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Protection of Civilians - Weekly Briefing Notes

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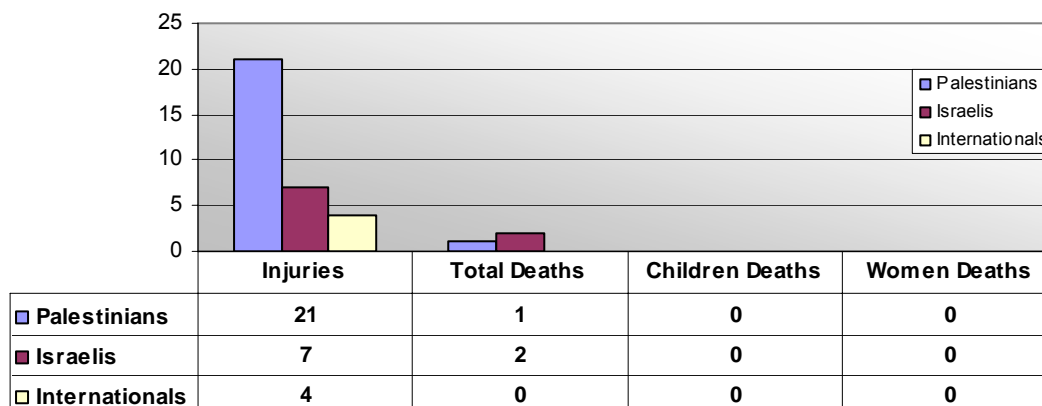
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Of note this week:

- Violence continued this week, with one Palestinian and two Israelis killed (see section 1).
- Several demonstrations against Barrier construction took place resulting in injuries, including injuries of internationals. A “closed military zone” was also reported in one area. (see section 1).
- During the week, a total of 20 homemade rockets, mortar shells and anti tanks missiles were fired from different locations inside the Gaza Strip toward Israeli settlements and nearby Israeli towns, IDF installations and Karni (see section 6).

1. Physical Protection¹

Casualties



Selected Incidents:

- **22 June:** One Palestinian man was injured by IDF gunfire fired from the direction of the Israeli settlement Neveh Dekalim in Khan Younis.
- **23 June:** Palestinian militants shot dead one Palestinian policeman in front of the police station in Jenin. Three days later, Palestinian security forces arrested 10 militants in Jenin city.
- **23 June:** One Israeli boy was injured in a Palestinian mortar attack on the Israeli settlement of Netzarim.
- **23 June:** Palestinian militants opened fire at an Israeli vehicle near Kifl Haris, Salfit. One Israeli was injured.
- The IDF declared Bil'in a “closed military area” following a demonstration against the construction of the Barrier on 24 June. Eight Palestinians and two internationals were injured by rubber bullets and tear gas; and 13 Israelis, two internationals and one Palestinian were arrested. Also this week, Palestinians, international and Israeli activists held demonstrations

¹ The Palestinian death was due to Palestinian fire.

in Marda village, Salfit, against the construction of the Barrier. The IDF used tear gas canisters and rubber coated metal bullets to disperse the protesters. On 23 June, one Palestinian was injured. In addition, on 24 June, the IDF injured two international activists and two Palestinians during a Barrier protest in the village of Imneizil south of Hebron.

- **24 June:** A 17-year-old settler was killed and another four settlers were injured when Palestinian gunmen opened fire at their vehicle on the entrance of Beit Khagai settlement from Road 60, Hebron Governorate. One of the injured died of his wounds on 26 June.
- **25 June:** A 13-year-old Palestinian girl was seriously injured when Israeli settlers threw a explosive device at her home in Aum-Alharaik neighbourhood of Hebron City
- **26 June:** A 30-year-old Palestinian man was injured when an Israeli settler attacked him in Al-Sahlah area of H2 Hebron city. The IDF arrested the settler and called for an Israeli ambulance to care for the wounded man.
- **26 June:** A Palestinian man stabbed and injured an Israeli Police officer in Salah Edeen Street in East Jerusalem. The Palestinian was arrested.
- **26 June:** One Palestinian minor was injured in 'Azzun village, Qalqiliya, when the IDF fired live ammunition during a search campaign.
- **27 June:** Palestinian militants fired four mortar shells at Gush Katif settlement, the Gaza Strip.
- **28 June:** Israelis opposed to the disengagement clashed with the IDF inside al Mawassi, the Gaza Strip. Clashes broke out between Gush Katif settlers and Palestinian residents. An Israeli woman was injured.
- **28 June:** The IDF stationed at the operation tower at Morag fired at Palestinian militants planting a roadside bomb near the settlement. An exchange of fire lasting 20 minutes resulted in one Palestinian injury.

