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Protection of Civilians - Weekly Briefing Notes

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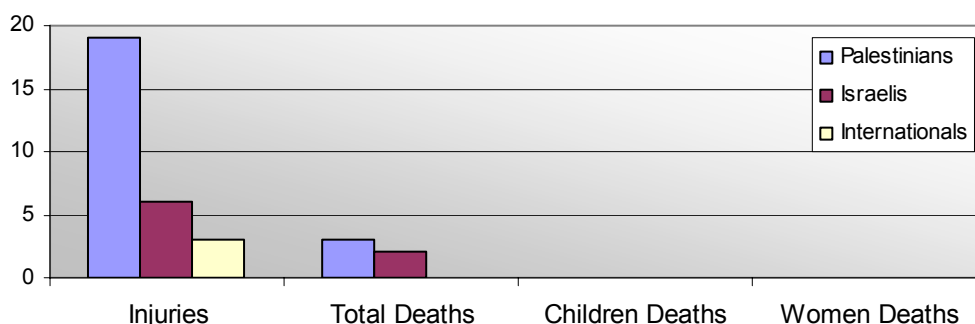
Protection – Deaths and injuries ▪ **Shelter and Property** – People displaced, House demolitions, Demolition orders ▪ **Natural Resources** – Land levelling, Requisitions, Tree Uprooting ▪ **Access for Medical Assistance** – Incidents involving safety and movement of ambulances, medical teams, humanitarian organisations ▪ **Access and Movement for Civilians** – Curfews, Access to education, Access to employment, Closures/Movement restrictions ▪ **Additional Protection Issues**

Of note this week:

- The incidents of violence increased this week, resulting in the deaths of three Palestinians and two Israelis.
- A total of 37 homemade rockets, mortar shells and anti tanks missiles were fired from different locations in the Gaza Strip toward Israeli settlements and nearby Israeli towns, IDF installations and Karni (see section 6).
- On several occasions, Israeli settlers set fire to Palestinian agricultural land. In two cases, a total of approximately 400 trees were destroyed (see section 3).

1. Physical Protection¹

Casualties



Selected Incidents:

- **17 June:** One male Palestinian was injured when the IDF opened fire from the direction of Rafah passengers' terminal at people gathered at the Palestinian area of the terminal.
- **17 June:** A 70-year-old Palestinian woman from Al 'Aza refugee camp died while trying to reach Al-Maqased hospital in East Jerusalem, near the Gilo checkpoint, north of Bethlehem. The woman, who had no permit to enter Jerusalem, fell sick and died of heart failure. Details about the nature of the incident have yet to be confirmed (This death has not been included in the total; statistics and further details will be updated as evidence merits).
- **16 to 21 June:** Demonstrations against the Barrier were held throughout the week including in Bil'in, Ramallah; Marda village, Salfit; and Imneizil, south Hebron. In total 10 Palestinians, three internationals and two Israeli activists were reported injured.
- **18 June:** One Palestinian militant was killed and one injured after they fired at the Israeli settlement Kfar Darom, the Gaza Strip, and IDF forces returned fire. In a separate incident, one IDF soldier was injured when two mortar shells were fired by Palestinian militants in the direction of Gadid settlement in Khan Younis.
- **18 June:** A group of Israeli settlers attacked Palestinians living in the Al Mawassi area, the Gaza Strip. Three Palestinians were injured, one by a bullet.

¹ Two Israelis were injured by the IDF during Barrier demonstrations.

- **19 June:** Palestinian militants fired homemade anti-tank rockets from the direct of Rafah toward the Israeli base in Zurub area on the Philadelphi Corridor. One IDF soldier was killed and two were injured. One of the Palestinian militants was killed when the IDF returned fire.
- **20 June:** IDF troops shot at two Palestinian youths attempting to cross into Israel east of Al Buraij refugee camp. One of the Palestinians was killed and the other was injured.
- **20 June:** Palestinian militants opened fire on an Israeli vehicle near Baqa ash Sharqiya village, Tulkarm. One Israeli settler from Hermesh settlement was shot dead and another settler was injured.

2. Shelter and Property

Date	Location, Governorate	# Structures demolished	# Structures partially destroyed	# People displaced / affected
15 June 2005	Mt of Olives, Jerusalem	1	-	-
15 June 2005	Ath Thuri, Jerusalem	1	-	-
21 June 2005	Arab ar Rashayida village, Bethlehem	2 (tents)	-	-
Total Week		4	0	0

- **15 June:** A three-story building, containing eight apartments, on the Mount of Olives; and a two-storey building, containing two apartments in Ath Thuri, Jerusalem, were demolished on the grounds that they did not have building permits. The buildings were not inhabited.
- **18 June:** Settlers from Kiryat Arba occupied a shoe factory along the "Prayers Road" of H2-Hebron and used it as a site of worship.
- **19 June:** The IDF issued four demolition orders for lack of a building permit for homes, tents, barracks and animal pens in the Bedouin area of Um Al Kher-Al Faqir, in south Hebron. The demolition orders cover five structures hosting four families (33 persons) and some 250 sheep.
- **19 June:** The IDF issued a stop-building order for lack of permit for a house (not inhabited) in Sikka village. Another order was issued for house hosting a family of eight persons in the village of Deir Al'Asal Al Fauqa, in Hebron Governorate.
- **21 June:** Two tents belonging to two Bedouin families were destroyed by the IDF because they were in a military closed area, east of 'Arab ar Rashayida village, Bethlehem.

