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**OCHA Weekly Briefing Notes**  
**Update for oPt (14 – 20 July 2004)**

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## 1. **Casualties**

Palestinians: **8 deaths**  
 43 injured  
 Israelis: **0 death**  
 2 injured

Sources: OCHA FCU, PRCS, UNRWA, IDF website, Israeli MoFA.

## 2. **Incidents involving ambulances and medical teams**

**Denial of access:** 4 incidents

- At Beit Furik, a 65-year old patient's heart stopped beating and he stopped breathing while waiting at the checkpoint. IDF refused to let the medical crew evacuate him to the ambulance and they started giving him treatment on sites. He was pronounced dead when he arrived at the hospital.

**Delay (up to 1 hour):** 5 incidents

- IDF used dogs to search the ambulance

**Shooting/Damage to Ambulance:** 0 incidents

**Detention of medical crew:** 1 incident

### **Additional Information:**

- Both PRCS and the MoH report about experiencing significant difficulties operating inside Beit Hanoun; neither PRCS ambulances nor MoH could reach the besieged areas of As Sika, Sultan Abdel Hamid, Al Farrata, An Nazaza and Al Masria to deliver health care services and/or to evacuate patients.
- 19 July:** PRCS reported on denial of access to Seida and Illar villages in Tulkarm district during the military operation despite the attempt by the ICRC to co-ordinate access through DCL. The PRCS ambulances were allowed to enter the villages only after the military operation had ended.

Sources: OCHA FCU, PRCS

## 3. **Curfews**

Curfew was reported in the following location:

Date	Location	Number of days/hours
14 June 04	Al Khadr old town, Bethlehem	12 Hours
15 July	Kfar Dik, Salfit	1 day
15 July	Salem, Nablus	1 day
19 July	Seida, Tulkarm	1 day
19 July	Illar, Tulkarm	1 day

Sources: OCHA FCU

## 4. **House demolitions/Demolition Orders/People Displaced**

- 14 July:** Three demolition orders were issued by the IDF for two animal barracks and one shop in Akkaba in Tulkarm governorate on administrative grounds. According to the orders, the buildings were illegally built.
- 19 July:** The IDF handed 5 demolition orders in the area of Masafer Yatta, south of Hebron District. 2 orders were handed in Khirbet Jinba and 3 orders in Khirbet Al Fakheit.
- 19 July:** A military order to halt construction of one house in Deir Ballut, Salfit district was issued. According to the military order, the family has been granted the right to appeal their case to the Israeli High Court of Justice.

- The Israeli Supreme Court ruled on to halt the demolition of a textile factory for one week. According to Jenin Palestinian DCL another 20 to 30 building are expected to be demolished.

Date	Location	Completely demolished	Partially demolished	Damaged
14 July	Abu al Ajin Road, Deir al Balah	2-storey building	1	
14 July	At Tur, Jerusalem	1 house 1 sheep barn	0	0
14 July	Umm as Sharayet, al Bireh	1 apartment	0	1 school for driving
14 July	Kafr Dan	2 storey building	0	0
16 July	Beit Hanun	1 house	0	0
19 July	Seida, Tulkarm	1 house	0	0
19 July	Beit Hanun	1 house	0	0
20 July	Barta'a ash Sharqiya, Jenin	2 houses 23 stores 1 Olive press	0	0
20 July	Beach Camp, Gaza City	0	0	1 house
<b>Total</b>		<b>7 houses, 2 two-storey buildings, 23 stores, 1 sheep barn and 1 olive press</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1 house and 1 driving school</b>

Sources: OCHA FCU, UNRWA

## 5. Land levelling/Confiscation<sup>1</sup>

### Gaza:

- Land levelling operation is still ongoing in Beit Hanoun particularly in the eastern and western areas. To date there are no exact figures for the total area of land levelled as access to these areas remains difficult for security reasons.
- **14 July:** 53 dunums of olive and other trees were uprooted in Abu El Ajeen village, east of Deir El Balah. IDF bulldozers and the tanks also caused severe damage to the roads and the infrastructure in the area.
- **15 July:** 100 dunums of olive trees and agricultural land were levelled in Abu El Ajeen village, east of Deir El Balah.

