

## ***PMW Incitement Watch*** ***The PA during the proximity talks, May 2010***

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### ***Introduction***

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### ***Findings***

However, an examination of the Palestinian Authority leaders' statements, official media, children's programs and PA-controlled events creates a pessimistic picture: Every condition, principle and expectation set by the US and the Quartet for accepting the Palestinian Authority as a partner in the peace process continues to be violated by the Palestinian Authority in the first month of talks.

Contrasting its moderate statements to Western powers in English with its own people in Arabic the Palestinian Authority, the Fatah leaders and the Abbas-controlled official PA media continue to deny Israel's existence, deny Israel's right to exist, define the conflict with Israel as an uncompromising religious war for Allah, promote hatred through demonization slander and libel, and glorify terror and violence.

### ***The Report:***

#### ***Education to deny Israel's existence:***

*Official PA TV continues to teach children to envision a world in which Israel does not exist and all of Israel is instead part of the "State of Palestine." The following lesson was on a new educational PA TV children's program. The map used in the studio is named "Palestine" and includes all of Israel.*

Host: "Show me where you've been on the map of Palestine."

Girl: "We went to the Sea of Galilee (northern Israel) and to the Dead Sea."

Boy points on map: "Jaffa, Haifa." (Israeli cities)... and Jenin and Nablus."

Host: "So you've visited many different places in Palestine, and that's very good. It's very good that we're always visiting new places in **our state, Palestine.**" [PA TV (Fatah), May 16, 2010]

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**News reporting defining Israel as “Palestine” -1:**

*Even in sports news the Palestinian Authority official media looks for opportunities to deny Israel’s existence. PA-owned Al-Hayat Al-Jadida reported on the coach of an Israeli Arab football team from a city in northern Israel as follows:*

“... leading the team to the second division league for the first time in the history of the city of Um El-Fahm, one of the **largest Arab cities in northern occupied Palestine.**”

[Al-Hayat Al-Jadida (Fatah), May 14, 2010]

**News reporting defining Israel as “Palestine” -2:**

*Israeli Arab Journalist Sa'id Hasanein:*

“This visit [by Israeli-Arab Um El-Fahm soccer team to Hebron] is a natural action between people of the same nation... There is no difference between all the people of Palestine, and our obligation is to protect it **(Palestine), from the [Mediterranean] sea to the [Jordan] river.**”

*Redwan Sidr, secretary of the Al-Khalil Youth Foundation:*

“We welcome our brothers [Israeli Arabs]... to the city of the Martyrs, Hebron... I also hope to see a group from **Interior Palestine** (i.e., Israeli Arabs) in the International Hebron Youth Tournament.”

[Al-Hayat Al-Jadida (Fatah), May 17, 2010]

**Maps denying Israel’s existence:**

*President Obama has called the use of maps as in the above children’s program a security threat to Israel:*

“I will never compromise when it comes to Israel’s security... Not when there are maps across the Middle East that don’t even acknowledge Israel’s existence.”

[June 4, 2008, AIPAC Conference]

*Yet all the maps on official PA TV since the start of the proximity talks continue the longstanding PA policy of defining all of Israel as “Palestine,” or in the words of President Obama, “Don’t even acknowledge Israel’s existence.”*

This map is one example among many that appeared this month.

It was broadcast numerous times on PA TV May 4 - 17.



In the PA TV children's program *The Best House*, a music video called "We are Palestine's children" featured pictures of map of "Palestine" including all of Israel. [PA TV (Fatah), May 14, 2010]



**Denying Israel's right to exist and calling for the end of Israel:**

An official PA TV statement lamenting the creation of the State of Israel included the following call for the dismantling of Israel because its land is "stolen" land:

Palestinian narrator: "I'm from Jaffa, I'm from Haifa, I'm from Acre, I'm from Nazareth, I'm from Gimzu, I'm from Zakariya, I'm from Ein Kerem (West Jerusalem). (All are cities and towns in Israel.)

Where are you [Israelis] from? Where are you from?

Of course, you're from Ukraine; of course, you're from Germany, from Poland, from Russia, from Ethiopia, the Falasha (a pejorative term for Ethiopian Jews). Why have you stolen my homeland and taken my place? Please, I ask of you, return to your original homeland, so that I can return to my original homeland. This is my homeland; go back to your homeland!"

[PA TV (Fatah), May 4 and 7, 2010]

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**PA TV Quiz offers \$500 for answering that Israeli city Haifa is a "Palestinian coastal city."**

This PA TV quiz envisioning a world without Israel was broadcast numerous times in May 2010.

PA TV quiz program. Question posed to viewers at home:  
 "Which of the following is a Palestinian coastal city?"

1. Ramallah
2. Bethlehem
3. Haifa

Note: The only coastal city among the possible answers is the Israeli city of Haifa.

[PA TV (Fatah), May 23 - 24, 2010]

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**Religious war –“Ribat” - against Israel’s creation and existence since 1917**

The PA Minister of Religious Affairs, Mahmoud Al-Habbash, continues to define the conflict with Israel as an uncompromising religious war – a “Ribat” - war for Islam. “Peace” as a Palestinian goal is said to take 4th place after the Palestinian “rights,” “cause” and “religion,” none of which will be compromised for peace. Moreover, he elevates the conflict with Israel in religious significance, saying the war was predetermined, being anticipated even in the Quran.

PA Minister of Religious Affairs, Mahmoud Al-Habbash:

"For the past 62 years the Palestinian people have suffered from two things. Since the catastrophe (i.e., the establishment of the State of Israel)– and perhaps even prior to the catastrophe, since the catastrophe, in truth, did not begin in 1948, but began perhaps in 1917 with the cursed [Balfour] Declaration, which gave a promise to those who did not deserve it... Since that date, resolute people, fighters and Ribat (religious Islamic) fighters have not ceased upon our blessed land... This conflict is explicit in the Quran and our obligation with regard to it is clarified by the Quran...

We do not oppose peace. On the contrary, we aspire to peace, but not at the expense of our rights; not at the expense of our cause, and not at the expense of our religion."

[PA TV (Fatah), May 14, 2010]

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The Mufti of Jerusalem and Palestine, Sheikh Muhammad Hussein, appointed by the PA, likewise defines the conflict with Israel as an uncompromising religious war – a “Ribat” – that began with the “catastrophe” of Israel’s creation.

"The Mufti of Jerusalem and Palestine, Sheikh Muhammad Hussein, devoted his sermon at the Friday prayers at the Al-Aqsa Mosque yesterday to the subject of the catastrophe (creation of State of Israel) of our people... The Mufti said, addressing the worshippers in the Al-Aqsa Mosque compound: 'Allah has chosen you to carry out Ribat (religious war) in this blessed land... The catastrophe plants much pain in our souls, while at the same time we are planting the willpower to be resolute and the strong desire to carry out Ribat in this blessed land until Allah decides the matter... Sheikh Muhammad Hussein called to continue with resolve, firmness, patience and Ribat in this land, until all plans that aim to harm Palestinian existence in the land and in the holy place, have failed."

[Al-Hayat Al-Jadida (Fatah), May 22, 2010]

**The PA official daily crossword puzzle presents a world without Israel.**

Clue: "Palestinian city"

Solution: "Jaffa" [part of Tel Aviv]

[Al-Hayat Al-Jadida (Fatah), May 20, 2010]



The crossword puzzle grid is 10x10. The clues are as follows:

- 1- مدينة أمريكية رابطة مع بعضها في الأحياء من القرن العشرين ٢- قنصل القلوب وكلمة مستأففة ٣- كلمة صورا الاستورية استت قريبا ٤- كلمة من الأرض لانه فيه ولا ناس ٥- شارع من طريق ٦- مصرف بلفة ٧- أجنبية ٨- الإقربان ٩- طريق شيق ١٠- عبق العطر من الخشبان ١١- صياح الخير بالأجنبية ١٢- على مؤجل الدفع ١٣- عيب للشمع ١٤- جواب ١٥- حق ١٦- أشهر جز إشارة أبو تلمي ١٧- لغة ١٨- حرف جر ١٩- زعيم لبحاني واحد عموماً
- ١- بطن فلسطيني واحد عاش في سوريا ٢- ١- حرف متشابهة ٣- يشبان يعلق على الصدر ٤- ٣- ربطة العلق ٥- أجنبية ٦- كلمه بالأجنبية ٧- شاعر جاهلي زوج أمه من أبي سلمى ٨- عائلة سوسى سوري قائد الثورة الفلسطينيه بعد معركة ميسلون ٩- فرق في العلق يشق منه القدس ١٠- برجل من القفان ١١- سمع ١٢- لغة ١٣- طعن بوازة ١٤- كوي وطيد ١٥- لغة عده اللوم في الليل ١٦- لغة نشأت في العهد من اندماج الفارسية والعهدية وبعض القدرات العربية والتركية ١٧- صيف في سمرقان ١٨- مدينة فلسطينية ١٩- جبل بالقرب من عة لجدة النبي وأبو بكر حين الهجرة ٢٠- من الشخان

The solution for the clue "Palestinian city" is "Jaffa", which is highlighted in red in the grid.

