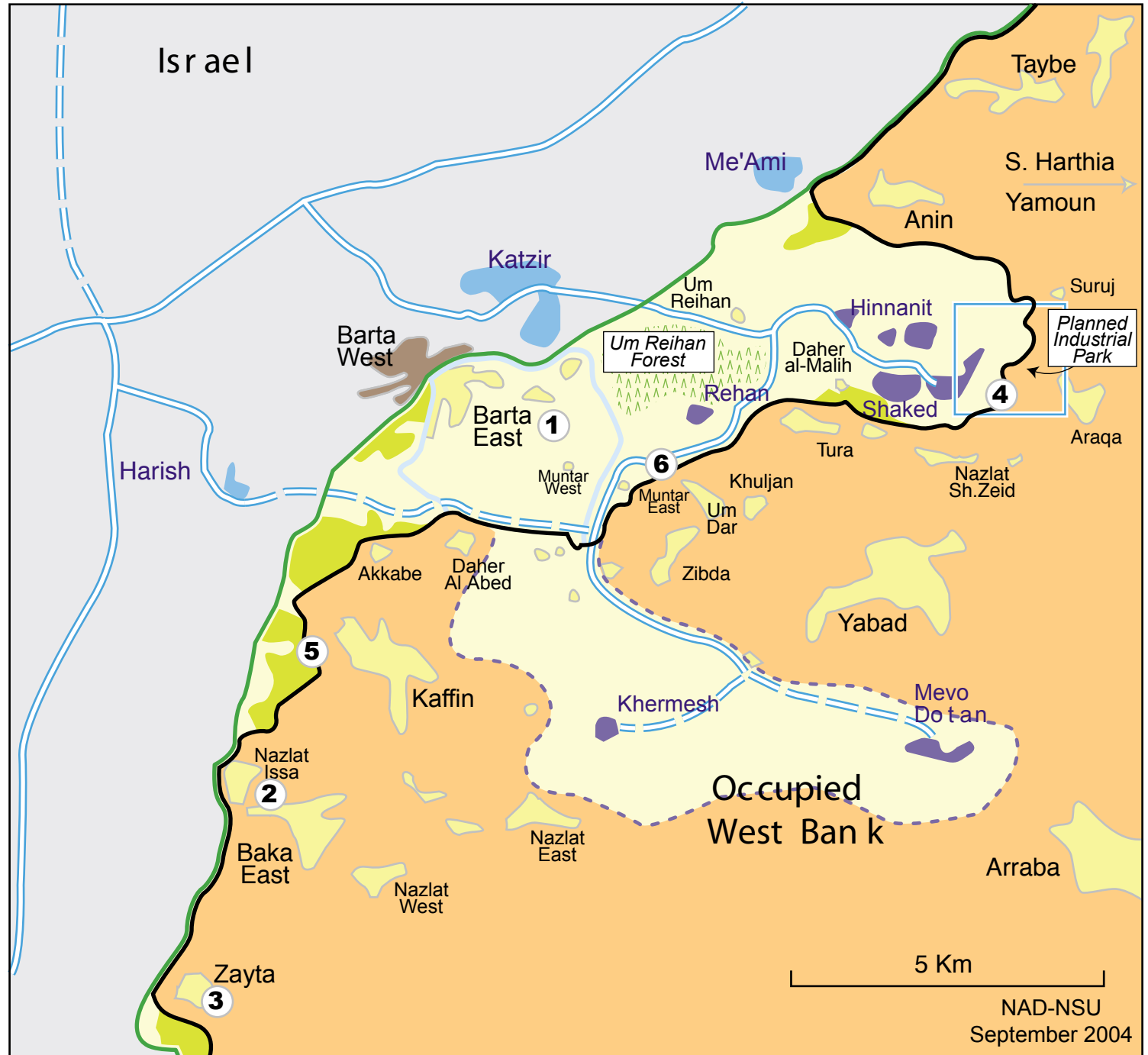
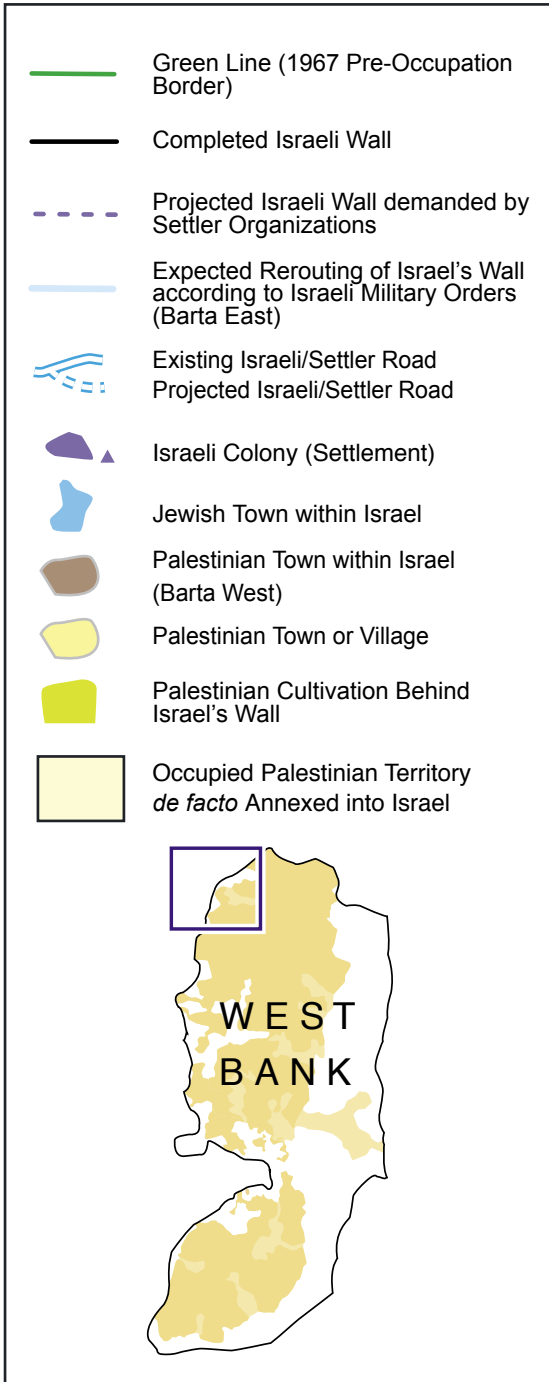


