a Palestinian family living there due to the lack of a building permit. According to the homeowner, no written warning was given informing the family of the date of the demolition. The residents were allowed to remove some of the furniture while the rest of the furniture together with the water and electricity connections and the solar system were all destroyed (Jerusalem).
- **3 July:** Israeli settlers from an outpost near Qedumim settlement threw stones at Palestinian-registered vehicles and caused slight damage to four vehicles (Qalqiliya).
- **7 July:** The IDF forcibly entered the Directorate of Religious Affairs, Religious Court, Islamic School, Union of Islamic Committees, At Tadamun Health Center, At Tadamun Club and about seven mosques in Nablus City, damaging the doors and furniture and confiscating computers and files. (Nablus).
- **7 July:** The IDF issued a military order closing three different At Tadamun Association offices and At Tadamun Club for three years (Nablus).
- **8 July:** The IDF forcibly entered the Nablus Mall and, in implementation of a confiscation and closure order issued by the IDF, ordered the closure of all shops and stores in the building for two years, confiscated all the stores' belongings and transferred their ownership to the IDF. The shop owners were given until 15 August 2008 to vacate their shops. Persons who continue working after that date could be subject to five years imprisonment. The IDF also raided Al Quran wa As Suna society, At Tadamun kindergarten and Nafha Society in Nablus city, Al Aqsa Health center in New 'Askar camp and Yazur charitable society in Balata camp. They damaged the main doors and confiscated computers and files (Nablus).

Other incidents (not involving demolitions/property damage):

- **3 July:** A group of Israeli settlers from Bracha settlement entered Burin village and opened fire towards Palestinian houses. The IDF evacuated them from the village. No damage or injuries were reported (Nablus).
- **3 and 4 July:** A group of Israeli settlers escorted by the IDF entered Kifl Haris village from 22:00 – 06:30 to visit sites considered as Jewish holy places in the village. During this time the IDF prevented Palestinians from moving freely throughout the village (Salfit).
- **4 July:** A group of Israeli settlers entered Nablus city and went to Joseph's Tomb near Balata refugee camp. The IDF evacuated them later (Nablus).

Internal Violence Incidents Affecting Shelter and Property:

No incidents to report.

4. Natural Resources

Land levelling/Requisitions/Tree Uprooting³

Jenin Governorate:

4 July: The IDF and the Israeli Civil Administration stopped workers carrying out a project to build water cisterns in agricultural land belonging to Palestinian farmers from Ya'bad. They also held the workers for approximately four hours. The project, funded by the Dutch Government, is being implemented by the Agriculture Relief Committee (Jenin).

Ramallah / Al Bireh Governorate:

3 July: Three settlers from Halamish settlement set fire to one olive tree belonging to a Palestinian farmer from Deir Nidham village (Ramallah).

6-7 July: During the curfew imposed on Ni'lin village, the IDF used bulldozers to dig up newly paved roads in the village, damaging part of the municipal sewage system and a large portion of the village's infrastructure (Ramallah).

Jericho Governorate:

2 July: Israeli settlers from Massu'a settlement entered land owned by a Palestinian family in Al Jiftlik village and started to surround it with barbed wire in an attempt to take the land. The Palestinian family succeeded in stopping them and forcing them off of the land. The Palestinian DCO filed a complaint to the Israeli DCL regarding this incident (Jordan Valley).

Bethlehem Governorate:

During the reporting period: Extensive land preparation has been taking place in the vicinity of the settlement of Har Gilo. About 480 duplex apartments are planned to be constructed by the year 2012 in the said area.

Hebron Governorate:

4 July: The Israeli Ministry of Defense approved the expansion of a dormitory in the Beit Romano settlement located within the H2 area of the City of Hebron. It is the first construction project approved since November 2001.

Gaza Strip:

No incidents to report.

5. Access and Movement for Civilians

a) *Incidents of curfews*

Table 2: Incidents of Curfew Imposed by the IDF

Date	Location, Governorate	Duration
6 – 7 July	Ni'lin village, Ramallah	16.5 hours
6 July	Hajja, Qalqiliya	8 hours
8 July	Kifl Haris, Salfit	5 hours
Total Week		29.5 hours

6 July: The IDF imposed a curfew on Hajja village for 8 hours from 04:00 – 12:00 during a search and arrest campaign (Qalqiliya).

6-7 July: The IDF entered the village of Ni'lin and imposed a curfew that lasted for 16 hours (beginning on 6 July at 4:30am and ending on 7 July at 21:00) in order to prevent the community from protesting and demonstrating against the construction of the Barrier on their land which will cut off approximately 2,500 dunums of Palestinian private agricultural land. During the curfew, the IDF entered three houses and damaged furniture and other belongings of the families. The IDF fired rubber-coated metal bullets at the windows and threw tear gas into seven houses causing cases of asphyxia. The IDF burned one car and damaged seven other cars belonging to the members of the community (Ramallah).

8 July: The IDF imposed a curfew on Kifl Haris village for 5 hours from 19:00 – 24:00 after stones were thrown at Israeli vehicles passing on road 505. The curfew was still ongoing at the close of the day and this reporting period (Salfit).

³ 4 dunums = 1 acre; 10 dunums = 1 hectare

b) Access to education

No incidents to report.

c) Access to employment

No incidents to report.

d) Closures/movement restrictions

4-5 July: At 5:00am on 4 July, the IDF entered the village of Ni'lin and closed all entrances to the village declaring it to be a closed military area. The IDF prevented access into or out of the village including ambulances and medical aids. A woman in labour was not allowed to leave the village and had to deliver her baby at home. The body of one deceased villager was kept for four hours at the entrance of the village before the IDF allowed the family to bring the body into the village for burial (Ramallah).

Nablus Governorate:

- **During the reporting period:** Delays and long queues were reported at Huwwara, Beit Iba and Tappuah checkpoints.

