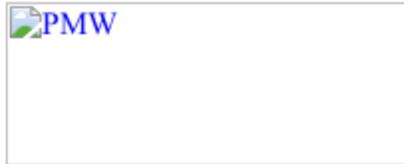


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by Itamar Marcus and Nan Jacques Zilberdik

The Palestinian Authority and Fatah [condemned](#) Israel's [Operation Pillar of Defense](#) that aimed at destroying Hamas' terror infrastructure in the Gaza Strip. It never once condemned Hamas' rocket attacks on Israel during the 8-day conflict.

Instead, senior PA and Fatah leaders "bless Hamas," "praise and salute" the

launching of rockets against Israel, and even advocate "armed struggle."

Five Fatah Central Committee members have recently lauded Hamas and Islamic Jihad for their rocket attacks against Israel and/or promoted the use of armed struggle.

Abbas Zaki, member of Fatah's Central Committee, said after the recent conflict in Gaza:

"My feelings towards Hamas have softened. I salute them... May Allah bless Islamic Jihad, may Allah bless Hamas... I'm in favor of a Palestinian victory in Gaza, Hamas' and [Islamic] Jihad's victory. Nothing matters to me now except Israel's defeat."



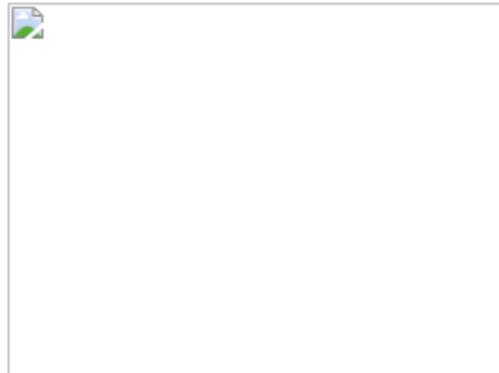
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His admiration for Hamas' attacks on Israeli civilians was shared by fellow Central Committee member Jamal Muhaisen:

"We of course praise our people's resolve in Gaza. **We praise and salute every hand that launched a rocket at Israel from Gaza**, and every hand that threw a stone at the Israeli side in the West Bank." (emphasis added)

Similarly, a regular columnist for the official PA daily expressed his satisfaction with "the heroic performance of the resistance organizations" (i.e., Hamas and Islamic Jihad), who succeeded in making "Palestinian resistance missiles reach Tel Aviv, Jerusalem, and Eilat, surprising and baffling the Israeli leaders," and who developed "the national response" in such a way that it "even advanced to bombing operations inside Israel... with the bombing of a bus [in Tel Aviv], injuring 20 people - an act that baffled the Israeli leadership even more."

Senior PA leader Nabil Shaath also expressed solidarity with Hamas, mourning the death of "hero" [Ahmed Ja'abari, head of Hamas' military wing](#) who was killed by Israel: "May Allah have mercy on the hero Ahmed Al-Ja'abari and on all the Martyrs."



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Reinforcing these Fatah members' praise of Hamas' terror against Israel, other Fatah Central Committee members have continued advocating the resumption of "armed struggle" against Israel. At a public gathering in Ramallah, senior PA leader Jibril Rajoub vowed:

"Whoever invades our territory will leave on a wooden plank (i.e., in a coffin). This land is our land... Out of loyalty to your blood, Yasser Arafat... we will not return the sword to its sheath until there is a state, until your aspirations are realized, until the refugees are returned. I say to you that the return [of the refugees] is among the holiest things for Fatah and all Palestinians. Resistance is Fatah's strategic right - in all its forms. Come, let's agree -- and we are ready - if there's shooting, we'll shoot. If there are demonstrations, we'll demonstrate. Long live Palestine! Long live

Palestine!"

Earlier this year Rajoub also stated that: "We still believe in all forms of the struggle. No one has removed the rifle from the equation."

