

# Incitement and Culture of Peace Index

5<sup>th</sup> Report, October-December 2010



# OBJECTIVE

- ▣ Using the index as a professional and transparent tool, the aim is to methodically track the levels of incitement and 'peace culture' development in order to encourage the Palestinian Authority to advance a culture of peace

# Methodology

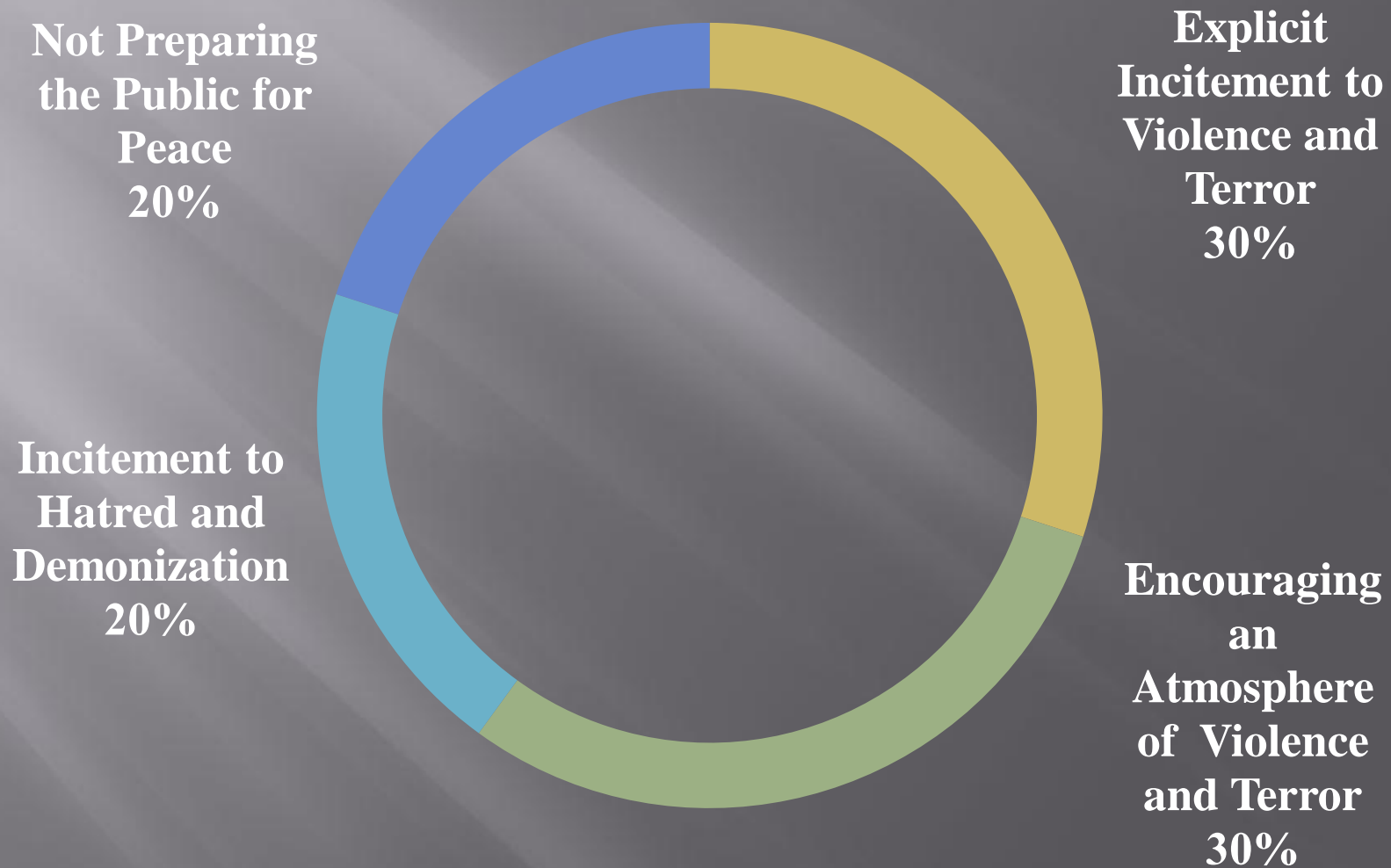
- ▣ The index tracks and evaluates statements of PA leaders, and PA-sponsored school textbooks, media outlets, internet forums, core documents, religious sermons and more.
- ▣ The index distinguishes between four types of peace culture building and incitement:
  - Explicit incitement to violence and terror;
  - Encouragement of an atmosphere of violence and terror;
  - Incitement to hatred and demonization;
  - Non-preparation of the public for peace.

- ▣ The index will be conducted with full transparency and will be presented on a quarterly basis.
- ▣ The focus of the index is the Palestinian Authority and the areas under PA control (i.e. not the Hamas-controlled Gaza Strip)

# Index Authors

- ▣ A professional team located within the Ministry of Strategic Affairs
- ▣ In coordination with representatives of the relevant security bodies and other organizations.

