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***US and the Palestinian Authority
since Annapolis***

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***From the Annapolis Conference in 2007 until today,
the Palestinian Authority:***

- 1- rejects Israel's existence and right to exist;
- defines conflict as continuous religious war for Allah;***
- 2- incites hatred and demonizes Israel;***
- 3- is a terror-glorifying and terror-promoting entity.***

The Road Map:

"At the outset of Phase I:

"Palestinian leadership issues unequivocal statement reiterating Israel's right to exist in peace and security..."

All official Palestinian institutions end incitement against Israel."

"Palestinians declare an unequivocal end to violence and terrorism..."

President Barack Obama:

"I will never compromise when it comes to Israel's security. Not when there are still voices that deny the Holocaust. Not when there are terrorist groups and political leaders committed to Israel's destruction. Not when there are maps across the Middle East that don't even acknowledge Israel's existence."

[AIPAC Conference, June 4, 2008]

Secretary of State, Hillary Clinton:

"We will only work only 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." [Clinton in House Appropriations Subcommittee on State, Foreign Ops, April 23, 2009]

*This report documents that the Palestinian Authority
has not fulfilled the conditions
demanded by Secretary of State Hillary Clinton
and set down in the Road Map.*

Executive Summary

A look at official US statements on the Middle East, contrasted with the reality of the Palestinian Authority, indicates that the US government may be building its policy based on inaccurate information. Every condition set by the US for American support of a Palestinian state and the continued funding of the Palestinian Authority (PA) is being violated by the Palestinian Authority.

The Annapolis Conference in November 2007 created hope for the renewal of a peace process after years of PA-supported terror. PA Chairman and Fatah leader Mahmoud Abbas assured Israel and the world in English that there had been a sincere change.

However, in Arabic, the Palestinian Authority, the Fatah leaders and the Abbas-controlled official PA media continue to support hatred and terror, as they did during the Arafat era. In fact, during the 12 years of PMW's existence, there has never been a period of such intense demonization of Israel, celebration of terror, and open denial of Israel's existence by the PA (Fatah) and the Abbas-controlled media than what we have witnessed in 2008 - 2009.

Just last month, on June 7, 2009, a PA TV (Fatah) educational geography program described Israeli cities from north to south, *Haifa, Acre, Jaffa, Tiberias, Ashkelon, and the Sea of Galilee*, as ***Palestinian cities***. Haifa was said to be a "well-known Palestinian port." Palestinians are being taught there is no Israel.

All the evidence indicates that the Palestinian Authority has not yet taken a decision to participate in a peace process. The conditions for the creation of a Palestinian state, as set forth by the Road Map and the international community, are systematically violated.

US Funding of the Palestinian Authority intended to promote peace

The US has recently pledged \$900M including 100s of millions of dollars directly to the Abbas government. The US has positive intentions for its funding:

"We have worked with the Palestinian Authority to install safeguards that will ensure our funding is only used where and for whom it is intended, and does not end up in the wrong hands," said Secretary of State Hillary Clinton. (International Conference in Support of the Palestinian Economy for the Reconstruction of Gaza, March 2, 2009.)

US misled

This report will document, however, that US leaders appear to be misled by the English language messages of Abbas and the PA, and are unaware of the continuing hate promotion in Arabic, meant for the Palestinian audience. Senior Fatah leader Muhammad Dahlan last week on PA TV (Fatah) explained that Arafat was an expert at misleading the world: "I lived with Chairman Yasser Arafat for years. Arafat would condemn [terror] operations by day while at night he would do honorable things. I don't want to say any more about this." [PA TV (Fatah), July 22, 2009]

Indeed, this report will show that the US is being misled again. The very conditions that the US government has placed on Hamas in order to receive recognition and US funding are routinely violated by the PA and Abbas. Any money earmarked by the US for the Abbas government will directly support the regime and its infrastructures, that deny Israel's existence, call for its destruction in the name of religious war, indoctrinate children and adults with hatred and demonization, and celebrate terror and terrorists.

Some examples from the report

1. Denial of Israel's existence and advocating its destruction:

Examples:

a. A PA TV (Fatah) educational geography program broadcast regularly since August 2007, including as recently as June 7, 2009, teaches there is no Israel, but all of Israel is actually "Palestine":

"Another section in Palestine is... Ashkelon in the south, until Haifa, in the Carmel Mountains. Haifa is a well-known Palestinian port... 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 lake of Tiberias [Sea of Galilee]. Jaffa, an ancient coastal city, is the bride of the sea, and Palestine's gateway to the world." [PA TV (Fatah), 2007 – 2009]

Note that all of these are Israeli cities, spread over the entire country.

b. Muhammad Dahlan, MP and senior Fatah leader, stated plainly on official PA TV: "I want to say for the thousandth time, in my own name and in the name of all of my fellow members of the Fatah movement: We do not demand that the Hamas movement recognize Israel. On the contrary, we demand of the Hamas movement not to recognize Israel, because the Fatah movement does not recognize Israel, even today." [PA TV (Fatah), March 17, 2009]

c. Official PA schoolbooks still teach a world without Israel:

"Coastal states differ in terms of their access to water sources, such as...: states located on sea coasts with accesses to two seas, for example: Palestine and Egypt to the Mediterranean Sea and the Red Sea." [Physical Geography and Human Geography, Grade 12, p. 105]

"Palestine has a long coast facing the Mediterranean sea and a short coast on the Gulf of Aqaba." [Health and Environment Studies, Grade 8 (2003), p. 130]

Note that the Israeli city of Eilat is on the Gulf of Eilat (Aqaba).

"... The Tiberias Lake [Sea of Galilee], in Palestine..." [Physical Geography, Grade 5, p. 25]

d. Map of Israel under the PLO flag in PA government Census Bureau announcements. This map appears on official websites [since 2007](#) through July 2009.



**Text: "Our land brings us together...
and the census unites us..."**

**2. Hate incitement is actively promoted as policy for children and adults.
Hate videos, libels and lies remain a backbone of PA TV.**

Examples:

- a. PA TV (Fatah) has been broadcasting a music video from 2007 to June 2009, with the repeated refrain, "My enemy, my enemy." Israel is called a "*snake, coiled around the land.*" The hate video denies Israel's right to exist and anticipates Israel's destruction: "*You have no choice, O enemy, but to leave my country.*"
- b. The official PA newspaper, *Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), has propagated a long-standing blood libel against Israel, falsely accusing Israel of conducting horrific Nazi-like medical experiments on Palestinian prisoners:
"Many of the male and female inmates received injections from needles they had not seen before, and which caused their hair and facial hair to fall out permanently ... others lost their sanity, or their mental condition is constantly deteriorating... and some are suffering from infertility." [*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), July 4, 2008]
- c. Another wild accusation concerns the deployment of "supernatural rats" against Arab residents of Jerusalem's Old City:
"... [Israeli] settlers have been bringing chests filled with rats and releasing them in the Old City's [Arab] neighborhoods... the [Arab] residents' efforts to counter this infestation have failed, especially since cats run away from these rats because of their size and ferocity... All of the conventional efforts to kill them have not succeeded... which compels Jerusalem's [Arabs] today to face the dangers of settlement and the infestation of rats..."
[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), July 18, 2008]

3. The PA enthusiastically celebrates terror and terrorists, even those who have committed murder since Annapolis.

Examples:

- a. On March 11, 2009, PA TV (Fatah) broadcast a special program commemorating and celebrating the 31st anniversary of the most deadly terror attack ever carried out in Israel – a bus hijacking in which 37 civilians were killed. The program opened with the narrator glorifying this attack: "*One of the most important and most prominent special operations, executed by the Palestinian revolution by sea, on the coast between Haifa and Tel Aviv. This operation, carried out by a team of heroes and led by the heroic fighter Dalal Mughrabi.*"
- b. The suicide terrorist in the Israeli city of Dimona, the killer of the eight Jerusalem yeshiva students, arch-terrorist Imad Mughniyeh and other terrorists were all glorified as Palestinian heroes in official PA newspapers and television in 2008.
- c. In February 2009, the PA glorified the terrorist who murdered three civilians and seven Israeli soldiers in a 2002 ambush. The terrorist and his action were praised as "*the hero of the Intifada.*" [*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), Feb. 17, 2009]

4. ***Far from distancing itself from earlier Arafat ideologies, the PA leadership continues to advocate Israel's destruction.***

Example:

PA Fatah MP: *"It doesn't mean that we don't want the 1948 borders [i.e. destroy Israel], but in our current political program, we [Fatah] say we want a state on the 1967 borders..."* [PA TV (Fatah), Aug. 25, 2008]

Conclusions

Contrary to the perception that Hamas alone preaches terror, violence and denial of Israel's right to exist, this **PMW Special Report** documents that the PA-Fatah leadership and controlled media promote the same ideology. In contrast to the moderate ideology that it conveys to the English-speaking world, the Palestinian Authority's Arabic-language world continues to be imbued with hate promotion and promises of Israel's expected destruction. The broad and recurring nature of this documentation seems to be indicating a deep ingrained ideology and not what is sometimes called a problem of "incitement." This report leads to a very problematic conclusion, which is, that judging by the Arabic language world of the Palestinian Authority, the PA has not yet joined the peace process.