Salfit Governorate,

- **8 July:** The IDF closed the route between Kifl Haris and Haris with an earthmound and between Kifl Haris and Deir Istiya with an earthmound due to a curfew imposed on Kifl Haris.

Jericho Governorate:

- **During the reporting period:** Palestinians who did not have Jericho as their place of residence on their IDs were turned back at both the Hamra and Yitav checkpoints. As a result, they were required to take a long detour and enter through the Ma'ale Efrayim checkpoint. Also, Palestinians residing in Jericho who did not have their cars registered in Jericho were not allowed to enter with them. They also had to take the same detour.

Jerusalem Governorate:

- **During the reporting period:** The IDF started construction work at Wadi Nar/Container checkpoint. According to the Jerusalem Periphery DCL, the work is designed to upgrade the checkpoint and improve access for Palestinians. Additional installations were also added to Jaba' checkpoint including a soldier's booth for the direction coming from Ramallah. Long delays of up to 80 minutes were experienced at Jaba' on both directions (Jerusalem).

Qalqiliya Governorate:

- **2 July:** The IDF closed Road 55 near Immatin village for 90 minutes due to a suspicious object near the road.
- **4 July:** The IDF closed 'Azzun 'Atma Barrier checkpoint for two hours after two wedding processions arrived at the checkpoint resulting large crowds of people gathered in the same place.

Ongoing incidents:

- **9 February 2008 to date:** The IDF continues to close a dirt road connecting 'Azzun with Kafr Laqif, with an earth mound after stones were thrown at Israeli vehicles travelling on Road 55 en route to Israeli settlements.

Ramallah Governorate:

- **During the reporting period:** long delays of up to 70 minutes were reported on a daily basis during morning rush hours at 'Atara checkpoint (Ramallah).

Hebron Governorate:

- **4 – 8 July:** The IDF increased the number of closures and flying checkpoints in and around the Governorate of Hebron. The number of flying checkpoints approached 100 during this time period and resulted in the closing of several main village entry points, including the main entry points to the villages of Beit Kahil, Tarqumiya, Idhna, Wadi Ash Shajneh, Wadi Al Quf, and Karma, the Al Fahs entry point into the Industrial Zone in H2, the connecting road between the villages of Beit Kahil and Tarqumiya, the connecting road between Bani Naeem and Sair, the Halhul Bridge and Al Fawwar junction.

Gaza Strip

- Gaza fishermen continue to be permitted to fish up to six nautical miles off the coastline.

Functioning of Gaza crossing points:

- **Erez** was open on six days this week for the movement of diplomats, international humanitarian workers and critical medical cases with special coordination arrangements; National UN staff members possessing valid permits, however, continue to be denied entry to Israel, without prior co-ordination. Senior Palestinian businessmen were also allowed to cross this week. (Appendix for daily log of movement is based on information provided by the Palestinian civil affairs office due to the absence of Palestinian DCL staff at the present time).
- **Rafah** crossing continues to be closed. It was last open on 9 June 2007 but has operated since then on an exceptional basis.
- **Karni** crossing: the conveyor belt/chute was open on four days this week to transfer wheat grain and animal feed into Gaza. Since 12 June 2007, however, the crossing has remained closed for other imports and all exports.
- **Sufa** crossing was open on two days this week. It was closed from 25 to 28 June and 1 July. After being closed between 28 October and 22 December 2007, Sufa crossing was re-opened on 23 December for humanitarian and commercial commodities. Sufa has been the principal alternative commercial crossing since the closure of Karni crossing in mid-June 2007.
- **Kerem Shalom** crossing has been closed since the Palestinian suicide attack on 19 April 2008 against the IDF military base located at the crossing. During the closure of Sufa between 28 October and 22 December 2007, Kerem Shalom was effectively the only crossing allowing the entry of commercial and humanitarian goods into Gaza.
- **Nahal Oz energy pipelines** were open on three scheduled operating days this week.

Table 3: Reported IDF Flying (random) Checkpoints in the West Bank

Governorate	Location, # of flying checkpoints in brackets	Total # of flying checkpoints
Nablus	Jamma'in (1), Bizzariya (1)	2
Jenin	Qabatiya (2), Az Zababida (1), Misliya (1), Al Jalama (1), Silat ad Dhahr (1)	6
Tubas	Tayasir (5), 'Aqqaba (2)	7
Tulkarm	Far'un (2), Bal'a(1), Kafr Jammal (2)	5
Qalqiliya	Izbat at Tabib (3), Kafr Laqif (3), Jayyus (3), Kafr Thulth (1), Immatin(1), Wadi Qana(2).	13
Salfit	Deir Istiya (2), Biddya (1), Qarawat Bani Hassan (3), Iskaka (2), Kifl Haris (1), Haris (1), Salfit (1)	11
Ramallah/Al Bireh	Turmus'ayya (1), Jaba' (1), On the way to Birzeit (1)	3
Jericho	Bardala (1)	1
Bethlehem	Tuqu (4), Al Shawawreh (1), Al Nashash (1), Za'atara (1), Bethlehem (3), Hussan (3), Al Doha (2) Duheisha RC (2), Za'tara (2)	19
Hebron	Halhul overpass (9), Ras Al Jora (3), H1 area of the City of Hebron (6), Al Dhahiriya (3), Dura (7),Khursa(3), Beit Ummar (3),Tarqumiya(3), Sa'ir (5),Al Fahs (3), Idhna(6), As Samu'(3), Ar Ramadin(2), Al Fawwar(7), Yata(6), Al Arrub camp(2), Beit kahel(3), Wadi Al Shajneh (2), Wadi Al Quf (3), Zif gate (3)	82
Total West Bank		149

6. [Search/Arrests/Detentions](#)

Table 4: Searches, Arrests, and Detentions Conducted by the Israeli Authorities (IDF, Border Police, Civil Administration...etc)¹