2. Shelter and Property

Date	Location, Governorate	# Structures demolished	# Structures partially destroyed	# People displaced / affected
22 June 2005	Jiftlek, Jericho	8 houses, 1 field house	-	28
22 June 2005	Marj Najeh, Jericho	2 houses, 1 sheep shack	-	21
26 June 2005	Al Mawassi, Khan Younis, Gaza Strip	8	-	-
26 June 2005	Hebron	1(burned)	-	-
Total Week		21	0	49

- **22 June:** The IDF declared Jiftlek village and Marj Najeh, Jericho, a military area and demolished houses. In total, 10 houses, one sheep shack and a field house were demolished.
- **26 June:** Eight cabins were demolished by the IDF on the Al Mawassi Khan Younis beach side. A group of Israeli settlers erected more than 20 tents in the area.
- **26 June:** A group of Israeli settlers broke into and occupied two abandoned Palestinian houses inside the Al Mawassi area of Khan Younis, the Gaza Strip.
- **26 June:** A commercial shop belonging to a Palestinian family was burned down by Israeli settlers from Avraham Avinu outpost in H2 Hebron city
- **27 June:** The IDF evacuated the water tower in Kafr Ni'ma, which they have been occupying for about two years.
- **27 June:** Settlers from the Israeli settlement of Efrata occupied a non-inhabited Palestinian home near the southern entrance of Bethlehem city along Road 60. The settlers were later evicted by the IDF.

3. Natural Resources

Land levelling/Requisitions/Tree Uprooting²

Nablus and Tubas Governorates:

- No incidents to report.

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

Jenin Governorate:

- **22 June:** The IDF confiscated and levelled 1 dunum (0.1 hectare) of land on Road 585 near Ya'bad for military use.
- **26 June:** The IDF issued five temporary confiscation orders (valid from 26 June to 24 August 2005) for military use in several areas around the settlements slated for evacuation as part of the disengagement plan.

Tulkarm Governorate:

- 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:

- Ongoing incidents:
 - The IDF continued levelling land North East of Jayyus village to construct a new road that connects Jayyus with Falamiya Barrier gate.

Salfit Governorate:

- **24 June:** Israeli settlers from Ari'el settlement put a wire fence around 18 dunums (1.8 hectares) of agricultural land planted with olive trees belonging to Palestinian farmers from Kifl Haris village.
- Ongoing incidents:
 - 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:

- 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 and north and south of Rantis checkpoint.

Hebron Governorate:

- **22 June:** The IDF issued confiscation orders covering 39.5 dunums (3.95 hectares) of agricultural land belonging to farmers from the Palestinian town of Tarqumiya. The confiscated land will be used as a security buffer zone around the Israeli settlement of Adora.
- 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 Khallet 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:

- **23 June:** The IDF resumed levelling land north of Shu'fat refugee camp and 'Anata between the camp and Psigat Ze'ev settlement for Barrier construction. Land levelling continued also northwest of Al Jib.
- 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:

- **22 June:** The IDF uprooted 5 dunums (5 hectares) of olive trees in the area of Gizan Al Najjar north of Morag settlement in Khan Younis.

4. Access for Medical Assistance

West Bank:

Date	Location, Governorate	Affected Organisation	Denial	Delay	Shooting/Damage to Ambulance
22 June 2005	Balata camp, Nablus	PRCS	-	1	-
23 June 2005	Imreiha Barrier gate, Jenin	UNRWA	1	-	-
Total Week			1	1	0

The Gaza Strip:

Date	Location, Governorate	Affected Organisation	Denial	Delay	Shooting/Damage to Ambulance
26 June 2005	Al Mawassi, Gaza Strip	MoH	-	-	1
Total Week			-	-	1

- **26 June:** A group of Israeli settlers threw stones at the Ministry of Health (MoH) ambulance inside Al Mawassi. The right side window screen was smashed as a result.
- **26 June:** A group of Israeli settlers occupied the roof of the MoH Al Mawassi clinic; the clinic has not been operational since.

5. Access and Movement for Civilians

a) Curfew

Date	Location / Governorate	Duration
23 June 2005	Haris, Salfit	1 hour
26 June 2005	Saffa village, Ramallah/Al Bireh	1 day
Total Week		2 incidents

b) Access to Education

- **22 June:** The IDF evacuated Osama Ibn Al-Mounted School in H2 Hebron city. This school has been used as a military base since the beginning of the Intifada. The Israeli army has now relocated to the nearby base in Jabal Jouhar.