Sources: OCHA FCU

## 6. Closure<sup>2</sup>/Restrictions on movement

### Tulkarm/Qalqiliya/Salfit governorates:

- **14 July:** Numerous flying checkpoints were established in all three districts following a high security alert. In some places in Tulkarem (e.g. on road 57) long queues and delays were reported about people waiting to cross the checkpoints. However, the IDF facilitated access of ambulances and international organisations. Most checkpoints in Tulkarm and Qalqiliya were reported to be difficult to cross. In Salfit district, Deir Ballout checkpoint was reported closed from 14:00 onwards. More than 200 villagers from Masha and Ar Zawiya were not being allowed to return home until 22:00 in the evening. The restriction was strictly maintained despite attempt to co-ordinate access by both the Palestinian DCL and the ICRC.
- The Habla gate was reported closed for several hours preventing farmers to access to their land.
- The work on preparation for the Barrier construction in Ar Zawiya is still suspended following a decision from the Israeli High Court of Justice. Also the preparation work around Ariel settlement is suspended pending new court decision.
- On 15 July, the IDF closed the 'Anabta gate again. The gate has been open for approximately a month enabling Palestinian-Israelis access to Tulkarm town for shopping and social purposes. The gate functions once again as a back-to-back system for public transport.

### Nablus/Jenin/Tubas governorates:

- **14 July:** IDF closed Huwwara, Beit Furik and Al Badhan checkpoints for Palestinians leaving Nablus. At 13:00 IDF also closed the same checkpoints for people trying to enter the city. Thousands of Palestinians were waiting and several cases fainting were reported as a result of the heat. At Huwwara checkpoint IDF forced the people to stay 300m away from the checkpoint denying them access to the water tank which was installed by IDF. At the same time at Beit Furik checkpoint east of Nablus, Palestinians having been denied access for more than four hours marched towards the barbed wire near

<sup>1</sup> 4 dunums = 1 acre

<sup>2</sup> For a reference West Bank checkpoint map please check the following link: [http://www.reliefweb.int/hic-opt/maps/Closure/mar/checkpoints\\_march04.pdf](http://www.reliefweb.int/hic-opt/maps/Closure/mar/checkpoints_march04.pdf)

the checkpoint managing to reach the other side of the checkpoint despite the efforts of the soldiers at the checkpoint to prevent them. The checkpoints were opened from 19:00 – 22:00 allowing thousands of Palestinians to reach their homes.

- **15 July:** Major delays occurred at Beit Furik and Za'atara (Tappuah) checkpoints during the day. At the same time flying checkpoints were erected on road 60 near Al Lubban ash Sharqiya and Eli settlement forcing Palestinian cars to queue for hundreds of meters.
- **17 July:** IDF closed Al Bahdan checkpoint for all traffic including humanitarian agencies. According to Nablus DCL the closure is indefinite and reinstated as a punitive measurement after the reopening was exploited by militants.
- **17 July:** Major delays occurred at Za'atara (Tappuah) checkpoint, flying checkpoints were erected on road 60 near Al Lubban ash Sharqiya and on road 505 near Marda.
- **17 July:** Three flying checkpoints were erected on road 585 near Ya'bad and Araba villages.
- **19 July** A section of Road 90 near Bardala village (Tubas) was closed for several hours while IDF was searching the area from air and ground.

#### **Ramallah/al-Bireh governorate:**

- Construction of the Barrier continues on the western edge of Budrus, Beit Sira and around Beituniya.
- **15 July:** The IDF established a second checkpoint on the western road opposite At Taybeh checkpoint where Palestinians faced long delays for three days. After the at Tayba mayor contacted the IDF Liaison Officer the second checkpoint was removed on 18 July.
- **18 July:** At around 12:00, the IDF closed An Nabi Salih gate for several hours and Palestinians from the Bani Zeid area had to use alternative roads to move out of the cluster. The gate is often manned during rush hours.

#### **Jerusalem/Jericho governorates:**

- **15 July:** The IDF established a flying checkpoint for cars travelling from east to west on R437, some 200m east of the northern entrance to Anata. Checking lasted for several hours and resulted in an approx. 100m long queue.
- **16 July:** Palestinians not residing in Jerusalem were denied access to Friday prayers at al Aqsa Mosque.
- **17 July:** Bir Nabala checkpoint was closed several hours in the morning.
- Jericho remained closed during the week for Palestinian west bankers unless with permits to enter.

