README FILE

This README file describes the contents of the data appendix to the paper "The Shape of Things to Come? On the Dynamics of Suicide Attacks and Targeted Killings," by David A. Jaeger and M. Daniele Paserman, forthcoming in the *Quarterly Journal of Political Science.*

The zipped directory ReplicationPackage_QJPS.zip contains the following files:

1. **weeklydata.dta:** A Stata 10 data file containing the weekly count of fatalities from the week of September 14, 2000 to the week of January 15, 2005. This includes the total count of Palestinian and Israeli fatalities, as well as the count disaggregated by type (targeted killings/non-targeted killings; suicide attacks/non-suicide attacks); the number of successful and unsuccessful targeted killings; the number of successful and unsuccessful suicide attacks. Additional variables: length of the separation barrier, period dummies.

2. **monthlydata.dta:** A Stata 10 data file containing the monthly count of fatalities from September 2000 to January 2005. This includes the total count of Palestinian and Israeli fatalities, as well as the count disaggregated by type (targeted killings/non-targeted killings; suicide attacks/non-suicide attacks); the number of successful and unsuccessful targeted killings (according to the Btselem and Zussman-Zussman definitions); the number of successful and unsuccessful suicide attacks. Additional variables: length of the separation barrier, period dummies.

3. **weeklydata_bydistrict.dta:** A Stata 10 data file containing the weekly count of Palestinian fatalities by Palestinian district, and the weekly count of Israeli fatalities by the Palestinian district in which they originated. It also include the count of fatalities by type (targeted killings/non-targeted killings; suicide attacks/non-suicide attacks); the number of successful and unsuccessful targeted killings the number of successful and unsuccessful suicide attacks. Additional variables: length of the separation barrier, period dummies.

4. **Table1_suicides_summarystats.do:** Stata do-file with the code needed to reproduce Table 1 in the paper.

5. **Table2_TargetedKillings_summarystats.do:** Stata do-file with the code needed to reproduce Table 2 in the paper.

6. **Table3_isrrf_suicides.do:** Stata do-file with the code needed to reproduce Table 3 in the paper.

7. **Table4_palrf_TargetedKillings.do:** Stata do-file with the code needed to reproduce Table 4 in the paper.

8. **Table5_palrf_lagstructure.do:** Stata do-file with the code needed to reproduce Table 5 in the paper.

9. **Table6_geographic.do:** Stata do-file with the code needed to reproduce Table 6 in the paper.

10. **Table7_palRF_intendedviolence_weekly.do:** Stata do-file with the code needed to reproduce Table 7 in the paper.

11. **Table8_palRF_intendedviolence_nonlinear.do:** Stata do-file with the code needed to reproduce Table 8 in the paper.

12. **Figure1_graphbars.do:** Stata do-file with the code needed to reproduce Figure 1 in the paper.

13. **Footnote15.do:** Stata do-file with the code needed to reproduce the numbers in Footnote 15 in the paper.

Data sources
The variables used in the final analysis were obtained from a number of different sources.

a) Fatality counts were downloaded from the web site of B'tselem, www.btselem.org. B'teslem frequently updates its list of fatalities, so the data were checked for consistency with other sources: the Israeli Ministry of Foreign Affairs (www.mfa.gov.il) and newspaper reports from the Jerusalem Post (www.jpost.com). Recently, B'tselem has made the list of fatalities available in tabular form, which can be downloaded directly from the web site.

b) The Zussman and Zussman (2006) data on targeted killings was generously shared with us by the authors. Contrary to the B'tselem data, the Zussman and Zussman data set also includes information on targeted killing attempts that did not result in any fatalities. Zussman and Zussman's definition of a targeted killing is somewhat broader than that employed by B'Tselem, although the targeted killings identified by B'Tselem are not a strict subset of those identified by Zussman and Zussman. In our primary analysis we use all of the (fatal) targeted killings identified in the B'Tselem data and supplement those with the additional non-fatal targeted killings identified by Zussman and Zussman.

c) Data on the length of the separation barrier was obtained from the Israeli Ministry of Defense.

d) Data on successful and prevented Palestinian attacks was obtained from the Israeli Defense Forces web site: http://www1.idf.il/SIP_STORAGE/DOVER/files/6/31646.doc.

For more details on the construction of the final variables, please contact the authors.