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# Protection of Civilians Weekly Report

## 18 – 24 June 2008

### Of note this week

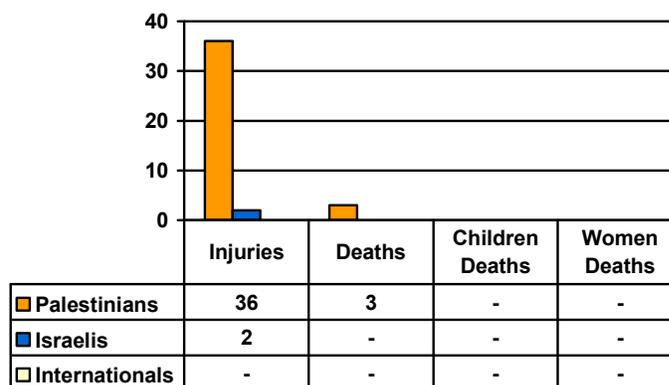
#### Gaza Strip:

- On 19 June, at 6 am, the ceasefire between Israel and Hamas went into effect. As part of the ceasefire, Palestinian militants agreed to immediately halt their attacks on Israel and Israel agreed to cease its military operations in Gaza. Israel also agreed to ease its blockade of Gaza and to gradually lift its ban on the import of a large number of commodities. The ceasefire is supposed to be in force for six months.
- The IDF killed one and injured six Palestinian militants. The IDF also injured a 67-year-old Palestinian man (unarmed civilian) on 23 June when the soldiers opened fire at a group of Palestinians collecting wood near the border (North Gaza).
- On three occasions this week, IDF boats patrolling west of Beit Lahiya opened fire at Palestinian fishing boats at sea, forcing the fishermen to return to shore (North Gaza).
- An Improvised Explosive Device was detonated in front of the house of a Hamas military leader in Rimal quarter on June 22. The explosion damaged the gate of the house and broke the windows of several nearby houses (Gaza).
- One Palestinian militant and two unarmed civilians were injured when four rockets fired from Gaza towards Israel landed in the North Gaza governorate.
- A total of 33 rudimentary rockets and 10 mortar shells were fired on 18 June by Palestinian militants at Israel. Two mortar shells were fired on 23 June. Four rudimentary rockets were fired on 24 June injuring two Israeli civilians.

#### West Bank:

- The IDF killed two Palestinians, including one militant, and injured 29 unarmed civilians. 19 of the 29 Palestinians were injured in Ni'lin during demonstrations against Barrier construction and the resulting cutting off of approximately 2,500 dunums of Palestinian private agricultural land (Ramallah).
- On four occasions, Israeli settlers caused damage to Palestinian property in Nablus, Ramallah and Salfit governorates. In one incident on 19 June, Israeli settlers from Yitzhar settlement set fire to agricultural land belonging to Palestinian farmers from Burin, 'Asira al Qibliya and 'Urif villages. More than 800 dunums of olive groves were burnt (Nablus).
- Palestinians from Beit Hanina al Balad held a demonstration to protest against the requisition of 1500 dunums of their land for Barrier construction between their village and Ramot settlement (Jerusalem).
- Three Israeli settlers from Nehli'el settlement were injured from live ammunition fired at them while they were hiking near Beitillu village. The perpetrators remain unidentified (Ramallah).
- 75 flying checkpoints, 114 IDF search operations and 48 arrests/detentions of Palestinians were reported.

#### Palestinian and Israeli conflict related casualties:<sup>1</sup>



<sup>1</sup> Excluding Palestinian-Palestinian internal violence and other 'indirect' conflict related incidents.

## 1. Physical Protection – conflict related casualties

### Gaza Strip:

- **18 June:** Two Palestinian militants (ages 20 and 22) were injured when an IAF aircraft fired two missiles targeting a rocket launching crew after they had fired four rudimentary rockets from east of Sheikh Zayed City towards Sderot (North Gaza).
- **18 June:** One Palestinian militant was injured when an IAF aircraft fired a missile at a group of militants in response to a rocket attack from west of Beit Lahiya towards the Western Negev (North Gaza).
- **19 June:** A 26-year-old Palestinian militant was killed and three other militants were injured when an IAF helicopter fired a missile targeting a group of Army of Islam militants in Deir El Balah (Central Gaza).
- **23 June:** A 67-year-old Palestinian man (unarmed civilian) was injured when IDF soldiers stationed at the border northwest of Beit Lahiya opened fire at a group of Palestinians trying to collect fire wood near the border (North Gaza).
- **24 June:** According to Israeli media reports, two Israeli women (unarmed civilians) were injured by a rocket fired from Beit Hanoun towards Sderot. Islamic Jihad claimed responsibility for firing four rockets during the day (North Gaza).