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1. Denying Israel's right to exist and advocating its destruction

There is no greater danger to peace and no greater hate promotion than for Palestinian children to be taught to deny Israel's right to exist. PA TV (Fatah) educational programs for children actively demand that children not only deny Israel's **right** to exist, but even deny the existence of Israel altogether. Israel's destruction is likewise promised on official PA TV (Fatah) productions.

Palestinian children are taught that Israeli cities covering the entire country -- including Haifa in the North, Jaffa (part of Tel Aviv), coastal Ashkelon and Ashdod, and Eilat in the south, are all Palestinian cities. "Palestine's" borders are said to be Lebanon and Syria, when in fact this could be true only if Israel did not exist. When an Israeli Arab girl on a TV phone-in for children identified her city of residence as "Be'er Sheva," Israel's largest southern city, the PA TV (Fatah) host corrected her: "Occupied Be'er Sheva." Video clips sing about a "Palestine" that erases Israel and about a future when the Israeli cities Jaffa and Haifa will be "liberated."

Hundreds of maps have appeared on PA TV (Fatah) during this period since Annapolis. On every single map, Israel was replaced by "Palestine." These maps denying Israel's existence included an official PA government advertisement that ran daily for months, featuring a painted Palestinian flag covering all of Israel from top to bottom.

President Obama sees the use of this map in the Arab world as a security threat to Israel:

*"I will never compromise when it comes to Israel's security. Not when there are still voices that deny the Holocaust. Not when there are terrorist groups and political leaders committed to Israel's destruction. **Not when there are maps across the Middle East that don't even acknowledge Israel's existence.**"* [AIPAC Conference, June 4, 2008]

Senior PA leaders, including Muhammad Dahlan, MP and senior Fatah leader, and Nabil Shaath, member of Fatah Central Committee and former PA Foreign Minister, have all said publicly and emphatically in June and July 2009 that Abbas's Fatah party has never recognized and still does not recognize Israel. Abbas himself stressed in April 2009 that he will not recognize Israel as a Jewish state.

Children growing up with this systematic denial of Israel's legitimacy and existence will never accept Israel as a legitimate state and neighbor.

Understanding the importance of recognition of Israel as the key to long term peace, the United States and Western countries have made recognition of Israel a central demand and condition on Hamas before it could join the peace process and receive funding. However, the Palestinian Authority has only expressed recognition of Israel in English language and international settings, while in Arabic it continues to actively and emphatically deny Israel's right to exist.

The following are representative examples from among many:

1A. PA Leadership – rejecting recognition of Israel

1. Muhammad Dahlan, MP and senior Fatah leader, on official PA TV:

"I want to say for the thousandth time, in my own name and in the name of all of my fellow members of the Fatah movement: We do not demand that the Hamas movement recognize Israel. On the contrary, we demand of the Hamas movement not to recognize Israel, because the Fatah movement does not recognize Israel, even today."

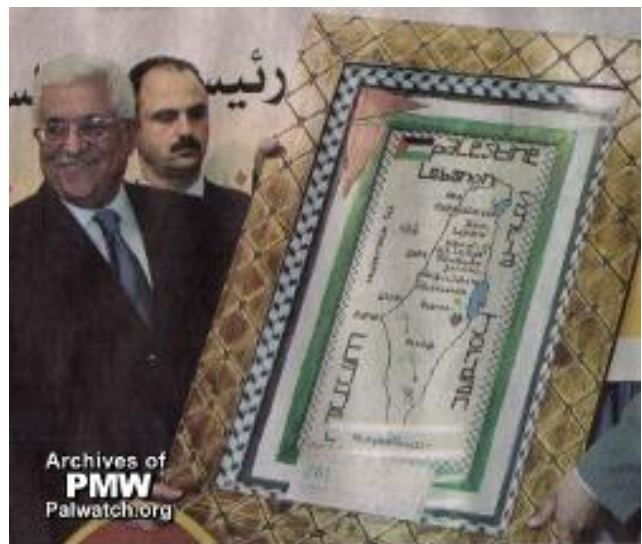
[PA TV (Fatah), March 17, 2009]

2. PA Chairman Mahmoud Abbas:

"The 'Jewish state.' What is a 'Jewish state?' We call it, the 'State of Israel.' You can call yourselves whatever you want. But I will not accept it. And I say this on a live broadcast... It's not my job to define it, to provide a definition for the state and what it contains. You can call yourselves the Zionist Republic, the Hebrew, the National, the Socialist [Republic] call it whatever you like. I don't care."

At the end of his speech Abbas held up a map of "Palestine" that replaces Israel. The map being held aloft by a smiling Abbas was featured in a prominent front-page position in both PA daily newspapers. Note that the word "Palestine" appears on the map in English.

[PA TV (Fatah), Apr. 27, 2009; *Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), April 28, 2009]



3. Rafik Natsheh, President of the Fatah Movement's [Disciplinary] Court [and] head of the [Palestinian] Legislative Council (Parliament):

"The Fatah movement and the Palestinian people will not relinquish the resistance in all its forms, so long as the occupation continues... The Fatah movement will maintain, at the Congress, all options for the struggle, including resistance. And the Fatah movement will not recognize Israel, and will not ask anyone to recognize Israel, and all the nonsense uttered by all sorts of parties – that they have been asked to recognize Israel – are a complete lie... We do not demand of the factions to recognize Israel, because we in Fatah have not recognized it. But the government that represents the Palestinian people is obligated to honor the agreements, for without this we shall not be able to serve the Palestinian people."

[Website of *Al-Quds Al-Arabi*, July 22, 2009]

4. Nabil Shaath, member of Fatah Central Committee and former PA Foreign Minister, says that Fatah is willing to accept Hamas in a unity government even if it doesn't recognize Israel: "The return to the idea of a national unity government gives rise to the subject of the PLO commitments – recognition of Israel, recognition of the Oslo Accords, and the like. Hamas says: I'm not prepared [to discuss] these matters. Fatah can't say: We've halted everything [i.e., talks with Hamas] in order to pressure Hamas to recognize Israel. Fatah's position is, we don't want Hamas to recognize Israel. We want it [Hamas] to recognize a government that can deal with the international situation and open a door for us to end the siege."

[PA TV (Fatah), July 19, 2009]

5. Azzam Al-Ahmed, Chairman of Fatah Party in the Legislative Council:

"We have already said in public and in official statements that it is not correct that we demand that Hamas recognize Israel. Fatah does not recognize Israel. The Democratic [Front] does not recognize Israel... The one that recognizes Israel is the Palestinian government [PLO]. The Palestinian government which represents the Palestinian people, and not the Palestinian Authority government [of Abbas]. Only the PLO, [since] recognition of countries is an act of government. Therefore, the PLO, in the name of the Palestinian people, exchanged letters of recognition with the Israeli government."

[PA TV (Fatah), March 23, 2009]

6. Najat Abu Bakr, member of Palestinian Parliament, is very direct regarding the PA's long-term plan:

"It doesn't mean that we don't want the 1948 borders [all of Israel], but in our current political program, we [Fatah] say we want a state on the 1967 borders."

[PA TV (Fatah), Aug. 25 2008]

7. Along the same lines, **Fatah leader Ahmad Dughmush** has mentioned Israeli cities among those to be "liberated":

"Palestine is our dream. Brothers, O Fatah's loyal masses, the land is thirsty [for martyr blood] ... Jaffa, Haifa and Acre [Israeli cities] are calling. [The Palestinian cities] Ramallah, Jerusalem, Nablus and Gaza: "When will we meet and break the chains?" To Jerusalem march millions of Martyrs."

[PA TV (Fatah), Jan. 8, 2008]

8. Ziad Abu Ein, PA Fatah Deputy Minister for Prisoners:

"We want to return to [Israel's cities] Lod, Ramle, Jaffa and Haifa. Let everyone hear, this is our land, this is our country, these are our villages, and we will return to them. The Palestinian won't accept any paradise except his own paradise, in his home in [Israeli cities] Bet She'an, Ashkelon, in Lod, Ramle. We will return, Allah willing, to the land that is seeking its people."

[PA TV (Fatah), May 13, 2008]

9. Similarly, PA TV (Fatah) routinely broadcasts pictures of Abbas with the PLO symbol, which places the Palestinian flag over the map of all of Israel, prominently displayed in the background. The picture below appears in a music video honoring Abbas which has been broadcast numerous times a week since 2008.



PA Chairman Mahmoud Abbas at PLO Central Committee meeting in 2008.

[PA TV (Fatah), July, 22 2009]

10. The Fatah symbol and flag still displays the entire map of Israel under rifles and PLO flags. The same symbol (see right) still appears today on Fatah's website (<http://www.fateh.ps>) and other official Fatah publications.



11. Below, **PA Prime Minister Salaam Fayyad** accepts an award - the certificate is adorned with a map of "Palestine" covering all of Israel.



[Al-Hayat Al-Jadida (Fatah), June 8, 2008]

1B. PA leadership – Ribat - Conflict is religious war for Allah

In addition to the lack of recognition of Israel, Palestinian leaders frequently define all of Israel as a land of "Ribat" - i.e., areas which Muslims have a religious obligation to defend and liberate for Islam. Official religious leaders carry enormous weight in Palestinian society, and have as much influence on public opinion as PA politicians and political leaders. Both continue to put forward the "fact" that the relationship with Israel is that of Ribat - a religious war. In the past, it was specifically Hamas that defined the conflict with Israel as a religious war. Now the PA-Fatah leadership, religious and political, likewise openly presents its war against Israel as a religious battle for Islam.