## ***Hate promotion, slander, libel and demonization***

### ***PA continues to slander Israel, demonize and deny Israel's history in the land:***

"The Israeli apartheid state, possessing no cultural heritage nor any collective symbol for a society born from the womb of the Zionist and Western imperialist attack, aspires and exerts efforts to appropriate and take over symbols and elements of the Palestinian national identity."

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), May 19, 2010]

### ***PA TV News reporter demonizes Israel and its creation:***

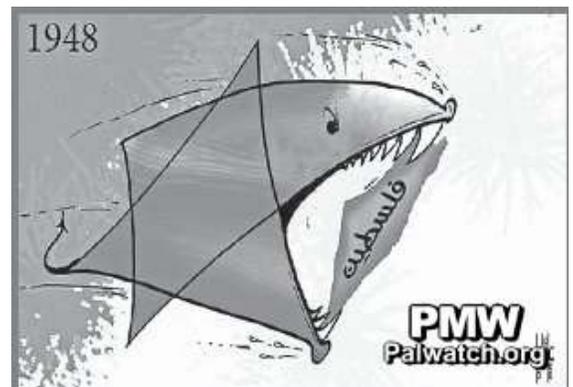
"While the world was raising its voice to judge the Nazis and putting up gallows to hang the criminals in Nuremberg, other criminals were spreading killing, destruction and expulsion in Palestine, before the eyes of the world. This is the free world – the world that could judge the criminals [in Nuremberg], but at the same time created out of the victim a future criminal, and released its reins, under the pretext of a guilt complex – a complex stimulated and invoked only when the victim was clearly Jewish or, later, Israeli."

[PA TV (Fatah), May 16, 2010]

### ***Animalization of Israel and Jews continues in PA cartoons.***

A shark in shape of the Star of David representing Israel is eating a map that includes all of Israel yet is marked as "Palestine."

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), May 23, 2010]



### ***Gaza flotilla***

The PA at all levels exaggerated the Gaza flotilla confrontation and used it as an excuse to demonize and promote hatred of Israel. Whereas criticism of Israeli policies is acceptable, the Palestinian Authority used this incident as a launching point for far greater and more intense hate promotion both by slandering and libeling Israel about the incident itself, and by compounding the defamation, saying that this murderous behavior was part of the Israeli behavior and personality. This will be reported on in greater detail in the June ***PMW Incitement Watch*** report.

**PA Chairman Mahmoud Abbas** himself accused Israel of premeditated and determined killing:

**Mahmoud Abbas:** "The significance is that this decision was made in advance. They (Israel) wanted to create a confrontation. They did not want to allow [the ships into Gaza], but were determined from the outset to create a confrontation. They had the opportunity yesterday to relate to these people peacefully, because those who came to Gaza are civilians, peace-seeking people, who did not come to attack. They did not come with weapons or with an army. They came with humanitarian aid. Therefore, it was a decision made in advance, premeditated and with determination to kill and to create a confrontation with these people, and to take them all to ports in Israel. Israel always ignores all international norms, all international laws, all humanitarian laws. [Israel] doesn't care about anything."

[PA TV (Fatah), May 31, 2010]

## **Promoting and glorifying terror and violence**

### **Honoring terrorists as children sing to future war against Israel:**

PA TV program Good Morning Jerusalem dedicated a program to honoring female terrorist prisoner Sanaa Shehadeh, who is serving 3 life sentences for transporting a suicide terrorist to Jerusalem in 2002. Her two nieces dedicated a song of war to her:

#### **Girl 1:**

"I want to recite a song for you (female prisoner Sanaa Shehadeh):  
'What am I doing here while my enemy is on my ancestors' land?  
I want to defend, I want to fight,  
I want to carry a machine gun and a rifle.'"

#### **Girls 1 and 2:**

"And tomorrow, when the war starts,  
I won't care about you [my enemy], or about the West.  
And tomorrow when the war starts,  
I won't care about you [my enemy], or about the West.  
And we shall strike Israel, we shall strike Israel,  
And return you [to us], land of my ancestors;  
And return you [to us], land of my ancestors."



[PA TV (Fatah), May 28, 2010]

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## **Glorification of terror**

Ignoring the American leadership statements condemning the PA glorification of terror, the PA continues to honor terrorists by naming events after them. Worse still, Palestinian children were explicitly told that the naming of an event after the terrorist Abu Jihad is meant to make them see him as a role model:

"Yesterday evening the second *Shahid* (Martyr) Abu Jihad [football] tournament for children concluded at the Abu Dis (near Jerusalem) youth club; it is held annually under the auspices of Fatah...

Abu Halal (Fatah branch Secretary) spoke about the anniversary of the Martyrdom of the *Shahid* (Martyr) commander, Khalil Al-Wazir 'Abu Jihad,' and about his journey of struggle. **He reminded our children that we shall follow the same path of Abu Jihad and Yasser Arafat.**"

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida*, May 16, 2010]

**Abu Jihad (Khalil Al-Wazir) - A founder of Fatah and deputy to Yasser Arafat. Headed the PLO terror organization's military wing. Planned many deadly Fatah terror attacks, including the worst in Israeli history, the hijacking of a bus and killing of 37 civilians, 12 of them children.**

**Football tournament named after terrorist Abdallah Daoud:**

Headline: "*Shahid* (Martyr) [Abdallah Daoud] Abu Al-Qassam [football] tournament for security services teams begins on Friday"

"The lottery for the football tournament named after the *Shahid* (Martyr) Abdallah Daoud Abu Al-Qassam, was held yesterday at the joint operations headquarters in the Bethlehem district. Participating in the tournament are teams representing the security services in the Bethlehem district..."

[*Al-Ayyam*, May 17, 2010]

**Abdallah Daoud** - Responsible for many terror attacks. Was one of the terrorists who stormed the Church of the Nativity in 2002, continuing to fight against Israel for several weeks while using the monks and the religious site as shields.

**Football team named after terrorist Majed Abu Sharar:**

A report on the *Shahid* Faisal Al-Husseini football festival, held in Rafiah, mentions the "*Martyr* Majed Abu Sharar" team:

"The tournament trophy finals were held between the Al-Zarnuka team and the *Martyr Majed Abu Sharar team*."

[PA TV (Fatah), May 14, 2010]

**Majed Abu Sharar** – A senior Fatah and PLO terror leader in 1970s.

Deputy Secretary of the Fatah Central Committee and former PA senior official, Jibril Rajoub, likewise glorified terror, comparing the value of "throwing a hand grenade" to "building a school."  
Rajoub:

"Building a school and throwing a hand grenade, in my opinion, are resistance. I build the school in order to strengthen the reasons for my people's resolve, as one of several aspects of the resistance, and when there is a need to throw a grenade [or launch] a rocket, I'll do that as well out of my belief in the inevitable victory of my cause and its justness."

[PA TV (Fatah), May 12, 2010]

**Honoring terrorist Dalal Mughrabi's bus hijacking in which 37 were killed:**

Jamil Dweik, Chairman of the Al-Razi Institute for Culture and Society:

"The month of March, on the Palestinian calendar, is a very important month, full of events. Its events are likewise important, starting with International Women's Day; via Palestinian Women's Day – the anniversary of the Martyr death of Dalal Mughrabi; Culture Day on March 13, and then the anniversary of the Battle of Karameh..."

[PA TV (Fatah), May 17, 2010]

**Dalal Mughrabi** - Led the worst terror attack in Israel's history in 1978, when she and other terrorists hijacked a bus and killed 37 civilians, 12 of them children.

**Cessation of terror is temporary**

In addition to this ongoing terror glorification, the PA has repeatedly apologized to its population for having acquiesced to the US demand to cease terror at this time during the talks. Twice in two

days, senior PA and Fatah leader Nabil Shaath, made speeches using apologetic language to justify the cessation of violence, which he stressed was because of current conditions. Excuses for cessation of the “armed struggle” that Shaath mentioned included: “At the present time is not possible, or is not effective,” “has become undesirable now,” “international conditions do not permit us,” “the inability to engage in the armed struggle.”

"MP Dr. Nabil Shaath, member Fatah Central Committee and Commissioner of Foreign Relations... emphasized that the Fatah's stated strategy for the struggle is to adopt the growing popular and 'non-violent' struggle against Israel, because of the inability to engage in the armed struggle, which has become undesirable now, although it is the right of the Palestinian people, which all international treaties and resolutions have guaranteed... Shaath said: 'I have said this to the leaders of Hamas, I have said to [Hamas PM] Ismail Haniyeh during my meeting with him in Gaza, that Arab, regional and to engage in the armed struggle...' Shaath emphasized that the non-violent struggle is no less honorable than the armed struggle, and that it does not signify submission to Israeli demands."

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), May 20, 2010]

*Dr. Nabil Shaath, Fatah Commissioner of Foreign Relations:*

"The current distancing from the armed struggle does not mean its absolute rejection... He noted that the difficulty of the conflict required the Palestinian people to diversify its activities of struggle – along with an emphasis on the importance of the armed struggle, which laid the basis for the existence of the state and contributed to maintaining the right and presenting it to the world – especially since the armed struggle at the present time is not possible, or is not effective, because of to the difficulties with which the Palestinian people contends."