#### **Jerusalem Envelope Barrier:**

- **EAST:** Construction of the Barrier from is ongoing in An Nu'man, Ash Sheikh Sa'ad, Sur Baher, Sawahriya ash Sharqiya, Abu Dis and Al 'Eizariya.
- **NORTHWEST:** Construction of the Barrier is still on halt in Biddu, Bet Duqqu, Bet Ijza and Al Qubeiba. Construction is continuing in Qatanna and Kharayib Umm Al Lahim.
- **NORTH:** The road from Qalandiya checkpoint to 150m north of Al Ram checkpoint is now only open for traffic from south to north on the eastern lane only. Preparation work continues. No work has started on the planned "Bir Nabala Enclave".
- **NORTHEAST:** Land levelling for the construction of the Barrier has started north of Anata as well as west of Hizma.

#### **Bethlehem/Hebron governorates:**

- **14 – 16 and 20 July:** The IDF set up a flying checkpoint on Halhul Bridge, Hebron District. During these days long delays and searches were experienced restricting the movement of people and vehicles out of Hebron City.
- **14 - 16 July:** The IDF manned the gate into Halhul at Sa'ir Halhul junction, Hebron district, restricting the movement of Palestinian vehicles in and out of Halhul.
- **14 July:** The IDF set up a flying checkpoint at Sa'ir road 356.
- **14 – 15 July:** The IDF prevented public vehicles and buses to approach the earth mounds at the Al Khadr - Husan junction, Bethlehem district, forcing people to walk a longer distance to reach public transport vehicles.
- **15 July:** A gate was erected at the entrance of Tarqumiya with the junction of the bypass road 35, Hebron district. The gate has remained open since that time.
- Buses for public transportation are still prevented to enter Bethlehem through Beit Jala DCO checkpoint.

#### **Gaza**

##### **The enclosed areas in Gaza:**

**As-Seafa:** Movement remains restricted by the IDF; the entry-exit gate opens twice daily for As-Seafa ID holders from 06:30 to 08:30 and 14:00 to 16:30. Vehicles have not been permitted to enter since November 2000, with the exception of international agencies that have undertaken prior coordination with the IDF. Since 17 April 2004, the As-Seafa gate has been largely closed, with very restricted movement. Since 22

April 2004 the IDF has allowed only 3-4 people to go in and out, for one time only, with prior coordination, in order to bring food in.

- **Since 03 June, people under 30 are not permitted to enter or leave.**
- **Since 17 April, all males aged less than 30 years are not permitted to enter or leave.**

**Al-Mawassi:** IDF restrictions remain, with the entry-exit gate at **Tuffah checkpoint** opening twice daily for Al Mawassi ID holders from 08.00 to 13.00 and 14.30 to 17.00. Since **10 May 2004**, males aged below 30 years, are required to have prior coordination to move through Tuffah checkpoint. **Since 06 June 2004**, prior coordination is required for unmarried females aged 18-25. Vehicles are not allowed to pass, with the exception of international agencies that have undertaken prior coordination with the IDF.

- **Tel As-Sultan checkpoint closed all week.**
- **Tuffah checkpoint has been completely closed since 11 July.**

**Kfar Darom:** The Palestinian area adjacent to Kfar Darom settlement was declared a Closed Military Zone following a suicide attack on 27 February 2004. Since 20 July 2002 no vehicular movement has been allowed and the IDF erected a fence around the area. Movement restricted by the IDF with the entry-exit gate opening four times daily for Al Maa'ni ID holders only from 06:30 to 07:30, 10:30 to 11:30, 13:00 to 14:00 and 16:00 to 17:00.

#### **Beit Hanoun:**

On 29 June 2004, the northern Gaza town of Beit Hanoun was declared a closed military area following a Qassam rocket attack on Sederot on June 28<sup>th</sup>, which killed two Israelis. All roads leading in and out of Beit Hanoun are blocked by sand barriers and/or trenches. Salah Ed Din street is blocked by two large sand barriers at Beit Lahia – Jaballia junction and at the by pass road south of Erez. As a result, vehicles are not allowed to enter with the exception of international agencies that have undertaken prior coordination with the IDF.