1. A Palestinian Authority schoolbook defines Ribat:

"The Ribat for Allah is one of the actions related to Jihad ...The persistence of Palestine's people on their land in these days [i.e., Israel], and their persistence against the damage and the aggression they endure - is one of the greatest of the Ribat [fighting for Islamic land], and they are worthy of a great reward from Allah... they are found in Ribat until Resurrection."

[*Islamic Education*, Grade 12, p. 86-87]

2. Sheikh Muhammad Hussein, the Mufti of Palestine:

"We are still suffering from this oppressive occupation, and we hope it will disappear, Allah willing. We are in *Ribat* [religious war] on this blessed land, and we are the owners of this holy land. It is a great honor bestowed by Allah to be part of the chain of the *Ribat*, which continues until Resurrection."

[PA TV (Fatah), June 6, 2008]

3. Najat Abu Bakr, member of Palestinian Parliament:

"We [Palestinians] were created on this land in order to liberate it, to live on it, to continue as people of *Ribat* [Religious war]. We are on the land of *Ribat* and must remain [on it] until Resurrection."

[PA TV (Fatah), Aug. 25 2008]

4. Sheikh Raed Salah, head of branch of the Islamic Movement:

"Ribat unites us as Muslims and as Palestinian Arabs with Jerusalem, and with its holy [places] and with the Al-Aqsa Mosque. It is ongoing Ribat which cannot be halted even for a second."

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), March 25, 2009]

5. Mahmoud Al-Habbash, Minister of Religious Trusts and Religious Affairs

"Our fundamental task - and this must be clear to all - is the continuation of Ribat upon the land of Jerusalem, upon the land of Palestine; a continuation of Ribat, striking roots in this land."

[PA TV (Fatah), April 16, 2009]

6. PA TV Friday sermon:

"This nation is a nation of Murabitun [Ribat people], whose fundamental obligation is to protect the [land of] Ribat [i.e. land of Israel]."

[PA TV (Fatah), March 3, 2009]

7. PA TV (Fatah) music video sings to destruction of Israel calling all Israel “Land of Religion” that must be “liberated.” This music video has been broadcast from 2007 - 2009:

"We will liberate the Land of religions...

The land is Arab in history and identity

Palestine is Arab in history and identity...

From Jerusalem and Acre, from Haifa and Jericho and Gaza and Ramallah, from Bethlehem and Jaffa, from Be'er Sheva and Ramle,
from Nablus to the Galilee, from Tiberias to Hebron."

[Note inclusion of Israeli cities from the entire country]

[PA TV (Fatah), Oct. 2007–Jan. 2009]

1C. PA world view - there is no Israel

The following section documents that all Israeli cities, even the ones inside the 1949 borders are defined by the Palestinian Authority as “Palestinian cities.”

1. PA TV (Fatah) children’s programs in September 2008 teach children to see a world without Israel:

Child host: “List three Palestinian ports... we have the Haifa port, Jaffa, Ashkelon, Eilat, Ashdod & Gaza.”

[Note: All are Israeli cities except Gaza.]

Child host: “What is the size of the state of Palestine?”

(On phone) Haidar: “27,000 sq. km.”

[Note: The size of the West Bank and Gaza is 6,220 sq. km. The figure of 27,000 sq. km. includes all of Israel.]

Child host: “Name three countries bordering Palestine.”

(On phone) Muhammad: “Lebanon, Jordan, Egypt.”

[Note: Only Israel borders Lebanon.]

Child host: “The Palestinian borders overlook two important seas. What are their names?”

(On phone) Lama: “The Mediterranean and the Red Sea.”

[Note: The Red Sea borders Israel's southern tip.]

Child host: “What's the name of the only sweet-water lake in Palestine?”

On phone, Ayyam: “The Tiberias Sea [the Sea of Galilee].”

[Note: The Sea of Galilee is in Israel.]

[PA TV (Fatah), Sept. 1, 2008]

Child host: “Where is Ein Harod [Israeli town]?”

Child: “In Palestine.”

Child host: “Good. Which mountain is the tallest in Palestine? And where is it located?”

Child: “Mount Meron [in Israel].”

Child host: “That’s half an answer, where is it located? In Nablus, Hebron or Galilee?”

Child: "In the Galilee [in Israel]."

Child host: "Correct answer. The tallest mountain in Palestine is Mount Meron, in the Upper Galilee, east of the mountain is the city of Safad [Israeli city], the capital of northern Palestine."

[PA TV (Fatah), Sept. 9, 2008]

Child host: "What is the name of the desert in Palestine?"

Nahad: "The Negev desert" [southern Israel]

Host: "Correct answer."

[PA TV (Fatah), Sept. 18, 2008]

Child host: "Which of the Palestinian cities is named after the Roman ruler, the Emperor Tiberius?"

Child: "Tiberias." [Israeli city]

Host: "Your answer is correct."

[PA TV (Fatah), Sept. 20, 2008]

2. Children recite on PA TV (Fatah):

Child: "My name is Asraa and I'm from the occupied Safed [Israeli city]."

Child: "My name is Rama and I'm from the occupied Safed [Israeli city]."

Child: "My name is Hiyam and I'm from the occupied Safed [Israeli city]."

Child: "My name is Raad Salim and I'm from the occupied Acre [Israeli city]."

Child: "My name is Arhaf from occupied Haifa, [Israeli city]. I hope that Palestine will return and that we will defend it."

[PA TV (Fatah), July 21, 2008]

3. PA TV (Fatah) host calls Israeli city Beer Sheva "occupied:"

Child: "I'm from Be'er Sheva [Israeli city]."

Host: "From the occupied Be'er Sheva ... of course, from the occupied Negev [Israeli desert]. We bless all our children of the Negev and I'm very happy that our children from the occupied areas in Palestine are calling, those [areas] which Israel occupies."

[PA TV (Fatah), July 21, 2008]

4. Israeli cities are "Palestine" in quiz on PA TV (Fatah):

Host: "Sally, where are you from?"

Sally: "From Acre [Israeli city]."

Host: "Wherever you're from, they are all Palestinian cities. The Jezreel Valley [Israeli region] is thought to be "the breadbasket of Palestine."

[PA TV (Fatah), Sept. 6, 2008]

Host: "Yesterday's riddle: O bride of Palestine, the most beautiful in the garden, O you who sit on the shore waiting for time to return. Don't cry, my dear, beautiful daughter of Canaan ... And the answer is: Yaffo." [Israeli city – part of Tel Aviv]

Host: "Which Palestinian city is called 'the flower of Galilee'? The possibilities are: Tiberias, Nazareth, Acre." [All are Israeli cities]

Answer: "Nazareth."

[PA TV (Fatah), Sept. 15, 2008]

5. All Israel is “Palestine” on PA TV (Fatah) fashion show:

"[These are] the garments of Be'er Sheva [Israeli city] and the Negev desert [in Israel], the southern part of Palestine, the desert of Palestine...

The garments of Beit Jibrin [Israeli town], this Palestinian archaeological town, which the occupation has transformed into an Israeli tourist village and changed its name from Beit Jibrin into Guvrin, those are the garments with its decorations that testify to its [the town's] past. The garment of Galilee [in Israel], northern Palestine, Safed, Tiberias, Acre, Nazareth [all are Israeli cities] - this dress is one of the most beautiful dresses in Palestine."

[PA TV (Fatah), April 10, 2008]

6. In PA TV (Fatah) documentary, a Palestinian youth pledges to liberate Dir Yassin (West Jerusalem) by blood:

The time of the Annapolis summit marked the return of an educational documentary depicting all of present-day Israel as stolen "occupied Palestine." All Israeli cities, including Jaffa, Acre and Haifa, are referred to as Palestinian cities. A Palestinian youth interviewed on the program pledges to return to West Jerusalem and redeem it with his own blood.

"Ask whoever you wish. Go ask any child, 'Which city are you from?'... He will tell you from Jaffa, Haifa, this village or that city... i.e. He belongs [only] temporarily to the place where he resides, his place of refuge."

Towards the end of the program, a youth pledges to liberate Jerusalem, even violently:

"My answer to [Israelis] is that I am of the fourth generation and I have not forgotten. I have a dream, to arrive at Dir Yassin [in West Jerusalem]. This is a dream of mine. I hope to redeem it by blood."

[PA TV (Fatah), April 28, 2008]

7. PA TV (Fatah) educational documentary erases Israel and puts "Palestine" in its place all across Israel, from Ashkelon to the Sea of Galilee and back to Jaffa. This educational documentary has been broadcast dozens of times since August 2007, most recently on June 7, 2009:

"The West Bank and Gaza have 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 lake of Tiberias [Sea of Galilee]. Jaffa, an ancient coastal city, is the bride of the sea, and Palestine's gateway to the world."

[PA TV (Fatah), Aug. 2007–June 7, 2009]

8. PA official government Census Bureau announcements replace Israel with “Palestine” (by covering Israel with the PLO flag)

A public service announcement of the National Census, broadcast for several months on PA TV (Fatah), showed “Palestine” as the map of Israel painted over with the colors of the flag of the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO). The announcements were aired right through the Annapolis conference.



Text: "Our land brings us together... and the census unites us..."