Governorate	Location of arrests/detention by the IDF, number of searches noted at locations within brackets	Total # of Searches	Total # of Arrested/ Detained
Nablus	Nablus City (7), Balata RC (3), 'Askar RC (1), Camp No.1 (1), Duma (1), Beit Furik (1), Sarra (1) Beit Iba CP, Tappuh CP.	15	23
Jenin	Jenin City (5), Jenin RC (2), Qabatiya (4), Zububa (1), Rummana (1), Birqin (1), Kafr Dan (1)	15	10
Tubas	A Tubas (3), El Far'a RC (3), Tammun (2)	8	1
Tulkarm	Tulkarm City (3), Iktaba (1), Kafr Rumman (1), Bal'a (1), Beit Lid (1), Deir al Ghusun (1)	8	2
Qalqiliya	Qalqiliya City (4), 'Azzun (3), Sanniriya (2), Beit Amin (2), Jit (1), Habla (1), Ras 'Atiya (2), Jayyus (3), Hajja (2), Kafr Thulth (1), Kafr Qaddum (2), Jinsafut (1), Immatin (2), 'Azzun 'Atma (1), Kafr Laqif (1)	28	0
Salfit	Biddya (1), Haris (1), Kifl Haris (2), Marda (1), Deir Istiya (1), Qarawat Bani Hassan (1)	7	4
Ramallah	Deir Abu Mash'al (1), Ramallah City (1), Silwad (1), Ni'lin (4)	7	26
Jericho	Jericho (1), Aqabat Jaber RC (1), 'Ein as Sultan RC (1)	3	7
Jerusalem	Qatanna (1), Jerusalem (0) ² , Sur Bahir (1), Al 'Isawiya (0) ³	2	9
Bethlehem	Bethlehem (3), Beit Jala(4), Al Khader (1), Doha (1) Ad Duheisha RC (4) Al Ma'sara(5)	18	8
Hebron	H1 area of Hebron City (9), Dura (2), Beit Ommar(1), Nuba(2), Sa'ir(5)	19	3
Total West Bank		130	93
Gaza Strip			
Central Gaza ²	East of Al Bureij (0,2)	0	2
Total Gaza Strip		0	
Total oPt		130	95

¹ Figures exclude the number of West Bank Palestinians arrested in Israel due to the lack of work permits.

² **6 July:** The IDF arrested a Palestinian woman from Jerusalem who was a previous employee of the Jerusalem municipality for carrying a toy gun while she was at the City Hall. The woman explained that the toy belonged to her son.

³ **3 July:** The IDF arrested two Palestinian males from Al 'Isawiya who tried to prevent the demolition of their grandfather's house which the Jerusalem municipality demolished later that day (Jerusalem).

Table 5: Searches, Arrests, and Detentions Conducted by Palestinian Security Forces

Governorate	Location of arrests/detention (number of searches, number of arrests) – additional information	Total # of Searches	Total # of Arrested/ Detained
Hebron	Al Samu' (1,1), Dura (1,1)	2	2
Total West Bank		2	2
Gaza Strip			
Central Gaza	An Nuseirat Camp (1,2+), Deir El Balah Camp (1,4)	2	6+
Total Gaza Strip		2	6+
Total oPt		4	8+

*Carried out by the Gaza police affiliated with the dismissed Hamas government.

Appendix: Checkpoints: 2 – 8 July 2008

Checkpoint	Status
Tulkarm :	
Ephraim (Green Line CP)	Manned by the IDF. Operating from 0430 to 1900 hours Sunday to Thursday and 0430 to 1300 hours on Fridays for Palestinian workers and traders with permits to enter Israel.
Kafriat	Manned by the IDF. Operating 24 hours. Divided into three parts: one controls movement to and from Tulkarm town; one controls movement to Israel; and one controls movement to and from Khirbet Jubara. Movement to Israel via the closed area behind the barrier is permitted only for Israelis and international organisations.
Ar Ras/ Kafriat	Manned by the IDF. Controls traffic heading south from Tulkarm including Jenin residents.
Jubara	A Barrier gate manned by the IDF. Open 24 hours. Only allows Jubara community behind the Barrier to pass through.
Enav	Located at the eastern entrance of Tulkarm on Road 57.
Qalqiliya:	
Jaljoulia	Manned by the IDF. Operating 24 hours. Access is only granted to holders of permits to enter Israel and residents of Ras at Tira, Ad Dab'a, Wadi ar Rasha, Ramadin and Arab Abu Farda, which are isolated behind the Barrier. Ambulances travelling from Qalqiliya City to these five villages need prior coordination with the DCL.
Qalqiliya North (Green Line CP)	Manned by the IDF. Operating from 0400 to 1900 hours Sunday to Thursday and from 0400 to 1400 hours on Fridays. The checkpoint is used by Palestinian workers and merchants with permits to enter Israel. During the reporting period, delays and long queues were reported.
Qalqiliya DCO CP	Manned by the IDF. Controls the main eastern entrance of Qalqiliya City. During the reporting period, delays and long queues were reported.
Izbat Jalu'd Partial CP	Manned by the IDF. Located south of Habla village. Controls movement to the southern entrance of Qalqiliya City.
Ras 'atiya	Manned by the IDF. Barrier Checkpoint. Open from 0600 to 1800 hours.
'Azzun Atma	Manned by the IDF. Barrier Checkpoint. Open from 0430 to 2200 hours.
Jit Junction, Partial CP	Manned by the IDF. Located at the key junction connecting the governorates of Nablus, Qalqiliya and Tulkarm.
Salfit:	
Deir Ballut	Manned by the IDF. Operating 24 hours. Controls movement between Ramallah and the villages in the western Salfit governorate.
Kafr Kasem On Road 5	Manned by the IDF. Operating 24 hours for UN, international organisations, and Israelis. It allows them to enter Israel via the closed area behind the Barrier.
Nablus:	
Huwwara Southern main entrance	Manned by the IDF. Operating from 0500 to 2300 hours for humanitarian organisations and Palestinian pedestrians. Israeli citizens can pass only after prior liaison with the IDF. Public transportation and private vehicles need permits to cross between 0600 and 2100 hours. Commercial trucks are not allowed to pass. During the week, delays and long queues were reported.
Beit Iba Western entrance, mainly for trade	Manned by the IDF. Operating from 0500 to 2300 hours for humanitarian organisations and Palestinians. Israeli citizens, Palestinian holders of Jerusalem IDs and holders of international passports can pass only following prior liaison with the IDF. Public transportation, commercial trucks, trucks carrying aggregates and private vehicles need permits to cross. Only 63 trucks with special permits are allowed to use the checkpoint. During the week, delays and long queues were reported.
Al Tur Southern checkpoint connecting the Samaritan area of Jarzim with Nablus City	Manned by the IDF. Operating from 0630 to 1930 hours from Sunday to Friday for Samaritans and 13 Palestinian non-Samaritan families living east of the checkpoint.
Beit Furik Eastern checkpoint	Manned by the IDF. A major linkage between Nablus and the Jordan Valley area. Operating from 0500 to 2100 hours. Palestinians travelling out of Beit Furik and Beit Dajan must enter Nablus City through this checkpoint and then cross through other Nablus checkpoints to reach their destinations.
Shave Shomeron Northwest, main road to Jenin	Manned by the IDF. Closed since 15 August 2005 for Palestinians as well as for ambulances, UN and humanitarian organisations. For the