- **14 July, IDF allowed people to leave and enter Beit Hanoun village only on foot or by donkey cart via the road opposite Erez Industrial Zone which is controlled by an IDF tank.**
- **Local commercial vehicles can cross with prior coordination, via the municipality, with the IDF.**

Source OCHA FCUs, UNSCO and UNRWA

#### **7. Water:**

- **14 July:** A family in At Tuwani village, south Hebron, has been forced to rely on expensive tankered water following the contamination of its cistern by settlers from Ma'on Settlement

#### **8. Labour movement to Israel**

##### **West Bank:**

- According to Palestinian DCL, approximately 200 work permits were renewed for Qalqilya district and 180 trader permits were renewed for Tulkarem district. No work or trade permits were renewed or issued for Salfit. Only people older than 35 and married with minimum two children are eligible to apply for work permits.
- No working permits issued for Jerusalem/Jericho governorates.
- The total quota number for commercial trade permits to the municipality of Jericho is 300. From mid July to mid September – a total number of approx. 200 permits were approved.

##### **Gaza:**

- A total of 1,984 permits have been issued for workers and 442 permits for traders aged 35 and above. However, only several hundred workers and traders were actually allowed to enter.

Date	Israel	Erez Industrial Estate
14/07/2004	820	390
15/07/2004	1285	668
16/07/2004	883	96
17/07/2004	14	257
18/07/2004	1174	325
19/07/2004	1434	603
20/07/2004	1511	648

Sources: OCHA FCU, UNSCO, PMG

#### **9. Other:**

- The IDF has established a new military point on a hill behind the northern gate in Jayyous together with a number of tents and caravans.

- **18 July:** IDF entered Bizzariya village (Nablus), firing sound bombs, tear gas and rounds in the air. Alia Mana'a 55 who suffered from high blood pressure and diabetes died after panicking. Her family could not evacuate her while the IDF was near her house.

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## Appendix: Checkpoints Status 14 – 20 July 2004

### Checkpoints:

Check Point	Status
<b>Tulkarm/Qalqiliya</b>	
<b>Taybeh</b>	The checkpoint has been operational over the course of the week allowing people through with a valid permit (basically only traders and international organisations). The opening hours of the checkpoint have been from 06:00 - 17:00.
<b>Kafriat</b>	The checkpoint has been open and operational over the course of the week allowing all residents from Tulkarm town and Kafriat area through and others with a valid permit. The IDF did not check the IDs of the local population when entering and leaving Tulkarm town from the West Bank side. The checkpoint is restricted for movement to and from Israel on road 57, and all vehicles are being searched.
<b>Qalqiliya DCO</b>	The checkpoint has been operational over the course of the week, however, access is only granted for holders of permit into Israel (mainly settlers and international organisations) and in principle residents of Ras Tira, Ad Daba, Wadi Ar Rasha, Ramadin and Arab Abu Farda. Ambulances need prior co-ordination with DCL. Still, only vehicles leaving the West Bank are subjects for security checks.
<b>Jaljoulia</b>	The checkpoint has been operational over the course of the week, however, access is only granted for holders of permit into Israel proper (mainly settlers and international organisations) and in principle residents of Ras Tira, Ad Daba, Wadi Ar Rasha, Ramadin and Arab Abu Farda. Ambulances need prior co-ordination with DCL. Still, only vehicles leaving the West Bank are subjects for security checks.
<b>Deir Ballout</b>	The checkpoint at Deir Ballout was reported closed from 14:00 in the afternoon and onward. More than 200 villagers from Masha and Ar Zawiya were not being allowed to return home until 22:00 in the evening. The restriction was strictly maintained despite attempt to co-ordinate access by both the Palestinian DCL and the ICRC.
<b>Nablus</b>	
<b>Huwwara</b> Southern main entrance	Generally open for holders of Nablus ID-cards over 30 years old, students, teachers and medical doctors. 14 July the check point was closed.
<b>Beit Iba</b> Western entrance, mainly for trade	Generally open for holders of Nablus ID-cards over 30 years old, students, teachers and medical doctors. Major delays involving students and a number of young people took place.
<b>Sarra</b> South western entrance, before the closure regime main road to Qalqiliya	Closed except for villagers from Sarra or Qusin, who occasionally are let through.
<b>Qusin</b> Internal closure Between Sarra and Nablus	Closed by a gate and an earth mound since mid March, diverting traffic through Beit Iba checkpoint.
<b>Al Tur</b> Southern checkpoint connecting the Samaritan district of Jarzim with Nablus city	Only open for Samaritans. The gate is occasionally open for vehicles.
<b>Beit Furik</b> Eastern gate and checkpoint. After the closure regime main gateway Between Nablus and the Jordan valley	Generally open for villagers from Beit Furik, Beit Dajjan, 'Azmut, Deir al Hatab and Salem over 30 years of age. Teachers with IDs from Ministry of Education (about 70) are usually let through. 14 July the check point was closed.
<b>Shave Shomeron</b> (Sabastia) North west, main road to Jenin	Closed for Palestinians unless having permits.
<b>Maale Efrayim</b> South east connecting Jericho and Nablus	Closed for Palestinians unless having permits.
<b>Hamra</b> East, before closure regime main road to Jordan, Tobas, Jenin	Closed for Palestinians unless having permits, or coming from these villages: Frush Beit Dajjan, Al Jiftlik, Bardala, Kardala, Ein Shibli, Al Nassaria and Al Aqrabania (from which villagers occasionally are let through).
<b>Zaatara</b> (Tappouah) South, main road to Ramallah	Generally open, almost permanently manned. Major delays occurred several days in the week.
<b>Salem</b> Main entrance to Salem, Deir Al Hatab and 'Azmut villages	Closed since March 11.
<b>Al Badhan</b> North entrance to Jordan Valley.	Closed 17 July. According to Nablus DCL the closure is indefinite.
<b>"17"</b> ('Asira) North entrance for the villages of 'Asira ash-Shamaliyah and	Closed by road blocks.