[PA TV (Fatah), Nov. – Dec. 2007, PA official website, 2007- 2009]

(The image of the Palestinian flag flying over the map of Israel [right] still appears today, July 2009, on the PA website, along with logos of Western donors.)

9. A music video for children summarizes the essence of PA ideology, and the motivation for the continuing hatred and war against Israel, in the words: "Israel took everything in 1948"

"My homeland, my land is very pretty. It has forests, stone houses and a sea
 My homeland, my land is very pretty. It has hills, lemon and olive trees
 I live in my village. My village in my homeland. My homeland is so pretty...
 The smell of a fig tree. The aroma of jasmine...
 Do you know what happened in '48? [*Year of Israel's creation*]
 They took everything. They burned the room. The houses they broke.
 The forests they destroyed. The village they erased. The names they changed
 They changed the names. My homeland, her name is Palestine."

[PA TV (Fatah), 1998-2009, repeatedly]

1D. Rewriting history

i. Rewriting Jewish history to deny Israel's right to exist

The erasure and denial of 3,000 years of Jewish history in the region in general and in Jerusalem in particular is integral to Palestinian ideology. Jerusalem is presented as an exclusively Muslim and Christian city, with no regard for historical reality. Accordingly, Israel and Jews are said to have "no rights" to Jerusalem, and any contemporary manifestation of Jewish life and development there is labeled by the Palestinian Authority as "Judaization." The PA presents as fact the lie that Israel is working to destroy the Al-Aqsa Mosque and to expel Arabs from the city. The claim that Israel is pursuing a policy of ridding Jerusalem of its Arab inhabitants is blatantly untrue. In fact, according

to May 2009 statistics released by the Jerusalem Center for Israel Studies, since the liberation of east Jerusalem in the 1967 Six Day War, Jerusalem's population has increased by 186%, while the Arab population of east Jerusalem has grown by 291%, almost twice the rate of the Jewish population.

1. Dr. Jamal Amaru, lecturer in Urban Planning, Bir-Zeit University:

"There is a view that where it [the Dome of the Rock] stands was the Holy of Holies of the fictitious Temple – and by the way, that is merely an illusion. There is no remnant of it. It's a myth. A story of no value, like the Arabian Nights, and other legends...

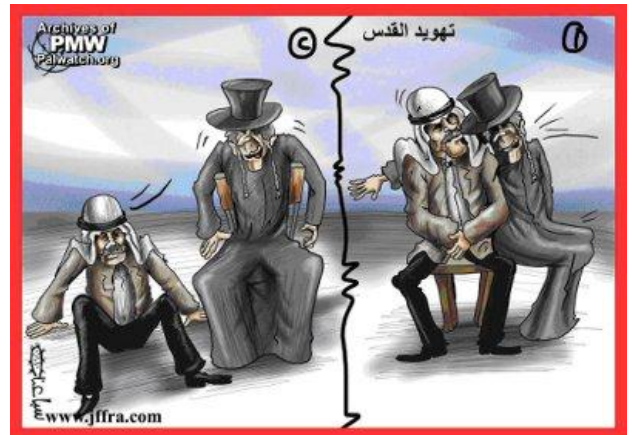
Only in Palestine... [after] 60 years of digging, and they've found nothing at all. Not a water jug, not a coin, not any earthen vessel, no bronze weapons, no piece of metal, absolutely nothing of this myth, because it's a myth and a lie. This digging has not left a single meter [unturned], but it has achieved absolutely nothing. Therefore, [by means of] these myths, they want the fictitious Temple to replace the mosque of the Dome of the Rock."

Interviewer: "That's what they're planning."

[PA TV (Fatah), June 23, 2009]

2. This **cartoon** with the caption "Judaization of Jerusalem" shows (from right to left) a sinister-looking Jew first sharing the chair with an Arab and then shoving him off.

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), official PA daily, Feb. 24, 2009]



3. Tayseer Al-Tamimi, PA Chief Religious Justice:

"Jerusalem is the religious, political and spiritual capital of Palestine - the Jews have no rights to it."
[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), March 2, 2009]

4. Tayseer Al-Tamimi, PA Chief Religious Justice:

"I know of Muslim and Christian holy sites in [Jerusalem]. I don't know of any Jewish holy sites in it... Israel has been excavating since 1967 in search of remains of their Temple or their fictitious Jewish history."

[PA TV (Fatah), June 9, 2009]

5. Tayseer Al-Tamimi, PA Chief Religious Justice:

"When the Prophet [Muhammad] entered Jerusalem, after landing with his 'riding animal' in the Night Journey from Mecca to Jerusalem, he tied it to the western wall, which is known today [by Muslims] as the al-Buraq Wall, and which the Jews usurped by falsification and deception [saying it is the Western Wall of the Temple]."

[PA TV (Fatah), June 9, 2009]

6. PA TV (Fatah) documentary: "Synagogues Encircling Al-Aqsa":

"They have wept tears and cried over the western wall of the Al-Aqsa Mosque out of an illusion and forgery that it is a relic of the wall of the alleged Temple... They place notes between the stones and dream of the day when they will approach closer, into the Al-Aqsa Mosque and the Dome of the Rock, and plan to build the alleged Temple."

"They [the Jews] dug the Western Wall tunnel... and at the heart of the tunnel they inaugurated a new synagogue, the closest - according to their illusion - to the Holy of Holies of the alleged Temple."

[PA TV (Fatah), May 1, 2009]

7. Dr. Marwan Abu-Khalaf, Director, the Archaeological Institute, Al-Quds University:

"The archaeological treasures in Jerusalem emphasize the depth of the city's heritage and history; they emphasize its Arabness and refute the Israeli claims that it is a Jewish city... It is known that perhaps under every stone and in every corner, on every street and at every turn in Jerusalem there are relics. These relics say, 'We are Arab, we are Muslim, we are Christian.'"

[PA TV (Fatah), Feb. 27, 2009]

8. Mahmoud Al-Habbash, then PA Minister of Agriculture and Welfare, now PA Minister of Religious Trusts and Religious Affairs

"They [the Jews] base themselves on myths and invoke the Jewish religion and Jewish faith, despite the fact that the truly religious Jews truly believe - and they have stated this on more than one occasion - that the Temple was never in the Holy City [Jerusalem], and was absolutely never on the site of the Al-Aqsa Mosque."

[PA TV (Fatah), April 16, 2009]

9. Official PA daily paper *Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah):

"Israel seeks to create religious and historical legitimacy for itself in Jerusalem and to justify its acts of Judaization, with a clear distortion of history."

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), May 14, 2009]

10. Official PA daily paper *Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah):

"It [Jerusalem] is the meeting point of a number of archaeological sites, by means of which the Israeli establishment is trying to raise an imaginary Hebrew history."

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), March 4, 2009]

1D Rewriting history

ii. Holocaust denial and Holocaust desecration

Another central part of PA ideology is not only to deny the Holocaust, but to accuse Israel of committing a holocaust against the Palestinians.

1. Abd Al-Rahman Abbad, Secretary General of the [Palestinian] Organization of Clerics and Disseminators of Islam:

"[Jews] exaggerate every action that other [nations] do against any Jew in the world. In this context is the Holocaust issue, which the whole world still [deals with]. There is a place [in Israel] called "Memorial for Holocaust and Heroism," which tells of the killing of 6 million Jews, but it is known that in all of Europe there weren't 6 million Jews."

Note: This organization is headed by Ikrima Sabri, former Palestinian Authority Mufti under Yasser Arafat and Mahmoud Abbas.

[PA TV (Fatah), July 17, 2009]

2. PA TV (Fatah):

"Various groups in Israel expressed their disappointment at the speech delivered yesterday by Pope Benedict XVI at the Yad Vashem Institute for the commemoration of the so-called memory of those who died in the Nazi Holocaust."

[PA TV (Fatah), May 12, 2009]

3. PA libel: Israel commits Holocaust against Palestinians

Palestinian exhibit depicts children in "Israeli" crematorium:



"The National Committee for Defense of Children from the Holocaust opened its activities with a Holocaust exhibit. The exhibit includes a large oven and inside it small children are being burned. The picture speaks for itself." [Al Ayyam, March 20, 2008]

Children's performance: "Stop the Israel's Holocaust"



Another part of the exhibit was a black platform with the words in Arabic and English, "Stop the Israel's Holocausts."

[Al-Hayat Al-Jadida (Fatah), March 20, 2008]

4. PA libel: Israel committed a holocaust against the Palestinians in 1948

In 2008, a new Palestinian libel surfaced in which Israel is portrayed as having being founded through Nazi-type atrocities. In the new PA version, the Zionists are accused of burning people alive, subjecting Palestinians to a *Selektion* for deportation or execution, running forced labor camps to serve the Israeli military, and committing mass murder with death pits. This new allegation in the PA media was based on a study by Fatah MP Issa Karake. He claims that these new findings, discovered 60 years after the founding of the State of Israel, were never published before because "... *researchers have only been documenting the period starting with the 1967 occupation. Meanwhile, a more important and more brutal period is being ignored when Zionist militias were committing crimes against humanity.*"

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), May 4, 2008]

All of this is based on the atrocities the Nazis performed on Jews in the Second World War. However, there is no historical record of any such conduct on the part of the State of Israel, nor have any such accusations ever been leveled against Israel, until this latest "research."