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In October, another Fatah Central Committee member, Mahmoud Al-Aloul, reiterated that support for "armed struggle" against Israel is still a value in Fatah and the PA: "No one has eliminated armed struggle or resistance as an option," he said to the private Palestinian TV channel Wattan. Referring to the text of Fatah's "Political Program" that was confirmed at the 6th Fatah Conference in 2009, Al-Aloul said:

"Fatah believes that resistance, in all its forms, is the legitimate right of occupied nations when confronting their occupiers. I do not think that there's a single Palestinian who has eliminated resistance, or any form of resistance whatsoever, from consideration, or from his plans."

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In September, spokesman for a unit of the Al-Aqsa Martyrs' Brigades, Abu Muhammad, also referred to the "legitimate right," saying that "it is important to see the **armed struggle as strategy** rather than a tactic, and as a **legitimate right** and **the sole solution for liberating the land and eradicating the occupation.**"

Similarly, Fatah's military wing, the Al-Aqsa Martyrs' Brigades, in a press release in October, "demanded of all the factions [carrying out] armed actions that they return to the option of resistance in confronting the occupation, and emphasized that **they will continue the resistance in all its forms.** They said that there is no ceasefire with Israel and pointed out that **they won't stop their attacks until every last part of Palestine is liberated.**" (emphasis added)

The Al-Aqsa Martyrs' Brigades' response to Israel's Operation Pillar of Defense was that "from the first moment after the assassination of Commander Ahmed Ja'abari, the Brigades **thought to respond and avenge his pure blood.**" Such were the words of spokesman Abu Muhammad, who also prided himself on how they "managed to fire three rockets half an hour after his death as a Martyr was announced," and how "the Al-Aqsa Martyrs' Brigades fired 600 rockets and mortar shells towards the occupied territories during the days of aggression." (emphasis added)

A "fighter" in the Brigades said that "**the war is over, but the Brigades' supply of weapons and rockets is not exhausted, and we are ready for confrontation at this very moment, and we will not give up our weapons under any circumstances.**" (emphasis added)

In his interview to Wattan TV in October, Al-Aloul also referred to another pillar of PA ideology: The need for timing the violence and alternating it with diplomatic efforts for political gain. Stating that "armed resistance has absolutely not been eliminated from anyone's options," Al-Aloul specified that Fatah hopes "the 'Arab Spring'... will create the climate so that the Palestinians can employ it."

"Every form of resistance has certain conditions that are necessary for its use. So every phase has a particular form of resistance best suited to it, and everyone has agreed that at this stage, that form is popular resistance (i.e., non-violent). At the same time, **armed resistance has absolutely not been eliminated from anyone's options. It needs a suitable climate** not only among us... **We hope that what is being spoken of as the 'Arab Spring' and changes in the Arab world will create the climate so that the Palestinians can employ it (i.e., armed resistance).**" (emphasis added)

PMW's book [Deception](#) describes and documents the "[terror needs timing](#)" principle adopted by PA leaders. The use of "armed resistance" must be timed correctly for political benefit. Whenever it is perceived as undermining Palestinian political interests, the PA puts its promotion of violence and the use of "armed resistance" on hold, and instead encourages the use of political diplomacy and other non-violent means of "resistance." Palestinian leaders have defined this strategy as "[the rifle seeds, diplomacy reaps.](#)"

Palestinian terror attacks have been criticized by PA leaders for their "bad timing" and for hurting Palestinian national interests, but never for being immoral. The PA continues to promote [violence](#) and [glorify terrorists as heroes](#).

[Palestinian Media Watch](#) has documented the PA's continued promotion of the use of "armed struggle."