### Other incidents (not involving casualties):

- **18 June:** Islamic Jihad militants fired five homemade rockets from east of Jabaliya towards the Green Line. Two rockets landed in an open area east of Beit Hanoun. The IDF responded by firing one tank shell. No injuries were reported (North Gaza).
- **18 June:** Islamic Jihad militants fired three mortar shells from east of Al Bureij Camp towards the Green Line. The IDF responded with Heavy Machine Gun (HMG) fire. No injuries were reported (Central Gaza).
- **19 June:** IDF patrol boats west of Beit Lahiya fired four sound bombs targeting Palestinian fishing boats at sea, forcing the fishermen to return to shore (North Gaza).
- **20 June:** IDF patrol boats opened fire targeting Palestinian fishermen west of Beit Lahiya, forcing them to move southwards. No injuries were reported (North Gaza).
- **20 June:** IDF soldiers stationed at the border east of Al Maghazi Camp opened fire in the air when Palestinian farmers were attempting to reach their fields near the border. The gunfire forced them to leave the area. No injuries were reported (Central Gaza).
- **20 June:** During the early morning hours, a group of unidentified persons looted the cement loading station at Karni Commercial Crossing. Specifically, the contents of the control room and the compressors used to pump the cement were stolen. Without these parts, the loading station is non-operational. Following the theft, the Gaza police affiliated with the de facto Hamas government installed guards at the crossing and opened an investigation into the matter.
- **21 June:** IDF patrol boats opened fire at Palestinian fishing boats west of Beit Lahiya, forcing the boats to return to shore. No injuries or damage were reported (North Gaza).
- **21 June:** IDF soldiers stationed at the border northeast of Al Maghazi Camp opened fire in the air when Palestinian farmers were attempting to reach their fields near the border. The gunfire forced them to leave the area. No injuries were reported (North Gaza).
- **21 June:** IDF soldiers stationed at the border east of Rafah opened fire into the air when Palestinian farmers were working in their fields in Al Amour area, forcing the farmers to leave the area. No injuries were reported (Rafah).
- **23 June:** Two mortar shells were reportedly fired from Central Gaza towards Israel, one of which landed in the Nahal Oz area while the other landed in Israel. No injuries were reported. (Central Gaza).

### West Bank:

- **20 June:** Two Palestinian males (ages 22 and 29) were injured with rubber-coated metal bullets shot at them by the IDF during the weekly demonstration held by Palestinian, Israeli, and international activists to protest against Barrier construction in Bil'in. Cases of asphyxia were also reported (Ramallah).
- **20 June:** Two Palestinian men (ages 19 and 33) from Al Ma'sara were injured when the IDF physically assaulted them during the weekly protest against the Barrier (Bethlehem).
- **20 June:** A 31-year-old Palestinian taxi driver was physically assaulted and injured by IDF soldiers at Tayasir checkpoint. The driver was released after one hour (Tubas).
- **21 June:** Three Palestinian men (ages 21, 28 and 40) were injured in El Far'a refugee camp during a confrontation between Palestinian stone throwers and the IDF. The men were injured, respectively, by a gas canister, a rubber-coated metal bullet, and an army jeep that hit the 40-year-old man (Tubas).

- **22 June:** Six Palestinian males (ages 19(3), 32, 34 and 37) were injured with rubber-coated metal bullets shot at them by the IDF during a demonstration in Ni'lin against Barrier construction and the resulting cutting off of around 2,500 dunums of Palestinian private agricultural land. At least 11 cases of asphyxia were reported (Ramallah).
- **24 June:** Two Palestinian men (ages 24 and 25; one is a militant) were killed by the IDF in apartments rented by An Najah University students in Nablus City. According to the IDF, the two men were killed following an exchange of gunfire when the IDF attempted to arrest the men. According to Palestinian sources, however, one of the victims was shot immediately after he opened the door to his room. In addition, a 22-year-old Palestinian (bystander) was injured in the incident (Nablus).
- **24 June:** Thirteen Palestinian males (ages 5, 11, 17(2), 18(3), 19(3), 32, 37 and 38) were injured with rubber-coated metal bullets fired by the IDF in a demonstration organised by Palestinians and some international and Israeli activists against Barrier construction in Ni'lin village. Tens of cases of asphyxia were reported (Ramallah).
- **24 June:** A nine-year-old Palestinian boy was injured in Far'un village by rubber-coated metal bullets when the IDF opened fire at Palestinians during a demonstration in protest against the Barrier and pending demolition orders (Tulkarm).

Other incidents (not involving casualties/damage):

- **19 June:** A group of Israeli settlers blocked Road 60 near Huwwara checkpoint for 30 minutes and prevented Palestinian movement in the area (Nablus).
- **20 June:** Palestinians from Beit Hanina al Balad held a demonstration to protest against the requisition of 1500 dunums of their land for Barrier construction between their village and Ramot settlement. The IDF fired tear gas at the demonstrators. No injuries were reported (Jerusalem).
- **22 June:** Palestinian, Israeli and international peace activists held a demonstration in Qusin to protest against the closures near the village. The demonstration ended peacefully (Nablus).

## **2. Physical Protection – other incidents involving casualties<sup>2</sup>**

### **Gaza Strip:**

- **18 June:** One Palestinian militant was injured when a rocket fired from east of Sheikh Zayed City targeting Sderot exploded at the launch site (North Gaza).
- **18 June:** One Palestinian (unarmed civilian) was injured when two rockets fired from east of Jabaliya towards the Green Line landed in an open area east of Beit Hanoun (North Gaza).
- **18 June:** One Palestinian (unarmed civilian) was injured when two rockets fired from east of Jabaliya towards Sderot landed in Beit Hanoun (North Gaza).
- **23 June:** One Palestinian man was beaten to death with a wooden object in a family dispute among cousins belonging to a local family in Deir El Balah. The police intervened and brought the situation under control (Central Gaza).