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), May 21, 2010]

***Editorials in the PA official daily repeat this excuse for cessation of terror***

"I have no doubt that the occupation is destined to pass from the world... I also have no doubt that out of the options for the national struggle to be rid of the occupation, the popular struggle is the one that is needed, since the option of the armed struggle is impossible at the present time."

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), May 24, 2010]

***Fatah leader Abbas Zaki, member Fatah Central Committee, justifies violence:***

"Abbas Zaki, member of the Fatah Central Committee, does not believe that a Palestinian-Israeli agreement will be achieved in the shadow of the extreme right-wing [Israeli] government, but he leaves the door open to a 'return to [UN] Resolution 181 and to all forms of the struggle, including the armed struggle, if the negotiations fail... the door is open to a return to the UN, such that Resolutions 242 and 338 will no longer have any value, and there will be a return to Resolution 181 [of November 29, 1947], which is the Partition Plan and the birth certificate of the State of Israel and of the Palestinian State. In addition, [there will be] a return to UN Resolution 3236, which grants the Palestinian people the right to all forms of the struggle, including the armed struggle...'

He called for 'a gathering that will bring together the Fatah and Hamas leadership, under Mahmoud Abbas' ... and added: 'We are in favor of anyone who defends the homeland and bears arms in order to defend it, because he supports the idea of Fatah and of the

resistance. Likewise, we stand with anyone who comes out against the Zionist lobby and isolates Israel and puts it in a corner.”

[*Al-Rad* (Jordan), May 22, 2010]

### **Conclusion**

Secretary of State Hillary Clinton said in the House Appropriations Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, on April 23, 2009:

“We will only work with a Palestinian Authority government that unambiguously and explicitly accepts the Quartet's principles:

a commitment to non-violence, recognition of Israel, and acceptance of previous agreements and obligations, including the Road Map.” [“Phase I of Road Map: ‘All official Palestinian institutions end incitement against Israel.’”]

***Examining the Palestinian Authority leaders’ statements, its education of youth, and its controlled media, it is clear that the Palestinian Authority has not complied with the conditions indicated by the Secretary of State, nor has it fulfilled its commitment to “work against incitement of any sort.”***

***In the first month since the start of the proximity talks, not only has the PA failed to “unambiguously and explicitly” accept these conditions, but they have done the opposite: The Palestinian Authority has “unambiguously and explicitly” denied Israel’s existence, incited to hatred, and glorified terror and violence.***

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### ***Findings***

However, the first two months have brought no changes in the quality of the messages being transmitted from the Palestinian Authority and Fatah to Palestinians. An examination of the Palestinian leaders' statements, official media, children's programs and PA- and Fatah-controlled events reveals the following: The conditions, principles and expectations set by the US and the Quartet for accepting the Palestinian Authority as a partner in the peace process continue to be violated by the Palestinian Authority.



Contrary to the Palestinian Authority's moderate statements to the West, its statements to its people in Arabic continue to delegitimize Israel's existence, deny Israel's right to exist, define the conflict with Israel as a religious war for Allah, promote hatred through demonization, slander and libel, and glorify terror and violence:

- The PA continues to teach on PA educational TV that Israeli cities across the entire country, including Jaffa and Haifa, are Palestinian cities.
- The official media deny Israel's right to exist by using terminology to refer to Israel as "the homeland occupied in '48."
- The conflict with Israel is defined by PA-appointed political and religious leaders not as territorial but as *Ribat* -- a religious war for Allah.
- The PA senior religious leader demonizes Jews as the "enemies of God."
- PA TV host: "The Jews are our enemies, right?"
- The PA continues to honor terrorists.
- PA-Fatah leader defends "the right to return to the armed conflict."
- PA-Fatah leader explains negotiations as "a tactical decision, i.e., a temporary, defensive decision."

*Note: All sources and quotes appear in the report. Emphasis in quotes added by PMW.*

**The Report:**

**1. PA Non-recognition and delegitimization of Israel's existence**

**PA educational programs deny Israel's existence:**

Official PA TV continues to use educational programming to teach their people to envision a world in which Israel does not exist and all of Israel is instead part of "Palestine."

**PA TV this month rebroadcast a documentary film that portrays Israeli cities and sites as "Palestinian." The following is from the PA TV documentary:**

"Another section in Palestine which is the Palestinian coast that spreads along the [Mediterranean] sea, from... Ashkelon in the south, until Haifa, in the Carmel Mountains. Haifa is a well-known Palestinian port. [Haifa] enjoyed a high status among Arabs and Palestinians especially before it fell to the occupation (Israel) in 1948. To its north, we find Acre. East of Acre, we reach a city with history and importance, the city of Tiberias, near a famous lake, the Sea of Galilee. Jaffa, an ancient coastal city, is the bride of the sea, and Palestine's gateway to the world."

[PA TV (Fatah), June 21, 2010, and dozens of times 2007-2009]

**An educational PA TV quiz show with students competing from different Palestinian universities, included questions and answers identifying Israel as "Palestine."**

Following are the transcripts of three different questions from the same show:

**TV host:**

1- "[True or false:] The Palestinian coast is 335 km. long.

The correct answer is 'false.' It's 235 km.

[Note: 235 km. is the distance from southern Gaza to Israel's northernmost point.]

2- [True or false:] "The Palestinian city known as 'the Chamomile of Palestine' is Haifa.

The answer is 'false.' [Correct answer is] Nazareth.

[Note: Haifa and Nazareth are both Israeli cities.]

3- "Here is a simple question. The area of Palestine is:

1. 27,000 sq.km.

2. 51,000 sq. km.

3. 81,000 sq. km."

**Student:** "The answer is 27,000 sq. km."

**TV host:** "Of course, we all should know the area of Palestine. 27,000 sq. km. That is the correct answer."

[Note: 27,000 sq. km. includes the area of Israel, the West Bank and Gaza.]

[PA TV (Fatah), June 25, 2010]



***PA news reporting: There is no Israel; only “Occupied Palestine” and “stolen Palestine”:***

***The PA official media use terminology that reinforces the denial of Israel’s existence and its right to exist:***

***1- PA official daily says Israeli Arab village Um El-Fahm is in the “homeland occupied in '48”***

"The Al-Ahali club in the Arab city of Um El-Fahm [in Israel] held a large ceremony of appreciation honoring its first football team, to celebrate the team's rise to the national league in **the homeland occupied in '48.**"

[Al-Hayat Al-Jadida (Fatah), June 18, 2010]

***2- PA daily: Israeli Arabs are called “1948 Arabs”***

"During solidarity rally in El-Tireh, within the '48 territories"  
"Ramallah – '48 Arabs (Euphemism for Israeli Arabs)."

[Al-Hayat Al-Jadida (Fatah), June 12, 2010]

***3- In a PA TV news item about disagreements among Israeli ethnic groups, the PA TV host, instead of saying “Israel,” chose to refer to Israelis as “those who stole Palestine in a search for an alleged homeland that would take them in.”***

"This [internal Israeli conflict] is not the first time, nor will it be the last, in the history of the conflicts between the [different Israeli] ethnic populations of the world among **those who stole Palestine in a search for an alleged homeland that would take them in.**"

[PA TV (Fatah), June 17, 2010]

***4- The PA daily refers to Israel with numerous euphemisms that deny Israel’s legitimacy and existence: “Interior Palestine,” “occupied in 1948,” and “48 territories”***

"Demonstrations were held yesterday in several Palestinian towns in **the Interior [of Palestine] occupied in 1948**, denouncing the massacre which the occupation forces carried out against the freedom flotilla. At the same time, the occupation forces declared a state of alert in order to deal with any developments in **the '48 territories**. The Supreme Monitoring Committee in **the '48 territories** has decided to declare a strike today in protest against the assault by the Israeli occupation authorities on the freedom flotilla."

[Al-Hayat Al-Jadida (Fatah), June 1, 2010]

***5- Palestinians follow the lead of the Palestinian Authority and use the term “occupier” to refer to all Israel since 1948***

"[Palestinian] Coordinator of the campaign 'Bring a smile with a toy or book', Ali Ubaydat...: 'We must express appreciation for those of our nation in the [Palestine] Interior [PA euphemism for Israeli Arabs], for their stand against the Judaization and Israelization [by Israel] and for their support for their people on the West Bank and in Gaza. For it is they who have held out on their lands [in Israel] and have remained as a bone **in the throat of the occupier**, who has not succeeded in separating them and uprooting them from the Palestinian social fabric.'"

