

# SUPPORT PALESTINIAN

# RESISTANCE

## The Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine



Resistance to the Zionist state of Israel as a political, military and economic entity which is inherently racist and through its policies and actions denies Palestinians their land, their freedom and their rights; is not terrorism.

The PFLP has been one of the leading left secular progressive forces in the Palestinian struggle for justice and emancipation since its inception in 1967. They were the second biggest political force within the Palestinian Liberation Organisation (PLO), next to Fatah when it was lead by Yasser Arafat. When the PLO entered into the "Peace Process" the PFLP vigorously opposed this path and while remaining a member withdrew its support for the PLO while it continues to pursue this action.

Instead the PFLP sees the path to liberation as a single secular state in all of Palestine, with the right of return for Palestinian refugees and where all people regardless of race or religion have equal rights. The PFLP continues to struggle both militarily and politically for the single secular state and fights alongside all Palestinian forces that oppose the Zionist state of Israel.

## Free Ahmad Sa'adat

Ahmad Sa'adat, General Secretary of the PFLP, was arrested on the 15th of January 2002 by the Palestinian General Intelligence Service. He was held in connection with the killing of the Israeli Minister of Tourism, Rehavam Ze'evi, on 17 October 2001. The PFLP claimed responsibility for the killing, although Ahmad Sa'adat was not formally charged with any recognisable criminal offence. This assassination was a response to the killing of Abu Ali Mustafa, General Secretary of the PFLP, who was killed in a targeted assassination by two rockets fired from an Israeli helicopter as he sat at his desk in Ramallah on August 27, 2001.

As no evidence could be presented against Sa'adat, the Palestinian High Court ordered his immediate release, a call supported by organisations like Amnesty International. He was then transferred in custody to Jericho by the PA "for his own safety."

In March 2006 fearing his imminent release Sa'adat was abducted, along with other prisoners, by the IDF and taken to Israel to stand trial. This followed the sudden withdrawal of American and British monitors, that were guarding Sa'adat, arousing suspicion that America and Britain were once again conspiring with Israel.

An Israeli military court found Sa'adat guilty of heading "an illegal terrorist organisation" and sentenced him to 30 years imprisonment. Because of Sa'adat's resolve and attempts to organise political prisoners he is currently in solitary confinement.



"This is your court and you possess the force to celebrate the trial and convict me on the basis of your lists of accusations, the public one and the secret one, and you can dictate a sentence prepared by the political and security apparatuses that are behind this trial. But I too possess a will obtained from the justice of our cause and the determination of our people to reject any decision from this 'kangaroo court'..." -Ahmad Sa'adat

### Oppose the Zionist Embassy

The Israeli state is now in the process of setting up an Israeli embassy in Wellington.

We oppose the establishment of an Israeli embassy or any diplomatic relations with the Zionist state as we stand in solidarity with the Palestinian people who are oppressed and denied the most basic human rights. Instead of allowing the Zionist regime the opportunity to establish and propagate their racist ideology from within New Zealand we should support the establishment of a recognised Palestinian political presence in New Zealand. At a minimum New Zealand could follow the examples set by Venezuela and Bolivia, who expelled State officials and cut all diplomatic ties, to show solidarity with the Palestinian people.

We object to the importation and propagation of Israel's racist ideology, and the establishment of a Zionist bastion within New Zealand's shores. The solidarity campaign will actively oppose the establishment of this embassy and could use your support!

### Resistance is not Terrorism

In the European Union, Canada and the United States, numerous organisations - including many national liberation movements are listed as "designated terrorist organizations."

This status is used in an attempt to criminalise popular resistance and national liberation movements, equate those movements with "terrorism," frighten and silence communities' support of their national movements, and potentially penalise supporters of the Palestinian cause.

The Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine is, alongside a number of other Palestinian political organisations, listed and designated as a "terrorist organisation." This designation is an attempt to isolate the resistance and enact U.S. foreign policy of massive support for Israel through the false use of "terrorist" laws and designations.

The solidarity campaign supports PFLP demands for the immediate lifting of "terrorist designations" in Europe and North America, while seeking to bring attention to anti-democratic terror laws in this country.

### US Imperialism and the Israeli War Machine

In 1917 the Balfour Declaration was issued which confirmed British support for a Jewish homeland in Palestine. After the fall of the Ottoman Empire in WWI the Imperialist powers set about dividing up the Middle East. The British were given the mandate to Palestine by the League of Nations and Jewish immigration was encouraged, with no regard for the indigenous population.

After the 1967 Six Day War, Zionism found a new Imperialist partner in the United States of America. Israel is the single largest recipient of American foreign aid, receiving \$3 billion in grants annually since 1985. This aid has enabled Israel to build one of the most technologically advanced militaries in the world and become one of the largest suppliers of arms worldwide. This support continues unabated with Barack Obama at the helm of US imperialism. Obama states that he will "bring to the Whitehouse", a commitment to, "Ensuring Israel's qualitative military advantage" "Those who threaten Israel threaten us!", "We cannot relent, we cannot yield and as President I will never compromise when it comes to Israel's security", he stated that he was "proud" to stand by Israel "in the face of all threats" as they are a "stalwart ally", "and I will bring an unshakable commitment to Israel's security"

The PFLP sees that "the link between the interests of imperialism and the continued existence of Israel will make the war against the latter basically a war against imperialism."



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