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
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

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

The Gaza Strip:

As of 27 June, the total number of Gaza Strip workers permits was 7,100 including 2,817 with overnight stay; 835 permits were issued to Erez Industrial Estate 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
22 June 2005	3,974	420	515
23 June 2005	4,105	341	579
24 June 2005	2,547	210	0
25 June 2005	225	47	0
26 June 2005	5,730	450	550
27 June 2005	4,200	405	555
28 June 2005	4,220	410	559
Total	25,001	2,283	2,758

d) Closures/Movement restrictions**Nablus Governorate:**

- Long queues and delays were experienced at Huwwara, Beit Iba and Zaatara checkpoints.

Jenin and Tubas Governorates:

- No major incidents to report.

Tulkarm Governorate:

- **22 June:** The IDF closed Kafriat checkpoint for one hour after a Palestinian female attempted to stab an IDF soldier.
- Ongoing incidents:
 - The IDF continues to prevent Palestinians with Israeli IDs from entering Palestinian controlled areas unless they have relatives living in Tulkarm.
 - The IDF continued to close all dirt roads that lead to 'Illar, Nazlat 'Isa, Baqa ash Sharqiya, Qaffin with earth mounds; and conducted an extensive search campaigns after the killing of an Israeli settler earlier this month in the area. Palestinians from these villages needed to take long detours to reach Tulkarm city.

Qalqiliya Governorate:

- **23 June:** The IDF closed 'Azzun gate on the junction to Road 55 during a search campaign.

Salfit Governorate:

- No major incidents to report.

Ramallah / Al Bireh Governorate:

- **24 June:** The IDF declared Bil'in village a "closed military area".
- Throughout the reporting period, long delays were experienced at 'Atara and An Nabi Salih partial checkpoints and daily IDF patrols of four to five jeeps in Al Bireh and Ramallah cities.

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. 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:

- **25 June to ongoing:** As result of the shooting incident which killed two Israeli settlers, a heavy closure was imposed on the Palestinian cities of Hebron, Yatta, Samu', Dura and Al Fawwar refugee camp with all crossing point closed. Entrance to Hebron city is only possible through Ras Al Joura checkpoint, re-established for the time being. The PRCS is evacuating patients from the area of Yatta using a back-to-back system of transfer.

Bethlehem Governorate:

- No major incidents to report.

West Bank: Reported flying checkpoints

Governorate	Location, # of incidents in brackets	Total # of flying checkpoints
Nablus	Between; Tell and Nablus, junctions; Burin (2), Bizzariya, Al Badhan(2), on #60 near Huwwara, Al Lubban ash Sharqiyya	8
Jenin	On #585 near Ya'bad(3), on #588 near Al Kufeir, on #60 at 'Arraba junction(2),	6
Tubas	Tubas town(3), entrance of Al 'Aqaba,	4
Tulkarm	Between 'Illar and Kafr Ra'i, Deir al Ghusun and 'Attil, Bal'a and Al 'Attara(3), at entrance of; Far'un, 'Illar(3), Seida(3), Qaffin(3), Baqa ash Sharqiyya(4), 'Attil(2), Deir al Ghusun(2), junction to; Al Jarushiya (4), in; Tulkarm city, on #57 at junction to 'Anabta and Enav settlement(7).	35
Qalqiliya	Entrance of Kafr Thulth, 'Azun, near; 'Izat at Tabib, between; 'Azun and Jayyus, 'Azun and Qalqiliya city, Jit junction(3)	8
Salfit	Entrance of; Salfit, Madama, Kafr ad Dik, Haris(2)	5
Ramallah and Al Bireh	On #60 near Sinjil, junction #465 beside Ofra settlement, on Bir Zeit Road, entrances; Rantis, Shuqba, Ni'lin, Budrus, Shabtin	8
Jerusalem	Mount of Olives(3), Mikhmas, 'Anata(2)	6
Jericho	Dead Sea(2), Al 'Auja(2)	4
Bethlehem	Beit Sahur, Al 'Ubeidiya, Beit Jala, Khadr(2),	5
Hebron	Al Fawwar Junction(2), , Halhul(3), Khursa, , Kallet al Maiyya (3), Nabi Yunis(2), Idhna, Beit Kahil	13
Total West Bank		102

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.
- Since 30 May, the IDF has not allowed full cooking gas bottles or empty ones into the area.
- Nine Palestinian female residents have to apply for entry/exit coordination at least three days before they are granted passes for travel.

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.
- This week, people's movement through the checkpoint was particularly slow; about 80 to 100 persons were allowed into Al Mawassi while about 100 persons were allowed out daily.