[Al-Hayat Al-Jadida (Fatah), June 18, 2010]

**6- The PA encourages and celebrates alienation of Israeli Arabs from Israel.**

**PA-owned Al-Hayat Al-Jadida interviewed an Israeli Arab about Israeli Arab football players on the Israeli national team. The PA paper referred to the Arabs of Israel as living not in Israel but in "the Palestinian homeland occupied in '48" and includes all his denial of his Israeli identity:**

Headline: "Arab [Israeli] sports personalities express their pride and refuse to wave the Israeli flag"

"Day after day, the Palestinian Arab population **in the Palestinian homeland occupied in '48** (i.e., Israeli Arabs in Israel) express their rootedness and their pure Arab affiliation, despite the attempts [by Israel] to carry out Israelization and Judaization, which have been going on at full steam since the catastrophe (establishment of State of Israel) which befell the Palestinian people and their dispersion throughout the world [since 1948]...

Prominent [Israeli Arab] political editor... Zuhair Andreus said: '...I say, if the Israeli football team were to reach the finals of the World Cup tomorrow, I would not wave the flag of the Hebrew state, because I feel no identification with this flag and with the Israeli anthem. ... The presence of Arab players on the [Israeli] team does not serve the [Palestinian] cause, and perhaps even weakens it, since the Zionist propaganda machine may well make use of these players to try and sell its false democracy to world public opinion.' And Andreus continued: 'The adorning of Arab villages, cities and towns **in the Interior** (shortened form of "Interior of Palestine", euphemism for "Israel") with the flags of the countries participating in the World Cup, and the fact that this team [of Arab Israelis] absolutely refuses to wave the Israeli flag at all the events, cannot be considered a symbolic act. If this behavior shows anything, it shows that the Palestinians in Israel – who, by the way, are the original owners of the land – are trying, through the media, to express their sense of alienation and non-belonging to the Hebrew state.' ...

Andreus said: 'The holding of the first World Cup on the black continent, in South Africa, the country which suffered from the policy of racial segregation, Apartheid, is an excellent opportunity to combine politics with sport. It is a good opportunity to direct a message to the Israelis that the continued policy of racial discrimination against **the Palestinians in the interior.**'"

[Al-Hayat Al-Jadida (Fatah), June 20, 2010]

**7- PA Fatah MP Najat Abu Bakr delegitimizes Israel as a foreign "implant" and anticipates its end while PA TV host agrees:**

*Najat Abu Bakr, (Fatah) member of Palestinian Parliament:*

"I am certain that the State of Israel – this entity which the world implanted in our body, in our bones, in our history – this [Gaza flotilla incident] is the beginning of the end of this oppressive entity."

PA TV Host: "Correct."

[PA TV (Fatah), June 1, 2010]

**8- The official PA daily published an opinion piece that congratulated Helen Thomas and approved of her calling for Jews to leave Israel and “return” to Germany and Poland. Following her remarks, she was fired from her job of 40 years in the White House press corps.**

“The old lady in the White House... There is not a person who doesn’t recognize the face of Helen Thomas... The old lady had enough, and she said something nice at the end of her professional career. For a long time she had urged her journalist colleagues to present the truth about the Palestinian-Israeli conflict fairly, and to awaken from their coma of media falsification, but her final declaration at the White House, where a [press] conference was held concerning Jewish heritage, reverberated between the walls of the presidential home. She shouted: ‘The Jews should get out of the lands of Palestine and go back to where they came from. It is occupied land that belongs to the Palestinians; it’s not the land of the Germans or the Poles. They must go back to their homes in Poland, Germany, America and wherever else.’”

[Al-Hayat Al-Jadida, June 10, 2010]

**PA maps deny Israel’s existence:**

President Obama has called the use of maps that present a world without Israel a security threat to Israel:

“I will never compromise when it comes to Israel’s security... Not when there are maps across the Middle East that don’t even acknowledge Israel’s existence.”

[June 4, 2008, AIPAC Conference]

Yet all the official PA maps in offices, websites, in schoolbooks, and those appearing on official PA TV since the start of the proximity talks continue the PA policy of defining all of Israel as “Palestine”:

**1- The PA Ministry of Agriculture displays a map of “Palestine” that erases Israel.**

[<http://www.moa.gov.ps/>, accessed June 30, 2010.]



**2- The PA Central Bureau of Statistics displays a map of “Palestine” that erases Israel. The map is defined as “Palestinian Territory”:**



[<http://atlas.pcbs.gov.ps/atlas/Default.asp>  
 accessed June 30, 2010]

**3- The “Statistical Atlas of Palestine Website,” under the PA Central Bureau of Statistics, displays an image of the globe with the shape of “Palestine” erasing Israel:**



[<http://www.pcbs.gov.ps/> accessed June 30, 2010]

**4- PA TV displays maps of “Palestine” that erase Israel (1):**

*In a feature about a Palestinian wood carver, PA TV chose to focus and display examples of wood carvings in the shape of the map of “Palestine” that erases Israel. Each map-carving displays a Palestinian flag and a picture of Yasser Arafat. The word “Palestine” is carved below the map.*



[PA TV (Fatah), June 27, 2010]

**5- PA TV displays maps of "Palestine" that erase Israel (2):**  
During a feature on the Palestinian heritage in the weekly morning news program Palestine This Morning, PA TV chose to focus on an embroidered map erasing Israel.

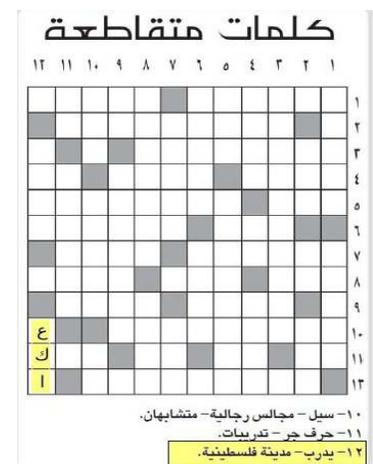


[PA TV (Fatah), June 2, 2010]

**PA crossword puzzle denies Israel's existence:**

The official PA daily crossword puzzles routinely define all Israeli cities and regions as parts of "Palestine"

Clue: "Palestinian city"  
Solution: "Acre" (Israeli city)



[Al-Hayat Al-Jadida, June 27, 2010]

**Palestinians routinely refer to all of Israel as "Palestine." One example: A university student in The Stars quiz program, in his calculations to answer a question about the size of Jordan, said that the size of "Palestine" is 27,000 sq. km., a figure that would include Israel. The TV host approved of his calculations:**

**Host:** "[A question on] general knowledge. The question reads: The size of Jordan is:

1. 30,000 sq. km.
2. 60,000 sq. km.
3. 90,000 sq. km."

**Student (Bethlehem University):** "90,000 sq. km... Palestine is 27,000 sq. km. (includes the area of Israel, West Bank and Gaza Strip), and it [Jordan] is approximately 3 times larger than Palestine - i.e., 90,000 sq. km."

**Host:** "That's a logical analysis... the answer is in fact correct."

[PA TV (Fatah), June 11, 2010]

## ***PA denies Israel's history in order to deny Israel's right to exist***

***Denying Israel's more than 3,000 years of history and connection to the Land of Israel and especially Jerusalem is a backbone of PA ideology, and cited regularly as a basis for the denial of Israel's right to exist. The denial of Israel's history continues to be expressed by religious, political and academic leaders:***

### ***1- PA Mufti, Sheikh Muhammad Hussein, denies the Jews' connection to the Western Wall***

"The meeting concerned recent developments in the Palestinian sphere, especially the repeated [Israeli] violations against the holy places, foremost among them the Al-Aqsa Mosque... The Mufti warned of implementation of the plans for Judaization of the Al-Buraq Wall (the Western Wall), aimed at turning it into a center for the Jewish nation."

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), June 14, 2010]

### ***2- PA Mufti, Sheikh Muhammad Hussein, denies the Jews' connection to the Western Wall***

"Sheikh Muhammad Hussein, Mufti of Jerusalem and Palestine... in the Friday sermon and prayer at the Al-Aqsa Mosque yesterday... pointed out that the occupation authorities are vigorously embarking on carrying out scary, terrifying plans, directed towards the respected plaza of the Al-Buraq Wall (the Western Wall), which represents part of the Al-Aqsa Mosque, and is an Islamic trust for Muslims alone."

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), June 26, 2010]

### ***3- Former PA Prime Minister: Ahmed Qurei, Abu Alaa, denies Jews' connection to Jerusalem***

"Ahmed Qurei (Abu Alaa), head of the PLO Department for Jerusalem Affairs, said that Israel continues..., without pausing or hesitating, to pursue the Judaization of Jerusalem and a change of its historical, religious and cultural landmarks, and to act with the aim of turning it into a Jewish city, by means of various means and steps."

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), June 14, 2010]

### ***4- Former PA Prime Minister: Ahmed Qurei, Abu Alaa, calls Jews' connection to Jerusalem "artificial"***

"Abu Alaa (Ahmed Qurei) said that... this (home demolitions in Jerusalem) is part of the feverish efforts to blur and to erase Palestinian existence in Jerusalem, to melt the Palestinian, Arabic and Muslim Jerusalem characteristics, and to color them with artificial Jewish Talmudic symbols."