# Relative weight attributed to the four dimensions of incitement in the index



# EXPLICIT INCITEMENT TO VIOLENCE AND TERROR

# Explicit Incitement to Violence and Terror

Promoting Hate

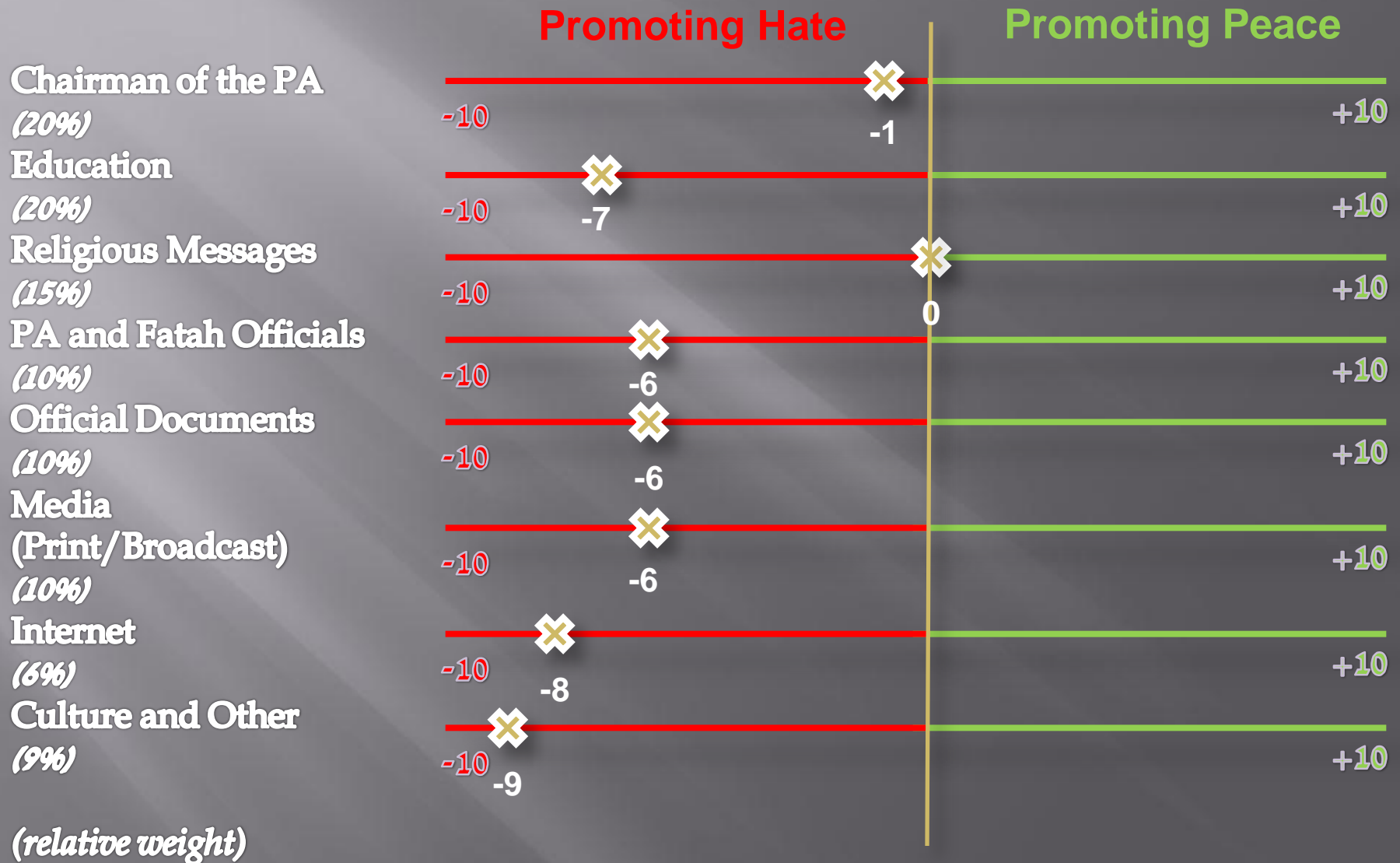
Promoting Peace

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Education  
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Religious Messages  
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PA and Fatah Officials  
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Official Documents  
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Media  
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Internet  
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Culture and Other  
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(relative weight)