	latter category, the checkpoint was temporarily opened between 1 and 28 March 2007, after which it was re-closed.
Tappuah <i>South, main road to Ramallah</i>	Manned by the IDF. Operating 24 hours. Controls Palestinian movement southwards on Roads 60 and 505. During the reporting period, delays and long queues were reported.
17' 'Asira ash Shamaliya <i>On road leading to Nablus's northern villages</i>	Manned by the IDF. Open between 0500 to 2300, the IDF manning the checkpoint allows all traffic through during the opening hours. Random checks were reported.
Yizhar, Partial CP	Manned by the IDF. Located north of Huwwara village on Road 60.
Majdal Bani Fadel Partial CP	Manned by the IDF. Controls access to areas north of Road 505.
Al Badhan, Partial CP	Manned by the IDF. Located on Road 57 leading to the Jordan Valley, Tubas and Jenin. On 23 June, the checkpoint was closed for ten hours due to a security alert.
Jenin :	
Al Jalama (Green Line CP)	Manned by the IDF. A crossing for workers and traders to enter Israel. Operating between 0530 to 2000 hours Sunday to Thursday and 0530 to 1400 hours on Fridays.
Reikhan/ Barta'a <i>Main gate to the Barta'a ash-Sharqiya/ Umm ar Rihan enclave</i>	Manned by an Israeli private company. Operating between 0500 to 2200 hours for Palestinians living in the enclave behind the Barrier as well as UN and international organisations crossing in their vehicles. 40 vehicles with their plate numbers on a list at the checkpoint are allowed to transport foodstuff into the closed area behind the Barrier. Other materials need prior coordination.
Salim DCO (Green Line CP)	Manned by the IDF. Entrance to the Israeli DCL.
Mevo Dotan <i>On Road 585 near Ya'bad</i>	Manned by the IDF. Operating from 0400 to 2300 hours for all Palestinians.
Tubas :	
Bisan <i>Main entrance to Israel On the Green Line</i>	Located north of Tubas. Since 9 January 2007, the checkpoint is officially open from 1000 to 1800 hours Sunday through Thursday, 0600 to 1200 hours on Fridays, and closed on Saturdays and Jewish holidays. Palestinians holding both businessman cards and permits to enter Israel are allowed to cross. Palestinians working for international organisations continue to be prohibited from using Bisan checkpoint.
Tayasir <i>Gate to the Tubas eastern agricultural lands in the Jordan Valley</i>	Previously the main road to the Jordan Valley, Tubas and Jenin. Operating from 0300 to 2200 hours. As of 26 April 2007, an Israeli permit is no longer required at this checkpoint. All Palestinians from the West Bank governorates are allowed to cross on foot through the pedestrian lane. Only residents of Jericho and the Jordan Valley are permitted to cross using public transportation or their private vehicles. Delays were reported during the reporting period.
Maale Efrayim <i>Southeast connecting Jericho and Nablus</i>	Connects Jericho and Nablus governorates. Operating from 0600 to 2200 hours. Only Palestinians who are residents of Jericho and the Jordan Valley are permitted to use this checkpoint.
Hamra <i>East, before closure regime main road to Jordan and Nablus</i>	Previously the main road to the Jordan Valley and Nablus. Operating from 0300 to 2200 hours. As of 26 April 2007, an Israeli permit is no longer required at this checkpoint. All Palestinians from the West Bank governorates are allowed to cross on foot through the pedestrian lane. Only residents of Jericho and the Jordan Valley are permitted to cross using public transportation or their private vehicles. Long delays continue to be experienced for both pedestrians and vehicular traffic on a daily basis.
Ramallah/Al Bireh:	
Bet El/DCO	Since 20 August 2007 the checkpoint has been in operation from 0600 to 2000 hours. Access in vehicles is reserved only for diplomats, foreign passport holders, UN staff, international humanitarian organisations, PRCS and PMRS ambulances, staff of the water and electricity companies and Palestinians with special work permits. As of 14 January 2008, a Border Police company now mans the checkpoint.
'Atara Bridge	Manned by the Border Police. No permits are required to cross the checkpoint. As of 1 December 2007, random checks of Palestinian vehicles and IDs going through the checkpoint are reported in both directions. During the reporting period, long delays were experienced on a daily basis.
An Nabi Salih gate, Partial CP	Usually Open.
At Tayba / Rimmonim <i>At intersection between Road 458 and Road 449</i> Partial CP	On 31 March 2008, some but not all installations were removed. Passage is permitted for all Palestinians and the checkpoint continues to operate on a random basis.
Makkabim <i>On Highway 443</i>	Usually open for Israelis, Jerusalem ID holders and foreign passport holders. Road 443 is off-limits to West Bank Palestinians, except those with permits to enter East Jerusalem and Israel.

