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The Year That Was

2002

All those who had hoped that 2002 would bring improvements to the lives and suffering of the Palestinians soon realized that their wishes would not materialize.

The first major event was a massive Israeli army attack on Gaza on 10 **January**, during which the Palestinian airport was destroyed along with over 70 residential homes, numerous roads and infrastructure facilities. Two days later, a raid of the Rafah port and refugee camp followed, leaving more destruction behind. Israel's assassination policy continued unabated with Fateh leader Ra'ed Al-Karmi from Tulkarem as the first target. By mid-January, the Likud bureau voted against supporting the eventual establishment of a Palestinian state and, a few days later, Israeli forces destroyed the Palestinian Broadcasting

Corporation building in Ramallah. At the end of the month. Prime Minister Sharon made headlines when he told Ma'ariv that he regretted not having "eliminated" Arafat in Beirut during the 1982 invasion of Lebanon. Meanwhile, Foreign Minister Peres and PLC Speaker Abu Ala' met in New York to find a way to end the Intifada and move to political negotiations, but yielded no results. At the same time, the French government presented its new Mideast peace plan involving two "inseparable issues:" the recognition of an independent Palestinian state and new elections in Palestine. In lerusalem, Israel pursued its house demolition policy, destroying over 10 buildings, including a house in the Muslim Quarter - marking the first time since 1967 that the WIM demolished a home in the Old City. On 27 January, a Palestinian woman blew herself up on Jaffa Road, killing one man and wounding dozens.



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Throughout January 39 Palestinians died at the hands of Israeli forces, while hundreds more were injured¹.

February began with Israeli forces assassinating five Palestinian activists in Rafah. On 17 February, a New York Times article by Thomas Friedman caused quite an uproar quoting Saudi Crown Prince Abdullah proposing "full withdrawal, in accord with UN Resolution 242, for full peace between Israel and the entire Arab world." Two days later, six Israeli soldiers were killed in a Palestinian attack, claimed by the Al-Aqsa Martyrs' Brigades, on an army roadblock in Ein Arik near Ramallah. On 20 February, Israel launched massive reprisal raids throughout the territories, leaving at least 14 Palestinians dead and targeting President Arafat's Gaza headquarters for the first time. A day later, near Nablus, the PA arrested the three main suspects in the killing of Israeli Minister Ze'evi (17 October 2001), while PM Sharon addressed the nation, announcing a cabinet decision to set up "buffer zones" that would lead to a "security separation" between Israel and the Palestinians. A few days later, the Israeli security cabinet changed President Arafat's 'house arrest' to 'town arrest' and pulled back troops from his compound. In Jerusalem, house demolitions continued and, on 5 February, Mayor Olmert announced plans to demolish illegal houses "every week," saying that the PA was behind the illegal building in order to undermine Israeli sovereignty in the city. On 25 February, a shooting attack by a Palestinian gunman in Neve Ya'akov, which left one killed, triggered the construction by the WJM of a fence separating the settlement from Dahiet Al-Barid. Towards the end of the month, President Arafat endorsed the Saudi peace plan, and a Palestinian delegation, headed by Mohammed Dahlan and Jibril Rajoub, resumed security talks with an Israeli delegation, led by Shin Bet chief Avi Dichter. The month saw the killing of a total of 99 Palestinians and over 400 injured.

The talks initiated in late February between the Palestinian and Israeli delegations were

suspended shortly after on 2 March, when Israeli military assaults on Palestinian refugee left 24 camps Palestinians killed. The next day, ten Israeli soldiers and settlers were killed by a lone Palestinian sniper at an Israeli roadblock near the Ofra settlement. In response, the Israeli security cabinet approved an operation to put constant military pressure on the PA and



¹ All figures mentioned in this text are from the Palestine Red Crescent Society.