# ENCOURAGING AN ATMOSPHERE OF VIOLENCE AND TERROR

# Encouraging an Atmosphere of Violence and Terror



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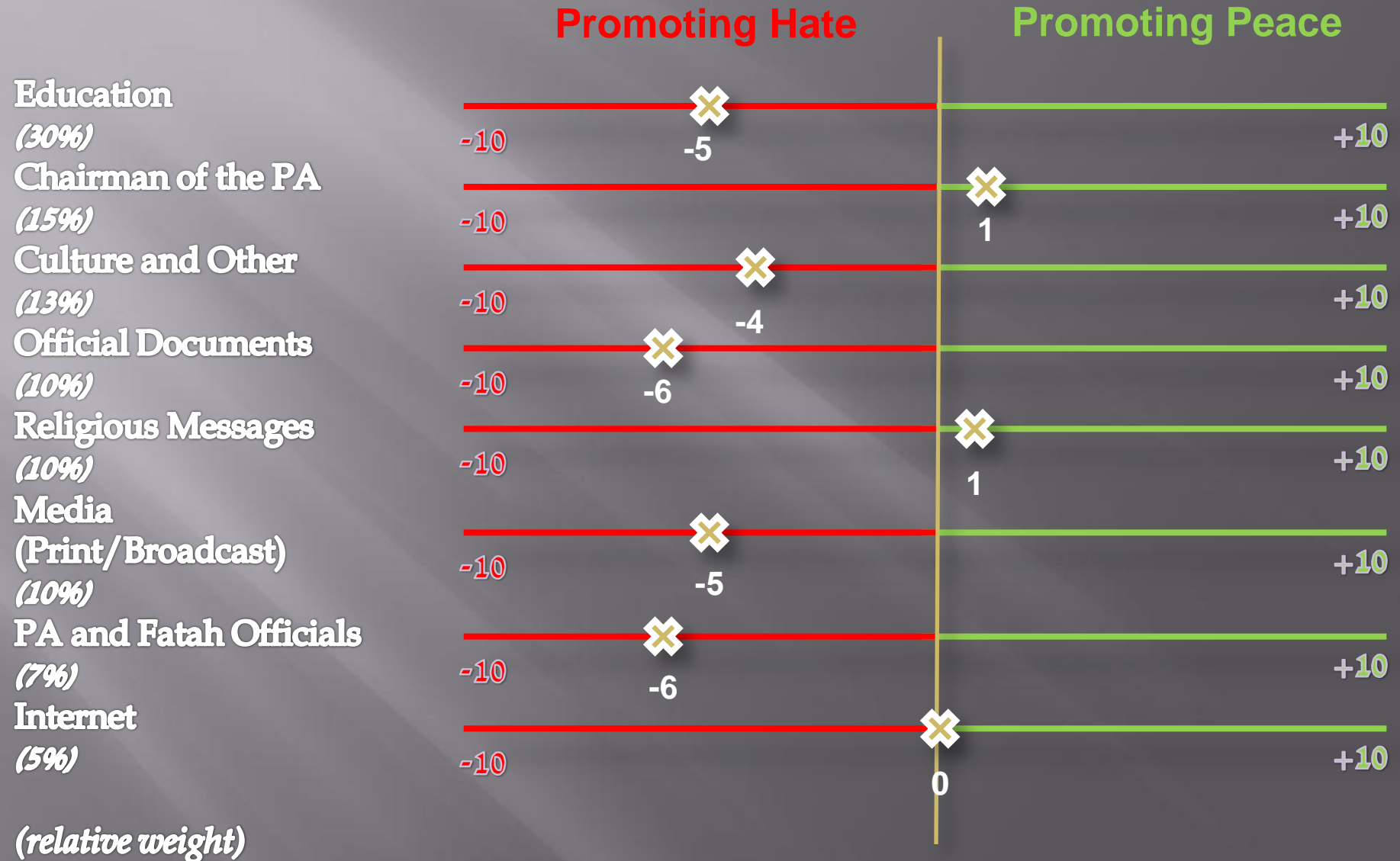
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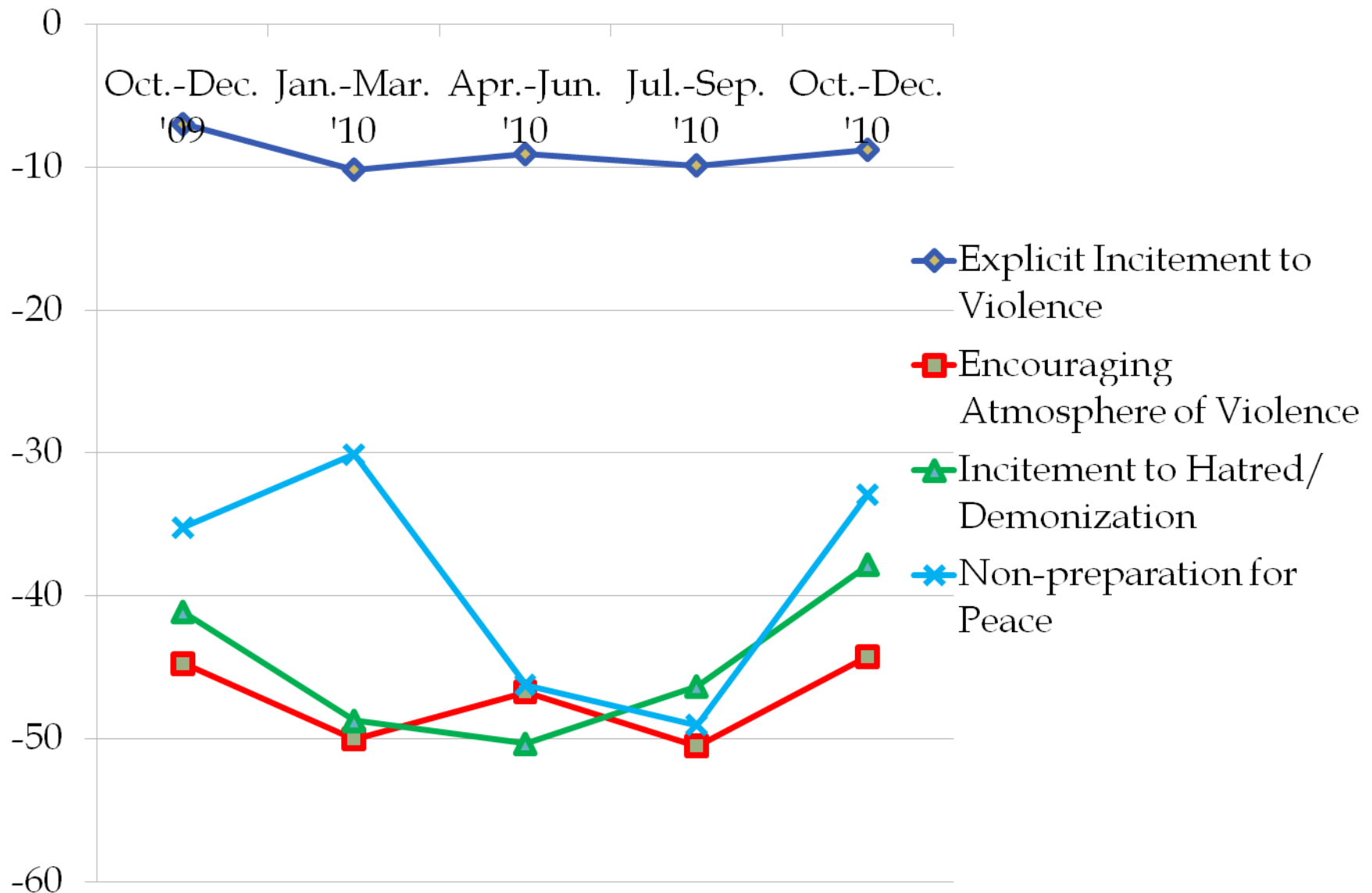
**NOT PREPARING  
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# Not Preparing the Public for Peace