3. Natural Resources

Land levelling/Requisitions/Tree Uprooting²

Nablus Governorate:

- **19 June:** Settlers from Yits'har settlement destroyed infrastructure and construction material for a water spring that was being built and belongs to Madama village.

Jenin and Tubas Governorates:

- No incidents to report.

Tulkarm Governorate:

- **17 June:** About 1,500 dunums (150 hectares) of agricultural land were burnt in the seam zone area. The land belongs to Palestinian farmers from 'Akkaba and Qaffin villages. The cause of the fire is unknown.
- Ongoing incidents:
 - Land levelling and construction of a tunnel, by Israeli contractors, continue on Road 57 near Kafriat checkpoint to connect Tulkarm city with the villages to the south.

Qalqiliya Governorate:

- **15 June:** Israeli settlers from Kdumim settlement set fire to agricultural land belonging to Palestinian farmers from Kafr Qaddum village. About 100 olive trees were destroyed.
- Ongoing incidents:
 - The IDF continued levelling land North East of Jayyus village to construct a new road that connects Jayyus with Falameya Barrier gate.

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

Salfit Governorate:

- **15 June:** Israeli settlers from Ali Zahav settlement set fire to agricultural land belonging to Palestinian farmers from Kafr ad Dik village. About 300 olive trees were destroyed.
- Ongoing incidents:
 - The IDF continued levelling land North East of Jayyus village to construct a new road that Israeli contractors continued levelling land north of Salfit city, south of Marda village around Ari'el settlement and near Az Zawiya village for the construction of the Barrier.

Ramallah / Al Bireh Governorate:

- **15 June:** Settlers from Ateret bulldozed a small amount of land near Umm Safa. When Palestinians from Umm Safa approached, a fight erupted between the Palestinian land owners and the Israeli settlers. The bulldozer was removed and the work has stopped since then.
- **19 June:** The IDF handed over to the Palestinian DCL two military land requisition orders: Beitilu (No. T/70/5) confiscating 29.6 dunums (2.96 hectares), and in Al Mazra'a al Qibliya (No. T/87/05) confiscating 0.4 dunums (0.04 hectares).
- Ongoing incidents:
 - Land levelling for Barrier construction continues between Budrus to south of al Midya, and between Kharbatha Bani Harith, Bil'in and Saffa villages (all west Ramallah). Land levelling for Barrier construction also continues between Beituniya and Beit 'Ur al Fauqa, between At Tira and Beit Duqqu and south of Beit Liqya.
 - Land levelling for the Barrier has started north and south of Rantis checkpoint

Hebron Governorate:

- **19 June:** In Wadi Hussain area (H2), 15 olive trees were cut down and 15 plum trees were harvested in Palestinian agricultural land adjacent to the Israeli settlement of Kiryat Arba.
- **15 June:** Barrier construction started between the Israeli settlement of Beit Yatir and the Palestinian village of Imneizil. Land levelling is taking place between Road 316 and the main entrance of the village and is likely to cut off the only access point to the village.
- Ongoing incidents:
 - Land levelling for the construction of the Barrier is ongoing along the southern section of the Green Line, east of Shani settlement, Ar Ramadin area and on the western side of Idhna.

Bethlehem Governorate:

- Ongoing incidents:
 - Construction of the Barrier is ongoing in Khamat an Nu'man.
 - Construction on the bypass road in the southern part of Bethlehem Governorate has reached Tko'a settlement. Along the northern section (Za'tara-Beit Sahur), 5 kilometres have been paved while work is ongoing on the section further south.
 - Land levelling and construction is taking place in the settlements of Efrat, Neve Daniel, Har Gilo and Betar Illit B.

Jerusalem Governorate:

- Ongoing incidents:
 - The IDF continued levelling land between Har Adar settlement and Beit Surik. Levelling also continues in the area between Qatanna and Kharayib Umm al Lahim villages and between Beit Ijza and Biddu villages.
 - Construction of the Barrier continued along Road 60 between Qalandiya and Ar-Ram checkpoints. Land levelling to construct a new checkpoint/terminal located south of the current checkpoint is ongoing.
 - Construction and land levelling continued east and west of Qalandiya checkpoint for construction of DCL offices, a parking lot and a road.
 - Land levelling and construction of the Barrier continued alongside the road between Jaba', Hizma and Anata.
 - Land levelling is ongoing near the Coptic housing project and in Wadi Ayyad near Neve Yaakov settlement, as well as on the northern side of 'Anata town.
 - Barrier construction is ongoing on the eastern and southern sides of the village and in Sheikh Sa'd.