"The Zionist militias employed every means of extermination – murder, demolition, rape and burning people alive."

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), May 10, 2008]

Fatah MP Issa Karake:

"During the 1948 war the Zionist militias set up internment camps for the civilian population that was detained after being exiled from their villages. These camps were like the camps set up by Nazi Germany during WWII... It has been proven that their *modus operandi* was... to separate them into three groups according to whether they were intended for deportation, execution or detention."

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), May 4, 2008]

Fatah MP Issa Karake:

"The Palestinian prisoners were used for forced labor work by the Israeli military leadership ... They were forced to labor in every capacity that was thought to strengthen Israel's economy and military capabilities."

[*Al-Quds*, May 5, 2008]

PA TV (Fatah):

"They lined the men up in rows of seven or eight. They told them to dig a deep ditch in the cemetery. ... The first row of men stood in front of the hole and were shot to death. Then they asked the second row to bury them and in this manner [killed them] all row after row."

[PA TV (Fatah), April 10, 2008]

As stated, there is no historical basis or record of such events, nor have any such accusations ever been leveled against Israel until this latest PA "research" by a Fatah MP.

2. Demonization, libels and hate promotion by the PA and its controlled media

The PA-controlled media continue to actively promote hatred, as Jews and Israelis are demonized through malicious libels - including such lies as the assertion that Israel intentionally spreads AIDS and drugs among Palestinians, conducts Nazi-like medical experiments on Palestinian prisoners, and is planning to destroy the Al-Aqsa Mosque.

The following are representative examples from among many:

1. Demonization: Jews have a ghetto mentality and refuse to co-exist with others **Abd Al-Rahman Abbad, Secretary General of the [Palestinian] Organization of Clerics and Disseminators of Islam:**

"[The Israeli separation fence is a symptom of] the Jewish mindset, a mindset controlled by the [idea of the] ghetto. The ghetto means living in an isolated neighborhood only for Jews. That's why they cannot live with other groups because they believe that their culture and religion obligate them to have contacts only among themselves, based on an attitude of superiority towards others. That's why they did not live, for example, in the West, in separate neighborhoods, but lived in what is called 'a ghetto.' The ghetto was not forced upon them, as is thought, rather, they were the ones who forced it upon themselves. This [separation] fence is not just one fence, there are many fences. Look at the [Israeli] city Lod, for example, or Ramle. There is no mixing between different population groups who are all Israeli citizens. There is separation. The reason for this is the Israeli mentality, the ghetto mentality, the mentality of rejection of 'the other,' and refusal to coexist with him..."

[PA TV (Fatah), July 17, 2009]

Note: This organization is headed by Ikrima Sabri, former Palestinian Authority Mufti under Yasser Arafat and Mahmoud Abbas.

2. Demonization: Jews are liars and sadists **Dr. Yunes Amr, president of Al-Quds University:**

[In his lecture, Dr. Yunes Amr, president of Al-Quds University] "addressed the subject of 'Jerusalem, capital of Arab culture', the characteristics of the Jews - their lies and their sadism."

[Al-Hayat Al-Jadida (Fatah), March 25, 2009]

3. PA libel: Israel spreads AIDS and drugs

a. Raed Lutfi Ashtiyeh, Director, War on Drugs, PA-Ramallah Police:

"In fact, the results that we have obtained from the investigation are that most or all of the drugs that are reaching the territories of the Palestinian Authority are being conveyed by the Israelis... We, as the Palestinian Authority, have no control in the A-Ram area [north of Jerusalem]. At the same time, the Israelis want drug dealers in this area."

[PA TV (Fatah), May 26, 2009]

b. Tayseer Al-Tamimi, PA Chief Religious Justice:

"The AIDS issue needs to receive due attention in order to raise Palestinians' awareness of the danger - in particular, since we neighbor a society [Israel] where the disease is widespread and

which acts to transmit [AIDS] to Palestinian society. The occupying authorities, especially in Jerusalem, are working to spread drugs and drug addiction, without a doubt."

[PA TV (Fatah), Dec. 2, 2007]

"Israel exports AIDS and other sexual diseases... Alongside us there's a country [Israel] that exports this disease to us."

[PA radio (Fatah), Feb. 17, 2008]

c. Official PA daily, *Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah):

"As to the causes that have brought about the appearance and distribution of drugs, Maj. Ashtiyeh (director of the war on drugs) explained that they consist first and foremost of the occupation, which has as its aim to weaken and to destroy the values and the character of Palestinian youth, society, and family."

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), March 22, 2009]

4. PA libel: Israel is acting to destroy the Al-Aqsa Mosque

a. Tayseer Al-Tamimi, PA Chief Religious Justice:

"The [Israeli] excavations' purpose is to destroy the Al-Aqsa Mosque. In fact, its foundations have been removed. Chemical acids were injected into the rocks to dissolve them. The soil and the pillars [were moved] so the mosque is hanging in midair. There is an Israeli plan to destroy the Al-Aqsa Mosque and to build the Temple."

[PA TV (Fatah), June 9, 2009]

b. PA Chairman Mahmoud Abbas:

"'Israel wants Jewish-only Jerusalem... Israel intends to eliminate Jerusalem's Islamic and Christian character,' President Mahmoud Abbas insisted in a speech in the central West Bank on Sunday evening... 'Israeli excavations across the holy city endanger its historical buildings and holy places, especially the Al-Aqsa Mosque,' Abbas said in Bethlehem."

[Ma'an, Palestinian news agency, July 20, 2009]

c. PA Mufti, Sheikh Muhammad Hussein:

"There are [Israeli] plans to destroy the Al-Aqsa Mosque both directly and indirectly. For instance, use of explosives, aerial or long-distance bombing, digging at the foundations and the walls of the mosque. By means of the tunnels they are trying to cause a natural earthquake."

[PA TV (Fatah), March 2, 2009]

d. PA TV clip:

"Nation of Islam: Awaken! The Al-Aqsa mosque is being threatened, a tunnel is being dug underneath, the so-called 'Temple' is being renewed."

[PA TV (Fatah) clip broadcast repeatedly in 2009, most recently on April 24, 2009]

e. Tayseer Al-Tamimi, PA Chief Religious Justice

"The occupation government is determined to erase the Arab and Islamic characteristics of the Holy City and to carry out a criminal cultural massacre against the city's human and cultural heritage."

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), Feb. 17, 2009]

f. Tayseer Al-Tamimi, PA Chief Religious Justice

"The number of Israeli tunnels and their scope is growing daily under the Al-Aqsa Mosque and in its environs and... the constant breakdowns of the roads and the walls emphasize that [Al-Aqsa] is subject to a plot that threatens its structure and its identity, with the aim of destroying it and establishing on its ruins the alleged Jewish Temple."

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), March 3, 2009]

g. Sheikh Ali Abu-Shaykha, member of the Jerusalem People's Council for "Jerusalem, Capital of Arab Culture 2009" events:

"The purpose of the festival is for our children to depict the suffering of the Al-Aqsa Mosque... In addition, this activity is an activity of Ribat and protection of the Al-Aqsa mosque, in the shadow of the campaign of Judaization and the invasion of the Al-Aqsa mosque that are being undertaken by Jewish associations and organizations."

["First Drawing Competition of Lovers of Al-Aqsa," *Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), April 21, 2009]

h. Naseen Arabi speaks in the name of the Al-Aqsa Youth:

"The Al-Aqsa Mosque has been placed at the center of the Israeli target, with all its plazas and domes and walls. The names and the sites have been falsified, such that the 'Al-Burak [western] Wall' has forcibly and falsely become the 'Wall of Tears' [Wailing Wall], and the Al-Aqsa plazas have become a pilgrimage site for tourists. Under it there is an empty space, and above it an empty space, and a voice is heard there - the voice of the Murabitin [Ribat people] who hold onto it day and night, to protect it."

["First Drawing Competition of Lovers of Al-Aqsa," *Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), April 21, 2009]

5. PA Libel: Israel killed Arafat

When Yasser Arafat became ill and died in November 2004, the Palestinian Authority created a conspiracy libel that Israel had poisoned him. To give credence to this libel, the PA concocted an international intrigue.

As well, Farouk Kaddumi, Secretary-General of the Fatah Central Committee and Head of the PLO Political Department, recently accused PA chairman Mahmoud Abbas of plotting with Israel to murder Arafat.

a. Muhammad Dahlan, MP and senior Fatah leader:

"I think that we're at the end of a process of abuse of the [Fatah] movement. Israel started it with the destruction of the Fatah movement and the destruction of the Palestinian Authority and its institutions, and the killing of President Yasser Arafat."

[PA TV (Fatah), July 22, 2009]

b. Yasser Abd-Rabbo, Secretary of the PLO Executive Committee:

"The [PLO] Executive Committee believes that such statements [by Kaddumi] dishonor first and foremost our leader, the great Shahid (Martyr) Yasser Arafat, and his death as a Shahid at the hands of the Israeli occupation."

(Official statement made after meeting of the PLO Executive Committee, responding to charge by Kaddumi)

[PA TV (Fatah), July 19, 2009]

c. PA TV (Fatah) host, speaking to Nasser Al-Qidwa, Chairman, Board of Directors, Institute for Commemoration of Arafat and former PA Foreign Minister:

Al-Qidwa: "Personally, I am convinced - and we have spoken about this on more than one occasion. I have spoken about Israel's responsibility [for Arafat's death] in any event, due to the siege that was imposed."