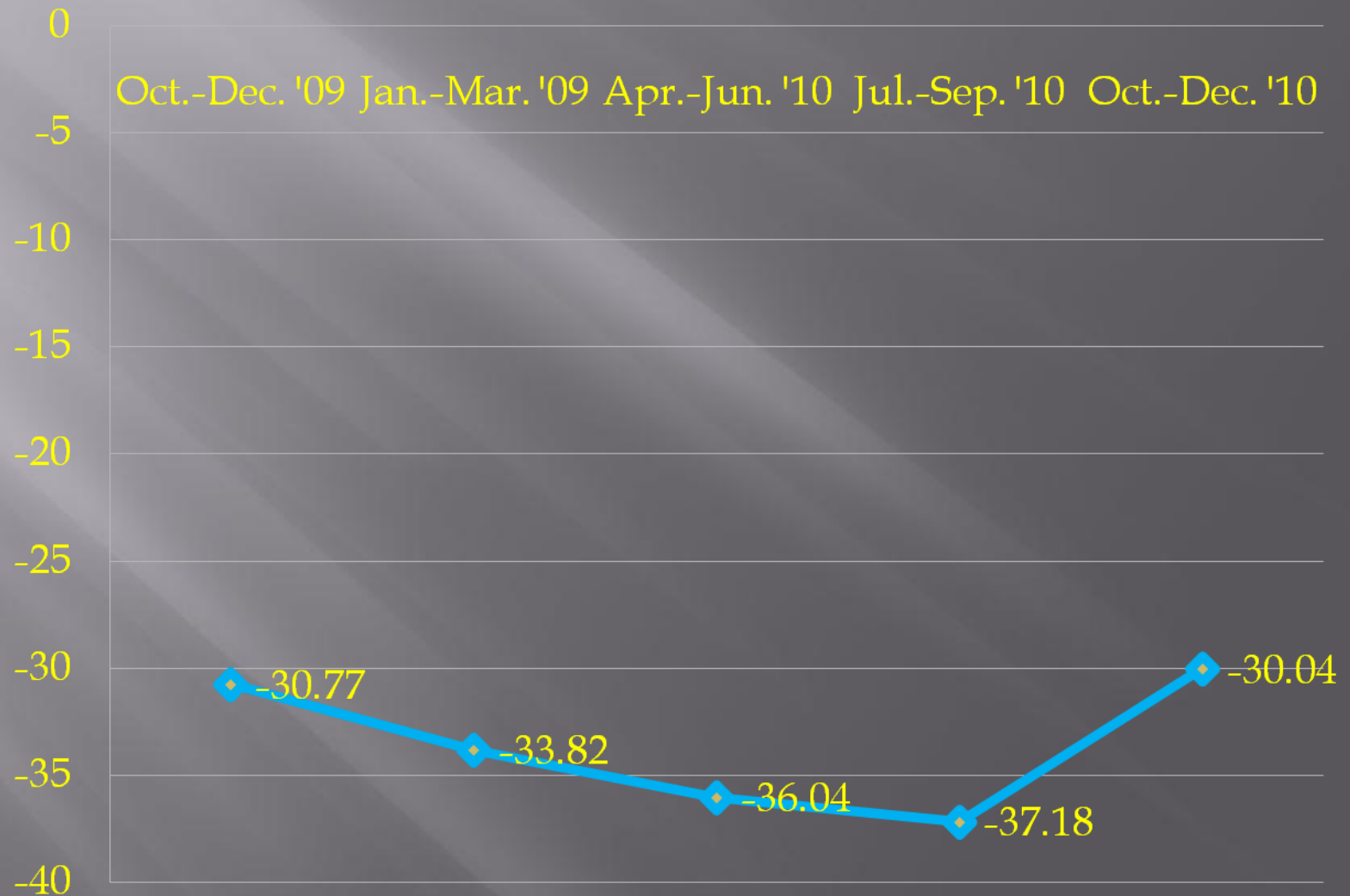
	<b>Oct.- Dec. 2009</b>	<b>Jan.- March 2010</b>	<b>April- June 2010</b>	<b>July- Sep. 2010</b>	<b>Oct.- Dec 2010</b>
<b>Explicit Incitement to Violence</b>	<b>-7</b>	<b>-10.2</b>	<b>-9.1</b>	<b>-9.9</b>	<b>-8.8</b>
<b>Encouraging an Atmosphere of Violence</b>	<b>-44.7</b>	<b>-50</b>	<b>-46.7</b>	<b>-50.5</b>	<b>-44.2</b>
<b>Incitement to Hatred/ Demonization</b>	<b>-41.1</b>	<b>-48.7</b>	<b>-50.3</b>	<b>-46.3</b>	<b>-37.8</b>
<b>Not Preparing Public for Peace</b>	<b>-35.2</b>	<b>-30.1</b>	<b>-46.2</b>	<b>-49</b>	<b>-32.9</b>

# The 4 Dimensions Over 5 Quarters



Weighted Final Result for Oct.-Dec. 2010: -30.04

*Final Results Over 5 Quarters*



# Summary of Findings

The index for the period of Oct.-Dec. 2010 shows a continuation of the incitement against Israel in the Palestinian Authority. Familiar patterns of incitement including the glorification of terrorists and jihad as part of the national ethos, inflammatory libels and anti-Semitic stereotypes in official PA media, and the denial of any Jewish historical connection to Jewish holy sites were present during the quarter.

At the same time, a slight decrease across all four categories of incitement was noted. The final weighted score for this quarter is slightly lower than that for the same quarter in 2009, and is the lowest score among the five periods for which data has been compiled.

Explicit incitement to violence was largely absent with a few notable exceptions. PA Chairman Abbas made several statements against the use of violence and in favor of reaching an end to the conflict (the question of Palestinian willingness to negotiate is beyond the scope of this index.) However the promotion of an atmosphere of violence and the glorification of terrorists continued, including by PA officials and Abbas himself. Terrorists who massacred civilians in cold blood were repeatedly described by PA officials media as national heroes and role models.

Several instances of the demonization of Israelis and Jews were recorded in this quarter. One prominent example was a new introductory sequence to a PA TV program, which depicts Palestinian prisoners in Israel being tortured with hot irons and having limbs lopped off. It should be noted that no Palestinian or international organization has ever accused Israel of performing such acts.

Official PA TV programs and school textbooks continue to label cities and areas within the green line as part of Palestine. In some textbooks, maps with lines indicating the West Bank and Gaza are included, but the word Israel does not appear. In November 2010, the PA Deputy Minister of Information published a report, promoted by official Palestinian channels, denying any Jewish claim to the Western Wall.