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The following are longer excerpts of the statements mentioned above:

Abbas Zaki, Member of Fatah Central Committee:

"My feelings towards Hamas have softened. I salute them. I congratulate them for learning the lessons of 2008-2009 (previous Israel-Hamas conflict). They gave us great pleasure. May Allah bless them. (Note: Islamic Jihad and Hamas launched more than 1,000 rockets and missiles at Israeli cities during the 8-day conflict.) They told the Israelis that this is no joy ride... May Allah bless Islamic Jihad, may Allah bless Hamas. They decided to die to earn this honor... I'm in favor of a Palestinian victory in Gaza, Hamas' and [Islamic] Jihad's victory. Nothing matters to me now except Israel's defeat."

[Wattan TV, (Palestinian private channel), Nov. 21, 2012]

PA TV show "Topic of the Day" discusses the ramifications of the cease fire between the Palestinian factions and Israel in the November 2012 conflict between Israel and Gaza with guests Dr. Jamal Muhaisen, member of Fatah Central Committee; political correspondents Dr. Ihab Basiso and Nathir Majali; and member of the Popular Front Political Bureau Jamil Mazhar.

Member of Fatah Central Committee Jamal Muhaisen: "We say again:

We of course praise our people's resolve in Gaza. **We praise and salute every hand that launched a rocket at Israel from Gaza**, and every hand that threw a stone at the Israeli side in the West Bank. And here, when signing agreements, it must not be done as if the battle was between Israel and Hamas only. The battle was [between Israel] and all the Palestinians."
[PA TV (Fatah), Nov. 22, 2012]

Senior PA leader and member of Fatah Central Committee Nabil Shaath: "We are all gathered here [in Gaza] because of the unity [between Fatah and Hamas]. This unity will win further victories for us. Blessings to the Martyrs, and may Allah have mercy on the hero Ahmed Al-Ja'abari and on all the Martyrs."

[PA TV (Fatah), Nov. 22, 2012]

Note: Ahmed Al-Ja'abari was the head of Hamas' military wing and responsible for deaths of dozens of Israelis. He was killed by Israel at the start of Israel's Operation Pillar of Defense, aimed at crippling the terrorist infrastructure in Gaza (November 2012).

The following is a longer excerpt of member of Fatah Central Committee, Jibril Rajoub's statements at a ceremony in Ramallah on the occasion of the PA's application for observer state status at the UN in November 2012:

Member of Fatah Central Committee, Jibril Rajoub: "We are Muslims and Christians, and there are people here from the Neturei Karta (i.e., anti-Zionist ultra-Orthodox Jews). We welcome you. In our eyes, you are Judaism's conscience. We in Islam recognize the three religions - there are Muslims, there are Jews, and there are Christians. The crimes that have been committed -- I think that what was done in the 1940's, they could take a lesson from Liberman and Netanyahu, from how they are committing crimes against the Palestinian nation. But the fact that a Palestinian can say this kind of thing is living proof that we are a nation with values and with a cause. And that we in fact look forward to a time of co-existence as there is between Christians and Muslims. That's how it will be among all religions. However, the Israeli occupation is unacceptable and the Israeli aggression is unacceptable. And those settlers - their place is in history's garbage dump. And from now I declare that we shall set up committees, we will form [human] chains. We will guard the olive trees, we will guard the mosques and we will guard the churches. **Whoever invades our territory, will leave in a wooden plank (i.e., in a coffin). This land is our land... Let those terrorists and the people supporting them - this government that carries out official terrorism, that brings us Baruch Marzel (advisor to right wing Israeli MP) and that cockroach named Liberman (Israeli Foreign Minister) - let them get out... Out of loyalty to your blood, Yasser Arafat, you who died during this month, we will not return the sword to its sheath until there is a state**, until your aspirations are realized, until the refugees are returned. I say to you that the return [of the refugees] is among the holiest things for Fatah and all Palestinians. **Resistance - in all its forms - is Fatah's strategic right. Come, let's agree -- and we are ready - if there's shooting, we'll shoot. If there are demonstrations, we'll demonstrate. Long live Palestine! Long live Palestine!** Mercy on our Martyrs (Shahids) with no exceptions, and Yasser Arafat first."