the neighboring villages.	
<b>Jenin</b>	
<b>Al Jalama</b> Main entrance to Israel	Open 24 hours for permit holders.
<b>Dahiat Sabah al Khayr</b> “al Amn al Watani” Northern entrance of Jenin	Open for traders and workers with permits between 07:00-19:00
<b>Salem</b> North western entrance/ “Green Line”	Closed for Palestinians. “Military closed area”.
<b>Qaddim</b> (Al Suweitat) South eastern entrance	Partially manned.
<b>Tubas</b>	
<b>Bisan</b> Main entrance to Israel	Open for permit holders.
<b>Tayasir Gate</b> Gate to the Tubas eastern agricultural lands in the Jordan Valley	Closed for Palestinians, except permit holders.
<b>Ramallah/AI Bireh/Beituniya</b>	
<b>Qalandiya checkpoint</b>	Open, but no direct access south to Dahiet Al Barid and A Ram neighbourhoods due to Barrier construction. Traffic to Jerusalem must now take the Atarot road west to road 443 through the Bir Nabala checkpoint or the Jaba road east and then to Hizma checkpoint. Ramallah/AI Bireh residents, Jerusalem ID holders, and foreign passport holders have access without permits. Other West Bank and Gaza Palestinians need permits to cross. Vehicles with West Bank registration cannot pass unless they have a special permit. Ambulances and trucks with foodstuffs are permitted to cross. Usually open daily from 06:00-22:00.
<b>Beit El/DCO checkpoint</b>	Open. No access for pedestrians. Access in vehicles only for diplomats/foreign passport holders/staff of UN and international humanitarian organisations/and WBGS Palestinians with special work permits. Open daily from 06:00-22:00.
<b>Atara Bridge</b>	Open. A semi-permanent checkpoint was operating on the bridge every day. Long queues and delays often experienced during rush hours.
<b>An Nabi Salih gate (partial)</b>	Open. Long delays sometimes experienced. 18 July IDF closed the gate for several hours. People from Bani Zeid area had to use alternative routes to move in and out of the cluster.
<b>At Tayba</b>	Open. Palestinians do not need permits to cross this checkpoint.
<b>Makkabim checkpoint</b>	Usually open for Israelis, Jerusalem ID holders, foreign passport holders and only West Bank and Gaza Strip Palestinians with permits to enter Israel (road 443 is out of bounds to West Bank and Gaza Strip. Palestinians except those with permits to enter Israel/Jerusalem).
<b>Ni'lin</b>	Usually open for Jerusalem ID holders, foreign passport holders and West Bank and Gaza Strip Palestinians with permits to enter Israel. Checkpoint at entrance to Ni'lin village: Usually only residents of Ni'lin and Al Midya, humanitarian organisations and people with special permits can access the western villages through this checkpoint.
<b>Rantis checkpoint</b>	Usually open for Jerusalem ID holders, foreign passport holders and West Bank and Gaza Strip Palestinians with permits to enter Israel.
<b>Jerusalem</b>	
<b>Hizma</b> North eastern entrance on Road 1.	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.
<b>Az Za'ayem</b> 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.
<b>Ar Ram</b> 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.
<b>Bir Nabala/Atarot</b> 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. Closed for several hours in the morning of 17 July. UN staff requested on several occasions to show personal ID/national passports in addition to their UN ID Card.
<b>Ramot Alon</b> North western entrance on Road 436	Open all week 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.
<b>Shufat Refugee Camp/ Anata Checkpoint</b>	Open for Palestinians with Jerusalem ID cards, West Bank Palestinians with permits and Internationals.
<b>Container (“Wadi nar”)</b> East of Abu Dis, main transit Between North and South West Bank	Open for Palestinian vehicles with permits, humanitarian reasons for Internationals. Permits not required for Palestinian pedestrians. Soldiers at the checkpoint refuse from time to time to open and close the gate, making the drivers, also ambulance drivers, open and close themselves.