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 20 homemade rockets, mortar shells and anti tanks missiles were fired from different locations inside the Gaza Strip toward Israeli settlements and nearby Israeli towns, IDF installations and Karni.
- **22 June:** An IAF aircraft fired two air-to-ground missiles at the Palestinian area northwest of Beit Lahia junction, the Gaza Strip, toward a group of Palestinian militants attempting to launch mortars.
- **22 June:** One Palestinian prisoner from Tammun, Tubas, died in Shatta prison reportedly due to lack of medical treatment (this death has not been included in the weekly total but will be added if information warrants).
- **23 June:** Four Palestinians were injured in clashes with Palestinian militants intending to fire homemade rockets from the vicinity of their houses in the Zurub area in Rafah, the Gaza Strip (These injuries have not been included in the total).
- **24 June:** A group of Israeli settlers from Kdumim settlement, Qalqiliya, threw stones at Palestinian vehicles and broke the windshield of a vehicle.

Searches/Arrests/Detentions

Governorate	Location of arrests/detention # of searches noted at locations with brackets	Total # of Searches	Total # of Arrested/ Detained
Nablus	Beit Iba checkpoint, 'Azmut, Al Badhan, Nablus City(1).	1	5
Jenin	Ya'bad, Jenin city(1), Barta'a ash Sharqiyya(1), Sir(1), 'Arraba(1)	4	8
Tubas	Tammun(1)	1	0
Tulkarm	Tulkarm city(2), Seida(3), 'Illar(3), Baqa ash Sharqiyya (1), Nazleh ash Sharqiyya(1), 'Attil(2), Deir al Ghusun(1), Shuweika(1), Kafriat checkpoint, 'Anabta,	16	4
Qalqiliya	Qalqiliya city(1), 'Azzun(1), Kifl Harith(1).	3	4
Salfit	Salfit town(1), Kafr Thulth(1), Kafr ad Dik(1)	3	0
Ramallah/Al Bireh	Beit Sira (1), Kafr Ni'ma (1), Bil'in, Deir Abu Mashal (1), Al Bireh and Bir Zeit Road.	3	22
Jerusalem	Sawahre ash Sharqiyya(1), East Jerusalem	1	2
Jericho	No incidents to report.	0	0
Bethlehem	Dar Salah(2), 'Ayda refugee camp(2), Al Khadr(2), Al 'Ubeidiya(2), Ash shawawra Bethlehem city, Al 'Aza refugee camp	12	8
Hebron	Dura(2), Hebron City (3), Al Fawwar refuge camp (2), Halhoul(2), Samu' Yatta(2), Khursa(2), Surif, Beit Kahil	16	15
Total Week West Bank		60	68
Gaza Strip		0	0
Total Week oPt		60	68

Appendix: Checkpoints Status 22 – 28 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. DCL Efrayim checkpoint should have become operational on 22 June. However, this is not the case and Palestinians with valid permits still cross Taybeh 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. On 22 June, it was closed for one hour after a female Palestinian attempted to stab a soldier.
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 subject 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. Long queues and delays were experienced
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 IDF before access can be granted. Incoming movement is allowed from 6am to 11 pm. Outgoing movement is allowed from 6am to 6 pm. Long queues and delays were experienced
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. Long queues and delays were experienced

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; Palestinians do not need permits to cross.
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/AI 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. Long delays reported throughout the week due to ID checks and searches.
An Nabi Salih gate (partial)	Open. Long delays reported throughout the week due to ID checks and searches
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.
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’ayyem 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-plated 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 not been allowed to cross 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 open for inbound traffic.
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.
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. Prisoner visits are facilitated. Goods moved along Road 35 despite the closures.
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 Imneizeil 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

(Tomb of the Patriarchs)	Palestinian movement from the Kasaba area directed to the 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	Erez Crossing was partially open all the week.
Erez Industrial Zone	22 June: Erez Industrial Zone was reopened. 24 and 25 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. 26 and 27 June: The IDF allowed private cars with two passengers inside through Abu Houli checkpoint; traffic in both directions was allowed at the same time. 28 June: Abu Houli was closed from 8am to 4pm.
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	This week, Rafah Terminal was partially open for all Palestinians in both directions from 9am to 5pm without age restrictions. Since 17 June, large numbers of Palestinians have been stuck on the Egyptian side of the Rafah Passenger Terminal. Only about 600 Palestinians are allowed in per day. 25 June: The PA Ministry of Civil Affairs closed the terminal for departures to allow for more arrivals, from those stuck on the other side, into the Gaza Strip. 26 June: the terminal was reopened for traffic in both directions.

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	Since 19 June, Sufa crossing was 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.