[PA TV (Fatah), Nov. 29, 2012, emphasis added]

Fatah Central Committee member, Jibril Rajoub: "This is a popular struggle. We still believe in all forms of the struggle. No one has removed the rifle from the equation. However, for us, the struggle is a means, and the end is freedom and independence."

[PA TV (Fatah), Nov. 5, 2012]

The following is a longer excerpt of Fatah Central Committee member Al-Aloul's statement on armed struggle:

PA TV host: "Have the Palestinians, or the PLO, removed from their lexicon the term 'revolution,' in the sense of armed revolution?"

Member of the Fatah Central Committee, Mahmoud Al-Aloul: "No. No one has eliminated armed struggle or resistance as an option. Recently, at the last Fatah conference, there was an important declaration in the Introduction to the Political Program that we considered an integral part of the Political Program and whose important points stated that Fatah, for example, is a national liberation movement, and that Fatah believes that resistance, in all its forms, is the legitimate right of occupied nations when confronting their occupiers. I do not think that there's a single Palestinian who has eliminated resistance, or any form of resistance whatsoever, from consideration, or from his plans. That's in principle and in theory. We have to understand this well: Every form of resistance has certain conditions that are necessary for its use. So every phase has a particular form of resistance best suited to it, and everyone has agreed that at this stage, that form is popular resistance (i.e., non-violent). At the same time, **armed resistance has absolutely not been eliminated from anyone's options. It needs a suitable climate** not only among us... **We hope that what is being spoken of as the "Arab Spring" and changes in the Arab world will create the climate so that the Palestinians can employ it (i.e., armed resistance).**"

[Wattan TV website, (Palestinian private channel), Oct. 8, 2012, emphasis added]

Columnist for official PA daily Adel Abd Al-Rahman:

"The cease-fire [between Israel and Hamas] went into effect sponsored and guaranteed by Egypt, with American supervision by Secretary of State Hillary Clinton. The advantages are as follows:

Firstly: Ending the barbaric Israeli aggression, and removing the threat of an even more despicable and bloody Israeli massacre of Palestinian people in the southern districts (i.e., Gaza Strip).

Secondly: Realization of national unity between the people at various levels and the all over the homeland, the diaspora, and the interior (i.e., Israel).

This in addition to blending political activity and struggle, and between all the VIPs- notably President Mahmoud Abbas [of Fatah] and other Palestinian figures, especially Khaled Mashaal, Head of the Hamas Political Bureau -paving the way for rapid progress towards a stable national unity.

Thirdly: The heroic performance of the resistance organizations (i.e., Hamas and Islamic Jihad) reacting to the barbaric Israeli war, who succeeded in:

1. Absorbing the force and strength of the Israeli attack and quickly overcoming the moment of surprise.
2. Initiating a direct response through missiles of varying sizes and ranges, like the Fajr 5, Grad, 107 [mm rockets], etc., launched

against Israeli cities and populated areas.

3. For the first time, Palestinian resistance missiles reached Tel Aviv, Jerusalem, and Eilat, surprising and baffling the Israeli leaders. This [was achieved], even though the Israeli leadership claimed in Netanyahu's words to have destroyed the bulk of missile launching sites and storehouses.
4. Combining armed resistance with peaceful resistance. Cities of the West Bank - first and foremost Jerusalem - were witness to increased popular activity, in addition to sit-down strikes and demonstrations in the different cities' squares and streets, to support and strengthen our people in the Gaza districts.
5. Development of the national response that even advanced to bombing operations inside Israel, as occurred on Wednesday with the bombing of a bus [in Tel Aviv], injuring 20 people - an act that baffled the Israeli leadership even more."