Other incidents (not involving casualties):

- **22 June:** Approximately 200 Palestinians placed a sit-in tent at the Unknown Soldier Park to protest against the non issuance of Palestinian identification cards. At 1300 hours the sit-in tent was removed (Gaza).
- **24 June:** The Gaza police affiliated with the de facto Hamas government discovered an explosive device in a garbage container on Al Nafaq Street. The device was safely disarmed (Gaza).

### **West Bank:**

- **18 May:** Two Israelis were killed when their car collided with a truck belonging to a Palestinian man on a road near Halhul town north of Hebron City (Hebron).
- **20 June:** Three Israeli settlers from Nehli'eel settlement were injured with live ammunition fired at them while they were hiking near Beitillu village. The IDF conducted a search campaign in the area but no one was arrested. It remains disputed who the perpetrators of the attack are (Ramallah).

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

Other incidents (not involving casualties/damage):

No incidents to report.

**Inter-factional violence****Gaza Strip:**Other incidents (not involving casualties):

- **19 June:** One bullet penetrated the window of the office of the chairman of *Palestine*, a Hamas-affiliated newspaper, in Gaza City. No injuries were reported and the police are investigating the incident (Gaza).
- **19 June:** The Gaza police affiliated with the de facto Hamas government interrupted a wedding party in Al Bureij Camp, stating that the attendees were playing pro-Fatah songs over the loudspeakers. The police evacuated the attendees, who responded by throwing stones at the police. The police opened fire into the air in an attempt to disperse the crowd. No injuries were reported (Central Gaza).

**West Bank:**Other Incidents (not involving casualties/damage):

No incidents to report.

**3. Shelter and Property**

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

Date	Location, Governorate	Structures demolished	Structures damaged	People displaced	People affected
18 June 2008	Hebron, Hebron	-	4+	-	N/A
19 June 2008	Qalqiliya City, Qalqiliya	1	10	-	N/A
19 June 2008	Burin, Nablus	-	2	-	N/A
19 June 2008	Nablus, Nablus	-	3	-	3+
21 June 2008	Beit Ummar, Hebron	-	1	-	NA
21 June 2008	Beitillu, Ramallah	2	1	-	N/A
<b>Total</b>		<b>3</b>	<b>21+</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3+</b>

**18 June:** The IDF damaged furniture and equipment in a number of apartments in a building that they had surrounded and searched on Al Salam Street in Hebron City (Hebron).

**19 June:** The IDF demolished an uninhabited house and damaged the furniture of 10 other houses in Qalqiliya City during a military operation to arrest Palestinians wanted by the IDF (Qalqiliya).

**19 June:** Israeli settlers from Yitzhar settlement threw stones at Palestinian vehicles and houses in Burin causing damage to windows of two houses (Nablus).

**19 June:** A group of Israeli settlers escorted by the IDF entered Nablus City and went to Joseph's Tomb near Balata refugee camp. Meanwhile, the IDF forcibly entered three Palestinian schools in the area of the Tomb, damaging the main doors, and carried out a search operation (Nablus).

**21 June:** The equipment located in a medical center in Beit Ummar was damaged during an IDF search of the facility (Hebron).

**21 June:** Israeli settlers from Nehli'el settlement burnt one olive tree and destroyed two greenhouses belonging to a farmer from Beitillu. This took place following a shooting incident that resulted in the injury of three settlers on 20 June (Ramallah).

Other incidents (not involving demolitions/property damage):

**19 June:** The IDF occupied a three-storey building in Qalqiliya City during a military operation and held the family (15 persons) in one room for eight hours (Qalqiliya).

**19 June:** The IDF issued ten stop building orders against ten houses in the town of Idhna located west of Hebron City (Hebron).

**22 June:** The IDF distributed six stop building orders to Palestinians from Jayyus and 'Arab ar Ramadin ash Shamali. The orders in Jayyus are for a green house, an animal

pen and an agricultural storage room. In 'Arab ar Ramadin ash Shamali the stop building orders are for a house and two animal pens (Qalqiliya).

#### **Internal Violence Incidents Affecting Shelter and Property:**

- **22 June:** An Improvised Explosive Device (IED) was detonated in front of the house of a Hamas military leader in Rimal quarter. The explosion damaged the gate of the house and broke the windows of several nearby houses. No injuries were reported (Gaza).

## **4. Natural Resources**

### **Land levelling/Requisitions/Tree Uprooting<sup>3</sup>**

#### **Nablus Governorate:**

**19 June:** Israeli settlers from Yitzhar settlement set fire to agricultural land belonging to farmers from Burin, 'Asira al Qibliya and 'Urif villages. More than 800 dunums of olive groves were burnt (Nablus).

Ongoing incidents:

- **14 April 2008 to date:** IDF bulldozers continue to level land on the northern side of Huwwara checkpoint.

#### **Jenin, Tubas and Qalqiliya Governorates:**

No incidents to report.

#### **Tulkarm Governorate:**

**22 June:** About 100 dunums of olive groves on the western side of the Barrier belonging to farmers from Qaffin were burnt. It is unknown who or what triggered the fire (Tulkarm).

#### **Salfit Governorate:**

**19 June:** Israeli settlers from Tappuah settlement set fire to agricultural land belonging to farmers from Yasuf village. About 48 dunums were burnt (Salfit).

Ongoing incidents:

- **16 May 2008 to date:** Israeli settlers continue levelling land west of Revava settlement. The land is about 200 dunums and belongs to Palestinian farmers from Deir Istiya (Salfit).

