

Fatah - On Peace

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[\(Official PA TV, Topic of the Day, 26/3/2017\)](#)

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[Muhammed Shtayyeh, Fatah Central Committee \(Palestinian Authority TV, 26/3/2017\)](#)

Talk about establishing a state in the West Bank and Gaza is “a tactical step that does not harm the right of the Palestinians to all of the land of Palestine”.

[Mahmoud Al-Zahar, on Lebanese TV Al-Mayadeen \(Amad, Independent Palestinian news website, 29/3/2017\)](#)

“I believe that Allah will gather them [the Jews] so we can kill them”.

[Abbas Zaka, Fatah Central Committee, 2014](#)

“What was promised was to gather them [the Jews] in order to exterminate them by divine decree”.

[Palestinian woman, Awdah Fatah-run TV, 19/2/2017](#)

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[Najeh Bakirat, Head of Wakf’s Al-Aqsa Academy of Heritage and Antiquities, \(PA TV Ramadan lesson, 11/6/2016\)](#)

“All kinds of weapons and means of killing, burning, shooting, stabbing and destruction have been used. But it has not occurred to us for a moment to use the tools of building and construction. Should our leaders not apologise for our dead children, our lost youth and our bereaved mothers? Should they not say out loud: ‘We failed. We must examine our consciences’?”

[Izzeldin Abuellaish, Palestinian columnist, The Guardian, 18/10/2015](#)

“My [14 year old] daughter made me happy when she said ‘I want to carry out a martyrdom operation and kill some Israeli soldiers’”.

[Sama Hassan, columnist in Al-Hayat al-Jadidi, PA daily, 8/10/2015](#)

Anyone who takes part in any sporting activities with Israelis, I'll erase him from the lists of the [athletic] federations, whether he is a player, a coach, a referee, or heaven forbid a team...I won't allow or agree to any match between the Arabs and Israel”.

[Jibril Rajoub, Head of Palestinian Olympic committee \(imra, 6/8/2016\)](#)

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"Any activity of normalization in sports with the Zionist enemy is a crime against humanity."

[Jibril Rajoub, Head of the Supreme Council for Sport and Youth Affairs and the PA Olympic Committee, Kooora.com, Palestinian sports site, and Jibril Rajoub's official Facebook page, 6/9/2014](#)

“ Palestinian Media Watch has documented that the PA even prohibits peace-building activities and react harshly for example to joint football matches for Palestinian and Israeli children. Sports officials have called such matches "a crime," and demanded that the organizers be "prosecute[d]... on charges of serious treason."

[Sama, independent Palestinian news agency, 3/9/ 2014](#)

“The Palestinian leadership has decided to terminate the Interim Agreement on the West Bank and the Gaza Strip known as the Oslo Accords II, which was signed in Taba on September 28, 1995”.

[Ahmad Majdalani , PLO Executive Committee member
<http://www.maannews.com/Content.aspx?id=767475>, 8/9/2015](#)

"Oh sons of Zion, oh the most evil of creatures, oh barbaric apes, Jerusalem rejects you and vomits your filth”.

[Child Abd Al-Rahim Al-Zarad, Al-Aqsa TV \(5/12/2014\) \(memri\)](#)

"In our schools, we teach what our religion and conscience dictate: That Jerusalem is Arab and that Palestine - from north to south, from the [Jordan] River to the [Mediterranean] Sea - is Islamic Palestinian Arab, and will remain so in spite of the damned occupier."

Teacher, Palestinian Teachers' Association, Official PA TV, 15/11/2014

"Peace be upon you, those who carry out Ribat (*religious conflict/war over land claimed to be Islamic*) in the plazas of the first direction of prayer of Allah (*i.e. the Al-Aqsa Mosque*) in the name of your people and your Arab nation... Blessed be your quality weapons, the wheels of your cars, your axes and kitchen knives. By Allah, these are stronger than the arsenals of our enemy, because [they are being used] according to Allah's will. We are the soldiers of Allah."

Sultan Abu Al-Einein, Abbas's adviser on his facebook page, 19/11/2014, (<http://tinyurl.com/owdu6hw>)

"All this [Western Wall and Al-Aqsa Mosque plaza] is holy land... no one is permitted to sell it or negotiate over it or forfeit it. It is ours and will remain ours. The occupation [Israel] is the one that will leave."

Official PA TV, 7/11/

2014

"What are we [Fatah and Hamas] divided about? Do we disagree about Jerusalem, for example? [Do we] disagree about liberating Palestine from the [Jordan] River to the [Mediterranean] Sea?"

Official PA TV,

26/9/2014

"I think the Palestinian people's weapon is pure....There are no innocent Israelis".