Jericho Governorate:

- No incidents to report.

The Gaza Strip:

- No incidents to report.

4. Access for Medical Assistance

West Bank:

Date	Location, Governorate	Affected Organisation	Denial	Delay	Shooting/Damage to Ambulance
15 June 2005	Imreiha, Jenin	UNRWA health team	1	-	-
15 June 2005	Hamra, Nablus	PRCS	-	1	-
15 June 2005	'Anata, Qalqiliya	PRCS	-	1	-
19 June 2005	DCO checkpoint, Ramallah	PRCS	-	1	-
20 June 2005	Road 585, Nablus	UNRWA health team	-	1	-
20 June 2005	Tunnel checkpoint, Bethlehem	PRCS	-	1	-
21 June 2005	Balata Refugee Camp, Nablus	PRCS	-	1	-
Total Week			1	6	0

The Gaza Strip:

- No incidents to report.

5. Access and Movement for Civilians

a) Curfew

Date	Location / Governorate	Duration
20 June 2005	Beit Furik, Nablus	3 hours
20 June 2005	Baqa ash Sharqiya, Tulkarm	30 hours
Total Week	2 incidents	

- 20 June:** The IDF imposed curfew on Baqa ash Sharqiya village, Tulkarm, for a day and a half after the killing of an Israeli settler on the road between the village and Kharmesh settlement. The curfew affected the village of Nazlit 'Isa since the only access road is through Baqa ash Sharqiya.

b) Access to Education

West Bank:

- 18 June:** In the Old City of Hebron, 20 high school students (Tawjihi) from Tariq Bin Ziad School, were delayed by an IDF flying checkpoint for 40 minutes as they were travelling to take their final examines.
- 20 June:** High school students in Baqa ash Sharqiya, Tulkarm, and teachers from other areas were delayed for 30 minutes on the day of general examination test (Tawjihi) due to curfew on the village.

The Gaza Strip:

- No incidents to report.

c) Access to Employment

West Bank: May 2005³

Governorate	Work Permits				Trade Permits
	Israel			Settlements	
	Male	Female	Total		
Nablus	976	0	976	N/A	406
Jenin	1,408	143	1,551	N/A	480
Tubas	140	11	151	N/A	195
Tulkarm	1,417	0	1,417	N/A	700

³ Number of permits will be updated as information becomes available.

Qalqiliya	669	45	714	N/A	590
Salfit	672	10	682	N/A	190
Ramallah and Al Bireh	1,409	13	1,422	N/A	1,325
Jericho	49	0	49	499	234
Bethlehem	1,470	17	1,487	N/A	1,386
Hebron	3,077	3	3,080	N/A	750
Total Permits Issued West Bank	11,287	242	11,529	N/A	6,256

The Gaza Strip:

As of 20 June, the total number of Gaza Strip workers permits was 6,511 including 2,473 with overnight stay; 835 permits were issued to Erez Industrial Zone workers. All workers must be 35 or older and married with children. Overnight stay permits are only issued for workers aged 40 and older.

Date	Workers crossing to Israel	Traders crossing to Israel	Workers crossing to Erez Industrial Estate
15 June 2005	3,376	324	615
16 June 2005	3,566	488	608
17 June 2005	0	0	0
18 June 2005	0	0	0
19 June 2005	4,693	503	0
20 June 2005	4,375	432	0
21 June 2005	3,995	441	0
Total Week	20,005	2,188	1,223

d) Closures/Movement restrictions

Nablus Governorate:

- **15 to 17 June:** The IDF closed Za'atara (Tappuah) checkpoint for Palestinians residence of the northern West Bank travelling south.
- **19 June:** The IDF closed Huwwara checkpoint for 50 minutes after a 15-year-old Palestinian boy was caught at the checkpoint carrying several bullets.

Jenin Governorate:

- No major incidents to report.

Tubas Governorate:

- **20 June:** The IDF closed Tayasir checkpoint for Palestinians.

Tulkarm Governorate:

- **20 June:** The IDF closed all dirt roads leading to Baqa ash Sharqiya and Qaffin villages with earth mounds and conducted an extensive search campaign after the killing of an Israeli settler in the area.
- Ongoing incidents:
 - The IDF continues to prevent Palestinians with Israeli IDs from entering Palestinian controlled areas unless they have relatives living in Tulkarm.

Qalqiliya and Salfit Governorates:

- No major incidents to report.