#### **Ramallah / Al Bireh Governorate:**

**Between May and June 2008:** Over 80 olive trees belonging to Palestinians from Ni'lin village were burned due to tear gas, live bullets and shock grenades fired by the IDF at demonstrators protesting against the construction of the Barrier and the resulting cutting off of around 2,500 dunums of private Palestinian agricultural land. (Ramallah)

#### **Jericho Governorate:**

No incidents to report.

#### **Jerusalem Governorate:**

**20 June:** The IDF distributed a military order to requisite 1,500 dunums belonging to Palestinians from Beit Hanina al Balad to construct the Barrier between the village and Ramot settlement.

**24 June,** at least 200 olive trees were uprooted and replanted by the IDF and Civil Administration in a nearby location. According to the farmers olive trees will not survive after being replanted (Jerusalem).

#### **Bethlehem Governorate:**

**During the reporting period:** Extensive land leveling continues to take place in the vicinity of Har Gilo settlement. About 480 duplex apartments are planned to be constructed by 2012 in this area.

#### **Hebron Governorate:**

**Ongoing incident:**

- Land levelling continued in the settlement of Sansana to allow for further settlement expansion. The area where the land is being levelled is called Tur Al Nasrani in the village of Ar Ramadin.

<sup>3</sup> 4 dunums = 1 acre; 10 dunums = 1 hectare

**Gaza Strip:**

No incidents to report.

**5. Access and Movement for Civilians****a) Incidents of curfews****Table 2: Incidents of Curfew Imposed by the IDF**

Date	Location, Governorate	Duration
19 June 2008	Qalqiliya City, Qalqiliya	8 hours
<b>Total Week</b>		<b>8 hours</b>

**19 June:** The IDF imposed curfew on one part of Qalqiliya City for eight hours (0300 – 1100 hours) whilst conducting a house-to-house search campaign during a military operation (Qalqiliya).

**b) Access to education**

Ongoing incidents:

- **12 April to date:** Teachers and students are unable to report to their schools due to the fuel shortage. Student attendance in all universities in the Gaza Strip was disturbed for the same reason.

**c) Access to employment**

No incidents to report.

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

**During the week:** Delays and long queues were reported at Huwwara, Beit Iba and Tappouh checkpoints.

**19 June:** The IDF closed a segment of Road 60 between Yitzhar and Jit partial checkpoints for seven hours (1100 – 1800 hours) when Israeli settlers from Yitzhar attacked Palestinian vehicles and burnt land in the area.

**21 June:** The IDF closed Huwwara checkpoint for one hour. The reason remains unknown.

**23 June:** The IDF closed 'Asira ash Shamaliya and Al Badhan checkpoints for ten hours (1300 – 23:00 hours) due to a security alert.

Ongoing incidents:

- **7 May 2008 to date:** The IDF continues to close a dirt road with an earth mound connecting Qusin with Road 60.

**Jenin, Salfit, Ramallah, Bethlehem and Hebron Governorates:**

No incidents to report.

**Jerusalem Governorate:**

**During the reporting period:** The Israeli authorities instituted a new type of Entry Permit for accessing Jerusalem for Friday prayers. To be eligible for this permit, all of the above criteria must be met: The applicant must be 45 years of age or older (women) or 55 years of age or above (men), married with children, and have no security files against them. Successful permits are granted for one day's duration (Jerusalem).

**Tubas Governorate:**

No incidents to report.

**Tulkarm Governorate:**

**23 June:** The IDF closed Enav checkpoint for one hour allegedly due to the presence of a suspicious vehicle.

**Qalqiliya Governorate:**

**During the week:** Delays and long queues were reported at Qalqiliya North and Qalqiliya DCO checkpoints.

**Jericho Governorate:**

- **17 June:** Armed Israelis dressed in civilian clothes (according to the Palestinian DCL they were members of the Israeli intelligence) conducted physical searches of

Palestinians crossing the Jericho DCO checkpoint for three hours (1330—1630 hours).

### Gaza Strip

- Gaza fishermen continue to be restricted from fishing beyond six nautical miles off the coastline.

#### Functioning of Gaza crossing points:

- **Erez** was open on six days this week for the movement of diplomats, international humanitarian workers and critical medical cases with special coordination arrangements; however, national UN staff members continue to be denied entry to Israel, even with permits and prior co-ordination. Senior Palestinian businessmen were also allowed to cross this week. (Appendix for daily log of movement is based on information provided by the Palestinian civil affairs office due to the absence of Palestinian DCL staff at the present time).
- **Rafah** crossing continues to be closed. It was last open on 9 June 2007 but has operated since then on an exceptional basis.
- **Karni** crossing: the conveyor belt/chute was open on four days this week to transfer wheat grain and animal feed into Gaza. Since 12 June 2007, however, the crossing has remained closed for other imports and all exports.
- **Sufa** crossing was open on five days this week; it was closed on 20 and 21 June.
- **Kerem Shalom** crossing has been closed since the Palestinian suicide attack against the IDF military base located at the crossing on 19 April 2008. During the closure of Sufa between 28 October and 22 December, Kerem Shalom was effectively the only crossing allowing the entry of commercial and humanitarian goods into Gaza.
- **Nahal Oz energy pipelines** were open on six scheduled operating days this week.