Official Palestinian media covered positively the visit by several National-Religious rabbis to the Beit Fajar village mosque, after it was vandalized by Jewish residents of the area. In general, fewer examples of incitement on the part of religious authorities were identified. Reporting on the Palestinian role in combating the Mt. Carmel fire was mixed, with Chairman Abbas comparing it to Salah-a-din's sending of his doctor to treat the wounded Richard the Lionheart.

## **PA Chairman Abbas: Our national interest- not turning to armed resistance**

Our national interest requires that we not turn to armed resistance, and that we adopt other methods and forms of resistance to the occupation and settlements, such as the popular resistance, boycotting settlement products, condemning Israel's steps in the world, UN institutions and different countries and expanding the international solidarity movement.

[Interview in Al-Shoruk newspaper (Algeria), Nov. 30, 2010]

The Fatah Movement and the Governor of the Nablus Region hold special ceremony in memory of the three murderers of Rabbi Meir Hai, on the anniversary of their istishhad (martyrdom)

Among the participants were Fatah Central Committee member Dr. Jamal Mahisan, [who] spoke on behalf of the Fatah movement, enumerating [the terrorists'] admirable qualities and presenting as a model their sacrifice and struggle. **He emphasized that their pure blood was not spilled for naught but would continue to chase the occupier...**Hasni El-risha, a member of the regional Fatah council...stated, "On the anniversary of the martyrdom...we emphasize the determination of the Palestinian people to march forward in the path of liberation and struggle..." [From a report by Maan, Nov. 26, 2010]

# FATAH'S CONSTITUTION- THE ELIMINATION OF ISRAEL VIA ARMED STRUGGLE

**“The armed struggle is a strategy** and not just a tactic and the armed revolution of the Arab Palestinian people is a decisive factor in the war of liberation and the elimination of the Zionist existence, and **the struggle will not end until the elimination of the Zionist entity and the liberation of Palestine.”**

**Article 19 in the Fatah's Constitution**

## PA TV broadcasts song calling for Jihad against Israel

“My Brother! The oppressors [Israelis] have gone too far. Therefore Jihad is a right, and self-sacrifice is a right...Draw the sheath your sword, and let it not return... **today is our moment, not tomorrow.**” (Nov. 23, 2010)

[Video](#)

From the Fatah chat  
forums (Dec. 2010)  
at  
<http://www.fatehforums.com/showthread.php?t=336344>

The picture  
emphasizes that  
martyrdom for the  
sake of Islam is  
ingrained in the  
symbols of Fatah as  
well



قسماً لنهزم ما دام هذا سلاحنا

www.fateh.tv

“Fight, brother, the flag will never be lowered...In Lod, we are poems, and in Ramle- grenades...**this is the day of consolation of Jihad. Pull the trigger.** We shall redeem Jerusalem, Nablus and the country.” [PA TV, Sept. 12, 2010]

## **Chairman Abbas names band which sings about violence and Jihad a ‘Palestinian National Institution’**

“The Palestinian Alashekeen band discovered yesterday that President Mahmoud Abbas recently published a presidential decision to turn the band,...into a [Palestinian] national institution.”

[Al-Hayat Al-Jadida, Nov. 22, 2010]



[Video](#)

'Our Beautiful Language' textbook for 5<sup>th</sup> grade, published in 2010 by the PA Ministry of Education (part A, p. 50)

We are returning

Returning, returning, we are returning

The borders will never be [final]

Nor fortresses nor strongholds

Cry out displaced people!...

We are returning to the homes,

the shores and the hills

Under the banners of glory, Jihad and struggle

With blood and willingness to risk life...

To Jihad on the hilltop

# PA TEXTBOOKS: EMPHASIZING JIHAD

The Prophet was asked: What is the best act?

He answered: Belief in Allah and his Messenger.

And then he was asked: And after that what is best?

He answered: Jihad for Allah.

*'Islamic Education', Grade 9, Part A (2010), p. 60.*

## **The contribution of 'Shahada' (martyrdom) to the homeland, its liberation and honor**

The Governor of Nablus, Jibrin All-Bakri, headed a consultation conference of the committee for the commemoration of 'Palestinian Shahid Day' which takes place in Nablus annually...Al-Bakri noted that today **'Shahid Day' is a national and moral duty** which constitutes honoring the shahids and giving prominence to the contribution of shahida to the homeland, its liberation and honor. [Maan, Dec. 28, 2010]

“The **popular armed uprising** is the only and necessary way to liberate Palestine.”

*Section 17 of the Fundamental Principles of Fatah*

# FATAH REVOLUTIONARY COUNCIL – ESCALATE POPULAR RESISTANCE

The Council emphasizes that **the popular resistance campaign should be escalated**, and that plans should be sketched out by the Fatah-led movement, including stirring up the sectors in the regions and **widening the resistance**.

*[From the Concluding Statement of the Fatah Revolutionary Council, Published January 20, 2010]*

PA TV broadcasts song glorifying Dalal Mughrabi (who led terrorist attack in which 37 civilians were murdered), as a **national hero**

"The coast was stormy with the glory of Dalal Mughrabi.

On the [Israeli] coast the heroes landed...

Dalal declared the birth of the [Palestinian] Republic"

[Video](#)

PA TV on the eve of the 46<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Fatah's founding was filled with broadcasts glorifying past terrorist 'operations'

Encouraging an Atmosphere of Violence- Media-  
Appendix- May 28, 2010

PA TV program "Good Morning Jerusalem" about the state of the Palestinian prisoners in Israeli jails.

Girl 1: "I want to recite a song for you [prisoner Sanaa]:  
What am I doing here while my enemy is on my ancestors' land?

I want to defend, I want to fight,  
I want to carry a machine gun and a rifle."