Palestinian activists. Over the next few days, Israeli planes bombed PA facilities in the West Bank, including Al-Mugata'a compound in Ramallah and President Arafat's office building in Gaza City, and major operations were launched in Tulkarem and Ramallah, leaving over 60 people killed and bringing international condemnation of Israel's use of heavy weaponry against Palestinians. On 13 March, the UNSC passed (14-0, with Syria abstaining) a resolution referring, for the first time, to a Palestinian state existing side by side with Israel.While US Mideast envoy Anthony Zinni tried in vain to calm the situation on the ground, Peace Now revealed that 34 new settlement sites had been established in the West Bank since the election of Prime Minister Sharon in February 2001, and the US added the Al-Aqsa Martyrs' Brigades to its list of Foreign Terrorist Organizations. On 25 March, a delegation of the International Parliament of Writers, meeting with President Arafat in Ramallah, compared Israeli policy in the territories to "Nazi" tactics, saying the situation in the Ramallah resembled "the spirit of Auschwitz" and that Israel was employing state terrorism. On 27 March, after a Palestinian suicide bomber blew himself up in a hotel in Netanya that killed 29 people, PresidentArafat stated he was ready to immediately implement an unconditional cease-fire. However, the Israeli cabinet decided to launch "Operation Defensive Shield," invading Ramallah and isolating him. By the end of the month, after 234 Palestinians had died and over 800 were injured, the UNSC passed Resolution 1402 calling for Israeli withdrawal from Palestinian cities. Meanwhile, the Arab summit in Beirut on 27-28 March approved the final draft of the Saudi peace initiative. While Ramallah, Bethlehem and Beit Jala were reoccupied by the Israeli army, a suicide bomber killed 14 Israelis in Haifa, causing Prime Minister Sharon to announce



"We are at war," and Arafat "is the enemy of Israel and the entire free world." Throughout the month, Jerusalem was the scene of five suicide bombings and several Israeli raids on Palestinian institutions.

Early **April** saw the standoff between Israeli forces and approximately 400 Palestinians hiding in the Preventive Security headquarters in Beitunia, which ended with their controversial surrender, for which Preventive Security head Jibril Rajoub was attacked by

both PA officials and Hamas. When the curfew in Ramallah was finally lifted for a few hours, Palestinian doctors had the sad task of digging a mass grave in the parking lot of the hospital to bury 25 of the dead bodies that had been retrieved during this period. Meanwhile in Bethlehem, Israeli forces continued their siege on the Church of the

Nativity where some 150 people took refuge. lenin, Salfit and Nablus were also invaded and, during the ensuing days, the raids continued, bringing the month's casualties to 245 dead and over 500 injured. On 4 April, UNSC Resolution 1403 endorsed the Mideast mission of Secretary of State Powell to reach a ceasefire and demanded an Israeli withdrawal



from Palestinian cities "without delay." As fighting continued and over 2,000 Palestinians were detained, another suicide bomber blew himself up near Haifa, killing eight. On 11 April, the last Palestinian gunmen surrendered in Jenin's devastated Refugee Camp. Later in the month, the UN decided to send a fact-finding team to investigate the events that had occurred, but it never materialized due to Israel's refusal to cooperate. American bias was once more confirmed when President Bush publicly called Prime Minister Sharon "a man of peace." Palestinian resistance suffered a big blow when Fateh leader Marwan Barghouti was arrested in At-Tireh on 15 April. A week later, the trial (called a "farce" by the PFLP) against the four suspects accused of killing Israeli Tourism Minister Ze'evi began inside the Muqata'a compound and resulted in sentences ranging from 1-18 years. On 28 April, President Arafat accepted a US-brokered deal to end the siege of his headquarters -Israeli withdrawal from the area, in exchange for a US-British guarantee of continued imprisonment of the four Ze'evi killers, PFLP head Ahmed Sa'adat, and Karine A paymaster Fuad Shubaki in a Palestinian jail guarded by US and British monitors. At the end of the month, in response to an attack on Adora on 27 April, Israeli forces re-entered Hebron, killing at least ten Palestinians and arresting dozens others. In Jerusalem, for most of the month, Israeli police limited the age of those admitted to Al-Agsa Mosque for Friday prayers to 40 and above. On 12 April, a female suicide bomber detonated a powerful charge near the Mahane Yehuda market, killing six and wounding 90 others. By mid-April, Israeli units temporarily took up positions in and imposed curfews on Abu Dis, Al-Izzariyya, Ras Al-Amud, and other Arab neighborhoods surrounding the city to search for wanted men. On 23 April, Israeli forces forcibly evicted approximately 50 Palestinians from two buildings near the Shimon Hazadik synagogue in Sheikh Jarrah to make way for Jewish settlers claiming ownership of the site.