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), June 23, 2010]

### ***5- Chairman of the Department for Jerusalem Affairs in Abbas's office, Ahmed Ruwaidi, denies Jewish character of Jerusalem***

"In 2000, Israel drew up a plan of its vision concerning the city of Jerusalem, with the participation of about 28 official Israeli bodies. By means of this plan [Israel] sought to change the situation of the city and its Arab-Muslim-Christian character, and to create an artificial Jewish character in it."

[PA TV (Fatah), June 9, 2010]

**6- Dr. Nasri Qamsiyeh, Applied Research Institute of Jerusalem (ARIJ):**

"The scenarios for a solution in Jerusalem must not be separated from the scenarios for a solution of the Palestinian issue as a single unit, since all of the land is occupied by Israel, and the liberation of the entire land without exception, is a personal [religious] commandment [Arabic: *fard aiyin*]."

[PA TV (Fatah), June 9, 2010]

**PA: Palestinians are in Ribat – the conflict with Israel is a religious war**

**The two most senior religious leaders in the PA, the Mufti and the Minister of Religious Affairs, both continue to preach that the conflict with Israel is not merely territorial, but a Ribat -- a religious war**

On Feb. 12, 2010, and repeatedly since then, the PA Minister of Religious Affairs, **Mahmoud Al-Habbash**, has defined the conflict with Israel as Ribat- a religious war: "Allah has preordained for us the *Ribat* (religious war) on this blessed land. We are committed to it by Allah's command. Let no one be mistaken or under the illusion that *Ribat* is a choice and nothing more. It is a commandment... Our enemy is patient, it is waiting for the nation to collapse. The struggle over this land is not merely a struggle over a piece of land here or there. Not at all. The struggle has the symbolism of holiness, or blessing. It is a struggle between those whom Allah has chosen for *Ribat* and those who are trying to mutilate the land of *Ribat*."

[PA TV (Fatah), Feb. 12, 2010]

**1- In his official sermons broadcast on PA TV, the PA Minister of Religious Affairs continues to preach that the conflict with Israel is a Ribat**

"This [Palestinian] nation carries out *Ribat* (religious war) today in the land of *Ribat*; this is the nation that is defending its holiness, dignity and blessing – the land of Jerusalem... Has this occupation (Israel) succeeded in breaking the strength of the Palestinian people? Has it succeeded in breaking the strength of the *Ribat* fighters on the land of Jerusalem, upon the holy and blessed land of Palestine?"

[PA TV (Fatah), June 4, 2010]

**2- PA Mufti, Sheikh Muhammad Hussein, in sermon in the Al-Aqsa Mosque: Conflict with Israel is religious war**

"Oh Muslims, oh people of *Ribat* (religious war) in Jerusalem and its environs, oh beloved of Allah's Messenger, you have come to the Al-Aqsa Mosque under circumstances that require you to carry out *Ribat* in it (the Al-Aqsa Mosque)... Safeguard the unity of your people, safeguard the unity of your Word (Islam), so that you will be worthy to carry out the *Ribat* in this land and worthy of the badge of honor of protecting and preserving the Al-Aqsa Mosque."

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), June 26, 2010;  
and al-msjd-alaqsa.com (Al-Aqsa Mosque Forum), June 25, 2010]

## **2- Demonization, hate promotion, Antisemitism and libels**

The PA has continued to promote hatred of Israel, through demonization, hate speech and the spreading of lies and libels. Among other libels in June, the PA has continued to falsely accuse Israel of intentionally spreading drugs and AIDS among Palestinians, having killed Yasser Arafat, and planning to destroy the Al-Aqsa Mosque. The PA added another accusation this month: that the Jews killed Jesus.

In addition, June 2010 saw the PA exaggerate the Gaza flotilla confrontation to use it as an opportunity to demonize and promote hatred of Israel. While the right to criticize Israeli actions is legitimate, the Palestinian Authority used this incident as a launching point for intense demonization and hate promotion. First, the PA slandered Israel about the incident, insisting that "it was a decision made in advance, premeditated and with determination to kill," a charge made by Mahmoud Abbas himself [PA TV (Fatah), May 31, 2010]. Second, the PA used the flotilla confrontation as an excuse for broad defamation of Israel, saying that murder and massacres are typical or innate Israeli behavior. The PA official daily wrote: "The Israeli attack on the ships... more serious than a massacre in its ugliness and its inhumanity...this is the true nature of Israel."  
[Al-Hayat Al-Jadida (Fatah), June 5, 2010]

### **Antisemitism - Jews are enemies of God and Arabs**

*Throughout history this charge, that Jews are the enemies of God, has been a justification to hate and murder Jews. For years the Palestinian Authority's religious leadership taught that hating and killing Jews is God's will. This month similar accusations were made in the PA.*

#### **1- Jews are the enemies of God**

**The PA Mufti of Jerusalem and Palestine, Sheikh Muhammad Hussein, in the Friday sermon at the Al-Aqsa Mosque, referred to the Jews as "the enemies of Allah"**

"The Al-Aqsa Mosque is threatened by the plans of the enemies of Allah [the Jews], who have violated all faith and religious laws, and even deviated from their humanity."

[Al-Hayat Al-Jadida, June 26, 2010

;and al-msjd-alaqsa.com (Al-Aqsa Mosque Forum), June 25, 2010]

#### **2- Jews are enemies**

**A PA TV host interviewed the four-year old son of a prisoner and called the Jews "our enemies"**

**PA TV host:** "Ibrahim, you know - you're cute and sweet. You have a nice shirt and nice pants. You're cool. Where's Daddy? Where's Daddy? Daddy Shadi - where is he? Where is Daddy Shadi?"

**Boy:** "In prison."

**Host:** "Who put him in prison? Who is it that put him in prison?"

**Boy:** "The Jews."

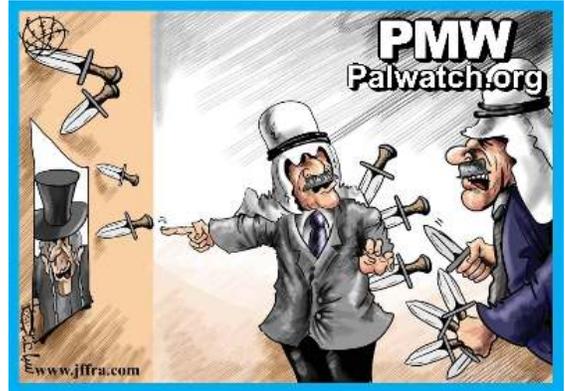
**Host:** "The Jews are our enemies, right?"

[Boy nods in agreement.]

[PA TV (Fatah), June 17, 2010]

**3- The Jew is the enemy to be fought**

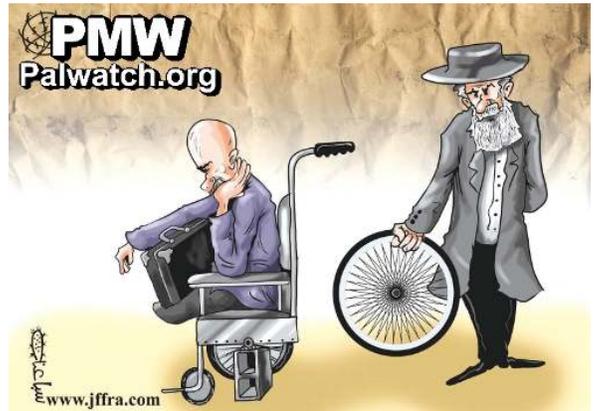
The Arab to the left points out that it is the Jew who is the enemy to be fought, not other Arabs, in this PA daily cartoon criticizing internal Arab fighting.



[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), June 5, 2010]

**4- The Arab world is already disabled and the Jew takes away even the wheel**

PA daily cartoon.



[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), June 22, 2010]

**PA libels and lies about Israel and Jews**

**1- Libel: The Jews killed Arafat (and Jesus)**

For years the PA has promoted the libel that Israel poisoned Yasser Arafat. The libel was reiterated at the PLO annual cultural festival this past month, and compared Israel's alleged killing of Arafat to the killing of Jesus.

*PA TV broadcast of opening ceremony of the Palestinian Third Culture and Education Festival:*

Boy 1: "Father, father the Elder (Arafat). Why did it happen this way? Why did it happen this way? Death chose you, and you did not complete the path."

Boy 2: "Do not ask why it happened this way. Yesterday they (Jews) crucified Jesus; today they poisoned the father, the Elder (Arafat)."

[PA TV (Fatah), June 4, 2010]

**2- Libel: Israel spreads AIDS and drugs**

*The libel that Israel spreads AIDS and drugs has been prevalent in the PA for years, and was expressed in June at a UN-organized event to fight drugs among Palestinians held in Ramallah. The PA media did not mention whether the UN representative responded to these libels:*

“Senior members of the security services and the health ministry agreed unanimously yesterday about the need to fight drugs in Palestinian society as well as [sexually] transmitted diseases that are caused by their use, such as AIDS.