Two Girls:

"And tomorrow, when the war starts,  
I won't care about you [my enemy], or about the West.  
And tomorrow, when the war starts,  
I won't care about you [my enemy], or about the West.  
And we shall strike Israel, we shall strike Israel

[Video](#)

## Encouraging an Atmosphere of Violence- Internet

Fatah Forums:  
Signature of a user  
glorifying the Al-Aqsa  
Martyrs' Brigade  
terrorist Samih Al-  
Madhoun, in thread  
dedicated to shahids  
(Dec. 20)

PM 12:55, 2010-12-20

صخرات سميج  
فنتاوي مائل

التسجيل : Jul 2007  
رقم العضوية : 26672  
القامة : دافق نور سميج  
المشاركات : 5,648  
بعض : 4.39 يومياً

آخر متصل

رقم المشاركة : 3

رد: صورة نادرة وحصرية :// الشهيد محمود الزوكاري :// أسطورة المقبرة الشرقية

رحمك الله يا فارس الليل

محمود الزوكاري

التوقيع :



الفتاح

Fatah Forums:  
Signature of a user  
from the Fatah  
branch in the Al-Arub  
refugee camp (Dec.  
6)

PM 07:03, 2010-12-06

دموع عاشق وطن  
فنتاوي مائل

التسجيل : Jan 2007  
رقم العضوية : 10817  
القامة : صمت الرحيل  
المشاركات : 1,629  
بعض : 1.09 يومياً

آخر متصل

رقم المشاركة : 3

رد: منقول: حركة فتح بالخليل -العروب تنظم مهرجانا جماهيريا حاشدا

عاشت فلسطين

التوقيع :



يا بو عمار انت ثورة وانت اطول ما بجيبه كتاب  
او بجيك سائل سائل او بوجهك عتاب  
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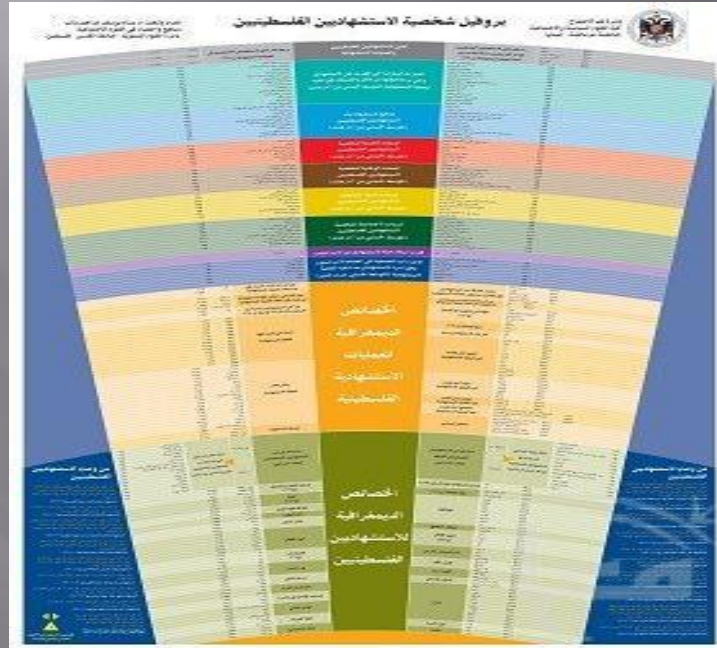
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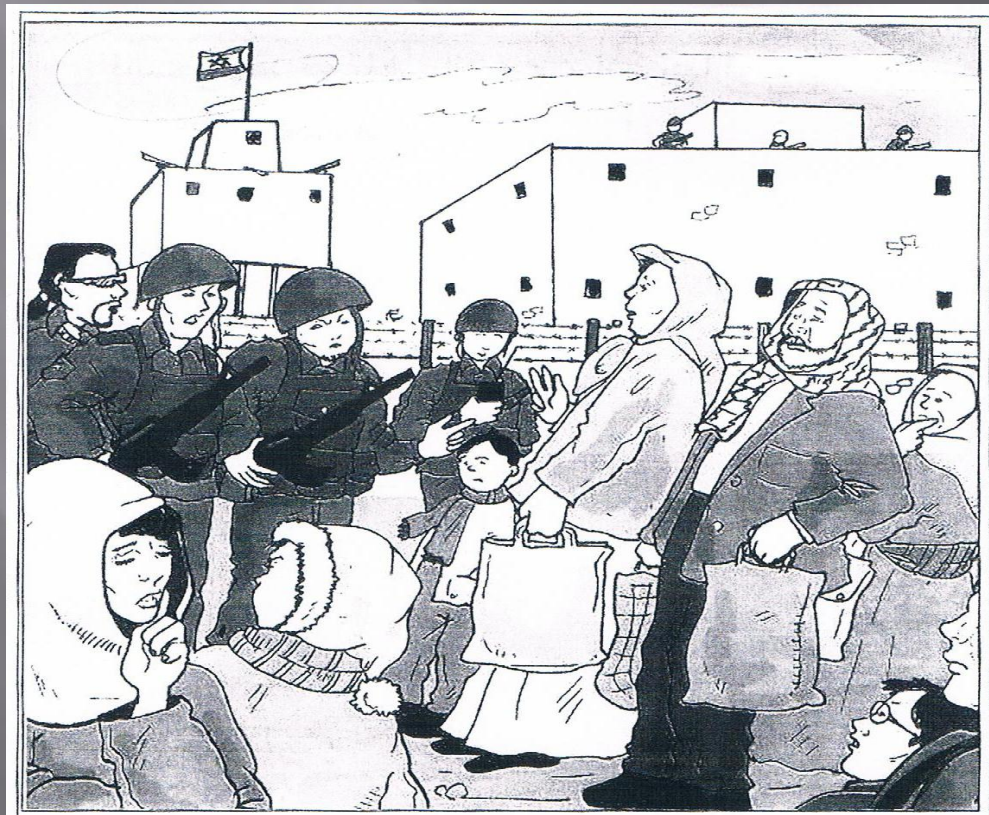
PA media publicizes a poster summarizing a doctoral thesis, supported by Al-Quds open university which glorifies and justifies suicide bombers



The poster provides a profile of “the Palestinian shahids and martyrdom operations”. It summarizes the research findings of Bassam Banat, a lecturer at Al-Quds Open university.