Ni'lin	Operating daily 24 hours for Israelis, Jerusalem ID holders, and foreign passport holders. Palestinian merchants with BMC cards, workers inside Israel, coordinated medical cases and holders of Israeli permits for personal needs are allowed through the checkpoint.
Rantis	Operating daily 24 hours for Israelis and holders of Jerusalem IDs and foreign passports. West Bank Palestinians are not allowed to cross irrespective of their possession of permits to enter Israel.
Jericho:	
DCO <i>Main checkpoint off Road 1</i>	Operating 24 hours/day. As of 26 September 2007, all West Bank ID-holders can enter Jericho via the DCO checkpoint. Palestinians from the north of the West Bank (Nablus, Qalqiliya, Jenin, Tulkarm) are not allowed to exit Jericho via this checkpoint and are hence forced to take the old road to Ramallah via Yitav checkpoint. All other West Bank ID-holders may exit Jericho via the DCO checkpoint or Yitav to Ramallah. On several occasions during the reporting period, the IDF kept only one line of the checkpoint open for the cars in both directions which resulted in traffic jams and long delays.
Al Auja (Yitav) <i>On Road 90</i>	Operating 24 hours/day for Palestinians living in Jericho governorate. Palestinians with West Bank IDs who are not Jordan Valley residents are prohibited from crossing northward to Al Auja through this checkpoint unless they hold Israeli permits that allow them access to the area. No permit is required for those travelling between Jericho and Ramallah. During the reporting period, some delays were reported.
Gate opposite Allenby <i>Checkpoint off Road 90</i>	Gate manned by the IDF but remains closed. Soldiers open the gate only for shuttle buses taking Palestinians to Jordan via Allenby Border crossing.
An Nwemeh, Partial CP <i>North Jericho</i>	Open. The checkpoint leads to al Mu'arrajat road, the only road out of Jericho for residents of Ramallah and the northern West Bank.
Dead Sea Became a partial checkpoint as of 2 January 2008	Located on Road 90 near the Dead Sea. Since 2 January 2008, operates as a partial checkpoint. Palestinians holding West Bank ID cards and Palestinian-plated vehicles are denied access to the Dead Sea area whenever the IDF operates the checkpoint, which is at random during weekdays and 24 hours per day on Fridays and Saturdays.
Jerusalem :	
Qalandiya	Open for internationals, Jerusalem ID holders and Palestinians with West Bank IDs. Only drivers and their family members are allowed to cross while staying inside the vehicle. All other persons, both West Bank and Jerusalem ID holders, have to cross through the pedestrian lanes. As of 10 December, Israeli private security guards are present at the checkpoint along with the IDF for extra random security checks. Long delays during rush hours continue to be reported on a daily basis at both the vehicular and pedestrian lanes.
Hizma <i>Eastern entrance of junction</i> <i>Road 437/Psigat Ze'ev</i> <i>settlement</i>	Open for Israelis, Palestinians with Jerusalem ID cards and internationals. UN staff have been requested on several occasions to show personal IDs/national passports in addition to their UN ID card. As of 3 February 2006, Palestinians with valid permits are not allowed to cross unless they also are employees at international organisations, medical staff, chronic patients, teachers or BMC Card holders.
Zayem <i>North eastern entrance, on</i> <i>Road 1</i>	Open for Israelis, Palestinians with Jerusalem IDs, internationals, Palestinians working for international organisations, medical staff, chronic patients, teachers and BMC Card holders. Palestinian permit holders who do not belong to one of these categories are not allowed to cross.
Ar Ram <i>Northern entrance, on Road 60</i>	Open for internationals, diplomats, Palestinians working for international organisations and residents of the southern part of Dahiyat al Bareed whose names and ID numbers are registered on a list at the checkpoint. All other Palestinians, both holders of Jerusalem IDs and permit holders, are not allowed to cross since this is not one of the four Israeli-designated crossings into Jerusalem. During the reporting period, long delays were reported during rush hours.
Bir Nabala / Atarot <i>Northern entrance on Road</i> <i>404 /45 Road Atarot Junction</i>	Open for Israelis, Palestinians with Jerusalem ID cards, Palestinians with valid permits and internationals. Residents of the Palestinian village An Nabi Samwil are permitted to cross to access their village only.
Ramot Allon <i>North western entrance on</i> <i>Road 436</i>	Open for Israelis, Palestinians with Jerusalem ID cards and internationals. As of 25 March 2008, Palestinians travelling between Bir Nabala and Biddu enclaves are no longer allowed through the checkpoint and all movements are directed to the new "fabric of life" sunken road and tunnel between Al Jib and Biddu under Road 436.
Shu'fat Refugee Camp/ Anata Checkpoint	Operating 24 hours for Palestinians with Jerusalem IDs and UN and international organisations. West Bank Palestinians need permits to