#### Ongoing incidents:

- **Buffer Zone:** Following Israel's unilateral disengagement from the Gaza Strip in September 2005, the IDF announced that Palestinians should keep a distance of at least 150 metres from the perimeter fence along the eastern and northern borders of the Gaza Strip.
- On 28 December 2005, the IDF declared the former northern settlement bloc to be a "no-go" zone. Entry into the area for the 250 Palestinian residents and international organisations requires prior coordination with the IDF. Since 17 May, IDF presence in this area has been enforcing this ban.
- **17 May to date:** Palestinian farmers have been unable to reach their farms in the areas east and north of Beit Hanoun and north and northwest of Beit Lahiya due to ongoing IDF military activities. Palestinian farmers have also been unable to reach farms located east of Al Bureij Camp and east of Khan Younis due to intermittent military operations by the IDF.

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

Governorate	Location, # of flying checkpoints in brackets	Total # of flying checkpoints
Nablus	Huwwara (1), Al Badhan village (1)	2
Jenin	'Arraba (1), Ajja (1), Fahma (1), Qabatiya (1)	4
Tubas	Tubas (3), Tayasir (3), Al Far'a village (1)	7
Tulkarm	'Illar (1), Al Jarushiya (1), Kafr Sur (3)	5
Qalqiliya	'Azzun (3), Izbat at Tabib (2), Kafr Laqif (3), An Nabi Elyas (1), Kafr Qaddum (2), Jayyus (2), Kafr Tulth (1), Wadi Qana (2), Immatin (1), Jinsafut (2)	19
Salfit	Az Zawiya (1), Bruqin (1), Deir Istiya (1), Bidya (1), Qarawat Bani Hassan (2)	6
Ramallah/AI Bireh	-	0
Jericho	-	0
Jerusalem	-	0
Bethlehem	Tuqu (1), Al Shawawreh (1), Al Nashash (1), Za'atara (1), Bethlehem (1), Beit Sahur (1), Al Doha (2), Duheisha RC (2), Azeh RC (2)	12
Hebron	Halhul overpass (6), Ras Al Jora (2), H1 area of Hebron City (4), Adh Dhahiriya (1), Dura (3), Khursa (1), Beit Ummar (3)	20
<b>Total West Bank</b>		<b>75</b>

## 6. Search/Arrests/Detentions

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

Governorate	Location of arrests/detention by the IDF, number of searches noted at locations within brackets	Total # of Searches	Total # of Arrested/ Detained
Nablus	Nablus City (7), Balata RC (2), Camp No.1 (2), Burqa (1), Beit Furik (1), 'Awarta (1), Duma (2)	16	8
Jenin	Jenin City (4), Jenin RC (2), Al Yamun (1), Qabatiya (2), 'Arraba (2), Zbuba (1), Kafr Ra'i (2), Silat al Harithiya (1)	15	4
Tubas	Al Far'a (1), Tubas (4), El Far'a RC (2), Tammun (2), 'Aqqba (1)	10	5
Tulkarm	Tulkarm City (2), Ramin (1), Shuweika (2), Faru'n (1), 'Anabta (1)	7	0
Qalqiliya	Qalqiliya City (4), 'Azzun (3), Jit (2), Habla (2), Ras 'Atiya (1), Jayyus (3), Hajja (2), Kafr Thulth (3), Kafr Qaddum (3), Sannirya (2), Immatin (1), 'Asla (1)	27	11
Salfit	Haris (1), Kifl Haris (1)	2	0
Ramallah	Ramallah (1), Kafr Ni'ma(1), Deir Abu Mash'al (1), Beitillu (1)	4	8
Jericho	Jericho (1), Al Jiftlik (1)	2	0
Jerusalem	-	0	0
Bethlehem	Bethlehem City (3), Beit Sahur (1), Beit Jala (4), Al Khader (1), Doha (1), Ad Duheisha RC (4), Azeh RC (1)	15	2
Hebron	H1 area of Hebron City (7), Dura (2), Beit Ommar (5), Nuba (2)	16	10
<b>Total West Bank</b>		<b>114</b>	<b>48</b>
<b>Gaza Strip*</b>			
-	-	0	0
<b>Total Gaza Strip</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Total oPt</b>		<b>114</b>	<b>48</b>

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

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

Governorate	Location of arrests/detention (number of searches, number of arrests) – additional information	Total # of Searches	Total # of Arrested/ Detained
-	-	0	0
<b>Total West Bank</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Gaza Strip*</b>			
Rafah	Rafah (1,1)	1	1
<b>Total Gaza Strip</b>		<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Total oPt</b>		<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>

\*Carried out by the Gaza police affiliated with the de facto Hamas government.