- The Maan news agency gave extensive coverage to the poster and research (Nov. 22, 2010)
- The following are excerpts from the research-
  - One can see that the Palestinian people, **starting with the family, through the school and out to greater society, cultivate among the children** a deeply-ingrained culture of resistance and martyrdom for the sake of Allah (istishhad), which blooms and prospers without obstacles and without hesitation.
  - It is not logical to demand from the Palestinian people to stop the resistance and the martyrdom operations.

'Our Beautiful Language' textbook (2<sup>nd</sup> Grade, 2009): “**A Visit to the Negev Prison:**...the families of the prisoners got on the bus...they waited for a long time opposite the prison gates, and after three hours, one of the soldiers said as he looked down from above- it is forbidden to visit today” [pp. 64-66]



## OFFICIAL SCHOOL TEXT BOOKS: ZIONISM- RACIST AND AN INTEGRAL PART OF WORLD-WIDE IMPERIALISM

“Zionism: A racist, political, ideological movement which appeared in the second half of the 19<sup>th</sup> century. Its appearance coincided with the appearance of modern European imperialism, as Zionism at its core constitutes an integral part of world-wide imperialism.

*World History in the Modern Era, 10<sup>th</sup> Grade (2010), p. 51*

## **Palestinian daily: Israel is working to bring about the collapse of the Al-Aqsa Mosque**

“According to reports by legal and civil institutions in Jerusalem, and by organizations active in the defense of the holy sites and the Arab nature of Jerusalem, the Israeli excavations under Al-Aqsa Mosque continued in 2010. This work is part of the effort to **bring about the collapse of the Al-Aqsa Mosque, so that the Temple of Solomon** can be established upon its ruins.” [Al-Hiyat Al-Jadida, Dec. 31, 2010]

## National Affairs Advisor to PM Fayyad, Min. Omar Hilmi Al-Ghoul: Beit Fajar mosque vandalism- part of policy of Zionist apartheid state terror

"Advisor to the PM [Fayyad] on national affairs: 'Herds of settlers throughout the Palestinian territories and the occupation army complement each other as regards the crimes and the new provocative violations...This is done with the aim of stirring up emotions and arousing the Palestinian residents to respond...in a press release, the advisor added that **what happened in Beit Fajar was not incidental**, but rather represents part of **a policy of state terror, which the Zionist apartheid state** is carrying out against the Palestinians.'" [Al-Hayat Al-Jadida, Oct. 6, 2010]

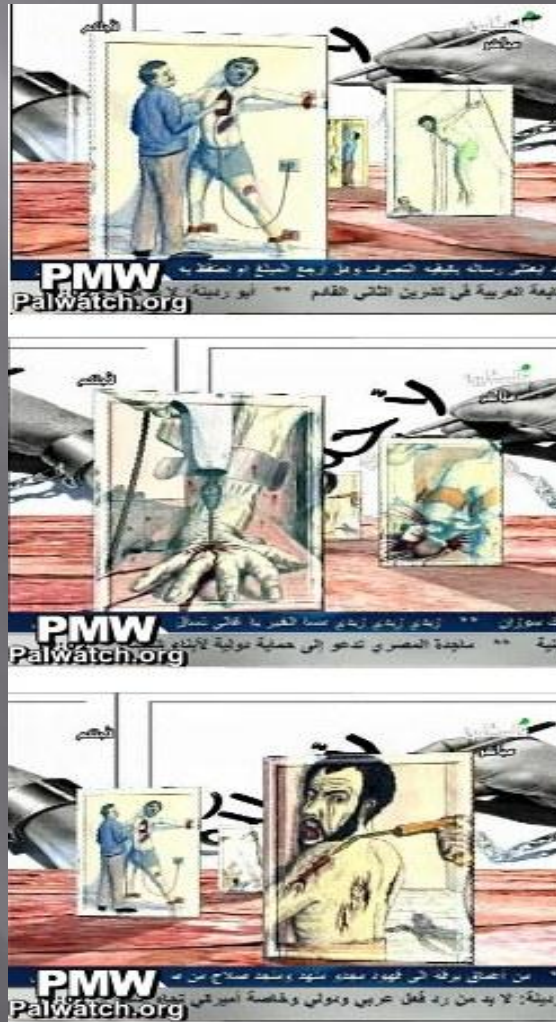
# THE SIXTH GENERAL FATAH CONFERENCE- THE BRITISH IMPLANTED A RACIST SETTLER COLONIALISM IN OUR LAND

“..Our Palestinian people was faced with a British imperialistic assault whose target was the region’s oil and Palestine’s strategic location. **The British implanted in our land, via the Balfour Declaration, a racist, Zionist settler colonialism** which worked to expel our people from its land using armed force and to settle strangers in their place...”

*[Introduction from a historical perspective to the Political Plan  
presented to the Sixth General Fatah Conference]*

## New introduction to PA TV program on Palestinian prisoners depicts fictitious torture methods allegedly used in Israeli prisons (Nov. 1, 2010)

- 1- Burning a prisoner's chest with an iron.
- 2- Drilling a hole through hand.
- 3- Burning into shoulder with a soldering iron.
- 4- Hanging prisoner by arms while chains pull at his body.
- 5- Squeezing a prisoner's head in a head press.
- 6- Chopping off a prisoner's hand.