PA TV host: "The murder - the murder operation - was carried out against the Shahid (Martyr) [Arafat]... All the evidence proves that they [Israel] carried out an elimination or assassination operation."

[PA TV (Fatah), March 31, 2009]

d. PA TV (Fatah) news:

"Suha Arafat said, in a telephone interview with PA TV (Fatah), that the information conveyed by Kaddumi is baseless, tantamount to, as it were, a vindication of Israel for its responsibility for assassinating the *Shahid* (Martyr) Yasser Arafat."

[PA TV (Fatah), July 20, 2009]

6. PA libel: Israel's supernatural rats chase away Jerusalem's Arabs

a. "...one of the most amazing things that we've read during this month is that [Israeli] settlers have been bringing chests filled with rats and releasing them in the Old City's [Arab] neighborhoods; they breed and have become a major curse... the [Arab] residents' efforts to counter this infestation have failed, especially since cats run away from these rats because of their size and ferocity... All of the conventional efforts to kill them have not succeeded, because they seem to be immune to poison and they breed in the sewers. It is known that this female rat gives birth seven times a year, each time giving birth to 20 babies; which compels Jerusalem's [Arabs] today to face the dangers of settlement and the infestation of rats..."

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), July 18, 2008]

b. "Large numbers of [Israeli] settlers have been bringing huge cages full of rats and releasing them onto the streets and alleys of the Old City [Jerusalem]...in order to turn the [Arab] residents' life into a living hell, forcing them to leave..."

[*Al-Ayyam*, July 17, 2008]

7. PA libel: Israeli tanks and soldiers deliberately target Palestinian children

A PA TV (Fatah) video clip shows an Israeli tank deliberately targeting and shooting a Palestinian boy. The video is a fraud.

[PA TV (Fatah), April - May 15, 2008]

8. PA libel: Zionists target pregnant women

Dr. Mutawakil Tahalk, head of Palestinian Writers' Union and former PA Deputy Minister:

"We saw how they [Zionists] stab bellies of pregnant women, slaughter infants and eat life in cold blood. They targeted children and the wombs of women so this people won't reproduce."

[PA TV (Fatah), March 4, 2008]

9. PA libel: Israel conducts Nazi-like experiments on prisoners

a. Qadura Fares, head of the Prisoners' Association:

"For the past 42 years, since the Israeli conquest, [Palestinian] prisoners have been subject to a

process of gradual killing through ongoing torture and repeated violations of their rights, and deliberate medical negligence."

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), March 25, 2009]

b. "The new victim of medical neglect, and perhaps of the poisoned medication which is given to prisoners and to date has caused the deaths of some 200 prisoners in the jails of the occupation..." (Salam Abu Salah, official PA daily reporter in item about a prisoner in Israeli prison, a cancer patient fighting for his life.)

[PA TV (Fatah), Feb. 5, 2009]

c. "Abu Al-Hajj [Director of the Abu-Jihad Center for Prisoner Affairs in Al-Quds University] referred back to the period of the British Mandate and its usual method of execution - using the hanging noose that is on display in the museum ... Fahd Abu Al-Hajj went on to mention the subsequent method employed by the Israeli Occupation, in which they finish off by instigating slow death, which the prisoners suffer at the hands of the prison authorities. He added that as a result of this method, 226 prisoners have died as *Shahids* (Martyrs) in the prisons... Abu Al-Hajj pointed to the fact that... clinic doctors in Israeli prisons are using the prisoners as guinea pigs under the pretense of 'treatment.'"

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), July 6, 2008]

10. **Demonization: PA TV (Fatah) hate video: Israel is the "enemy"**

PA TV (Fatah) has been broadcasting a music video for over a year with a repeating refrain: "My enemy, my enemy." Israel is called a "snake, coiled around the land." The hate video denies Israel's right to exist and anticipates Israel's destruction: "You have no choice, O enemy, but to leave my country." PA TV (Fatah) first aired this music video in 2004, and resumed its broadcast in October 2007. It was broadcast daily for months – right through the Annapolis Conference - and has been aired as recently as June 2009.

"My enemy. O my enemy. Stop your crimes. Treaty breaker! Treacherous!...
If you pull out my eyes, my heart will see. If you cut off my hands, my chest is knives and swords.
My enemy! O 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. O, 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, O enemy, but to leave my country, and my children will return."

[PA TV (Fatah), Oct. 2007- June 2009]

11. **Demonization: PA TV (Fatah) hate video: Fight Jews for mother's honor**

"Not so fast, not so fast, O Zion! My mother's tears – how they are degraded! Not so fast, not so fast, O Zion! My mother's tears – how they are degraded! Even if they [Jews] gathered from the world, your debt remains open with me! Even if you decreed my death, the pure stone is my answer!" [PA TV (Fatah) 2002 - 2009]

12. **Demonization: "Jews make false claims, lies, forgery, slander, and fabrications"** **Tayseer Al-Tamimi, PA Chief Religious Justice:**

"Concerning the Jews, the Holy Quran says that they lack understanding, are void of wisdom, know nothing, violate agreements, etc. However, the Jews were known - it was known about them throughout history- that they make false claims, lies, forgery, slander, and fabrications, in order to justify their aggression, land theft, defilement of holy sites, appropriation of land, destruction of homes, murder of children, women, and the elderly."

[PA TV (Fatah), June 2009]

13. Demonization: Zionist mentality is like wolf killing sheep

Najat Abu-Bakr, Fatah, PA member of Parliament:

"This enemy [Israel] constantly commits new holocausts, everywhere and at all times".

"This enemy [Israel] was born of massacres, a segregation mentality, marginalizing, killing and destroying. Due to this Zionist mentality, we are like a pen of sheep from which a wolf grabs a sheep every day. If we haven't been reached by this wolf-like mentality, it will soon reach us."

"This world, which is ruled by the Zionist lobby everywhere and in all the media, this is the lobby that rules us now, the greatest power, or the greatest Satan in the world, America, is the one that supports this policy."

[PA TV (Fatah), March 3, 2008]

14. Demonization: "Jews are worse than smallpox"

Adnan Ayash, History professor:

"There are diseases like smallpox, that can be eradicated, but the disease that was inflicted on the Palestinian people and the Arab nation in general, that's the Jewish disease, the Zionist disease, which is a cancerous disease, that started with occupying and taking over lands in 1904...Those (Jews), from 1904 to 1947, reached 605,000. That's the cancer that spreads over the lands."

[PA TV (Fatah), June 5, 2008]

3. Advocating violence and glorifying terror

The rejection of violence, the flagship of the Annapolis event, has been only an English-language message by the Palestinian Authority. Suicide bombers and mass murderers are actively honored and cast as role models for young children. The act of describing such bombers as *Shahids* – Martyrs who have died for the sake of Allah - elevates them to the highest status in Islam. The image of the *Shahid* is celebrated as the epitome of heroism in Palestinian society, and is presented as a model worthy of emulation for society as a whole, particularly the youth. This policy is reflected throughout the Fatah-controlled media.

Even all post-Annapolis terrorists have been glorified as Palestinian heroes in official Palestinian Authority newspapers and television, including the suicide terrorist in the Israeli city of Dimona, the killers of the eight Yeshiva students in Jerusalem and arch-terrorist Imad Mughniyeh.

Moreover, PA Fatah leaders often echo the Hamas policy of justifying a ceasefire as a temporary or tactical measure. PA political leaders argue that there is a proper time for the use of violent means as opposed to negotiations, and therefore they advocate alternating between armed struggle and diplomacy.

3A. PA leaders advocating violence

1. PA Chairman Mahmoud Abbas:

"Now we are against armed conflict because we are unable. In the future stages, things may be different... I was honored to be the one to shoot the first bullet in 1965 [Fatah terror against Israel began in 1965], and having taught resistance to many in this area and around the world, defining it and when it is beneficial and when it is not... we had the honor of leading the resistance. We taught everyone what resistance is, including the Hezbollah, who were trained in our camps [i.e. PLO camps in the 60s and 70s]."

[*Al-Dustur*, Jordan, Feb. 28, 2008]

2. Muhammad Dahlan, MP and senior Fatah leader:

Muhammad Dahlan, MP and senior Fatah leader: "The political plan guarantees the continuation of our national struggle in all its forms..."

PA TV host: "If so, the [violent] resistance and struggle continue."

Muhammad Dahlan: "This is our right, a legal right. The international community affirms it for us. But it is the responsibility of the leadership to use it when it wants, in the proper place and at the proper time. We cannot leave it in the hands of youth who use their own judgment. This is the difference between [PA] using this right and just anyone using it. I lived with Chairman Yasser Arafat for years. Arafat would condemn [terror] operations by day while at night he would do honorable things. I don't want to say any more about this."

