

# Resolution on Relations with Egypt

Adopted by the PNC

The PNC reaffirms the historical role of Egypt and its people in the Arab struggle against the Zionist enemy, the sacrifices of the Egyptian people made in defense of the Palestinian people and their national rights, and the role the Egyptian people have played in furthering Arab unity and liberation from colonialism and Zionism. The PNC moreover recognizes the Arab and international prestige of Egypt and the importance of its returning to its natural role in the Arab arena. Accordingly, the PNC has decided to authorize the Executive Committee to stipulate the basis for Palestinian-Egyptian relations. These relations should be based on the resolutions of the consecutive sessions of the PNC, in par-

ticular the 16th session. These resolutions included the positions and principles for the Palestinian struggle, first and foremost the right to repatriation, self-determination and the establishment of an independent Palestinian state, and that the PLO is the sole legitimate representative (of the Palestinian people). Palestinian-Egyptian relations should be based on the resolutions of the Arab summits which relate to and serve the achievement of the Palestinian people's goals and the inalienable Palestinian national rights which were confirmed by Arab resolutions. Also, these relations should serve the Palestinian and Arab struggle against the Zionist enemy and its supporters.

and South America. To denounce the alliance between the two racist regimes in Tel Aviv and Pretoria.

5. To develop the positive stand of the West European circles that concern our cause. To strengthen cooperation with the European parties and forces that support our inalienable national rights.

6. To work internationally by all means to expose the racism of Zionism and its practices in the occupied land. This work should aim at supporting the historical UN resolution, no. 3379, which equates Zionism with racism. To work to foil the imperialist-Zionist attempt to cancel this resolution.

7. To contribute, together with other peoples of the world, to easing international tension, stopping the arms race and preventing nuclear war. In this context, to support the Soviet initiatives. Also, to publicize the Israeli nuclear threat to our region and to world peace.

8. To develop relations with Israeli democratic forces that support the struggle of the Palestinian people against Israeli occupation and expansionism, who support our people's inalienable national rights, including the right to repatriation, self-determination and the establishment of an independent state, and who recognize the PLO as the sole legitimate representative of the Palestinian people. To condemn all Zionist efforts, supported by US imperialism, to force Jewish citizens in countries around the world, to immigrate to Israel, calling on all honest forces to resist such mad propaganda campaigns and their effects.

## New Executive Committee

Yasir Arafat, Fatah  
Farouq Qaddoumi, Fatah  
Mahmoud Abbas (Abu Mazen), Fatah  
Mohammad Milhem, independent  
Father Elias Khouri, independent  
Jaweed Al Ghusein, independent  
Mahmoud Abbas (Abu Abbas), PLF  
Abdul Razaq Yahya, independent  
Jamal Al Sourani, independent  
Yasir Abed Rabbouh, DFLP  
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Suleiman Najab, PCP  
Mahmoud Darwish, independent  
Abdullah Hourani, independent

## ORGANIZATIONAL

### First: The Palestine National Council (PNC)

1. To expand the presidium membership to include the speaker, four deputies and two secretaries.
2. To consider the Communist Party of Palestine as a member of the PLO.

### Second: The Central Council (CC)

#### A. Composition: The CC shall be composed of:

1. the members of the Executive Committee;
2. the PNC presidium;
3. representatives of the organizations that are members of the PNC;
4. representatives of the mass organizations;
5. a number of independents who shall be elected, as one list, by the PNC;
6. persons with special qualifications, not to exceed five, appointed by the Executive Committee and the PNC presidium.
7. the membership of the CC shall not exceed 75 members.

#### B. Powers

1. To follow up execution of the PNC's resolutions; to supervise and control the work of the Executive Committee.
2. The CC has the authority to suspend Executive Committee members, not to exceed one-third of its membership.
  - suspension shall be governed by specific regulations.
  - suspended members shall not be counted in the quorum.
3. The CC shall form permanent committees from among its members and the members of the PNC.
4. A set of internal regulations shall be agreed upon. This shall be part and parcel of the PNC's basic statute.

### Third: The Executive Committee (EC)

1. All member organizations of the PNC shall be represented in the EC.
2. The EC shall form a working body (secretariat) to be responsible for daily decisions on political, organizational, financial and military issues between two meetings of the EC. This body shall be headed by the chairman of the EC.
3. The EC shall form special committees from among its members, to supervise political affairs, the affairs of the occupied territories, Lebanon and others.
4. The EC shall agree on a set of internal regulations, which shall be a part of the PLO's basic statute.