**Appendix: Checkpoints: 18 – 24 June 2008**

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

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

	foreign passport holders. Palestinian merchants with BMC cards, workers inside Israel, coordinated medical cases and holders of Israeli permits for personal needs are allowed through the checkpoint.
<b>Rantis</b>	Operating daily 24 hours for Israelis and holders of Jerusalem IDs and foreign passports. West Bank Palestinians are not allowed to cross irrespective of their possession of permits to enter Israel.
<b>Jericho:</b>	
<b>DCO</b> <i>Main checkpoint off Road 1</i>	Operating 24 hours/day. As of 26 September 2007, all West Bank ID-holders can enter Jericho via the DCO checkpoint. Palestinians from the north of the West Bank (Nablus, Qalqiliya, Jenin, Tulkarm) are not allowed to exit Jericho via this checkpoint and are hence forced to take the old road to Ramallah via Yitav checkpoint. All other West Bank ID-holders may exit Jericho via the DCO checkpoint or Yitav to Ramallah. During the reporting period, delays of up to 20 minutes were reported on a daily basis for vehicles exiting Jericho.
<b>Al Auja (Yitav)</b> <i>On Road 90</i>	Operating 24 hours/day for Palestinians living in Jericho governorate. Palestinians with West Bank IDs who are not Jordan Valley residents are prohibited from crossing northward to Al Auja through this checkpoint unless they hold Israeli permits that allow them access to the area. No permit is required for those travelling between Jericho and Ramallah. During the reporting period, some delays were reported.
<b>Gate opposite Allenby</b> <i>Checkpoint off Road 90</i>	Gate manned by the IDF but remains closed. Soldiers open the gate only for shuttle buses taking Palestinians to Jordan via Allenby Border crossing.
<b>An Nwemeh, Partial CP</b> <i>North Jericho</i>	Open. The checkpoint leads to al Mu'arrajat road, the only road out of Jericho for residents of Ramallah and the northern West Bank.
<b>Dead Sea</b> <b>Became a partial checkpoint as of 2 January 2008</b>	Located on Road 90 near the Dead Sea. Since 2 January 2008, operates as a partial checkpoint. Palestinians holding West Bank ID cards and Palestinian-plated vehicles are denied access to the Dead Sea area whenever the IDF operates the checkpoint, which is at random during weekdays and 24 hours per day on Fridays and Saturdays.
<b>Jerusalem :</b>	
<b>Qalandiya</b>	Open for internationals, Jerusalem ID holders and Palestinians with West Bank IDs. Only drivers and their family members are allowed to cross while staying inside the vehicle. All other persons, both West Bank and Jerusalem ID holders, have to cross through the pedestrian lanes. As of 10 December, Israeli private security guards are present at the checkpoint along with the IDF for extra random security checks. Long delays during rush hours continue to be reported on a daily basis at both the vehicular and pedestrian lanes.
<b>Hizma</b> <i>Eastern entrance of junction Road 437/Psigat Ze'ev settlement</i>	Open for Israelis, Palestinians with Jerusalem ID cards and internationals. UN staff have been requested on several occasions to show personal IDs/national passports in addition to their UN ID card. As of 3 February 2006, Palestinians with valid permits are not allowed to cross unless they also are employees at international organisations, medical staff, chronic patients, teachers or BMC Card holders.
<b>Zayem</b> <i>North eastern entrance, on Road 1</i>	Open for Israelis, Palestinians with Jerusalem IDs, internationals, Palestinians working for international organisations, medical staff, chronic patients, teachers and BMC Card holders. Palestinian permit holders who do not belong to one of these categories are not allowed to cross.
<b>Ar Ram</b> <i>Northern entrance, on Road 60</i>	Open for internationals, diplomats, Palestinians working for international organisations and residents of the southern part of Dahiyat al Bareed whose names and ID numbers are registered on a list at the checkpoint. All other Palestinians, both holders of Jerusalem IDs and permit holders, are not allowed to cross since this is not one of the four Israeli-designated crossings into Jerusalem. During the reporting period, long delays were reported during rush hours.
<b>Bir Nabala / Atarot</b> <i>Northern entrance on Road 404 /45 Road Atarot Junction</i>	Open for Israelis, Palestinians with Jerusalem ID cards, Palestinians with valid permits and internationals. Residents of the Palestinian village An Nabi Samwil are permitted to cross to access their village only.
<b>Ramot Allon</b> <i>North western entrance on Road 436</i>	Open for Israelis, Palestinians with Jerusalem ID cards and internationals. As of 25 March 2008, Palestinians travelling between Bir Nabala and Biddu enclaves are no longer allowed through the checkpoint and all movements are directed to the new "fabric of life" sunken road and tunnel between Al Jib and Biddu under Road 436.
<b>Shu'fat Refugee Camp/ Anata Checkpoint</b>	Operating 24 hours for Palestinians with Jerusalem IDs and UN and international organisations. West Bank Palestinians need permits to cross. West Bank vehicles are not allowed to cross. Commercial trucks transporting merchandise from places other than Shu'fat Camp