Ramallah / Al Bireh Governorate:

- Significant changes on the closures have occurred in the Ramallah/Al Bireh Governorate during the reporting period.
 - The IDF opened four roadblocks/earth mounds across the northern entrance to Deir Nidham.
 - In Kafr Malik, five roadblocks/earth mounds on the eastern road between the village and 'Ein Samiya were removed.
 - An earth mound across the main entrance to Sinjil was also removed.
- **18 June:** The gate across the eastern road to Umm Safa was opened, but has not been removed. In Al Mughayyir, a new gate has been installed at the eastern entrance to the village.

Jerusalem Governorate:

- No major incidents to report.

Jericho Governorate:

- Ongoing incidents:
 - Palestinian West Bank non-Jericho Governorate residents are denied access at Yitav checkpoint near Road 449, north Jericho. Since 1 May, Jericho residents can cross the checkpoint from south to north to go to Al Auja. Travel on Road 90 north of Al Auja is not allowed unless they have a special permit from the IDF. Only about five Palestinian villages in the north of Jericho District are allowed to travel on Road 90 north of Yitav checkpoint without a permit.

Hebron Governorate:

- No major incidents to report.

Bethlehem Governorate:

- Two earth mounds were removed near Dar Salah village enabling farmers to reach agricultural land. However, further access toward Jerusalem is currently restricted by Barrier construction in the area.

West Bank: Reported flying checkpoints

Governorate	Location, # of incidents in brackets	Total # of flying checkpoints
Nablus	#57 near Al Badhan (2), #60 near Khomesh settlement, #585 near Kharmesh settlement.	4
Jenin	#60 near 'Ajja, #588 near Zababda,	2
Tubas	North entrance of Tubas city (3), east entrance Tubas city (2), On #588; near Al Far'a (2), near 'Aqqaba, entrance of Tummun	9
Tulkarm	Entrances of; 'Illar, Bal'a, Beit Lid, Deir al Ghusun (2), Baqa ash Sharqiya, 'Attil (2), Qaffin, Al Jarushiya, Shweika, btw; Bal'a and Al 'Attara (2), Shuweika junction (2), As Suwwana, junction to 'Anabta and Enav settlement (7).	23
Qalqiliya	Btw; 'Azzun and Jayyous, entrance of; Kafr Thulth, Qalqiliya city (2), 'Azzun, at Jit junction (4), btw; Jayyous and Kafr Jammal, #55 near Al Funduq,	11
Salfit	Entrance of; Haris	1
Ramallah and Al Bireh	No incidents to report.	0
Jerusalem	Mount Of olives (3), Mikhmas, Shu'fat.	5
Jericho	No incidents to report.	0
Bethlehem	Beit Sahur, Al 'Ubeidiya, Beit Jala, Khadr(2), Beit Sahur, Beit Ta'mir	7
Hebron	Al Fawwar Junction(2), Halhul, Khursa, Kharas, Kallet al Maiyya (3)	8
Total West Bank		70

The Enclosed Areas in the Gaza Strip:**As-Seafa:**

- Since 13 February 2005, the IDF has permitted Palestinians aged 30 and older residing in As-Seafa to pass in and out without any prior coordination; males and females aged between 16 and 30 are still required to have 48-hours prior coordination. The gate is open two times daily (irregularly) at 7.30am and 2pm. No vehicles are permitted to enter or exit. Coordination for international organisations to enter the area has been problematic. The IDF requires prior coordination in order to bring goods into the area; people are still facing difficulties getting their belongings into and/or out of the area, despite approved coordination.
- During the week, two to three persons each day were prevented from entering the area despite having proper documentation. Nine women are always denied access exiting the area despite prior coordination.
- Since 30 May, the IDF has not allowed full cooking gas bottles or empty ones into the area.
- **16 to 20 June:** All women were denied access into the area and goods were not allowed out.
- **19 June:** The gate was closed.
- **20 June:** the gate opened for only once from 3pm to 5.30pm, very strict searches were in place.

Al-Mawassi:

- IDF restrictions remain, with the entry-exit gate at Al Tuffah checkpoint generally open twice daily for limited numbers of Al Mawassi ID holders - from approximately 8am to 1pm, and 2.30pm to 5pm. Males aged 16 to 25 years who are Al Mawassi ID holders are required prior coordination to pass through Al Tuffah checkpoint. Vehicles are not allowed to pass, with some exceptions given for international agencies that have undertaken prior coordination with the IDF.
- Tel Es-Sultan checkpoint has remained closed since 14 January 2004.
- **15 to 18 June:** Lengthy delays were reported; about 60 to 80 persons were allowed into Al Mawassi daily, while about 100 persons were allowed out.

Al-Ma'ani:

- Since 20 July 2002, the IDF has prevented all vehicular movement in and out of the Palestinian area adjacent to the Kfar Darom settlement. The IDF has also erected a fence around the area. The area remains a closed military zone, following a suicide attack on 27 February 2004.
- Movement is restricted by the IDF with the entry-exit gate generally open four times daily for Al Maa'ni ID holders only from 6.30am to 7.30am, 10.30am to 11.30am, 1pm to 2pm, and 4pm to 5pm. Access for international organisations into the area remains problematic.