At the beginning of **May**, Israeli troops pulled back from Ramallah after the PA turned over the six Palestinian prisoners to US and UK officials for detention in a Jericho jail. Soon after, a suicide attack killed 15 in a Rishon Letzion billiard hall. Incursions into Palestinian cities continued, bringing the number of Palestinian killed during the month to 52. On 10 May, a deal to end the standoff at the Church of the Nativity was finally reached: 26 Palestinians were transferred to Gaza and 13 flown to Cyprus, from where they were sent to six EU nations later in the month. By mid-May, the World Bank estimated the damage to Palestinian infrastructure caused by Operation Defensive Shield'



over \$360 at million. Meanwhile. President Arafat addressed the PLC in Ramallah, calling for PA reforms and elections, and Israeli Defense Minister Ben-Eliezer presented his twostate solution plan, including a "war on terror," "security separation" and a final-status agreement with a Palestinian state.

Towards the end of the month, Israeli forces re-entered Tulkarem, Bethlehem and Qalqilya, while President Arafat finally signed the Basic Law, previously passed in 1997 by the PLC, to serve as the basis for a Palestinian constitution. In Jerusalem, at least five Palestinian homes fell victim to Israel's house demolition drive, while four Jewish settlers from the outlawed Kach group were arrested and charged with attempted murder for planning bomb attacks on Maqassed Hospital and a girls' elementary school on the Mount of Olives.

Throughout **June** the PA was busy with planning reforms. A first step was President Arafat's announcement of General Abdel Razeq Yahya as new overall head of the security forces. A suicide bombing on 5 June that killed 17 people at Megiddo junction near Afula prompted yet another Israeli invasion of Ramallah, this time blowing up several buildings in President Arafat's headquarters, which remained a main target for the Israeli army for most of the month. On 9 June, a reduced 21-member PA interim cabinet was announced, including five new members. On 21 June, Israeli forces killed four Palestinian civilians, including three children, when they fired tank shells into a Jenin street during a lifting of the curfew, and a few days later six Palestinians were killed in an assassination in Gaza, including Hamas leader Yasser Rizeq.

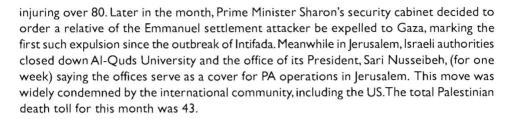
Meanwhile, the Israeli cabinet approved a "security concept," calling for a fence east of the Green Line and around lerusalem, a buffer zone west of the lordan, and the continued presence of IDF forces in the West Bank. On the international level. US President Bush delivered his long awaited speech on the Middle East on 24



June, withholding endorsement for a Palestinian state until terror stops and a new leadership is elected. On 26 June, the PA published a 100-day plan for reforms, including elections. Towards the end of the month, Israeli forces invaded Hebron, blowing up the municipal and security headquarters, and leaving behind enormous damage. In Jerusalem, attention focused on Jabel Mukabber, where clashes erupted after Jewish extremist tried to establish a new settlement on Palestinian land located in the midst of a Palestinian neighborhood. In mid-June, US President Bush defered for another six months the moving of the US Embassy from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem, but reiterated his commitment to making the transfer sometime in the future. Two suicide attacks in the city left 26 people dead and scores more wounded, and at the end of the month work on a security fence around the city began near the Gush Etzion settlement bloc. By the end of June, the Palestinian death toll for the month had reached 64, and nearly 300 people had been injured.

At the beginning of **July**, President Arafat fired numerous security officials, including West Bank Preventive Security head Jibril Rajoub, who was replaced by former Jenin governor Zuheir Manasra. In mid-July, ten Israelis were killed in an ambush on a bus around the Emmanuel settlement; and on 23 July, Israeli F-16 fighter jets bombed a building in Gaza City, killing Hamas leader Sheikh Salah Shehadeh, his wife, one of his children, and at least 14 others, including 10 children aged two months to 11 years. Over 150 were injured. Hamas vowed revenge, which came by the end of the month when a bomb placed at the Hebrew University Cafeteria exploded, killing nine people and