	cross. West Bank vehicles are not allowed to cross. Commercial trucks transporting merchandise from places other than Shu'fat Camp are not allowed to cross and must use Beituniya checkpoint.
Container ("Wadi nar") <i>East of Abu Dis, main transit between north and south West Bank</i>	Manned by the Border Police. Operating for all Palestinian vehicles without permits and for internationals. Israeli yellow-plated cars are not allowed to cross. Delays continue to be reported on a daily basis. During the reporting period, the IDF started construction work which, according to the Israeli DCL, is to upgrade the checkpoint and improve access for Palestinians.
Az Zaytoun (olive) <i>North eastern entrance on Road 1</i>	Operating 24 hours. Access is permitted for Jerusalem ID holders, other Palestinians holding West Bank IDs and valid permits, and internationals with valid Israeli visas (all pedestrians). No vehicles are allowed to cross.
Lazarus	Manned by the IDF. Allows access to Jerusalem for 300 residents of the Abu Dis neighbourhood adjacent to the checkpoint who have Jerusalem IDs and have their names on a list held at the checkpoint.
Sheikh Sa'd	Manned by the IDF. Permits access to Jerusalem for Jerusalem ID holders who are residents of Ash Sheikh Sa'd, which is located to the east of the Barrier. Palestinians with West Bank IDs who are residents of Ash Sheikh Sa'd are allowed into Jerusalem through this checkpoint if they possess an Israeli permit.
As Sawahira ash Sharqiya	Manned by the IDF. Allows Jerusalem residents of As Sawahira al Gharbiya who live adjacent to the barrier to access As Sawahira ash Sharqiya, which is located to the east of the Barrier.
Rafat / Al Masyion <i>On the new road between Rafat and Bir Nabala village</i>	On the "Fabric of Life" road between Ramallah and Bir Nabala, near Rafat village. As of 5 March, the checkpoint is manned by the Border Police. Long delays continued to be reported on a daily basis. Delays during the morning and evening rush hours reached up to 30 minutes.
Shu'fat – Ras Khamees	Manned by the Border Police. Open for vehicular and pedestrian movements for Jerusalem ID holders. Palestinians with West bank IDs who possess permits to cross into Jerusalem are not allowed to cross through this checkpoint.
Jaba' Between Jaba' Junction and Qalandiya CP	Open. New installations are being added by the IDF. Delays of up to 25 minutes were experienced during rush hours for those entering Ramallah.
Qawasmi <i>Northern entrance at roundabout on road between Atarot and Qalandiya</i>	Manned by the Border Police. Open for Israelis, Palestinians with Jerusalem ID cards or valid permits and internationals. Vehicle checks for those traveling towards Qalandiya and Beit Hanina are conducted.
Al Jib <i>A checkpoint and a gate</i>	Manned by Border Police. Allows 24/7 access for residents of Al Khalayleh neighbourhood (about 700 Palestinians caught between the barrier and Giv'at Ze'ev settlement). Palestinians with work permits to work in Giv'at Ze'ev settlement are allowed access according to the times stipulated on their permits. The checkpoint serves as a seasonal gate for farmers from Al Jib to access their land following prior coordination with the Israeli Civil administration.
Bethlehem :	
Gilo (Rachel's Tomb) <i>Terminal at north entrance to Bethlehem leading to Jerusalem</i>	Manned by the Israeli Border Police. Operating 24 hours for humanitarian organisations, diplomats, Jerusalem ID holders and Palestinian permit holders. West Bank Palestinians (including those working for the UN and other international agencies) must walk through the terminal to undergo search procedures. Jerusalem ID holders travelling to Bethlehem City are asked to show their IDs. Yellow-plated tourist buses are allowed to cross only if driven by a Palestinian with Israeli citizenship. Palestinians holding valid work permits can access East Jerusalem and Israel through this checkpoint after showing their IDs, work permits, and occasionally their magnetic cards as well as sometimes undergoing hand print scanning.
An Nu'man <i>On the main entrance of Khallet an Nu'man from Beit Sahur side</i>	Manned by the Israeli Border Police. Only Palestinians living in An Nu'man and listed vehicles and drivers of service providers are allowed through. Extended family members are not allowed to visit Palestinian residents. International organisations wishing to enter the village are required to hold a permit, show their organisation's ID and their national IDs and/or passports. As of 31 August 2007, the checkpoint is open to settlers from 0600 to 1800 hours to allow them to travel on the newly opened Jerusalem-Gush Herodion highway.
Ein Yallow / Al Walaja <i>Bypass road east of Walaja, on Green Line</i>	Manned by the Israeli Border Police. Previously known as Ein Yallow. Operating 24 hours only for Israeli-plated cars, international organisations and commercial trucks.
Beit Jala DCO, Partial CP <i>Entrance to Beit Jala</i>	Rarely-manned. Operating 24 hours and movement is allowed in both directions for all vehicles.