Abu Nahiya:

- A fence was placed around the Abu Nahiya area, south of Kfar Darom settlement, in the corner of Kissufim Road and Salah Eddin Street. Approximately 16 families reside in the area. No vehicles are allowed in or out of the area. The fence is open 24 hours for residents.

Abu al-Ajin Area:

- Several Palestinian families live isolated and fenced in north and south of Kissufim Road in the Abu al-Ajin area. The families have their own keys to the gate in the fence; however, their movement is restricted to opening hours three to four times daily. The area is unreachable by vehicles.

6. Additional Protection Issues

- During the week, a total of 37 homemade rockets, mortar shells and anti tanks missiles were fired from different locations in the Gaza Strip toward Israeli settlements and nearby Israeli towns, IDF installations and Karni.
- Palestinian residents of Qira, Salfit, have suffered from lack of water for almost 20 days after the Israeli water company (Mekorot) stopped the water supply to the village.
- **15 June:** Settlers threw stones at homes and damaged properties in the areas close to the settlements in the Old City of Hebron.
- **15 June:** Trucks with semi-trailers evacuated 12 mobile homes used as a temporary housing for settlers in Netzarim settlement, the Gaza Strip.
- **20 June:** A Palestinian woman with an explosive belt was arrested by the IDF at Erez crossing, the Gaza Strip. The belt was safely detonated by the IDF.
- **20 June:** Israeli police arrested a Palestinian youth who attempted to stab an Israeli student in west Jerusalem.
- **21 June:** An IAF plane fired two air-to-ground missiles toward targets in Beth Lahia and Beth Hanoun. No injuries or damages were reported.

Searches/Arrests/Detentions

Governorate	Location of arrests/detention # of searches in brackets	Total # of Searches	Total # of Arrested/ Detained
Nablus	Tell, Deir al Hatab, Balata refugee camp.	3	3
Jenin	Jenin city (3), Birqin. Near Kafr Dan	4	7
Tubas	Tubas city.	1	0
Tulkarm	Tulkarm city, 'Attil (2), Iktaba, Qaffin, Kafriat CP, 'Illar, Shuweika, Qaffin,	7	7
Qalqiliya	An Nabi Elyas, Qalqiliya DCO, Qalqiliya city,	2	6
Salfit	No incidents to report.	0	0
Ramallah/AI Bireh	Surda, Umm Sharavet, Ramallah, Beit Liqya, Bir Zeit.	5	4
Jerusalem	'Al Isawiya, Mt of Olives	0	7
Jericho	No incidents to report.	0	0
Bethlehem	Dar Salah(2), 'Ayda refuge camp(2), Al Khadr(3), Beit Jala, Ad Doha, Tuqu', Al 'Ubeidiya, Al Ma'sara, Ash shawawra(2), Bethlehem city(3)	18	17
Hebron	Dura(3), Hebron City (3), Al Fawwar refuge camp (2), Adh Dhahiriya(2), Halhoul, Samu' Yatta(4), Kharas, Al Majd, Bani Na'im,	20	16