August began with a new round of collective punishment by Israel as occupying forces demolished nine homes of family members of suspects who had carried out, or were involved in, suicide attacks; and a new barrier was established at the intersection between Abu Dis and Shayah neighborhoods (Ras Al-Qubsa), cutting Al-Izzariyya into two parts. Nine people, mostly Israeli soldiers, were killed in a bomb attack on a bus near the Meron junction south of Safed. On 13 August, Haifa Mayor Amram Mitzna announced his



candidacy for the Labor Party leadership. On 14 August, Marwan Barghouthi was indicted by a Tel Aviv Court. A few days later, Israel - led by Defense Minister Ben-Eliezer, and the PA - led by Interior Minister Abdel Razeq Al-Yahya and Mohammed Dahlan, reached a deal on "Gaza-Bethlehem first", under which Israeli forces would begin withdrawing from Bethlehem and parts of the Gaza Strip while the PA undertakes to prevent attacks on Israelis. Two days later, PA police were back on the streets of Bethlehem, though not for long. On 29 August, UN envoy Terje Roed-Larsen warned that Israel's military clampdown was causing an economic disaster in the territories that would breed "chronic violence," as unemployment in Gaza had reached

50% and poverty 70% of the population. At the end of the month, in yet another assassination, Israeli missiles killed AI-Aqsa Martyrs Brigades activist Rafat Daraghmeh and four others in Tubas, bringing the month's death toll to 51 Palestinians. In Jerusalem, four Palestinians from a Hamas cell in Silwan and Ras AI-Amud were arrested and accused of being behind several suicide attacks, including the bombings at the Moment Cafe and the Hebrew University cafeteria. Meanwhile, the Israel army prepared a plan for the *defacto* annexation of Rachel's Tomb to Jerusalem, in the context of constructing a security barrier around the city.

On 2 **September**, Israel's Supreme Court, in a landmark decision, ruled that Israel could expel relatives of Palestinian terror suspects from the West Bank to Gaza if it proves they pose a security threat. The first expellees were Kifah and Intisar Ajouri, brother and sister of Ahmed Ali Ajouri (behind a suicide attack on Tel Aviv's old central bus station), who were relocated to Gaza two days later, drawing international criticism. On 5 September, a Tel Aviv court began the trial of Marwan Barghouthi who refused to recognize the court's authority to judge him, saying "The one who should be sitting here is the government of Israel." On the domestic level, the PA cabinet resigned en masse on 11

September, after it became apparent that a majority of PLC members would vote noconfidence in the cabinet that was appointed by President Arafat in June. On 19 September, a suicide bomber blew himself up on a bus in Tel Aviv, killing six people. In response, Israel re-imposed the blockade on President Arafat and demolished most of the Muqata'a, withdrawing after 11 days following US pressure. In Jerusalem, Israeli police closed the offices of Al-Quds University President Sari Nusseibeh, for the second time in three months, on the grounds that PA activities were allegedly hosted there. Throughout the month, 56 Palestinians were killed by Israeli forces, and over 300 were injured.



October began with US President Bush signing legislation requiring his Administration to identify Jerusalem as Israel's capital, which was widely criticized as hampering the peace process. The next major event was yet another Israeli missile attack on Khan Younis on 7 October, killing 14 Palestinians and wounding dozens more. Ten days later, Israeli shelling in Rafah killed eight Palestinians and left much damage behind. After 14 Israelis were killed in a car explosion near Hadera on 21 October, Israeli troops launched 'Operation Vanguard' in Jenin, seizing houses and searching for wanted Palestinians. On a diplomatic level, Israel gave in to US pressure and released NIS 70 million, the last payment it agreed to hand over to the PA after President Arafat installed Salam Fayyad as Finance Minister. On 25 October, Sharon approved "in principle" the latest US 'roadmap for peace' presented by US envoy Burns, which called for dismantling Jewish settlement outposts, thorough PA reforms, and the creation of a Palestinian state by 2004-5. A day later, the Israeli army completed its withdrawal from most Palestinian-controlled areas of Hebron and handed security responsibility to the PA governor of Hebron. With regard to internal Palestinian affairs, the main event of the month was the PA-Hamas clashes in

Gaza, which led to the establishment of a reconciliation committee to find a compromise to calm the situation. On 25 October, the PA expressed its reservations to the US 'road map' for peace, insisting on an immediate settlement freeze and international monitors. On 29 October, the PLC approved yet another new cabinet, this time with 19 members. The month ended with the Labor Party leaving the national unity government after Labor's demand that settlement funding be reallocated to the weaker sectors of society was turned down. During the month, Palestine mourned a total of 65 dead.