Tunnels <i>Road 60 at Har Gilo</i>	Operating 24 hours. Manned by the Israeli Border Police and private security personnel since 23 February 2007. Palestinians working for international organisations are requested to show their local IDs and permits to cross into Jerusalem. Other Palestinian permit holders are not allowed to cross and are redirected to Gilo checkpoint. Commercial trucks are permitted to cross from 1100 to 1600 hours. Palestinian ambulances use the back-to-back system to send patients to hospitals in East Jerusalem or Israel.
Settler checkpoint: Mizpe Shalem – Efrata	Open 24 hours. Manned by Israeli settlers and there are restrictions on the movement of Palestinians beyond it. Previously known as settlers-Efrat checkpoint.
Gush Etzion <i>On Road 60, at Etzion roundabout</i>	Open 24 hours. IDF soldiers sometimes check northbound vehicles. Private Palestinian plated cars can pass.
Wadi Fukin <i>Crossing to Israel on Road 375. Not on the Green Line</i>	Operating 24 hours for Israelis and staff of international organisations.
Al Jab'a <i>Crossing to Israel on Road 36. Not on the Green Line</i>	Open 24 hours for Israelis and staff of international organisations. Operating from 0500 to 1900 hours for Palestinians with work permits to cross through the pedestrian lane to work in Israel. Land levelling and construction is ongoing to enlarge the checkpoint. On 3 March, the IDF and Israeli security personnel operating the checkpoint informed commercial trucks holding the appropriate papers to access Israel that they would not be allowed to go through the checkpoint anymore and that all commercial traffic will be re-directed to Tarqumiya crossing.
Betar Illit <i>Access to the settlement of Betar Illit and nearby Palestinian lands.</i>	Palestinian land owners can access their land, which is beyond the checkpoint, upon showing personal IDs.
Mitzpe Shalem <i>On Road 90, along Dead Sea</i>	Operating 24 hours; restricted for Palestinian movement.
Hebron :	
Beit Awwa, Partial CP <i>At entrance to Negohot settlement, on Road 354</i>	Crossing on Road 354. Manned by the Border Police. Operating 24 hours with occasional ID checks.
Tarqumiya <i>Entrance for commercial goods (back-to-back), west of Hebron on Road 35 for both Hebron and Bethlehem governorates. Not on the Green Line.</i>	Palestinian workers from Bethlehem and Hebron governorates holding valid work permits are allowed to cross from 0500 to 1700 hours. During the reporting period, long delays of trucking movement were reported due to the new procedures enforced by the IDF after the opening of the new Tarqumiya Terminal. On 6 April 2008, control of the checkpoint reverted to a private company.
Meitar <i>Crossing to Israeli. Road 60 on the Green Line.</i>	Manned by the Border Police and operating from 0500 to 1900 hours Sundays through Thursdays. On Fridays, the checkpoint operates from 0500 to 1300 hours and on Saturdays it is closed. Checks are conducted using palm identification. Palestinian workers with valid permits are permitted to cross.
Shani <i>At turn for Shani settlement on Road 317. On the Green Line.</i>	Manned by the IDF. Only Israeli plated cars are allowed to cross. Palestinian workers cannot use the checkpoint to access Israel.
Beit Yatir <i>On Road 316, at the turn for Imneizel. Not on the Green Line</i>	Operating 24 hours and manned by the IDF. Restricts the movement of Palestinians living near the settlement of Beit Yatir south of the checkpoint. The Terminal is operational and the checkpoint was pushed back behind the roundabout. Palestinians living in Imneizil can now access their village without having to cross the checkpoint. Palestinians living beyond the checkpoint have their names listed with the IDF to allow them passage. Friends and family members holding Palestinian IDs cannot visit their relatives in the area since their names are not on the list.
Prayers Road, H2 <i>Access to area of Ibrahimi Mosque</i>	Closed to Palestinians. During the reporting period, both Israeli settlers and IDF soldiers prevented Palestinian residents from accessing this road.
Shohada street, H2 <i>Western entrance to Shohada street</i>	Open to Palestinians living beyond the checkpoint and in the Tel Rumeida area. Access is possible only on foot. Palestinians and internationals have to go through a mobile metal detector.
Ibrahimi Mosque, H2 <i>Access to the Mosque</i>	Worshippers and visitors are searched upon entry. Residents living near the Mosque must hold a special permit to gain access to their homes.
Bab Al Baladiyye , H2 <i>Next to settlement of Beit Romano</i>	This checkpoint is closed to Palestinians heading in the direction of Shohada Street and a new gate has been installed across the road blocking physical access towards it.
Qarantina, H2 <i>Junction with Shohada Street</i>	Closed to Palestinians. Entry point for Palestinian firetrucks and ambulances. No longer allows passage to international humanitarian

	organisations although TIPH and ICRC staff have reported being able to use it.
Bab Al-Khan, H2 <i>Entrance to Avraham Avinu</i>	Closed to Palestinians travelling to Shohada Street and north towards the market.
Tel Rumeida, H2 <i>Beginning of street leading to settlement</i>	Open to Palestinian pedestrians living between the checkpoint and the settlement. A military order was issued on 17 July 2006 that declared the area beyond the checkpoint a "Closed Area", barring the entry of anyone except Israeli citizens, the IDF, Israeli Police and those with an IDF-issued permit.
Al Kasaba, H2 <i>Exit from the Kasaba, old city (Tomb of the Patriarchs)</i>	Filters Palestinian movement from the Kasaba area directly to the Ibrahimi Mosque. Palestinians exiting Al Kasaba must go through several turnstiles and a metal detector that allow one person to pass at a time. The process is slow during Friday prayers.
Abu Rish, H2 <i>Near the Abu Rish Mosque at the end of Al Shohada St.</i>	Manned by the IDF. The only official access point for international organisations into the Old City of Hebron. Palestinians have to go through a mobile metal detector.
Ar Ramadin <i>Not on the Green Line.</i>	This checkpoint was removed on 17 October 2007. Located at intersection between Ar Ramadin entrance and Road 325.
Halhul – Sa'ir, Partial CP <i>Also called 'Nabi Younis' CP)</i>	Located at Halhul's entrance on the junction between Halhul and Sa'ir on Road 60. Monitored from the nearby observation tower.
Al Fawwar, Partial CP <i>Al Fawwar-Dura junction</i>	On Road 60. Monitored from the nearby observation tower.
Tarqumiya – Idhna, Partial CP	On Road 35. Manned on a temporary basis by the Israeli Border Police.
Ras Al Joura, Partial CP	Located near the junction between Road 35 and Road 60. Manned on a temporary basis by the IDF.
Gaza Crossings/Checkpoints	
Erez crossing	<p>Erez was open on six days this week for Internationals and Palestinians obtaining special co-ordination. On 5 July, the crossing was closed.</p> <p>On 2 and 3 July, Erez was open for Internationals and Palestinians with special co-ordination; however, the crossing closed at 1500 hours for pedestrians leaving Gaza.</p> <p>On 7 July, Erez was open for Internationals and Palestinians with special co-ordination. The crossing was closed between 0900 and 1100 hours.</p> <p>On 8 July, Erez was open for Internationals and Palestinians with special co-ordination. The crossing closed at 1430 hours for pedestrians.</p> <p>The crossing remains closed for Palestinian workers since 12 March 2006.</p>
Rafah Passenger Crossing	<p>Rafah crossing continues to be closed since 9 June 2007 but it has been exceptionally opened on several occasions to allow medical and other cases to cross to Egypt or return to Gaza.</p> <p>2 July: At 1200 hours Rafah terminal was opened for patients and Palestinians holding residency permits in Arab countries. The terminal closed at 1350 hours, however, and no one crossed.</p> <p>3 July: between 0930 hours -1700 hours, Rafah terminal was open for arrivals to Gaza; 558 Palestinians reportedly crossed from Egypt to the Gaza Strip.</p> <p>According to police officers at Rafah crossing, at least five thousand people needing to leave Gaza for medical treatment, schooling, trading and other reasons applied for permits.</p>
Commercial checkpoints:	
Tulkarm/Qalqiliya	
Taybeh (Green Line CP)	Manned by an Israeli private company. The back-to-back system is operational for goods traffic from 0800 to 1600 hours Sunday to Thursday. It is closed on Fridays and Saturdays. It is open between 0730 to 1600 hours Sunday to Thursday and between 0730 to 1300 hours on Fridays.
Nablus	
Awarta checkpoint <i>Main commercial checkpoint in Nablus since July 2003</i>	Manned by the IDF. Open from 0600 to 1800 hours Sunday to Thursday and 0600 to 1300 hours on Fridays. Closed on Saturday. About 120 commercial trucks have permits to cross whereas all other loads must be transferred using the back-to-back system.
Jenin	