Abbas Zaki, senior member of Fatah, Palestine Today TV (Lebanon) 22/8/2014, (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=spMF_GtXlRk)

"One god, one homeland, one enemy, one goal" unites Hamas, Fatah and Islamic Jihad.

Fatah's Facebook page
11/7/2014 http://palwatch.org/main.aspx?fi=157&doc_id=11956
(after unity deal with Hamas)

"When I go out [publicly] and say that the [PA] government is my [Abbas] government and it recognizes 'Israel' and so on, fine -these words are meant to trick the Americans."

[Ihab al-Ghusein's Facebook page, 8/6/ 2014 \(Was Hamas government spokesman until the advent of the new unity government with Fatah\)](#)

“Reconciliation [is] meant to unify the Palestinian people against the main enemy, "the Zionist enemy," and to continue with the option of resistance”.

[Al-Hayat Al-Jadida, 28/5/2014](#)

"Palestine exists, and Palestine will return to us, and there is no such thing as Israel".

[Official PA TV, 16/5/ 2014 \(PMW\)](#)

"Haifa, Jaffa, Acre... our beautiful cities occupied by the occupation...They will return to us one day".

[Official PA TV, 2/5/2014 \(PMW\)](#)

“You will return to the bosom of legitimacy, to the bosom of the homeland, which is represented by [the] Gaza [Strip] and the [West] Bank, by Palestine -- all of Palestine, from its [Jordan] River to its [Mediterranean] Sea. This is our goal; this is the lantern that lights our way; these are our principles in the Fatah Movement: Palestine -- [the] Gaza [Strip] is part of it; the [West] Bank is part of it; and it is Haifa, Jaffa, Acre, and it is all of Palestine, which will be an independent state for us, Allah willing.”

[Tawfiq Tirawi', Fatah Central Committee member \(al-manor TV, 2/4/2014\)](#)

“Our membership in the UN is also a weapon. And that’s an important card. It’s a weapon that’s in our pocket. I didn’t use it on day one. I didn’t say, as soon as I got membership in the UN, that I want to go to the International Criminal Court – no. We’ve been waving it around for two years now. We’ve obtained the release of prisoners, we blackmailed [Israel], that is, in quotation marks, and we’ve taken important positions because we have a card that we’re waving around”.

[Ahmad Assaf, Fatah spokesman, Official PA TV, 19/3/2014 \(palwatch.org/main.aspx?fi=891\)](#)

"A national enterprise cannot succeed without the National Liberation Movement, Fatah. We in this movement have not cast down the rifle and have not let go of the rifle. The rifle is here! The method of struggle we are adopting now (i.e., negotiations) is [only] one of the methods of struggle. But the rifle is here, and it can burst forth at any moment, with a

new method and a new leadership. It will burst forth from this [current] leadership if we remain alive, because we are its people; and if we are no longer alive, [then] our sons, our young lions and you will be its people. Revolution until victory, until victory, until victory."

Tawfiq Tirawi, Fatah Central Committee member, at a ceremony in support of PA Chairman Abbas in Jericho, Official PA TV Live, 17/3/2014, palwatch.org/main.aspx?fi=157&doc_id=10999

"They [the Israelis] are an advanced instrument of evil....therefore Allah will gather them so we can kill them".

Abbas Zaki, Fatah Central Committee, PA TV, 12/3/2014 ((Palwatch.org)

"We educate our children on the national anthem every morning. They will memorize the anthem of 'return'; they will engrave the four-colored [Palestinian] flag on their hearts; they will learn the foundations of the revolution before they learn to read and write; they will only agree to one rule, which cannot be added to, subtracted from, or calculated: that Palestine cannot be divided."

Facebook, "Fatah-The Main Page", 5/3/2014 (palwatch.org/main.aspx?fi=157&doc_id=10962)

"In a final resolution, we would not see the presence of a single Israeli – civilian or soldier – on our land".

Mahmoud Abbas, P.A President, 30/8/2013

"Let every person know that I do not compromise".

Mahmoud Abbas, PA TV, 10/5/2013 (pmw)

"When Mr. Obama came to the region during his visit, as soon as he arrived at the airport of Israel...[hesitation], I mean, the airport where the Israelis are. I don't want ... [hesitation] this whole country is ours, and Allah willing, the airport will also return to us."

Abbas Zaki, close associate of Mahmoud Abbas [Official PA TV, 8/4/2013)

"We must unite because we want a state, we want to remove Israel....We must declare our state on the entire land of Palestine".