During their participation in an Interior Ministry seminar in Ramallah called ‘The role of security services in fighting the HIV epidemic among drug addicts in rehabilitation centers,’ organized by the UN Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC). Experts emphasized that the phenomenon has a political aspect, related to the Israeli occupation’s support for the spread of this plague, especially in the Jerusalem region, as well as health, economic, and social aspects. Abd Al-Jabbar Burqan, head of the Anti-Drug General Authority... added: ‘This plague is a political problem which is nurtured by Israel.’”

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), June 24, 2010]

**3- Libel: Israel steals body parts from dead Palestinians and tortures prisoners**

***Issa Karake, Minister of Prisoners' Affairs, accuses Israel of stealing body parts:***

"Issa Karake, Minister of Prisoners' Affairs, emphasized the need to raise public Palestinian awareness concerning examination of the bodies of *Shahids* (Martyrs) and agreement to their autopsies, in order to halt the violations of the *Shahids* and their pure bodies. He announced that his ministry had established a committee of lawyers, which would deal with all the Israeli violations, including theft of the *Shahids'* organs and the holding of their bodies in cemeteries for enemy casualties. He noted that there has been a rise in the phenomenon of prisoners sick with cancer in the occupation's prisons.

This [announcement was made] during Minister Karake's meeting with [Swedish journalist] Donald Boström yesterday at the Ministry of Prisoners' Affairs in Ramallah. The meeting dealt with the subject of *Shahids'* bodies, theft of *Shahids'* organs, and field executions of prisoners carried out by the occupation authorities, since the Swedish journalist Donald Boström had previously raised the subject of theft of the organs of Palestinian *Shahids*... The Minister of Prisoners' Affairs spoke about this issue and said that since the publication of Boström's article in the Swedish press, he has encountered great interest among Palestinians, especially in the wake of indications in this regard and important evidence concerning the theft of *Shahids'* organs."

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), June 10, 2010]

"A center for human rights active in the Palestinian territories yesterday warned of organ theft from the *Shahids* (Martyrs) of the Freedom Flotilla and of experiments being carried out on the prisoners by the Israeli occupation forces, especially since it has been proven that they have done so in the past. The Risalat Al-Huqouq ('Message of Rights') Center stated in a press release that the documented facts show that Israel is carrying out such despicable acts."

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), June 3, 2010]

***Issa Karake, Minister of Prisoners' Affairs: Israel intentionally causes PA prisoners illnesses so they will die in prison***

"I agree that the health situation in the Israeli prisons is most worrying... The rise in the number of illnesses and the worsening of dangerous illnesses in the prisons has many cases and Israel is responsible for it... I think that [the situation] is deliberate, deliberate on the part of the prison authorities and the Israeli occupation. This abnormal situation is deliberate. It is deliberate [so] that the prisoners will die slowly of their various illnesses, in the prisons."

[PA TV (Fatah), June 28, 2010]

***Abd Al-Nasser Farawneh, Director of Department of Statistics, Ministry of Prisoners' Affairs: Israel commits cruel torture***

"Abd Al-Nasser Farawneh, former prisoner and Director of the Department of Statistics at the Palestinian National Authority Ministry of Prisoners' Affairs, reported that the prisoner Du'aa Al-Jayousi has completed her eighth year in prison... She was subject to cruel torture of various types, and then was given three life sentences."

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), June 7, 2010]

***Rafat Hamduneh, Director of Prisoners' Studies Center: Israel aspires to kills PA prisoners***

"Rafat Hamduneh, Director of the Prisoners' Studies Center, and Abd Al-Nasser Farawneh, researcher on prisoners' affairs, attributed full responsibility for the *Shahid* (Martyr) death of prisoner Muhammad Abedin to the administration of the Israeli Prison Services... They emphasized that the Israeli Prison Authority, with the support of all elements of the political system in Israel, aspires to kill the prisoners indirectly, or to cause them direct physical and psychological harm... [PA authorities have turned to the UN Secretary General and to the Red Cross]... to save [the prisoners] from the claws of the policy of death adopted against them by the Israeli occupation. But these organizations appear to be helpless in the face of the arrogance and stubbornness of Israel, which acts as though it were above the law, and in keeping with its racist and fascist criteria."

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), June 12, 2010]

***4- Libel: Israel and the Jews plan to destroy the Al-Aqsa Mosque***

*For years the PA has claimed that Israel is planning and trying to destroy the Al-Aqsa Mosque and other Muslim holy sites. Sheikh Muhammad Hussein, Mufti of Jerusalem and Palestine, has more than once voiced this libel, including during the proximity talks in June 2010:*

"Sheikh Muhammad Hussein, Mufti of Jerusalem and Palestine... in the Friday sermon and prayer at the Al-Aqsa Mosque yesterday, called attention to the dangers facing the Al-Aqsa Mosque: the threats and plans of the enemies of Allah (the Jews), who have violated all faith and religious laws, and even deviated from their humanity. He said that anyone looking at the situation in Jerusalem realizes that Israeli occupation plans, which are being carried out under cover of darkness and [even] in public in many instances, and in a reprehensible assault which aims at harming the holy places, the inhabitants, the land, the people, the stones and the trees, and is directed and clearly aspires to carrying out ethnic cleansing and the uprooting of our people, who are carrying out *Ribat* (religious war), girding themselves with patience, and remaining resolute in this city and in the other districts of the homeland... He pointed out that the occupation authorities are vigorously embarking on carrying out

scary, terrifying plans, directed towards the respected plaza of the Al-Buraq Wall (the Western Wall), which represents part of the Al-Aqsa Mosque, and is an Islamic trust for Muslims alone.”

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), June 26, 2010]

"The honorable Sheikh Muhammad Hussein, Mufti of Jerusalem and Palestine and preacher at the Al-Aqsa Mosque, met yesterday with the ambassador to Palestine of the Arab Republic of Egypt, Yasser Othman. The meeting concerned recent developments in the Palestinian sphere, especially the repeated [Israeli] violations against the holy places, foremost among them the Al-Aqsa Mosque... The Mufti warned of implementation of the plans for Judaization of the Al-Buraq Wall (the Western Wall), aimed at turning it into a center for the Jewish nation.”

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), June 14, 2010]

#### **5- Israel is demonized as a thief who steals the Palestinian heritage**

*PA TV reporter:* “The occupier (Israel), who is trying to steal the land and the people, is not even leaving our heritage alone, and not even our folk songs.”

[PA TV (Fatah), June 13, 2010]

#### **6- Mahmoud Abbas: Israel attempts to expel Arabs**

“President Mahmoud Abbas yesterday expressed his appreciation for Jordan's ongoing support for the Palestinian people opposing the Israeli plans which seek to empty occupied Palestinian land of its owners... [Abbas wrote to King Abdallah of Jordan:] ‘The Israeli occupation and its policy aspire first and foremost to empty the Palestinian homeland of its owners, whether in Jerusalem or in other parts of our occupied land.’”

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), June 6, 2010]

### **PA exaggerated the Gaza flotilla confrontation to demonize Israel**

#### **1- PA Chairman Mahmoud Abbas accused Israel of premeditated murder**

*Despite evidence of the violent intentions on behalf of a core group of participants on the Gaza flotilla, PA Chairman Mahmoud Abbas described them as "civilians, peace-seeking people, who did not come to attack." In addition, lacking any evidence, Abbas accused Israel of premeditated killing. During the month Abbas used the flotilla event as a springboard to demonize Israel and spread hatred.*

1a. **Mahmoud Abbas:** “The significance is that this decision was made in advance. They [Israel] wanted to create a confrontation. They did not want to allow [the ships into Gaza], but were determined from the outset to create a confrontation. They had the opportunity yesterday to relate to these people peacefully, because those who came to Gaza are civilians, peace-seeking people, who did not come to attack. They did not come with weapons or with an army. They came with humanitarian aid. Therefore, it was a decision made in advance, **premeditated and with determination to kill** and to create a confrontation with these people, and to take them all to ports in Israel. **Israel always ignores all international norms, all international laws, all humanitarian laws. [Israel] doesn't care about anything.**”

[PA TV (Fatah), May 31, 2010]

**1b. Mahmoud Abbas at the Palestine Investment Conference in Bethlehem:**

*Abbas:* "This is not the first time that Arab, Islamic and world blood has been mingled with Palestinian blood in the Palestinian people's long journey of struggle, continuing over the 20th century and the beginning of the 21st century. The Freedom Flotilla is not the first serious attempt to support the Palestinian people... Everyone who took part in the Freedom Flotilla will henceforth hold Palestinian citizenship, because this was an honorable act in which the whole world participated... Over the last few days our people have been **subjected to state terrorism**, with Israel attacking the Freedom Flotilla. Our people, and the entire world, are currently facing this terror and refuse to let it continue."

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), June 3, 2010]

**1c. Mahmoud Abbas:**

"Israel has carried out a great crime which the entire world found intolerable: It attacked the ships in international waters, and this was a mistake and a crime. Also, it attacked ships which held nothing but people who wanted to convey aid to besieged Gaza."

[*Al-Ayyam*, June 17, 2010]

**1d. Mahmoud Abbas:**

"President Abbas... said: 'We spoke with [US envoy] Mitchell about an international investigation committee, and we continue to insist on the implementation of what the UN Secretary General said. We demand neither more nor less than the establishment of a neutral international committee which will investigate the assault and **the killing of innocent people who, it has been shown, were unarmed**, in international waters.'"