	are not allowed to cross and must use Beituniya checkpoint.
<b>Container (“Wadi nar”)</b> <i>East of Abu Dis, main transit between north and south West Bank</i>	Manned by the Border Police. Operating for all Palestinian vehicles without permits and for internationals. Israeli yellow-plated cars are not allowed to cross. Delays continue to be reported on a daily basis.
<b>Az Zaytoun (olive)</b> <i>North eastern entrance on Road 1</i>	Operating 24 hours. Access is permitted for Jerusalem ID holders, other Palestinians holding West Bank IDs and valid permits, and internationals with valid Israeli visas (all pedestrians). No vehicles are allowed to cross.
<b>Lazarus</b>	Manned by the IDF. Allows access to Jerusalem for 300 residents of the Abu Dis neighbourhood adjacent to the checkpoint who have Jerusalem IDs and have their names on a list held at the checkpoint.
<b>Sheikh Sa’d</b>	Manned by the IDF. Permits access to Jerusalem for Jerusalem ID holders who are residents of Ash Sheikh Sa’d, which is located to the east of the Barrier. Palestinians with West Bank IDs who are residents of Ash Sheikh Sa’d are allowed into Jerusalem through this checkpoint if they possess an Israeli permit.
<b>As Sawahira ash Sharqiya</b>	Manned by the IDF. Allows Jerusalem residents of As Sawahira al Gharbiya who live adjacent to the barrier to access As Sawahira ash Sharqiya, which is located to the east of the Barrier.
<b>Rafat / Al Masyion</b> <i>On the new road between Rafat and Bir Nabala village</i>	On the “Fabric of Life” road between Ramallah and Bir Nabala, near Rafat village. As of 5 March, the checkpoint is manned by the Border Police. Long delays continued to be reported on a daily basis. Delays during the morning and evening rush hours reached up to 30 minutes.
<b>Shu’fat – Ras Khamees</b>	Manned by the Border Police. Open for vehicular and pedestrian movements for Jerusalem ID holders. Palestinians with West bank IDs who possess permits to cross into Jerusalem are not allowed to cross through this checkpoint.
<b>Jaba’</b> <i>Between Jaba’ Junction and Qalandiya CP</i>	Open.
<b>Qawasmi</b> <i>Northern entrance at roundabout on road between Atarot and Qalandiya</i>	Manned by the Border Police. Open for Israelis, Palestinians with Jerusalem ID cards or valid permits and internationals. Vehicle checks for those traveling towards Qalandiya and Beit Hanina are conducted.
<b>Al Jib</b> <i>A checkpoint and a gate</i>	Manned by Border Police. Allows 24/7 access for residents of Al Khalayleh neighbourhood (about 700 Palestinians caught between the barrier and Giv’at Ze’ev settlement). Palestinians with work permits to work in Giv’at Ze’ev settlement are allowed access according to the times stipulated on their permits. The checkpoint serves as a seasonal gate for farmers from Al Jib to access their land following prior coordination with the Israeli Civil administration.
<b>Bethlehem :</b>	
<b>Gilo (Rachel’s Tomb)</b> <i>Terminal at north entrance to Bethlehem leading to Jerusalem</i>	Manned by the Israeli Border Police. Operating 24 hours for humanitarian organisations, diplomats, Jerusalem ID holders and Palestinian permit holders. West Bank Palestinians (including those working for the UN and other international agencies) must walk through the terminal to undergo search procedures. Jerusalem ID holders travelling to Bethlehem City are asked to show their IDs. Yellow-plated tourist buses are allowed to cross only if driven by a Palestinian with Israeli citizenship. Palestinians holding valid work permits can access East Jerusalem and Israel through this checkpoint after showing their IDs, work permits, and occasionally their magnetic cards as well as sometimes undergoing hand print scanning.
<b>An Nu’man</b> <i>On the main entrance of Khallet an Nu’man from Beit Sahur side</i>	Manned by the Israeli Border Police. Only Palestinians living in An Nu’man and listed vehicles and drivers of service providers are allowed through. Extended family members are not allowed to visit Palestinian residents. International organisations wishing to enter the village are required to hold a permit, show their organisation’s ID and their national IDs and/or passports. As of 31 August 2007, the checkpoint is open to settlers from 0600 to 1800 hours to allow them to travel on the newly opened Jerusalem-Gush Herodion highway.
<b>Ein Yallow / Al Walaja</b> <i>Bypass road east of Walaja, on Green Line</i>	Manned by the Israeli Border Police. Previously known as Ein Yallow. Operating 24 hours only for Israeli-plated cars, international organisations and commercial trucks.
<b>Beit Jala DCO, Partial CP</b> <i>Entrance to Beit Jala</i>	Rarely-manned. Operating 24 hours and movement is allowed in both directions for all vehicles.
<b>Tunnels</b> <i>Road 60 at Har Gilo</i>	Operating 24 hours. Manned by the Israeli Border Police and private security personnel since 23 February 2007. Palestinians working for international organisations are requested to show their local IDs and permits to cross into Jerusalem. Other Palestinian permit holders are not allowed to cross and are redirected to Gilo checkpoint.