Al Jalama (Green Line CP) <i>Main commercial checkpoint</i>	Manned by the IDF. Open between 0800 to 1600 hours Sunday to Thursday and 0800 to 1200 hours on Fridays.
Tubas	
Bisan <i>Main entrance to Israel</i>	Located north of Tubas. From 9 January 2007 to 31 May 2008, the checkpoint has been open from 1000 to 1800 hours Sunday through Thursday and from 0700 to 1300 hours on Fridays. It is closed on Saturdays and Jewish holidays. Since 1 June 2008, the checkpoint operates on Sundays and Wednesdays only, from 1000 to 1800 hours. Outside of these hours and days, the checkpoint operates sporadically. It is open for Palestinian merchants from the Jordan Valley area to export their agricultural produce to Israel using the back-to-back system.
Ramallah/AI Bireh	
Beituniya <i>Back-to-back checkpoint</i>	This checkpoint is open for commercial goods (back-to-back system) and operates from 0700 to 1630 hours Sunday to Thursday and 0700 to 1200 hours on Fridays. It is closed on Saturdays and Jewish holidays. Only Palestinians holding Jerusalem IDs and driving Israeli yellow-plated trucks are allowed to cross without using the back-to-back system, and then only if the bill of lading stipulates Kafr 'Aqab and/or Sameeramees as offloading destinations. It is not open for private cars or pedestrians. As of 1 July 2007, UN staff and diplomats are not allowed to cross at this location.
Hebron	
Tarqumiya <i>West of Hebron on Road 35</i>	Provides entry for commercial goods from both Hebron and Bethlehem governorates. The back-to-back section is open from 0700 to 1700 hours Sunday to Thursday and 0700 to 1300 on Fridays. All cargo is checked by the Border Police and a container x-ray machine is on site. During the reporting period, long delays for commercial trucks were reported. Since 6 April, control of the checkpoint has been reverted to a private company.
Gaza Strip	
Karni	The conveyor belt operated only on four days this week (2, 3, 7 and 8 July) for the transfer of grains and animal feed into Gaza.
Sufa	Sufa crossing was open on five days this week. It was closed on 4 and 5 July.
Kerem Shalom	Kerem Shalom was closed this week for the entry of commercial and humanitarian goods. This crossing has been closed since a Palestinian suicide attack targeting an IDF military base at the crossing on 19 April 08.
Nahal Oz Energy Pipelines	Nahal Oz energy pipelines were completely closed on 4 and 5 July. It was open on five days this week. On 3 July, it was only partially open, however. These pipelines are scheduled to be open six days a week.

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Method and Sources

The information used to compile these Briefing Notes comes from a range of sources with a field presence in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip. The accuracy of the reported information is ensured through the corroboration of reports by two additional sources. Typically, the OCHA Field Coordination Unit (FCU) receives an initial incident report from a source, which is verified through visits to the incident site in addition to further corroboration with a third source, such as an NGO. In addition, OCHA FCU collects military orders as documentary evidence and provides information on incidents witnessed in person.

In the interests of timeliness and readability, the sources are not listed for each incident within the texts of the report. Listed below are the sources relied upon each week in compiling this Briefing:

- Physical protection: OCHA FCU, Palestine Red Crescent Society (PRCS), United Nations Relief Works Agency (UNRWA), World Health Organisation (WHO), Israel Defence Forces (IDF) website, Israel Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MFA), offices of Palestinian Authority (PA) governors, Palestinian District Civilian Liaison (DCL).
- Shelter and property: OCHA FCU, UNRWA, Palestinian DCL.
- Natural Resources: OCHA FCU, Al Mezan Center for Human Rights, UNRWA, Palestinian DCL, Village Councils, Land Defence Committee and Land Research Centre.
- Access for Medical Assistance: OCHA FCU, WHO, PRCS, Palestinian Ministry of Health (MoH), UN World Food Programme, United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), UNRWA.
- Access and Movement for Civilians: Sources: Palestinian DCL, Christian Peacemakers Team (CPT).
- Curfews: OCHA FCU, Village Councils, UNRWA, Palestinian DCL.
- Access to Education: OCHA FCU, UNRWA, UNICEF, Palestinian DCL, Village Councils.
- Access to Employment: UNRWA, United Nations Office of the Special Coordinator for the Middle East (UNSCO), Palestinian Ministry of Labour (MoL), Palestinian DCL, Palestinian Chamber of Commerce, Israeli DCL.
- Closures/Movement Restrictions: OCHA FCU, UNRWA.
- Additional Protection issues: OCHA FCU, UNRWA, United Nations Department of Safety and Security (UNDSS), UNSCO, Palestinian DCLs, Palestinian Governors' offices, Al Mezan Center for Human Rights, IDF.