Total Week West Bank		60	67
Gaza Strip	Al Muragha (2).	2	1
Total Week oPt		62	68

Appendix: Checkpoints Status 15 – 21 June 2005

Checkpoint	Status
Tulkarm	
Taybeh	Open from 5.30am to 5pm for UN and international organisations and Palestinians with permits.
Efrayim	The checkpoint is constructed as a crossing point into Israel for Palestinian workers and traders and others from Tulkarm Governorate with a special permit. The checkpoint is under construction and currently not operational. Palestinian workers and traders are therefore instructed to cross through Taybeh checkpoint. According to the Palestinian DCL Efrayim checkpoint should have become operational on 22 June. However, this is not the case consequently Palestinians with valid permits still cross Tyabeh checkpoint.
Kafriat	The checkpoint is manned and physically divided into three parts: one that controls movement to and from Tulkarm town; one that controls movement to Israel proper; and one that controls movement to and from Jubara.
Qalqiliya	
Qalqiliya DCO	Unmanned.
Jaljoulia	Access through this checkpoint is only granted for holders of permits into Israel and residents of Ras Tira, Ad Dab'a, Wadi Ar Rasha, Ramadin and Arab Abu Farda. Ambulances from Qalqiliya town to these five villages need prior coordination with the DCL. Only vehicles leaving the West Bank are subjects to security checks.
Salfit	
Deir Ballut	Officially open between 6am and 6pm. The checkpoint controls movement between Ramallah and the villages in the western part of Salfit District.
Yasuf	Gate is open daily from 5am to 6pm.
Kafr Qasem (Road 5)	Open 24 hours for UN and international organisations and Palestinians with permits.
Nablus	
Huwara Southern main entrance	Open for humanitarian organisations and Palestinians. Israeli citizens, Palestinian holders of Jerusalem IDs and holders of international passports are subject to prior liaison with the IDF before access can be granted. Incoming movement is allowed from 6am to 11 pm. Outgoing movement is allowed from 6am to 8 pm.
Beit Iba Western entrance, mainly for trade	Open for humanitarian organisations and Palestinians. Israeli citizens, Palestinian holders of Jerusalem IDs and holders of international passports are subject to prior liaison with the IDF before access can be granted. Incoming movement is allowed from 6am to 11pm. Outgoing movement is allowed from 6am to 6pm.
Sarra South western entrance, before the closure regime main road to Qalqiliya	Closed except to villagers from Sarra or Qusin, who occasionally are let through.
Qusin Internal closure Between Sarra and Nablus	Closed by a gate and an earth mound since mid-March 2004; traffic diverted through Beit Iba checkpoint.
Al Tur Southern checkpoint connecting the Samaritan district of Jarzim with Nablus City	Only open for Samaritans. The gate is occasionally open for vehicles.
Beit Furik Eastern gate and checkpoint. After the closure regime main gateway between Nablus and the Jordan Valley	Open for villagers from Beit Furik, Beit Dajan, Salem, Deir Al Hatab and 'Azmut. Teachers with IDs from the Ministry of Education (about 70) are usually let through. Open between 6am and 6pm. (Tawjihi exams).
Shave Shomeron (Sabastia) Northwest, main road to Jenin	Since 4 December 2004, the checkpoint has been basically unmanned; occasionally soldiers are observed at the checkpoint.
Maale Efrayim Southeast connecting Jericho and Nablus	Closed for Palestinians unless having permits.
Hamra East, before closure regime main road to Jordan, Tubas, Jenin	Closed for Palestinians unless having permits. Palestinians from Frush Beit Dajjan and Al Jiftlik villages are allowed to pass the checkpoint without permits.
Zaatara (Tappouah) South, main road to Ramallah	Permanently manned.
Jenin	

Al Jalama Main entrance to Israel	Open 24 hours for permit holders.
Dahiat Sabah al Khayr “al Amn al Watani” Northern entrance of Jenin	Open for traders and workers with permits between 7am and 7pm.
Imreiha (Reikhan) Main gate to the Barta'a ash-Sharqiya/ Umm ar Rihan enclave	Open for Palestinians with green permits between 6am and 10pm.
Tubas	
Bisan Main entrance to Israel	Open 24 hours for permit holders.
Tayasir Gate Gate to the Tubas eastern agricultural lands in the Jordan Valley	Open for Palestinians with permits from 5am to 10pm. Palestinians from Al Malih, 'Ein el Beida, Bardala and Kardala villages are allowed to pass the checkpoint without permit.
Ramallah/Al Bireh	
Qalandiya	Open daily 24 hours for vehicles and pedestrians. West Bank residents, Jerusalem ID holders, and foreign passport holders have access without permits. Jewish and Arab Israeli citizens and Arabs from the Golan are prohibited from crossing into Ramallah. Vehicles with West Bank registration cannot pass unless they have a special permit. Ambulances and trucks with food products are permitted to cross.
Bet El/DCO	Open daily from 6am to 10pm. Access in vehicles only for diplomats, foreign passport holders, UN staff, international humanitarian organisations, and Palestinians with special work permits.
Atara Bridge (partial)	Open.
An Nabi Salih gate (partial)	Open.
At Tayba (partial)	Open.
Makkabim On Highway 443	Usually open for Israelis, Jerusalem ID holders and foreign passport holders. Road 443 is off limits to oPt Palestinians, except those with permits to enter Israel/Jerusalem.
Ni'lin	Usually open for Jerusalem ID holders, foreign passport holders and Palestinians with permits to enter Israel. The secondary checkpoint at the entrance to Ni'lin village has been lifted allowing freer access in and out of Ni'lin and Al Midya villages.
Rantis	Usually open for Jerusalem ID holders, foreign passport holders and Palestinians with permits to enter Israel.
Jerusalem	
Hizma Eastern entrance of junction Road 437/Psigat Ze'ev settlement	Open for Israelis, Palestinians with Jerusalem ID cards, West Bank and Gaza Strip Palestinians with permits and internationals. UN staff requested on several occasions to show personal ID/national passports in addition to their UN ID card.
Az Za'ayem North eastern entrance on Road 1.	Open for Israelis, Palestinians with Jerusalem ID cards, West Bank and Gaza Strip Palestinians with permits and internationals.
Ar Ram Northern entrance on Road 60 north.	Open for Israelis, Palestinians with Jerusalem ID cards, West Bank and Gaza Strip Palestinians with permits and internationals. UN staff requested on several occasions to show personal ID/national passports in addition to their UN ID card.
Bir Nabala/Atarot Northern entrance on Road 404 /45 Road Atarot Junction.	Open for Israelis, Palestinians with Jerusalem ID cards, West Bank and Gaza Strip Palestinians with permits and internationals. UN staff requested on several occasions to show personal ID/national passports in addition to their UN ID card.
Ramot Alon North western entrance on Road 436	Open for Israelis, Palestinians with Jerusalem ID cards, West Bank and Gaza Strip Palestinians with permits and internationals. UN staff requested on several occasions to show personal ID/national passports in addition to their UN ID card.
Shu'fat Refugee Camp/ Anata Checkpoint	Open 24 hours for Palestinians with Jerusalem IDs and UN and international organisations; Palestinians from the West Bank need a permit. West Bank vehicles are not allowed.
Container (“Wadi nar”) East of Abu Dis, main transit between north and south West Bank	Open for Palestinian vehicles with permits (taxis and municipality trucks), humanitarian reasons and for internationals. Permits not required for Palestinian pedestrians. Israeli-yellow plate cars are not allowed to cross.
Jericho	
DCO Main checkpoint off Road 1	Open daily 24 hours, after the IDF handed security control of Jericho to the Palestinian Authority on 16 March 2005. Open for everyone but Israelis. Vehicles with West Bank registrations can pass without permits.
Al Auja (Yitav) On Road 90	Open 24 hours for Palestinian living in Jericho District. Prohibited for Palestinians holding West Bank ID cards from other governorates. Since 1 May Jericho residents have been denied crossing from south to north.
Gate opposite Allenby Checkpoint off Road 90	Gate manned by the IDF. Closed at all times. Soldiers open the gate for shuttle busses taking Palestinians to Allenby Border Crossing to Jordan.
Bethlehem	