November saw more deaths on each side, beginning with the assassination of wanted Hamas activist Mohammed Sadr and his nephew in Nablus, and a suicide bombing in Kfar Sava that killed two Israelis. On 10 November, a Palestinian infiltrator into Kibbutz Metzer killed five people that in turn led to an Israeli incursion in Nablus and Tulkarem. Six days later, 12 Israeli soldiers and settlers were killed in an ambush by Islamic Jihad activists in Hebron, prompting a sweeping military operation in the city, including reoccupation of the Palestinian-controlled areas and demolition of homes of people involved in recent attacks against Israel. On 21 November, a suicide bomber killed 11 people on a bus, triggering another extensive Israeli incursion, this time in Bethlehem and its camps. A day later, Israeli forces attacked Jenin camp, killing a Palestinian child and a British engineer working for the UN. Throughout the month at least 34 Palestinians were killed, over a third of who were under 18 years of age. Also in November, Amram Mitzna won the Labor Party primary elections; and Fateh.-.headed by Zakaria Al-Agha, and Hamas - headed by Musa Abu Marzuk, held a four-day summit, under Egyptian auspices and with Saudi involvement in Cairo, to discuss how to iron out tensions between them, strengthen the Intifada and halt suicide attacks in Israel. Moreover, Sari Nuseeibeh held a second round of talks with Ami Ayalon, ahead of the publication of a joint proposal to end the ongoing conflict. In Kenya, a suicide attack on a hotel left 12 people killed - including three Israelis, while missiles were fired at an Israeli airliner after taking off from Mombasa airport, though missing their target.

Throughout **December**, violence continued and eradicated all hopes that the coming new year would finally bring a better life. Israeli attacks focused on Tulkarem, Nablus, lenin and the Gaza Strip, where on 6 December an invasion into Al-Bureij camp left ten Palestinians killed. On 11 Dec., Israeli forces killed five unarmed Palestinians from the Al-Astal family as they tried to enter Israel to search for work. Throughout the month dozens of houses and vast areas of agricultural land were destroyed by Israeli forces, leaving 66 Palestinians dead, among them many children. On the diplomatic stage, Israel and the PA - following heavy pressure from the US, agreed on a mechanism to ensure the transfer of future tax revenues collected by Israel on behalf of the PA, and a third draft of the 'road map' peace plan was presented - this time with stronger language and sharpened demands for the Palestinians, including the stipulation that a Palestinian state could only be established "when the Palestinian people will have a leadership willing and able to establish a practicing democracy based on tolerance and liberty." On 22 December, the Palestinian cabinet postponed elections scheduled for 20 January 2003, until 100 days after Israeli troops withdraw from West Bank towns. Meanwhile, Israel began to establish "special security zones" a few hundred meters around West Bank settlements. Nevertheless, on 27 December, two Islamic lihad activists entered the Otniel settlement

and killed four settlers, prompting yet another Israeli onslaught on Hebron. During this month, Bethlehem saw the gloomiest Christmas in its history and, for the second year in a row, Israel banned President Arafat's attendance at the celebration. In Jerusalem, the four Hamas cell members convicted of carrying out the July bomb attack in the Hebrew University cafeteria were sentenced to prison terms ranging from 60 years to 35 life sentences.

By the end of the year, as the world focused on the pending war in Iraq, 1,068 Palestinians had been killed by Israeli forces during 2002, bringing the total number of Palestinians who have died since the beginning of the Intifada (29 September 2000) to 1,972.



Introduction

PASSIA's Research Studies Program, implemented since its foundation in 1987, has to date resulted in over 150 publications, researched and written by specifically contracted researchers, who over the years have been as diverse as the subjects covered. Authors of PASSIA publications have included Palestinian, Arab, Israeli and international academics, scholars and experts.

Under the auspices of this program and in its efforts to provide background information, in-depth studies and documentation on issues of concern as well as to promote a better understanding of the Palestinian cause, PASSIA maintains that all research and publishing is done within the context of academic freedom.

PASSIA publications aim to be specialized, scientific and objective, yet they often address controversial or neglected issues and allow the expression of a wide range of perspectives.

PASSIA is proud that its publications have become a valuable reference source for academics, diplomats, professionals, libraries and anyone with an interest in Palestinian issues and their relations in regional and international affairs.

As part of the **2002 Research Program**, PASSIA published two Special Bulletins, two research studies, and completed work on a major project, entitled *The Palestine Question in Maps* - *1878-2002*. More information on these publications is provided below.