<b>Jericho</b>	
<b>DCO</b> Main checkpoint off Road 1	Vehicle traffic is open for humanitarian reasons as well as for internationals and Palestinians with Jerusalem ID cards, and Jericho residents listed with vehicle and personal details at checkpoint. Closed for West Bank Palestinians unless with a permit to enter or with visa for travel to Jordan. Opening hours: 0600 – 2200 hrs.
<b>‘Ein ad Duyuk al Foqa</b> Northern entrance	Open for Jericho residents with permits and internationals. Closed for Palestinians with WB and Jerusalem ID cards. Opening hours: 0600 – 1800 hrs.
<b>Gate opposite Allenby</b> Checkpoint off Road 90	Gate manned by IDF. Closed at all times. Soldiers open the gate for the shuttle busses taking Palestinians to Allenby border crossing to Jordan.
<b>Bethlehem</b>	
<b>Gilo</b> North entrance to Bethlehem	Open 24 hours for humanitarian organizations. No Palestinian plated cars allowed. <b>Border Police continue to request additional identification from both local and international UN staff.</b> Palestinians with permits are allowed to pass.
<b>Ein Yalow</b> Bypass road east of Walaja, on Green Line	Opened 24 hours and only for Israeli plated cars and international organizations. Only Palestinians with Jerusalem IDs and Palestinians who work for UN and international organizations are allowed to pass.
<b>Beit Jala DCO</b> Entrance to Beit Jala	Open from 07:00 – 19:00 for all traffic. Palestinian public and private vehicles are allowed to pass. Only buses of Hebron national bus company are not allowed to cross. Long queues and delays were experienced for the vehicles coming out of Bethlehem.
<b>Noqedim</b> South-east of Bethlehem on route 356 (Zatara area)	Open 24 hours for all vehicles. Manned all the time this week. Long queues and delays were experienced for the commuting workers.
<b>Tunnels</b> Road 60 at Har Gilo	Open 24 hours for humanitarian organizations. Palestinians with permits are allowed to pass.
<b>Settlers’ Checkpoint - Efrata</b> Southern entrance to settlement	Open 24 hours only for settlers. Checkpoint manned by settlers.
<b>Efrata</b> Connecting road 60 to 356	Open 24 hours. Restrictions apply to Palestinians without permits as the checkpoint is on a bypass road.
<b>Gush Etzion</b> On road 60, at Etzion turn	The checkpoint is manned, checking and searches occur for Palestinian vehicles coming from Hebron towards Bethlehem district continuously but no delays experienced.
<b>Wadi Fukin</b> Crossing to Israel on road 375, Green Line	Palestinians with permits can cross.
<b>Al Jaba</b> Crossing to Israel on road 367, Green Line	Palestinians with permits can cross.
<b>Avnot</b> On road 90, along Dead Sea, near Ein Gedi	On bypass road 90. Palestinian plated vehicles not allowed.
<b>Hebron</b>	
<b>Beit Awwa</b> At entrance to Negohot settlement, on road 354	Closed to all Palestinian traffic. Families living close to the settlement of Negohot unable to use road with vehicles. Coordination with DCL required for access of service providers.
<b>Ras Al Joura</b> At crossing Between roads 35 and 60, north of Hebron	The checkpoint is not manned and the gate into Hebron is closed as the alternative route on Halhul bridge is available. Opened on 14, 15 and 20 July for UN and International Organizations since the Halhul bridge was manned by a flying checkpoint.
<b>Tarqumiya</b> Entrance for commercial goods (back-to-back), west of Hebron on road 35 for both Hebron and Bethlehem districts	Open from 07:00 to 16:30 Sunday to Thursday, Friday open until 14:00, closed on Saturdays. Transit allowed for workers, merchants and humanitarian cases with permits and families of prisoners.
<b>Shima</b> On road 60, east of Samoa	Palestinians with permits can cross.
<b>Ar Rifa'iyya</b> ON road 317, east of Yatta	Open for all, checking and searches occur for Palestinian vehicles on both directions. Delays experienced on 14 and 15 of July. Apparently no Palestinian plated cars are allowed to cross southwards.
<b>Prayers Road, H2</b> Access to area of Ibrahimi Mosque	Closed to Palestinians.
<b>Shohada street, H2</b> 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.
<b>Ibrahimi Mosque, H2</b> Access to the Mosque	Allowed for Palestinians going to pray after undergoing a body search.
<b>Bab Al Baladiyye , H2</b> (formerly Shalala street) Next to settlement of Beit Romano	The checkpoint is closed to Palestinians in the direction of Shuhada street. Physical searches conducted by the IDF on Palestinians walking towards or coming from the Souq.