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

<b>Tel Rumeida, H2</b> <i>Beginning of street leading to settlement</i>	Open to Palestinian pedestrians living between the checkpoint and the settlement. A military order was issued on 17 July 2006 that declared the area beyond the checkpoint a "Closed Area", barring the entry of anyone except Israeli citizens, the IDF, Israeli Police and those with an IDF-issued permit.
<b>Al Kasaba, H2</b> <i>Exit from the Kasaba, old city (Tomb of the Patriarchs)</i>	Filters Palestinian movement from the Kasaba area directly to the Ibrahimi Mosque. Palestinians exiting Al Kasaba must go through several turnstiles and a metal detector that allow one person to pass at a time. The process is slow during Friday prayers.
<b>Abu Rish, H2</b> <i>Near the Abu Rish Mosque at the end of Al Shohada St.</i>	Manned by the IDF. The only official access point for international organisations into the Old City of Hebron. Palestinians have to go through a mobile metal detector.
<b>Ar Ramadin</b> <i>Not on the Green Line.</i>	This checkpoint was removed on 17 October 2007. Located at intersection between Ar Ramadin entrance and Road 325.
<b>Halhul – Sa'ir, Partial CP</b> <i>Also called 'Nabi Younis' CP)</i>	Located at Halhul's entrance on the junction between Halhul and Sa'ir on Road 60. Monitored from the nearby observation tower.
<b>Al Fawwar, Partial CP</b> <i>Al Fawwar-Dura junction</i>	On Road 60. Monitored from the nearby observation tower. On 6 and 11 February, the IDF erected a flying checkpoint at the entrance of Al Fawwar Camp, east of Al Fawwar partial checkpoint.
<b>Tarqumiya – Idhna, Partial CP</b>	On Road 35. Manned on a temporary basis by the Israeli Border Police.
<b>Ras Al Joura, Partial CP</b>	Located near the junction between Road 35 and Road 60. Manned on a temporary basis by the IDF.
<b>Gaza Crossings/Checkpoints</b>	
<b>Erez crossing</b>	Erez was open on six days this week for Internationals and Palestinians obtaining special co-ordination. On 21 June, the crossing was closed.  <b>18 June:</b> Erez was closed between 1030 and 1420 hours. <b>19 June:</b> Erez was closed between 1215 and 1230 hours.  The crossing remains closed for Palestinian workers since 12 March 2006.
<b>Rafah Passenger Crossing</b>	Rafah crossing continues to be closed since 9 June 2007 but it has been exceptionally opened on several occasions to allow medical and other cases to cross to Egypt or return to Gaza.  <b>18 June:</b> Rafah was open for injured Palestinians who had received medical treatment and people detained in Egypt to return to Gaza. <b>19 June:</b> Rafah was open to allow 12 Palestinian patients to return to the Gaza Strip and for four additional patients to cross to Egypt.  According to police officers at Rafah crossing, an estimated number of seven to ten thousand people need to leave Gaza for medical treatment, schooling, trading and other reasons.
<b>Commercial checkpoints:</b>	
<b>Tulkarm/Qalqiliya</b>	
<b>Taybeh (Green Line CP)</b>	Manned by an Israeli private company. The back-to-back system is operational for goods traffic from 0800 to 1600 hours Sunday to Thursday. It is closed on Fridays and Saturdays. Open between 0730 to 1600 hours Sunday to Thursday and 0730 to 1300 hours on Fridays.
<b>Nablus</b>	
<b>Awarta checkpoint</b> <i>Main commercial checkpoint in Nablus since July 2003</i>	Manned by the IDF. Open from 0600 to 1800 hours Sunday to Thursday and 0600 to 1300 hours on Fridays. Closed on Saturday. About 120 commercial trucks have permits to cross whereas all other loads must be transferred using the back-to-back system.
<b>Jenin</b>	
<b>Al Jalama (Green Line CP)</b> <i>Main commercial checkpoint</i>	Manned by the IDF. Open between 0800 to 1600 hours Sunday to Thursday and 0800 to 1200 hours on Fridays.
<b>Tubas</b>	
<b>Bisan</b> <i>Main entrance to Israel</i>	Located north of Tubas. From 9 January 2007 to 31 May 2008, the checkpoint has been open from 1000 to 1800 hours Sunday through Thursday and from 0700 to 1300 hours on Fridays. It is closed on Saturdays and Jewish holidays. Since 1 June 2008, the checkpoint operates on Sundays and Wednesdays only, from 1000 to 1800 hours. Outside of these hours and days, the checkpoint operates sporadically. It is open for Palestinian merchants from the Jordan Valley area to export their agricultural produce to Israel using the back-to-back system.

<b>Ramallah/AI Bireh</b>	
<b>Beituniya</b> <i>Back-to-back checkpoint</i>	This checkpoint is open for commercial goods (back-to-back system) and operates from 0700 to 1630 hours Sunday to Thursday and 0700 to 1200 hours on Fridays. It is closed on Saturdays and Jewish holidays. Only Palestinians holding Jerusalem IDs and driving Israeli yellow-plated trucks are allowed to cross without using the back-to-back system, and then only if the bill of lading stipulates Kafr 'Aqab and/or Sameeramees as offloading destinations. It is not open for private cars or pedestrians. As of 1 July 2007, UN staff and diplomats are not allowed to cross at this location.
<b>Hebron</b>	
<b>Tarqumiya</b> <i>West of Hebron on Road 35</i>	Provides entry for commercial goods from both Hebron and Bethlehem governorates. The back-to-back section is open from 0700 to 1700 hours Sunday to Thursday and 0700 to 1300 on Fridays. All cargo is checked by the Border Police and a container x-ray machine is on site. During the reporting period, long delays for commercial trucks were reported. Since 6 April, control of the checkpoint has been reverted to a private company.
<b>Gaza Strip</b>	
<b>Karni</b>	The conveyor belt operated on four days this week (19,22,23 and 24 June) for the transfer of grains and animal feed into Gaza.  However, since 12 June, Karni remained closed for all other imports and all exports.
<b>Sufa</b>	Sufa crossing was open on five days this week. On 20 and 21 June, it was closed. Sufa crossing was re-opened on 23 December for commercial and humanitarian goods.
<b>Kerem Shalom</b>	Kerem Shalom was closed this week for the entry of commercial and humanitarian goods. This crossing has been closed since a Palestinian suicide attack targeted an IDF military base at the crossing on 19 April 08. Kerem Shalom was open after being closed since 23 January, due to Israeli security concerns.
<b>Nahal Oz Energy Pipelines</b>	Nahal Oz energy pipelines were open on six scheduled operating days this week. On 21 June, it was closed. These pipelines are scheduled to be open six days a week.

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**Method and Sources**

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

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

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