PA TV (Fatah), 2/3/2012 (Al-Hayat Al-JAdida, 13/2/2012

"[The Israelis] have a common mistake, or misconception by which they fool themselves, assuming that Fatah accepts them and recognizes the

right of their state to exist, and that it is Hamas alone that loathes them and does not recognize the right of this state to exist. They ignore the fact that this state, based on a fabricated [Zionist] enterprise, never had any shred of a right to exist”.

[Adi Sadeq, PA Authority Ambassador to India, Al-Hayat Al-Jadida, 26/11/2011 \(pmw\)](#)

"The agreement is based on the borders of June 4 [1967]. While the agreement is on the borders of June 4, the President (Mahmoud Abbas) understands, we understand, and everyone knows that it is impossible to realize the inspiring idea, or the great goal in one stroke. If Israel withdraws from Jerusalem, if Israel uproots the settlements, 650,000 settlers, if Israel removes the (security) fence - what will be with Israel? Israel will come to an end. If I say that I want to remove it from existence, this will be great, great, [but] it is hard. This is not a [stated] policy. You can't say it to the world. You can say it to yourself."

[Abbas Zaki, close associate of Mahmoud Abbas \(Official PA TV, 23/9/2011\)](#)

“At the end of the day, we want to exert pressure on Israel in order to force it to recognize us and to leave our country. This is our long-term goal.... The story of two states for two peoples means that there will be a Jewish people over there and a Palestinian people here. We will never accept this”.

[Nabil Shaath, Lebanese TV, 11/7/2011 \(memri\)](#)

“The conflict between us and the Jews is not a conflict about land and borders, but rather a conflict about faith and existence”.

[Sheikh Ishaq Feleifel , Al-Hayat Al-Jadida, 3/6/2011](#)

“We have never agreed, and we never will agree, under any circumstances, to recognise Israel as the state of the Jewish people....There is a chance of two states: a Palestinian [state] and a non-Jewish state of Israel”.

[Nabil Sha'ath, member of Fatah central Committee and P.A leader, Kul al-Arab, June 2011 \(beyondimages\)](#)

“It Is okay to say one thing in Arabic and another in English for Western audiences”.

[Abd Al-Bari Atwan, Editor-in-Chief Al-Quds Al-Arabi Newspaper, December 2010](#)

“I will never allow a single Israeli to live among us on Palestinian land”.
[Mahmoud Abbas, Fatah , 28/7/2010, to Egyptian media \(ynetnews\)](#)

“The Palestinian people will never accept the right of the Jewish people to their own state. Not for 1000 years”.

[Abu Mazen \(Mahmoud Abbas\),
12/7/2009](#)

“First, Israel said we would have only the right to run our own schools and hospitals. Then they consented to give us 66%. At Camp David they offered 90%, and recently they offered us 100%. So why should we hurry [to make peace]?”

[Saeb Erakat, interview in Jordanian newspaper Al-Dastour,
25/5/2009](#)

"It has been said that we are negotiating for peace, but our goal has never been peace. Peace is a means; the goal is Palestine."

[Kifah Radaydeh, Fatah Activist, PA TV interview, 7/7/2009 \(PMW\)](#)

“With the 2-state solution, in my opinion, Israel will collapse, because if they get out of Jerusalem, what will become of all the talk about the Promised Land and the chosen People? What will become of all the sacrifices they made – just to be told to leave? They consider Jerusalem to have spiritual status. The Jews consider Judea and Samaria to be their historic dream. If the Jews leave those places, the Zionist idea will begin to collapse. It will regress of its own accord. Then we can move forward”.

[Abbas Zaki, Fatah Central committee, 7/5/2009, ANB TV](#)

“It doesn’t mean that we don’t want the 1948 borders, but in our current political program we say we want a state on the 1967 borders”.

[Najat Abu Bakr, Fatah member of Palestinian parliament, PA TV
\(Fatah\), 25/8/2005](#)

“Since we cannot defeat Israel in war, we do this in stages. We take any and every territory that we can of Palestine, and establish sovereignty there, and we use it as a springboard to take more. When the time comes, we can get the Arab nations to join us for the final blow against Israel”.

[Yassir Arafat, Jordan TV, 13/9/1993 \(the day he signed the Oslo
Peace talks agreement\)](#)

“Immediately after the failures of the Camp David negotiations, in July 2000, he {Yasser Arafat} said to me ‘I am going to start an Intifada. They want me to give up on the Palestinians cause. They want me to give up on our principles, and I will not do so’”.

[Suha Arafat, Arafat's widow, Dubai TV, 16/12/2012](#)

“According to the phased Plan, we will establish a Palestinian state on any part of Palestine that the enemy will retreat from. The Palestinian state will be a stage in our prolonged struggle for the liberation of Palestine on all its territories”.

[Abu Iyad, Arafat's 2nd in command, 1988 \(freemiddleeast\)](#)