<b>Qarantina, H2</b> Junction with Shohada street	Closed to Palestinians
<b>Bab Al-Khan, H2</b> Entrance to Avraham Avinu settlement	Closed to Palestinians in the direction of Shuhada street and north towards the Souq.
<b>Tel Rumeida, H2</b> Beginning of street leading to settlement	Open only to Palestinians on foot living between it and the settlement
<b>Gaza Crossings/Checkpoints</b>	
<b>Erez</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Partially open for traders aged 35 years and above.</li> <li>11 July, Erez crossing was closed from 11:15 – 13:15.</li> </ul>
<b>Erez Industrial Estate</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Partially open for workers aged 30 years and above.</li> <li>On 30 June 2004, Erez Industrial Zone was completely closed.</li> </ul>
<b>Netzarim Junction</b>	Closed since 8 October 2003.
<b>Abu Houli junction</b>	Checkpoint was open as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>14 July, 05:00 – 20:00</li> <li>15 July, 05:00 -07:00, 09:00 – 20:00</li> <li>16 July, 05:00 – 20:00</li> <li>17 July, 05:00 - 20:00</li> <li>18 July, 05:00 – 20:00</li> <li>19 July, 0500hrs-2000hrs</li> </ul> <b>Since 17 June 2004, Palestinian private cars are not permitted to cross Abu Houli junction.</b>
<b>Abu al Ajin road</b>	Closed
<b>Beach road</b>	Open
<b>West Morag Junction</b>	Closed
<b>Al Muntar Junction</b>	Closed
<b>Rafah Passenger Terminal</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Since 17 April 2004, Male Palestinians aged between 16 and 35 were not allowed to leave Gaza.</li> <li>14 July, the terminal was completely closed.</li> <li>15 July, the terminal was reopened.</li> <li>18, 19, 20 the terminal was completely closed.</li> </ul>

#### Commercial checkpoints:

<b>Tulkarm/Qalqiliya</b>	
<b>Qalqiliya DCO</b>	The back-to-back system has not been in use since all trucks have had full access to Qalqiliya town.
<b>Taybeh</b>	The back-to-back system has been operational for all kind of commodities during the course of the week.
<b>Nablus Awarta checkpoint</b> (the main commercial checkpoint in Nablus since July 2003), Open during day light hours only	
<b>Awarta checkpoint</b>	Open for incoming and outgoing goods.
<b>Jenin</b>	
<b>Al Jalama</b> Northern entrance/ main commercial	Open for incoming and outgoing goods.
<b>Beituniya</b>	
<b>Beituniya commercial checkpoint</b>	Checkpoint now closes at 17:00 weekdays, 13:00 on Fridays and closed Saturdays. Open for commercial goods (back-to-back system in operation), ICRC and UN vehicles only.
<b>Jericho</b>	
<b>Back to Back checkpoint/DCO checkpoint</b>	Open, but only for basic necessities. Closed from Friday afternoon to Sunday morning. Opening hours: 06:00 – 20:00.
<b>Gaza Strip</b>	
<b>Karni</b>	Partially open all week but mainly in one direction - from Israel to Gaza.
<b>Sufa</b>	Sofa crossing remained closed since 04 July for labourers but open for construction materials.

#### Road Gates

Gate	Status
<b>Tulkarm/Qalqiliya</b>	
Anabta	After having been open for approximately a month, on 15 July, the IDF closed the gate again. The decision to close the gate was conveyed to OCHA by the DCL some two weeks ago and the Palestinian DCL was officially informed on 14 July.

Azzun	The gate has been open during the whole reporting period.
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