Gilo North entrance to Bethlehem	Open 24 hours for humanitarian organisations. No Palestinian-plated cars allowed. Only Palestinian Jerusalem permit holders are allowed to pass. Second lane is open for inbound traffic. A UN vehicle carrying two UNRWA staff was delayed for one hour, because of restrictions on West Bank ID holders driving vehicles in Jerusalem.
Ein Yalow Bypass road east of Walaja, on Green Line	Open 24 hours and only for Israeli-plated cars and international organisations and Palestinians with Jerusalem IDs.
Beit Jala DCO Entrance to Beit Jala	Opening times have been extended and are now from 6am to 12pm for all traffic. Palestinian public and private vehicles are allowed to pass; all commercial trucks are re-routed to the eastern side of the city of Bethlehem.
Tunnels Road 60 at Har Gilo	Open 24 hours for humanitarian organisations and Palestinians with Jerusalem permits. A UN vehicle carrying two UNRWA staff delayed for one hour, because of restrictions on West Bank ID holders driving vehicles in Jerusalem.
Settlers' Checkpoint - Efrata Southern entrance to settlement	Open 24 hours only for settlers. Checkpoint manned by settlers; movement beyond it restricted for Palestinians.
Efrata Connecting Road 60 to Road 356	Open 24 hours. Not always manned.
Gush Etzion On Road 60, at Etzion turn	Open 24 hours. Not always manned.
Wadi Fukin Crossing to Israel on Road 375, Green Line	Open 24 hours. Palestinian workers and traders with permits are allowed to cross.
Al Jab'a Crossing to Israel on Road 367, Green Line	Open 24 hours. Palestinian workers and traders with permits are allowed to cross
Ein Gedi On Road 90, along Dead Sea.	On bypass Road 90. Used to be located close to the Avnot settlement but has now been moved south to the intersection with the settlement of Mitzpe Shalem. No Palestinian-plated vehicles allowed on Road 90.
Hebron	
Beit Awwa At entrance to Negohot settlement, on Road 354	Crossing along Road 354 only for humanitarian organisations and critical service providers.
Tarqumiya Entrance for commercial goods (back-to-back), west of Hebron on Road 35 for both Hebron and Bethlehem districts	The checkpoint is open for workers and traders with permits from 6am to 5pm, everyday except Saturday and Jewish holidays. Prisoners' families visits taking place smoothly.
Meitar On Road 60, Green Line after intersection with Tene settlement road.	Manned by Israeli Border Police. Open 24 hours. Palestinians with valid permits are allowed to pass.
Shani At turn for Shani settlement on Road 317.	Manned by the IDF. A military base has been established nearby.
Beit Yatir On Road 316, at the turn for the settlement of Beit Yatir	Manned by the IDF. Open 24 hours. Residents of Imneizil village are allowed to cross but other Palestinians are asked for permits. Teachers from other areas are allowed to pass in accordance with a list held by the IDF at the checkpoint.
Prayers Road, H2 Access to area of Ibrahimi Mosque	Closed to Palestinians.
Shohada street, H2 Western entrance to Shohada street	Open to Palestinians living beyond it and in the Tel Rumeida area in accordance with a list held by the IDF at the checkpoint. Access possible only on foot.
Ibrahimi Mosque, H2 Access to the Mosque	Worshippers and visitors searched upon entry.
Bab Al Baladiyye , H2 (formerly Shalala Street) Next to settlement of Beit Romano	The checkpoint is closed to Palestinians heading in the direction of Shohada Street.
Qarantina, H2 Junction with Shohada Street	Closed to Palestinians
Bab Al-Khan, H2 Entrance to Avraham Avinu settlement	Closed to Palestinians heading in the direction of Shohada Street and north toward the market.
Tel Rumeida, H2 Beginning of street leading to settlement	Open only to Palestinians travelling on foot living between it and the settlement.
Al Kasaba, H2 Exit from the Kasaba, Old City	New checkpoint established in April 2005 and now a permanent structure which filters Palestinian movement from the Kasaba area directed to the Tomb of the Patriarchs.