[PA TV (Fatah), July 22, 2009]

3. Ashraf al-Ajrmi, former PA Minister of Prisoners, speaking the same week that Israel approved the transfer of 1,000 additional AK-47 rifles to PA security forces:

"The master of resistance is, without doubt and without question, the *Shahid* (Martyr) Yasser Arafat. Even this Intifada, whose flag Hamas has tried to wave unjustly, forcibly, falsely and fraudulently - that [Intifada] flag belongs to Yasser Arafat alone... Now they [Hamas] are speaking [disparagingly] about the [PA's security forces, calling them] 'Dayton Forces.' These [security] forces paid the heavy price in the second Intifada, both as *Shahids* [Martyrs] and as prisoners. The greatest number of prisoners is from the security forces sector. They are the ones who bore arms and carried out the greatest and most important operations [terror attacks] against the Israeli occupation - and especially against soldiers, and some of the most famous operations [terror attacks] in the West Bank - Ein-Arik, Wadi Al-Haramiyeh, Sorda, and others. These were carried out by the heroes of the Palestinian security forces, who protected the homeland and the national interest, while Hamas merely looked on for many months before embarking [on terrorist attacks]."

[PA TV (Fatah), June 29, 2009].

4. Public Fatah event broadcast on PA TV (Fatah):

PA TV (Fatah) marked two years since the Hamas takeover of Gaza by broadcasting a public Fatah event that focused on vilifying Hamas. In one scene, actors portrayed a Hamas teacher and student supporters of Fatah and Hamas, debating which movement is greater. The debate ended when a Fatah student trumped Hamas's boast of having kidnapped Israeli soldier Gilad Shalit by mentioning the "arrest of two Israeli soldiers in Ramallah" by the PA-Fatah. This alludes to the lynching and gruesome murder of two Israeli reservist soldiers who accidentally entered the Palestinian Authority-controlled city in October 2000. While the picture of a Palestinian celebrating the killing by waving his bloody hands to the mob horrified the world, the murder remains a source of pride for Fatah. Seated in the front row at the event were Fatah leaders, including Muhammad Dahlan, MP and senior Fatah leader and former head of PA security; Qadura Fares, head of the

PA Prisoners' Association; Nasser Al-Qidwa, former PA Minister of Foreign Affairs; Samir Al-Mashharawi, senior Fatah official; and others:

Fatah student taunts Hamas: "Since Hamas seized power, we haven't heard of any Martyrdom operation [suicide-bombing]."

Hamas teacher: "It's called 'fighters' rest.'"

Fatah student: "A Hamas fighter needs rest, but a Fatah fighter doesn't need rest?!"

Hamas teacher: "Every fighter has the right to rest."

Fatah student: "Why is it that when Fatah stops fighting, you [Hamas] say they're cowards, but when Hamas stops fighting, you say it's 'fighters' rest'?"

Hamas teacher: "I don't know much about resistance [terror] and fighters..."

Fatah student: "The first shot was fired by the PLO; the first Jihad was carried out by the PLO [audience applauds], with all the other factions - but Hamas always opposed."

Hamas student: "What do you say about Hamas having kidnapped the [Israeli] soldier Shalit [still held hostage - Ed.]?"

Hamas teacher: "Ahaaa!"

Student: "By Allah, it's good."

Hamas student: "Did Fatah ever capture a soldier?!"

Fatah student: "It was the [other] brigades who captured him [Shalit] and sold him to you [Hamas]. It's a deal that you [Hamas] made for your own benefit, not for the [Palestinian] people's benefit. [Applause]"

Fatah student: "Remember, in Ramallah the [PA-Fatah] police arrested two soldiers - have you forgotten, teacher?!" [A reference to the lynching in Ramallah in October 2000- Ed.]

[PA TV (Fatah), June 17, 2009]

5. Abbas Zaki, PA Ambassador to Lebanon:

"Shame on anyone who says that Fatah put down its weapons! Since June 14 [Hamas takeover] until today, Fatah's Al-Aqsa brigades [executed] 220 operations, which are 30% of the [total] operations."

[PA TV (Fatah), Jan. 7, 2008]

6. Kifah Radaydeh Fatah Regional Committee member, Jerusalem:

"Fatah is facing a challenge, because [Fatah] says that we perceive peace as one of the strategies, but we say that all forms of the struggle exist, and we do not rule out the possibility of the armed struggle or any other struggle. The struggle exists in all its forms, on the basis of what we are capable of at a given time, and according to what seems right..."

What exactly do we want? It has been said that we are negotiating for peace, but our goal has never been peace. Peace is a means; and the goal is Palestine. I do not negotiate in order to achieve peace. I negotiate for Palestine, in order to achieve a state."

[PA TV (Fatah), July 7, 2009]

3B. Murderers since Annapolis glorified by PA-controlled media

The PA's three newspapers, including the official *Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* under President Mahmoud Abbas's control, use the term *Shahids* (Martyrs) to describe the suicide bombers and other terrorists.

1. The attack in Dimona (Feb. 4, 2008), in which an Israeli woman was killed.

*"The executors of the operation died as **Shahids**... one Israeli was killed and 11 were wounded in an attack on a shopping center in Dimona."*

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), Feb. 5, 2008]

*"Dimona: An Israeli woman was killed in a suicide attack in a shopping center. **The two bombers died as Shahids.**"*

[*Al-Ayyam*, Feb. 5, 2008]

*"Two **Shahids** and an Israeli woman killed in a bombing attack in Dimona."*

[*Al-Quds*, Feb. 5, 2008]

2. The attack in Beit Kachal (Dec. 28, 2007) in which two young Israeli men were murdered:

*Referring to the terrorist murderer who was killed in the attack: "A youth became a **Shahid** and a second was seriously wounded..."*

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), Dec. 29, 2007]

3. An attack in a high-school for religious studies in Kfar Etzion (Jan. 25, 2008):

*"Israeli sources revealed the **identities of the two Shahids** who executed the attack on Etzion near Bethlehem..."*

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), Jan. 29, 2008]

*"The authorities of the occupation continue to hold on to the bodies of the **Shahids** who executed the attack on the settlement 'Kfar Etzion' south of Bethlehem..."*

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), Jan. 29, 2008]

4. Murderer of eight high school students (March 6, 2008)

The PA official daily glorifies the murderer of the eight high school Yeshiva students in Jerusalem as a "groom" on the way to his "wedding," and laments that Israel did not allow more people to participate in his funeral - wedding.

Headline: "Jerusalem groom, **Abu-Dahim**, leaves without his wedding procession"

"The residents of the town of Jabal Mukbar were surprised by the sounds of loudspeakers blasting from the [mosque] minarets announcing that the Jerusalem groom, the *Shahid*, [Islamic Martyr] Ala'a Abu-Dahim [murderer of the eight Yeshiva students] has gone without their participation in his wedding procession... Every day, these past seven days, everyone was in a state of anticipation... preparing themselves for the wedding procession. At five o'clock in the morning the loudspeakers of the mosque minarets announced the shocking news to the thousands who were waiting, that the groom was buried in the morning without a celebration and without a wedding procession... frowning faces...expressing their sorrow for having been denied [the right] to participate in the groom's procession and to accompany him to the town's cemetery... The occupation soldiers sneaked in hours before dawn and led several adults to the cemetery... They wanted a quiet wedding without music, thinking that this way Jerusalem would forget its groom... But the wedding will not end this way... it will last three consecutive days in which [the town of] al-Sawahra will welcome all of those who come to congratulate the groom and will hang his portrait embracing the nation's [Palestinian] flags."

[*Al Hayat-Al Jadida* (Fatah), March 14, 2008]

3C. PA deems past terrorists heroic

1. PA TV (Fatah), Dec. 23, 2007, on 17-year-old female suicide bomber Ayyat Al-Akhras: PA TV host to terrorist's father: "Father of the *Shahida* [Martyr] Ayyat Al-Akhras. You and your cause deserve the greatest respect. Ayyat was very young (age 17) when she was martyred. In our opinion, Ayyat is a hero, and we want to hear more and remember this martyr, since we hold her memory dear in our hearts."

Father: "[Ayyat's] goal was to study journalism, to promote her Palestinian cause around the world."

PA TV host: "Through Ayyat's heroic act [suicide terror] she succeeded in reaching the entire world."

2. Thaer Hamed - killed 10 in an ambush

The terrorist responsible for the murder of three civilians and seven Israeli soldiers in a 2002 ambush was praised in an article by editor-in-chief of the official PA daily, Hafez Barghouti, published in February 2009. The terrorist, Thaer Hamed, hid on a hill and shot and killed the seven Israeli soldiers, one after the other, as they emerged from a building below. He then shot and killed an Israeli paramedic and two civilians in the area. The article praises Hamed as "the hero of the Intifada," and goes on to compare it to the Hamas kidnapping of Israeli soldier Gilad Shalit, which is described as "a military action that was successful by any military yardstick." It says that the sniper Hamed is "made of the same stuff as those who carried out the capture of Shalit."

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), Feb. 17, 2009]

3. Palestinian daily honors Sbarro terrorist- who killed 15 (seven children) as "heroic"

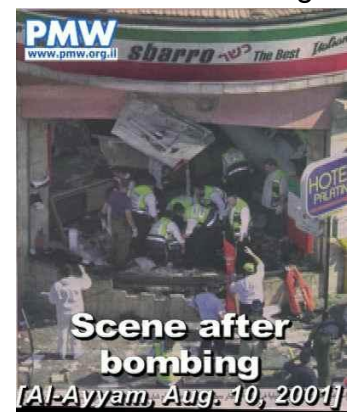
On Aug. 9, 2001, a suicide terrorist entered the Sbarro pizza shop in the center of Jerusalem and detonated his bomb, killing 15 people, including seven children. Five members of the same family were wiped out. The woman who helped plan the attack and drove the terrorist to the site, a university student named **Ahlam Tamimi**, was sentenced to 16 terms of life imprisonment in Israel. In prison, she married a male terrorist murderer, her cousin **Nizar Tamimi**. Continuing the current trend in the Palestinian Authority media to honor past and present terrorists, the Palestinian daily *Al-Quds* published an interview with the Palestinian poet, Mutawakil Taha, who wrote a book honoring the terrorist couple. He described them as "the two great heroic prisoners **Nizar Tamimi** and **Ahlam Tamimi**."