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), June 27, 2010]

***2- PA and Fatah officials, together with the official PA media, like Abbas, accused Israel of having planned in advance to kill flotilla participants, and used the flotilla clash to launch broad demonization of Israel***

**2a. Hafez Barghouti, Editor of PA official daily:**

"The Israeli piracy, as part of which **a massacre has been carried out**, is not the first to occur at sea and in international waters, but what is new here is that it was directed against foreigners and not just against Arabs or Palestinians. **This crime joins a list of crimes** which Netanyahu's government is carrying out... After all, **the Israeli government prepared in advance for this massacre and decided in advance to spill blood.**"

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), June 1, 2010]

**2b. Dr. Tayseer Tamimi, PA Chief Justice of Religious Court:**

"Dr. Tamimi denounced the shameful crime carried out by the occupation authorities on the freedom ships ... He described this as an act violence, as state-organized terror, now added to the record of the Israeli occupation **which is crammed with acts of massacre** carried out against the Palestinian people."

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), June 5, 2010]

2c. *Headline*: "Protect humanity from Israeli fascism"

"**Another barbaric Israeli massacre**, bringing shame upon humanity and the civilized world. There is no room to cover up the **Israeli savagery** with any sort of sieve, because the sun of truth is in the middle of the sky, clear and open. The Israeli navy and air force carried out **a massacre against humanity** in the middle of the Mediterranean Sea, in international waters. **With premeditation** and without advance warning, the Israeli commando forces fired live bullets and hand-grenades at solidarity activists from around the world, who came on the Freedom Flotilla in order to remove the oppressive siege from the inhabitants of the Gaza Strip... Israel's barbaric crime sheds more and more light on the issue of the oppressive siege on the Strip. All of its leaders' lies will not be able to sidestep the matter of the siege and peace, if the world seeks to protect humanity – and not just the region – from the excessive Israeli fascism, because the distortion in the Zionist narrative has reached its limit and no longer works on anyone."

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), June 1, 2010]

2d. "**Pirates, murderers, barbarians**, transgressors of international law, **lacking any connection with humanity**, relying on force as a response to the whole world, the nations and peoples; racists, fascists, and other descriptions which the world used in reference to the behavior of the occupation soldiers at sea against the Freedom Flotilla [seeking] to break the siege on Gaza and its inhabitants – all of these descriptions are correct, but they have long been used against this arrogant enemy. There is nothing new about them, just as there is nothing new in [Israel's] behavior."

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), June 3, 2010]

2e. "Palestinian Ambassador to Russia, Dr. Faed Mustafa, updated the Russian media as to the details and ramifications of the Israeli crime of piracy against the Freedom Flotilla... He said that **for decades Israel has been accustomed to spilling Palestinian blood**, against a background of international silence."

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), June 4, 2010]

2f. *Headline*: "Human Rights centers call for the Israeli war criminals to face justice – the Lawyers' Association demands that countries and institutions declare the State of Israel a racist entity..."

"The Palestinian Lawyers' Union denounced the **bloody massacre** carried out by the occupation forces yesterday against the Freedom Flotilla which was on its way to the Gaza Strip. It regarded [the attack] as **a new crime which joins the rich record of the Zionist enemy's crimes**... The Association called upon all international and legal states and institutions to adopt a determined stand with regard to this crime, to declare the State of Israel a racist and criminal entity, to ban its representatives and to bring them to justice as war criminals."

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), June 1, 2010]

2g. "The Israeli attack on the ships of the Freedom Flotilla... is **more than piracy and more serious than a massacre in its ugliness and its inhumanity**. It is worse than a crime and contempt for international laws and covenants. First and foremost it is a fascist blow to defenseless civilians, whose sole weapon is their belief in the human cause... **This is the true nature of Israel**, so we cannot blame it. It is **a gang dressed up as a state, not hesitating to carry out any crime whatsoever** in order to achieve its aims and objectives,

which are **based on aggression, racism and contempt for others**, ranging from the forging of passports of friendly countries to piracy at sea. Actually, in the extent of its crime it has surpassed the pirates, since the latter do not cause the death of anyone on the deck of the ships which they rob.”

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), June 5, 2010]

2h. Inscription on dolphin: "Freedom Flotilla"



[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), June 4, 2010]

### **PA demonization terminology: “my enemy” and “the Zionist enemy”**

*Despite the proximity peace talks, the PA describes Israel as “the enemy.”*

#### **1- PA TV music video: Israel is “My Enemy”**

*A music video demonizing Israel as “my enemy” and “a snake coiled around the land” reappeared in June 2010 on PA TV. It was first broadcast in 2004, and from October 2007 to the end of 2009 it ran continuously on PA TV.*

**“My enemy. Oh, my enemy. Stop your crimes.**

**Treaty breaker! Treacherous! ...**

If you pull out my eyes, my heart will see. (x2)

If you cut off my hands, my chest is knives and swords.

**My enemy! Oh imperialism! This homeland is ours. (x2)**

This land will be tilled only by our hoes. (x2)

Whenever the tension rises,

Whenever this land weeps, (x2)

the flower will return to grow in our house.

My enemy. Oh, my enemy. Stop your crimes.

Treaty breaker! Treacherous! ...

**My enemy! Oh snake! Around the land, you are coiled.**

We, noble, courageous, on the day of ruin (battle), shall stand.

**You have no choice, Oh enemy, but to leave my country.**

And my children will return.”



[PA TV (Fatah), June 15, 2010]

## **2- Israel is “the Zionist enemy” and plans “piracy” and “to Judaize” Jerusalem**

"Dr. Majed Turban, assistant lecturer in journalism and media technology at Al-Aqsa University, warned that the occupation (Israel) views this year, 2010, as the year for deciding the fate of Jerusalem as a capital with a Jewish population, religion and culture... In his study he questions the ability of the Palestinian media to address the Zionist plans which aim to carry out piracy and to **Judaize the holy city**, and the ways of improving the media's handling of the **Zionist enemy**."

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), June 8, 2010]

## **3- PA TV host interviewed the young sister of a prisoner and called Israeli soldiers "wild animals"**

**PA TV host:** "[When you visit the prison] do they bother you, the Israeli army, the soldiers there?"

**Girl:** "Yes."

**Host:** "They're wild animals, right? Aren't they wild animals?"

[PA TV (Fatah), June 21, 2010]



## **4- Israel is presented as the standard for evil in the article by columnist Abdallah Awwad, who is critical of the Fatah-Hamas split, and uses Israel as the example of evil he expects**

"The fact that the occupation (Israel) is torturing me in its prison cells and killing me, is a routine matter, because [the occupation] **is my enemy**, having arrived in advance in order to seize my land, to kill me, and to cause me to leave. **In other words, [Israel] arrived in order to live off my death**, and therefore it is my right to defend my life. But why do you (Hamas) kill me? Why do you arrest me?"

[*Al-Ayyam*, June 24, 2010]

## **PA demonization: Israel threatens the Arab world**

*As part of the demonization of Israel, the PA often presents Israel as a danger to the entire Arab world.*

### **1- Fatah: Israel responsible for regions problems**

**Headline:** "Fatah: Our nation will not submit to Israel's terror"

"Fatah demanded of the international community... to intensify the pressure on Israel in order to end the occupation, regarding it as **the source of all the problems which the world faces in the region**, in addition to the fact that it is terror and a violation of the civilized laws of the international community."

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), June 6, 2010]

## **2- The PA official daily quotes a Lebanese religious leader expressing this hate speech following an invitation from Mahmoud Abbas**

"PLO representative in Lebanon, Dr. Abdallah Abdallah, yesterday sent an invitation on behalf of President Mahmoud Abbas to the Chairman of the Supreme Shiite Islamic Council, Imam Sheikh Abd Al-Amir Qablan, to visit Palestine and to pray at the Al-Aqsa Mosque... Sheikh Qablan... called upon Arabs and Muslims to lay siege to **the cancerous growth that is Israel, since the danger that it presents is not limited to Palestine alone, but extends from it to the Arab and Muslim world.** He said that they must know that Israel is their enemy, laying in wait for them and planning evil and hostility against them."

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), June 11, 2010]

## **3. Glorification of terror and violence**

*The US has strongly condemned the Palestinian practice of honoring terrorists:*

"State Department Spokesperson Phillip Crowley: "We also strongly condemn the glorification of terrorists. Honoring terrorists who have murdered innocent civilians, either by official statements or by the dedication of public places, hurts peace efforts and must end." (April 8, 2010).