ISRAEL'S WALL IN THE NORTHWESTERN WEST BANK



1 Barta East: On March 14, 2004, Israel announced it would reroute the Wall closer to Israel's 1967 Pre-Occupation Border and presumably tear down sections of the currently existing Wall. While used in Israeli public relations campaigns as an example of Israel "improving the conditions in the area," the new route actually worsens the plight of Barta East residents by (i) separating the town center from approximately 60% of its surrounding land, half of which is cultivated land, (ii) slating for destruction the town's commercial center located 200 meters inside the Occupied West Bank directly on the Wall's rerouted path and (iii) separating Barta East from Barta West and other towns inside Israel which support the economy of Barta East.

On July 20, 2004, the Israeli Army demolished 3 Palestinian homes, 26 Palestinian shops and an olive oil factory in order to continue construction of its Wall, in violation of the July 9th ruling of the International Court of Justice. The Army fired live ammunition at Palestinians, injuring 8 civilians, critically wounding two. An additional 22 Palestinian shops remain under threat of demolition.

2 Nazlat Issa Market: On August 21, 2003, the Israeli Army destroyed 124 market stalls and seven homes in what was once the largest open-air market in the Occupied West Bank. On August 24, 2003, Israeli military order 03/57/C confiscated market land "out of necessity to protect Israeli settlements [colonies] in the area." The nearest colony, Khermesh, is nearly 4 kilometers away.

3 Zayta: The southern agricultural gate in Zayta, the stated purpose of which is to facilitate farmer access to agricultural land, remains closed. Forty-seven farmers have been denied access to their land.

4 Shaked Industrial Park: In March 2004, Israel announced the confiscation of lands belonging to the Palestinian villages of Yamoun, Araqa, Sila Harthia and Yabad for expansion of the Shaked Industrial Park. Several Israeli industrial parks are planned throughout the Occupied West Bank, all located in or near a major Israeli colony bloc. The strategy is to deprive Palestinians of their livelihood by confiscating agricultural land, and attract Israeli businesses to such land by allowing them to benefit from cheap Palestinian labor nearby.

5 Nazlat Issa/Kaffin "Closed Zone": Six homes and 62 people remain isolated on the western side of the Wall and 18 school-children are forced daily to pass through military gates to attend school. Also isolated on the western side of the Wall is approximately 130 acres of Nazlat Issa's cultivated land and approximately one-third (430 acres) of Kaffin's cultivated land.

6 Closed Zone: The Palestinian villages of Daher al-Malih, Um Reihan and Muntar East will remain isolated between Israel's 1967 Pre-Occupation Border and the Wall and are consequently subject to "Closed Zone" regulations.

See <http://www.nad-plo.org/hborders3.php>.