(Information on publications printed under PASSIA projects other than the Research Program are listed in the respective chapters, see, for example, *Jerusalem, Civil Society*, and *Religious Studies Unit*).

Bulletins

PASSIA published two special bulletins – both in Arabic and English – one on Jerusalem and one on the subject of water. The objective of these bulletins was to present and distribute up-to-date research and information on these issues of prime Palestinian concern, in an attractive and easily readable manner, supported by maps, pictures, tables a n d graphs wherever available and of use.

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🏶 Special Bulletin – Jerusalem

by **PASSIA Team** May 2002 (Arabic and English, 12 pages)

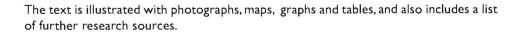
This Special Bulletin presents the basic facts and figures relating to the question of Jerusalem, including the historical background, Palestinian neighborhoods, the Israeli settlements, demographic features, the issues of residency rights and home demolitions, the special status of the Old City, and Israeli municipal policies in the city. The text is illustrated with five maps and several graphs and tables, and also includes a list of further research sources on the topic.

🏶 Special Bulletin – Water

by PASSIA Team

July 2002 (Arabic and English, 12 pages)

This Special Bulletin presents the main facts and figures relating to the water issue in the Middle East in general and in Palestine in particular. It looks at the historical background of the water problem, and describes and discusses the various water resources in the region as well as their utilization and consumption. It further examines the critical issues associated with water in Palestine and looks at the various agreements, plans and negotiations with regard to water. In addition, the bulletin puts the water issue in the context of international law, looking at governing principles, rules and conventions as well as current research initiatives.



Research Studies

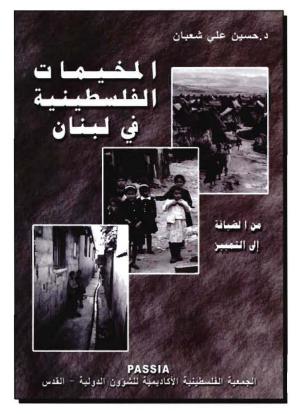
Palestinian Refugees in Lebanon – From Hosting to Discrimination

by Hussein Chaaban

January 2002 - (Arabic, 314 pages)

The writer seeks to answer a number of imperative questions concerning the daily suffering and distress of Palestinian refugees in Lebanon, who were hosted by the Lebanese government following the Palestinian "Nakba" in 1948. The first chapter presents details about the living conditions of refugees in official, non-official and peripheral camps as well as in town and village aggregations. Figures on refugee numbers and information on relief, infrastructure, water, income, employment and labor services are provided.

In the second chapter a systematic historic narrative is made on the formal Lebanese policy towards refugees, including statements and positions of Lebanese thinkers and decision-makers.



The third chapter tackles

international and local relief services presented to the refugees, while the fourth chapter examines the major characteristics of the daily crisis facing the Palestinian refugees and the obstacles of unemployment, poverty, illiteracy, immigration, sickness, lopsided social composition in favor of women, and, dropping marriage rates among females. Finally the writer draws a number of conclusions regarding the causes of suffering among Palestinian refugees in Lebanon and their current and future social consequences.

Special Publication:

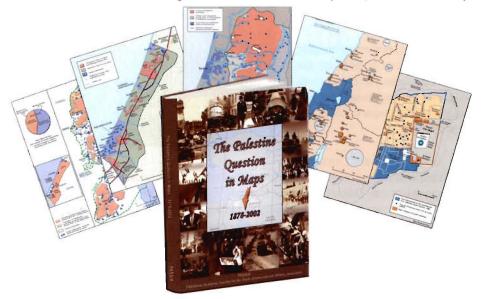
The Palestine Question in Maps – 1878-2002

August 2002 - (English, 170 pages, Arabic)

Including over 50 color maps, this new PASSIA publication is hoped to provide a guide to the Palestine Question from the Ottoman period through to the present day. In addressing the unfolding geographic and demographic complexities of the period in review, the book sheds light on the real territorial dimensions of the conflict, its causes, and the numerous schemes posited over time for its resolution. By compiling and reviewing the most important historical and contemporary maps, this book offers researchers, readers and concerned individuals the opportunity to understand the geographic implications and motivations guiding the political and military aspects of the Palestine Question for over a hundred years.