*Ignoring the American request, the PA continues to glorify terror by honoring terrorists. In addition, PA leaders continue to praise and defend the right to armed struggle while describing the present talks and negotiations as merely a temporary tactical choice.*

### **Praising violence and death in battle**

*The Palestinian Third Culture and Education Festival held this month in Ramallah included dancers holding rifles while dancing to a song with lyrics glorifying violence against Israel and praising death as an ideal. The annual festival is sponsored by the PLO National Committee for Education, Science and Culture. This dance performance with rifles was broadcast twice on official Palestinian Authority TV, and was held in the presence of the PA Minister of Culture and Minister of Women's Affairs.*

"From my wounds, my weapon has emerged.  
Oh, our revolution, my weapon has emerged.  
There is no force in the world  
that can remove the weapon from my hand.  
My weapon has emerged. My weapon has emerged...  
This revolutionary people has sacrificed  
and offered in order to live in freedom!  
My weapon has emerged. My weapon has emerged...  
He who offers his blood  
doesn't care if his blood flows on the ground....  
As the weapon of revolution is in my hand,  
so my presence will be forced [upon Israel].  
My weapon has emerged. My weapon has emerged."

[PA TV (Fatah), June 4 and 24, 2010 and twice again in July]



## **PA glorifies terrorists as heroes and role models**

### **1- Course for PA security personnel named after terrorist in auditorium named after another terrorist**

"The Political Guidance Administration and General Intelligence yesterday opened in Nablus a security course named after **Shahid Abdallah Daoud... held in the Shahid Abu Iyad (Salah Khalaf) hall.**"  
[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), June 21, 2010]

**Abdallah Daoud** - Responsible for many terror attacks. Was one of the terrorists who stormed the Church of the Nativity in 2002, and continued to fight against Israel for several weeks while using the monks and the religious site as shields.

**Abu Iyad (Salah Khalaf)** - A founder of Fatah and Head of the "Black September" terror group. Attacks he planned included the murder of two American diplomats, as well as the murders of 11 Israeli athletes at the Munich Olympics in 1972.

### **2- Football tournament for youth named after terrorist Khalil Al-Wazir (Abu Jihad)**

2a. "The 16th Prince of *Shahids* (Martyrs), Khalil Al-Wazir (Abu Jihad) Football Tournament for youth will commence today... The tournament is being organized by the Al-Ansar Al-Quds club, under the supervision of the Palestinian Football Association and its auxiliary committee in Jerusalem. Twenty four clubs from Jerusalem and from the northern districts will be participating... The winners' ceremony will be held in the presence of the *Shahid's* [Abu Jihad's] son and governor of the Palestinian Monetary Authority, Dr. Jihad Al-Wazir, who expressed great appreciation for the role of the Al-Ansar Club in marking the anniversary of his father's Martyr death for the past 16 years. He confirmed his participation... alongside members of the tournament's supreme council: Jerusalem district governor, engineer Adnan Al-Husseini, Secretary General of the Football Association, Abd Al-Majid Hijjah, who will attend as representative of Jibril Rajoub ... and head of the Jerusalem department of the Presidential (Abbas's) office, Ahmed Al-Ruweidi."

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), June 11, 2010]

2b. "Tomorrow... in the hall of the General Secretariat of the Football Association in El-Bireh, the lottery will be held for the 16<sup>th</sup> Prince of *Shahids* (Martyrs), Khalil Al-Wazir Abu Jihad Tournament for 19-year olds, organized by the Ansar Al-Quds Club."

[*Al-Ayyam*, June 6, 2010]

2c. *Headline*: "Dr. Jihad Al-Wazir declares Islamic Qalqilya [team] winner of the 16<sup>th</sup> Prince of *Shahids* [Khalil Al-Wazir (Abu Jihad) football] tournament, with Al-Ansar Al-Quds in second place"

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), June 13, 2010]

**Abu Jihad (Khalil Al-Wazir)** - A founder of Fatah and deputy to Yasser Arafat. Headed the PLO terror organization's military wing. Planned many deadly Fatah terror attacks, including the worst in Israeli history, the hijacking of a bus and killing of 37 civilians, 12 of them children.

**3- Al-Quds University holds seminar in honor of dead terrorist**

"The Abu Jihad Center for Political Prisoners' Affairs at Al-Quds University... held a special seminar to mark the 21st anniversary of the *Shahid* (Martyr) death of the colleague and leader Omar Mahmoud Al-Qassam."

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), June 6, 2010]

**Omar Mahmoud Al-Qassam** - Commander of a terror unit that crossed from Jordan into Israel for a planned terror attack in 1968. When they were discovered by Israeli soldiers, Al-Qassam's squad killed two of the soldiers. Al-Qassam was sentenced to two life sentences, and died in prison after 21 years.

**4- PA Prime Minister Salam Fayyad visits summer camp in center named after terrorist Salah Khalaf**

The numerous locations the PA has named for terrorists in the past continue to glorify these terrorists as heroes and role models for children and society as long as the names remain. In June 2010, PA Prime Minister Salam Fayyad visited a summer camp in a center that still bears the name of terrorist Salah Khalaf.

"Afterwards the Prime Minister [Fayyad] visited the summer camp for children of *Shahids* (Martyrs) and their brothers, 'Palestine in the Eyes of the *Shahids*' Children,' organized by the National Union of Families of *Shahids* of Palestine, at the *Shahid* Salah Khalaf Center."

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), June 27, 2010]

**Abu Iyad (Salah Khalaf)** - A founder of Fatah and Head of the "Black September" terror group. Attacks he planned included the murder of two American diplomats, as well as the murders of 11 Israeli athletes at the Munich Olympics in 1972.

**Cessation of violence is temporary**

In addition to this ongoing terror glorification, the PA has repeatedly apologized to its population since the start of the proximity talks in May 2010 for having acquiesced to the US demand to cease violence – called the "armed struggle." In May, senior PA and Fatah leader, Nabil Shaath, made speeches justifying the cessation of violence, which he stressed was because of current conditions, explaining: "At the present time is not possible, or is not effective," "[it] has become undesirable now," "international conditions do not permit us," "the inability to engage in the armed struggle." Shaath has repeated his support of violent resistance during June, and defended the "right to return to the armed conflict whenever we view that as our people's interest."

**1- Senior PA and Fatah leader, Nabil Shaath, member of Fatah Central Committee, says negotiations are "tactical" and "temporary"**

"Dr. Nabil Shaath, Commissioner of International Relations and member of the Fatah Central Committee... stated that the decision to renew negotiations was a tactical decision, i.e., a temporary, defensive decision... and it is dependent upon the possibility of attaining tangible results for the Palestinians. He concluded: 'Even the resistance uses defensive tactics in order not to miss opportunities.'"

[*Al-Dustur* (Jordan), June 10, 2010]

**2- Senior PA and Fatah leader, Nabil Shaath, member of Fatah Central Committee, defends the right to armed struggle when it is in the “people’s interest”**

“Dr. Nabil Shaath, member of the Fatah Central Committee... emphasized that ‘the Palestinian people has the right to defend itself, and it has the right to act in the way of the armed struggle. We have acted in this way for 100 years. Fatah led it (the armed struggle) for 23 years, and Hamas adopted it for 15 years. We are proud of all of our *Shahids* (Martyrs), and it is our right to return to the armed conflict whenever we view that as our people's interest.”

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), June 7, 2010]

**3- Fatah official proud of “military activity,” rejects educating youth to non-violence**

**Dr. Ziyad Abu Ein, member of the Fatah Revolutionary Council and Deputy Minister of Prisoners’ Affairs, criticizes [Islamic] Liberation Movement for its perceived non-violent stance**

“When we distance them (Palestinian youth) from the operations of the struggle and from participating in fighting activity, or the Jihad, or the struggle against the Israeli occupation, and we say to them, ‘Wait for the promise, the dream, that the Caliphate state will arrive, or that the Arab armies will liberate... If the Palestinian people does not resist [through violence] the occupation, why should it be on the political map?’”

**Dr. Maher Al-Jabari, member of the Public Relations Bureau of the [Islamic] Liberation Movement in Palestine**

“I wish, Mr. Ziyad, that the Fatah forces would go out to *Jihad* operations and military operations; from our side they will be met not with opposition but with support and praise...”

**Abu Ein:** “As [representative of] the Fatah movement, I am proud of the experience of the struggle; I am proud of the military activity and of the struggle, and I am proud that I still bear the flag of Palestine and the liberation of Palestine.”

[PA TV (Fatah), June 22, 2010]

## **Conclusion**

Secretary of State Hillary Clinton said on April 23, 2009, in the House Appropriations Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations and Related Programs:

“We will only work with a Palestinian Authority government that unambiguously and explicitly accepts the Quartet’s principles: A commitment to non-violence, recognition of Israel, and acceptance of previous agreements and obligations, including the Road Map.” [“Phase I of Road Map: ‘All official Palestinian institutions end incitement against Israel.’”]

**Examining the Palestinian Authority leaders’ statements, its education of youth, and its controlled media during the first months since the proximity talks, it is apparent that the Palestinian Authority has not complied with the conditions set by the Secretary of State, nor has it fulfilled its commitment to “work against incitement of any sort.”**

**In the first two months since the start of the proximity talks, not only has the PA failed to “unambiguously and explicitly” accept these conditions, but it has done the opposite. The Palestinian Authority continues to “unambiguously and explicitly” deny Israel’s existence, incite to hatred, and glorify terror and violence.**