In its introduction, the PA daily cited the importance of his work:
"The work of the Palestinian poet, Dr. Mutawakil Taha, has a clear presence and influence on the Palestinian and Arabic culture and literature."

Mutawakil Taha:

"Two years ago I wrote the book "Ahlam ibn al-Nabi" about the two great heroic prisoners Nizar Tamimi and Ahlam Tamimi, of whom we are proud."

[*Al-Quds*, April 7, 2008]



4. Samir Kuntar - crushed the head of four-year-old Eynat Haran; Dalal Mughrabi - led a bus hijacking that killed 37

As part of an exchange, Palestinian prisoners and bodies were released by Israel on July 16, 2008. Among them were the prisoner Samir Kuntar, who in murdered four Israelis and crushed the head of four-year-old Eynat Haran, as well as the body of Dalal Mughrabi, who in 1978 led a bus hijacking in which 37 people were killed.

Commenting on the release of the Palestinian prisoners, the PA's official newspaper, *Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), controlled directly by Mahmoud Abbas, reported:

"[Official Fatah spokesman Ahmad Abdul Rahman] said that the Fatah movement sends warm blessings to Hezbollah, to all the resistance [terror forces], and to the Lebanese nation and the Palestinians for their historic victory over the Israeli arrogance, in their victorious July War [2006 Lebanese War].

"And on the return of the heroes of freedom, the heroes and the Martyrs, headed by the great **Samir Kuntar** and the Martyr fighter **Dalal Mughrabi**, who led the most glorified Sacrifice action in the history of the Palestinian-Israeli struggle. [This "most glorified" bus hijacking was the worst terror attack in Israel's history. Thirty-seven Israeli vacationers, including 12 children, were murdered.]

"He emphasized that the Fatah party... vows to the Palestinian people that Fatah will continue to struggle in the way of the pure Martyrs, until the state is liberated and the Palestinian state is established with Jerusalem as the capital. The Fatah movement turns on this day, that abounds with sincere blessings to Hezbollah ...

"The battle against the theft of Palestine is the battle of all the fighters and all the Arab nations. Blessings to the free heroes and their head, the heroic fighter **Samir Kuntar**, and blessings to the spirit of the heroic **Dalal Mughrabi** and to the friends of the heroes."

"President Mahmud Abbas congratulated yesterday's exchange of prisoners and bodies of Martyrs. The president sent blessings to **Samir Kuntar's family**."

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), July 17, 2008]

During the days following the release, PA media repeatedly made room for praise of the terrorists throughout its range of programs:

PA TV (Fatah) host addressing brother of Kuntar:

"First of all a thousand blessings, on the release of the heroic leader **Samir Kuntar**."

[PA TV (Fatah), July 7, 2008]

Hani Al-Masri, writer and political commentator:

"This deal includes heroes, like **Samir Kuntar**, who committed heroic acts, in which Jews and soldiers were killed."

[PA TV, July 5, 2008]

The following picture of Kuntar and the Palestinian flag covering the map of Israel was repeatedly shown on PA TV (Fatah) in the days after the release:



[PA TV (Fatah), July 7, 2008]

5. Arch-terrorist Imad Mughniyeh lauded by PA daily as "an extraordinary hero ... a beacon of light!"

Senior Hezbollah terrorist Imad Mughniyeh has been placed on a pedestal of glory in various articles in the official Palestinian Authority-Fatah daily. Western countries have expressed virtually unanimous relief that the terrorist, wanted by 42 countries and on the FBI's Most Wanted list, was killed by a car bomb in Damascus on Feb. 12, 2008. The Palestinian Authority, on the other hand, has been using the media under its control to mourn his death.

One article by a senior Fatah leader, former Deputy Minister of Culture Ahmad Dahbur, describes Mughniyeh as an "extraordinary hero... unequalled Hezbollah commander ... a beacon of light." His killing is called a "murder in broad daylight... a tragedy that has hurt every Lebanese, every Palestinian, every Arab, and every free man on the face of this earth." The revenge for his death will be more terror and eventually Israel's destruction.

Among his many international terror attacks, Mughniyeh was responsible for the killing of 241 American soldiers of the peacekeeping force in Lebanon in 1983.

***Hajj Radwan [Imad Mughniyeh]** by Ahmad Dahbur, former undersecretary of the Palestinian Authority Ministry of Culture, senior journalist for Fatah-controlled Al-Hayat Al-Jadida (Fatah), in his daily column:*

"The treacherous Zionist enemy will never permit us to lessen our revenge towards him, or to stray from our confrontation against him, until he is wiped off this land, which is saturated with the blood of the *Shahids*. And what is the fall of the Knight of Lebanese Resistance, Hajj Imad Mughniyeh, if not one of the signs of **the nation's Jihad - persistent and definitely unstoppable until the Zionist Project [Israel] will be defeated...** From the time he joined the Fatah as a youth, and until he later became a unequalled Hezbollah commander, when **his name became a beacon of light shining from The Lebanese July Victory** [Second Lebanon War, 2006]...

"It makes no difference whether the Zionist bat camouflages himself by hiding in the dark, or whether the crazy hyenas take pride in the crime, because the enemy announces his criminal presence with such language that it is as if he is caught with a smoking gun. **The criminal's hands are still covered in blood, when he gives us more reasons to intensify our hatred towards him, though we do not lack reasons for this [hate] in the first place.** This rage and hatred will rage with even further resistance [euphemism for 'terror'] and with a blow of death... **every free man partakes in Hajj Radwan's (Mughniyeh's) glory...**

"Indeed the thing that consoles [us] is what we hear of the *Mujahideen's* [Jihad fighter's] pledge to the combatant *Shahid* [Martyr], that they will avenge his blood... as either victory or *Istishhad* [Death as a *Shahid*].

"If there is any reason to give the enemy [Israel] advice, we advise the pack of hyenas not to rejoice, because in war - the scale tips at times to one side and at times to the other. They are treacherous and they will retreat, and the resistance will retaliate and prevail... And from Lebanon to all the Arabs – 'Hail the victory of the Mujahideen!'"

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), Feb. 14, 2008, emphasis added by PMW]

Headline: "A delegation of the Lawyers Association arrived at the house of mourning for the Shahid Imad Mughniyeh"

"A delegation of close to 30 lawyers from the Islamic Association of Lawyers paid a visit to the mourning house of the outstanding military commander of the Lebanese resistance, Imad Mughniyeh, which is being overseen by the National and Islamic Forces in Gaza City. In its speech,

the delegation emphasized that the murder of Mughniyeh was a crime of organized state terror, which violates all international and human conventions and rules.”

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), Feb. 17, 2008]

"The Fatah's military wing - the *Ahmoud Abu Al Rish Martyrs Brigades* - accepted responsibility yesterday for the attack on the Israeli military post... shooting two missiles... They announced that the action is in dedicated to the memory of the Martyr Imad Mughniyeh.”

[*Al-Hayat Al-Jadida* (Fatah), Feb. 14, 2008]

4. US Funding of the Palestinian Authority

The US has recently approved \$900M in aid to the PA, to be allocated as follows:

- \$300M for urgent humanitarian aid;
- \$400M for economic reform, private projects and other projects in the West Bank;
- \$200M for budget shortfalls of Abbas's government.

"We have worked with the Palestinian Authority to install safeguards that will ensure our funding is only used where and for whom it is intended, and does not end up in the wrong hands," said Secretary of State Hillary Clinton.

[International Conference in Support of the Palestinian Economy for the Reconstruction of Gaza, March 2, 2009]

As this report documents, however, US leaders continue to be misled by the English language messages of Abbas and the PA, and are unaware of the hate promotion in Arabic, meant for the Palestinian audience. The very conditions that the US government has placed on Hamas in order to receive recognition and US funding are routinely violated by the PA and Abbas. Any money earmarked by the US for the Abbas government will directly support the regime and its infrastructures which deny Israel's existence and call for its destruction in the name of religious war, indoctrinate children and adults with hatred and demonization, and celebrate terror and terrorists.

5. Conclusions

The messages conveyed in these programs broadcast in Arabic on PA TV (Fatah), published in official newspapers and professed by Palestinian leaders, including Abbas himself, stand in stark contrast to the image and the message in English that the Palestinian Authority has presented to the world in the wake of the Annapolis summit. The PA is once again resorting to duplicity, and conveying dual and irreconcilable messages. When addressing Israel and the world in English, Abbas promises a peaceful solution, while in Arabic his media and leadership convey a clear message: Terrorism is glorified, hate is promoted, and present-day Israel is "occupied Palestine," which will be liberated through blood and violence.

It is tragic that well-intended funding by the US and other western donor countries is used for PA TV and media hate promotion. It is incumbent upon all those who fund the Palestinian Authority to immediately condition funding upon the cessation of the hate and terror promotion of the PA. Otherwise, these countries will bear responsibility for the wars to come.