

Glossary of Terms

Barrier	A complex series of concrete walls, electronic fences, observations towers, trenches, patrol roads and razor wire used to block or control the movement of Palestinian pedestrians and vehicles in the West Bank and East Jerusalem
Barrier gate	Allows restricted movement through the Barrier to Palestinian lands and to Israel. Permits are required for Palestinians to pass through a gate.
Checkpoint	A barrier manned by the IDF, used to block or control the access of Palestinian pedestrians and vehicles.
Closed areas	Areas of the oPt enclosed between the Green Line and the Barrier. Palestinians living in these areas face an uncertain future in terms of their personal status and that of their lands. They must obtain special "green permits" to continue residing there. The IDF has issued a military order declaring the areas located between the Barrier and the Green Line in Jenin, Tulkarm and Qalqiliya districts as a "closed area".
DCL	District Civilian Liaison office
DCO	District Coordination Office
Earth mound	A mound of rubble, dirt and/or rocks used to obstruct vehicle access.
Enclave	An area of the oPt encircled by the Barrier
IDF	Israeli Defense Forces
Roadblock	A series of 1 metre high concrete blocks used to obstruct vehicle access.
Semi-enclave	An area of the oPt encircled by the Barrier with one access route.
Observation tower	An elevated military tower to monitor/control Palestinian pedestrian and vehicular access.
oPt	occupied Palestinian territory – West Bank and Gaza

Endnotes

1. This update has been compiled by the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) and the United Nations Refugee and Works Agency (UNRWA). The maps and information used in this report are based on satellite imagery and field work by the UN OCHA and UNRWA. The planned Barrier route is based on a map published by the government of Israel, Ministry of Defense, Seam Zone Authority 20 February 2005 and land requisition orders issued by Israel that have been collected from local authorities and IDF liaison offices.
2. 1 acre = 4 dunums = 0.4 hectares
3. Palestinian community population figures based on the Palestinian Bureau of Statistics (PCBS) 1997 census, 2005 estimates and the Statistical Yearbook of Jerusalem, 2002.
4. Israeli settlement population figures are taken from the Research Department of the Knesset – 2003. Israeli population estimates for East Jerusalem taken from Jerusalem on the Map, International Peace and Cooperation Center, 2003.
5. Response of the Israeli State Attorney, 23 Feb. 2005, HCJ 4938/05 paragraph 439.
6. Information from B'Tselem, Behind The Barrier: Human Rights Violations As a Result of Israel's Separation Barrier, April 2003, 6-7.
7. <http://www.seamzone.mod.gov.il>
8. Annex II- Summary legal position of the Palestinian Liberation Organization, report of the Secretary-General prepared pursuant to General Assembly resolution ES-10/13, A/ES-10/248 24 November 2003.
9. Report of the Secretary-General prepared pursuant to General Assembly resolution ES-10/13, A/ES-10/248 paragraphs 29-30, 24 November 2003.
10. Palestinian community population figures based on the Palestinian Bureau of Statistics (PCBS) 1997 census, 2005 estimates and the Statistical Yearbook of Jerusalem, 2002. For villages with less than 100 residents – 1997 census figures are used. The Barta'a ash Sharqiya Village Council reports 5,000 residents in this area, a slightly larger figure than the official PCBS estimate.
11. Meeting with the Jenin-Israeli DCO and OCHA field staff, 10 February 2005.
12. Palestinian Hydrology Group 2005
13. In May 2004 land requisition orders were issued covering 22 dunums (2.2 hectares).
14. Land obtained for the building of the Barrier is requisitioned from Palestinian landowners by the Israel Ministry of Defense through military orders. The orders generally become effective on the date they are signed and are valid even if they are not personally served to the property owners. Most orders are valid until 31 December 2005 and can be renewed.
15. The petition was submitted by The Association for Civil Rights in Israel (ACRI) and The Jerusalem Centre for Human Rights in July 2004.
16. Israeli settlement population figures are taken from the Research Department of the Knesset – 2003. Israeli population estimates for East Jerusalem taken from Jerusalem on the Map, International Peace and Cooperation Center, 2003.
17. Israeli Ministry of the Interior – Population Registry, December 2004
18. Meetings held with Ramallah and Jerusalem Israeli DCL's on 18 July 2004 and 27 January 2005 respectively.
19. The Jerusalem Institute for Israel studies estimates as many as 130,000 Palestinians holding Jerusalem IDs travel daily through crossings around the Jerusalem Barrier. Presentation on the Security Fence in Jerusalem area – Objectives, Impact and implications, Jerusalem, 16 January 2005.
20. Interview with the Ar Ram Ministry of Education and OCHA field staff, 21 June 2004.
21. For more information on the humanitarian impact created by Barrier construction in Ar Ram areas, see the United Nations, The Humanitarian Impact of the West Bank Barrier on Palestinian Communities, 1 September 2004, Update No.4.
22. The exact number of people moving out of Jerusalem is not known, however the Jerusalem Institute of Israel Studies reports that approximately 10 trucks filled with furniture passed daily Ar Ram checkpoint heading for areas in East Jerusalem. Presentation on the Security Fence in Jerusalem area – Objectives, Impact and implications, 16 January 2005.
23. United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestinian Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA), West Bank Refugee Camp Profiles, updated 31 December 2003.
24. Interview with the 'Anata head of local council and OCHA field staff, 9 February 2005.
25. Meeting held with the Jerusalem-Israeli DCL and OCHA field staff, 27 January 2005.
26. Interview with the Palestinian Committee against the Barrier and OCHA field staff, 9 February 2005.
27. Interview with the 'Anata village council and OCHA field staff, 9 February 2005.
28. Meeting held with the Jerusalem-Israeli DCL and OCHA field staff, 27 January 2005.
29. Interview conducted with Deputy Director of the Arab Orphanage Industrial School and OCHA field staff, 14 February 2005.
30. For more information, see the OCHA/UNSCO publications entitled Costs of Conflict: The Changing Face of Bethlehem, December 2004
31. This figure does not include Bedouin communities.
32. Barrier Gates are considered 'closed' if they are not open for Palestinian use at the time of reporting. They may have been open during the reporting period – for example Seasonal Gates.
33. The Imreiha Barrier gate is also known to Palestinians as Barta'a gate. The IDF refer to this gate as Reikhan.



United Nations - Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs

occupied Palestinian territory

P.O.Box 38712, Jerusalem, Tel.: +972-2-582 9962 / 5853 Fax: +972-2-582 5841

E-mail: ochaopt@un.org, Website: www.ochaopt.org