## Incitement to Hatred and Demonization- Media



**Al-Hayat Al-Jadida (Fatah)**  
January 2009



**Der Stürmer**  
February 1930

**Next**

## Incitement to Hatred and Demonization- Media



Palestinian TV (Fatah)  
July 2010



Der Stuermer  
July 1939

Signature of participant in Fatah Forum: “Hitler wrote in his book ‘My Struggle’- “I could have killed all the Jews in the world, but I left a few so that you would know why I destroyed them” (Dec. 12, 2010)

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AM 11:03, 2010-12-16

رد: نعي الطالبة جمانة العملة / جامعة النجاح الوطنية

فخاوي مناني

فُرفان حماس

فخاوي مناني

التسجيل : Dec 2009

رقم العضوية : 42478

اللقبة : تحت قباء أبي

المشاركات : 5,540

يعمل : 15.27 يومياً

التوقيع :

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ولكني تركت بعضاً منهم لتعرفوا لماذا كنت  
أبديكم {~  
ELYAS

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النبأ

## PA Ministry of Culture Conference: The Balfour Declaration- Europe's way of getting rid of the burden called Jews

"The Ministry of Culture Administration in Tulkarem...held a political conference ...to mark the 93rd anniversary of the cursed Balfour Declaration... [Lecturer Na'aman Shahrour ] said: 'The Palestinian people is still bleeding since the British Foreign Minister gave this promise, resulting in all that has happened throughout the years and what is happening now - killing, destruction, and theft... All this in order to be rid of this burden, called the Jews, which troubled Britain and Europe, who wished to be rid of this burden - even at the expense of a different nation.'" [Al-Hayat Al-Jadida, Nov. 5, 2010]

'National Education' textbook for 4<sup>th</sup> grade,  
published in 2010 by the PA Ministry of Education.

[part A, p. 1] The Canaanite Arabs were the first to settle Palestine, and afterwards many nations and invaders reigned there...when the Muslim's conquered Palestine it became Islamic, which it is until this day.

[p. 50] Jerusalem has many names including 'Jebus' after the Jebusite Arabs...The Muslims captured Jerusalem and liberated it from Roman rule...Jerusalem is still under the Israel occupation, waiting for someone to liberate it.

## Not Preparing the Public for Peace- Education

### الدّول العربية المجاورة لفلسطين :



“National Education” Textbook, 4<sup>th</sup>  
Grade

٦- طفل يرمي النفايات في الحافلة.

٧- سائق يحمل راكباً زيادة على عدد ركاب السيارة.

To mark the map of Palestine:

٢- نعين على خريطة فلسطين

Gaza Airport

١- مطار غزة الدولي.

Ports of Palestine

٢- ميناء فلسطين.

The Rafiah Border-Crossing

٣- معبر رفح.

The Karame Border-Crossing

٤- معبر الكرامة (جسر الملك

King Hussein Bridge

حسين).



“National Education”  
Textbook, 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade

## **Chairman Abbas: Israeli and Palestinian children need to taste coexistence, stability and security**

- **Our children and your children need to taste the taste of coexistence, stability and security on equal footing and out of a sense of mutual respect, before the opportunity is lost.**

[Chairman Abbas on PA TV, Nov. 11, 2010]

- **A Palestinian state must be on the '67 borders and if we reach that, there is an additional matter which is important, an end to the conflict. We are ready for that, an end to the historical claims.** [Interview on Israeli channel 1, also broadcast on PA TV, Oct. 17, 2010]

# **Cultural Program on PA TV: “Tiberias is located in northern Palestine” (Nov. 23, 2010)**

[Video](#)

## Chairman Abbas on the Palestinian Assistance in Fighting the Mt. Carmel Fire

"President Abbas yesterday awarded a certificate of appreciation to the commander of the [Palestinian] Civil Defense... in appreciation of their humanitarian efforts in participating in putting out the fires which broke out at Mount Carmel in Haifa and in the neighboring villages... The President added: 'Our human history shows that we have not lingered in carrying out our humanitarian obligation, just as the [Muslim] leader Saladin [who conquered Jerusalem] sent his physician to treat his enemy, Richard the Lion Hearted, who led the invasion of our land and conquered it.' [Al-Hayat Al-Jadida, Dec. 12, 2010]

# FATAH REVOLUTIONARY COUNCIL: THE ZIONIST ENTERPRISE- SETTLER COLONIALISM

“The Zionist enterprise in Palestine is different from the settlement in Algeria and Kenya, where the settlers left with the occupying army. In practice, it is similar in many ways to the settler colonialism of South Africa”

Introduction from a historical perspective to the Political Plan submitted to the Sixth Council of the Fatah Movement

## Positive coverage of visit by National-Religious rabbis to Beit Fajar Mosque after vandalism

- Six settler rabbis conducted a solidarity visit to the village of Beit Fajar...bringing with them copies of the Quran. Dozens of settler-supporters of peace and hundreds of Palestinians, gathered to receive them...

- [Bethlehem Governor] Hamail said that the Palestinian people desires a just peace... and emphasized that the three [monotheistic] religions are tolerant religions, far removed from fanaticism and hatred  
[Al-Hayat Al Jädida, Oct. 6, front page]



*R' Fruman of Tekoa with  
Palestinian religious leader*

## **PA TV: The Israelis have stolen many aspects of our heritage**

*Interview on PA TV with Maha Al-Saqa, Director of the Palestinian Heritage Center:*

*Al-Saqa:* "[The Israelis] have stolen many aspects of our heritage: our popular foods, our music, our debka [dance], our popular fashion, and of course, first and foremost, our land."

*PA TV host:* **"Even our speech, of course."**

## Where are you from?

Palestinian narrator: "I'm from Jaffa, I'm from Haifa, I'm from Acre, I'm from Nazareth, I'm from Gimzu, I'm from Zakariya, I'm from Ein Kerem.

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

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

[Video](#)

## PA Minister: Jews have no claim to Western Wall

*Excerpt from Deputy Minister of Information, Al-Mutawakel Taha's article- "The Al-Buraq Wall and a full understanding of the history" (published on Ministry website)*

...there is only one possible conclusion which is that the Al-Burak Wall is a Muslim wall and an indivisible part of the Al-Aksa Mosque and the Noble Sanctuary (*al-Haram al-Kudsi al-Sharif*), and **no other party may claim ownership over it**...Additionally, no Muslim, Arab or Palestinian, is **permitted to give up on one stone or one grain** from the Al-Burak Wall or from another holy place, for whatever reason...