(Tomb of the Patriarchs)	Movement is segregated for incoming and outgoing movement. Palestinians exiting the Kasaba are processed through a combination of turnstiles, allowing one person at a time to pass, and a metal detector. The process is slow and extremely problematic during Friday prayers.
Gaza Crossings/Checkpoints	
Erez	17 and 18 June: Erez crossing was closed for Palestinians; Internationals were permitted to enter but not to exit, with the exception of diplomats with coordination. 19 June: Erez Crossing was open for Palestinians and internationals. 20 June: From 8:30am till 1pm, Erez crossing was closed for Palestinians and internationals, after a Palestinian woman with an explosive belt was arrested.
Erez Industrial zone	Since 17 June: Erez Industrial Zone was closed.
Netzarim Junction	Closed
Abu Houli Junction	Since 9 February, Abu Houli checkpoint has been open 24 hours a day. Traffic is only allowed in one direction at any one time. Since 13 March, private cars have been allowed to cross; at least two people need to be inside. 18 June, Abu Houli checkpoint was closed from 2:00pm till 6:30pm.
Abu Al Ajin Road	Closed
Salah Eddin at Kfar Darom	Closed
West Morag Junction	Main Salah Edin road was open at Sufa/Morag
Beach Road	24 hour opening
Al Muntar Junction	Closed
Rafah Passenger Terminal	17 June: Rafah Terminal closed for all Palestinians in both directions. 18 June: the terminal reopened for all Palestinian in both directions at 11am, two hours late. 16 June: Rafah terminal opened at 12pm

Commercial checkpoints

Tulkarm/Qalqiliya	
Taybeh	The back-to-back system has been operational from 5.30am to 5pm except on Saturday.
Nablus	
Awarta checkpoint Main commercial checkpoint in Nablus since July 2003.	Open from 6am to 6pm.
Jenin	
Al Jalama Northern entrance/ main commercial check point.	Open from 8am to 4pm Sunday to Thursday. Transit of trucks need liaison with the Palestinian DCL.
Ramallah/Al Bireh	
Beituniya Back-to-back checkpoint.	Officially open 7am to 5pm Sunday to Thursday, 7am to 1pm on Fridays and closed Saturdays. Open for commercial goods and a back-to-back system is in operation. Only Palestinians from Kafr 'Aqab and Sameeramees holding Jerusalem IDs and driving Israeli yellow-plated trucks are allowed to pass through this checkpoint without using the back-to-back system. This checkpoint is not open for private cars or pedestrians. ICRC and UN vehicles are permitted to cross.
Jericho	
Back-to-back checkpoint/DCO checkpoint	Checkpoint is no longer in use. Commercial trucks access Jericho through the DCO checkpoint.
Gaza Strip	
Karni	The crossing was partially open from 7am to 11pm.
Sufa	Sufa crossing remained closed for labourers but was open for construction materials 7am to 5pm. On 17 and 18 June: Sufa crossing was closed for labourers and for construction materials. On 19 June: Sufa crossing reopened for construction materials but remained closed for labourers.

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 Gaza. 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 Organization (WHO), Israel Defense Forces (IDF) website, Israel Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MFA), offices of Palestinian Authority (PA) governors, Palestinian DCL.
- Shelter and property: OCHA FCU, UNRWA, Palestinian DCL.
- Natural Resources: OCHA FCU, Al Mezan Center for Human Rights, UNRWA, Palestinian District Civilian Liaison Office (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, UNICEF, UNRWA.
- Access and Movement for Civilians: Sources: Palestinian DCL, Christian Peacemakers Team (CPT).
- Curfews: Sources: OCHA FCU, Village Councils, UNRWA, Palestinian DCL.
- Access to Education: OCHA FCU, UNRWA, United Nations Children's Fund (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: Source: OCHA FCU, UNRWA.
- Additional Protection issues: Sources: OCHA FCU, UNRWA, United Nations Department of Safety and Security (UNDSS), UNSCO, Palestinian DCLs, Palestinian Governors' offices, Al Mezan Center for Human Rights, IDF.