[Al-Hayat Al-Jadida, Nov. 23, 2012]

The following is the article that reported on the Fatah military wing, the Al-Aqsa Martyrs' Brigades' statements praising Hamas' Ahmed Ja'abari and about their own fighting Israel alongside Hamas during Israel's Operation Pillar of Defense (November, 2012):

"Fighters from units from Fatah's Al-Aqsa Martyrs' Brigades strongly reproached the Palestinian media for not emphasizing their role and for treating them unjustly regarding their challenging the [Israeli] aggression in Gaza (i.e., Israel's "Pillar of Defense" operation, November 2012). 'The Palestinian media did not treat us fairly at all,' said Abu Muhammad, press spokesman for the Al-Aqsa Martyrs' Brigades units, also known as the Martyr (Shahid) Nadal Al-Amoudi branch. He went on to say: 'We don't deprive people of their rights, and the media should have mentioned everyone and all the fighters who stood the test of battle and resistance', and said that it was not right that the media focused on one group while ignoring the other. He said... that from the first moment **after the assassination of Commander Ahmed Ja'abari the Brigades thought to respond and avenge his pure blood.** He noted that in cooperation with the Jerusalem Company, the military wing of the Islamic Jihad, they managed to fire three rockets half an hour after his death as a Martyr was announced. Later they continued launching rockets along with the other military wings of the different factions... The Al-Aqsa Martyrs' Brigades fired 600 rockets and mortar shells towards the occupied territories during the days of aggression. He said that the Brigades announced these figures at a press conference, but the Palestinian media ignored them and related only to certain units. Abu-Yusuf, a Brigades fighter, said... that **the war is over, but the Brigades' supply of weapons and rockets is not exhausted, and we are ready for confrontation at this very moment, and we will not give up our weapons under any circumstances.**"

[Al-Ayyam, Dec. 2, 2012, emphasis added]

The following are the articles that reported on the Fatah military wing, the Al-Aqsa Martyrs' Brigades' statements encouraging armed struggle:

"Abu Muhammad, spokesman for the Al-Aqsa Martyrs' Brigades - Martyr (Shahid) Nidal Al-Amoudi unit, said in an exclusive interview with Al-Ayyam that the Palestinians in the West Bank and Gaza face the same economic problem, but in the West Bank the Palestinian people was allowed to express its opinion and take to the streets, in contrast to what has

happened in Gaza... Abu Muhammad held the Israeli occupation mainly responsible for the economic problem. He said that the [Fatah-Hamas] rift is [also] partially responsible for this problem, and he noted that it is important to cancel the unjust Paris agreement. He said that the occupation has stopped abiding by the Oslo Accords completely, and [he] declared that **it is important for the [Palestinian] leadership to respond with a political plan based upon political, military, and cultural resistance to the occupation...** Abu Muhammad demanded of President Mahmoud Abbas to accede to demands to dismiss Salam Fayyad's government and to set up a new government that can put an end to the people's suffering... He declared that **it is important to see the armed struggle as strategy rather than a tactic, and as a legitimate right and the sole solution for liberating the land and eradicating the occupation."**

[Al-Ayyam, Sept. 13, 2012, emphasis added]

"Abu Muhammad, spokesman for the Al-Aqsa Martyrs' Brigades - Martyr (Shahid) Nidal Al-Amoudi unit... said... that the arrests [by Hamas security forces] of the [Fatah military wing's] Al-Aqsa Martyrs' Brigades fighters happen at a time when the Palestinian people, which is in Ribat (religious conflict/war defending or fighting for Islamic land), is subject to continued bombings and liquidations by the Israeli occupation's planes and tanks. ... In a press release the Al-Aqsa Martyrs' Brigades demanded of all the factions [carrying out] armed actions that they return to the option of resistance in confronting the occupation, and emphasized that **they will continue the resistance in all its forms.** They said that there is no ceasefire with Israel and pointed out that **they won't stop their attacks until every last part of Palestine is liberated."**

[Al-Ayyam, Oct. 26, 2012, emphasis added]

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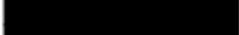


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