A first series of maps follows the path of modern Palestinian history in chronological order, focusing on key demographic themes and political milestones, as well as identifying the various proposals posited for the resolution of the Palestine Question (Chapters I-3). Jerusalem itself is of such intrinsic importance to Palestinian history and to the resolution of the Palestine-Israel conflict, that a separate section is devoted, in detail, to its changing circumstances (Chapter 4). Core issues, such as water and refugees, are also addressed in a separate chapter (Chapter 5).

The text accompanying the maps is hoped to present a concise and clear overview of the historical, political and socio-economic circumstances providing the backdrop for the individual maps and illustrating their place within the broader frame of Palestinian history. Complete with reliable statistics, detailed references and notes, the text serves to illuminate the factors defining the territorial dimensions portrayed within the maps



Introduction

Through its Meetings or Dialogue Program, PASSIA strives both to promote free expression within Palestinian society and to foster a better understanding of Palestinian affairs, be they in the domestic or international context. In doing so ever since its foundation, PASSIA has earned a reputation for providing a forum for dialogue and serving as a catalyst for civic dialogue. Central to these efforts has been the presentation and analysis of a plurality of Palestinian perspectives and approaches. Topics addressed and discussed cover a wide range of subjects broadly and specifically related to the Palestine Question, from historical aspects to the current Middle East Peace Process and internal Palestinian affairs.

The PASSIA Dialogue Program is divided into the following three sections:

- Roundtable Meetings: PASSIA invites a speaker (and sometimes a discussant as well) to lecture on a certain topic, followed by a discussion with the audience present. Particularly topical issues are sometimes the subject of a series of lectures by as varied a range of speakers as possible. These meetings aim to promote thought and debate among Palestinians and between Palestinians and their foreign counterparts.
- Briefings: PASSIA frequently provides a venue for encounters, dialogue and discussions involving representatives and organizations from various backgrounds. These meetings focus on current Palestinian affairs and are designed to build bridges of communication and understanding between Palestinians from differing streams of society and to develop constructive and focused academic contact between Palestinians and Israelis. PASSIA has also hosted numerous meetings in which resident diplomats and visiting foreign missions are invited to discuss Palestinian affairs and exchange thoughts and opinions concerning the situation in the Palestinian Territories. In return PASSIA receives invitations to meetings with diplomats and visiting foreign

dignitaries at other venues adding to consolidating relationships, which help build further bridges between Palestinians and their foreign counterparts.

PASSIA Forum: Owing to limitations of space at its premises, PASSIA organizes from time to time 'public lectures' involving particularly significant speakers and/or topics. These meetings are attended by the guest speaker(s), possibly one or two discussants, who will comment on the presentation, and an invited audience of 80-120 people. Forums are held in one of East Jerusalem's hotels, such as the Ambassador Hotel, which offers the space and facilities needed to accommodate the anticipated number of participants. In 2001, PASSIA held one forum.

Speakers discussants and participants at these meetings include local and foreign figures from a rich diversity of backgrounds and schools of thought: Scholars, professionals and intellectuals from Palestine, Israel and abroad; members of Palestinian NGOs, political factions and the media, as well as representatives of the diplomatic corps.

Meetings held throughout 2002 at PASSIA (unless otherwise indicated) are listed below. Details are presented in the following order: date; topic; speaker/visitor; participants. (For additional PASSIA Meetings see the chapters on Jerusalem, Civil Society Empowerment – Promoting Good Governance, and the Religious Studies Unit).

All meetings were attended by Dr. Mahdi Abdul Hadi, Head of PASSIA. The summary or full text of some of the meetings can be found at PASSIA's website (http://www.passia.org).

Roundtable Meetings

18 February 2002, PASSIA, Ramallah

The Role of Public Opinion: Polls in Political Negotiations – The Case of Northern Ireland

<u>Speaker:</u> Dr. Colin Irwin, Research Fellow, Institute of Irish Studies, The Queen's University of Belfast.

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Felix Eikenberg, Friedrich Ebert Foundation, Jerusalem; Meejeong Hong, Lecturer, Korea; Mir'ie Abdul Rahman, Palestinian Council for Peace and Justice, Ramallah; Gabi Baramki, Ministry of Higher Education, Ramallah; Isolde Moylan, Head, Irish Representative Office, Ramallah; Eija Rotinen, Head, Representative Office of Finland, Ramallah; Hanlie Booysen, Acting Head, South African Representative Office, Ramallah; Magdy El-Dakiky, Al-Quds University, Ramallah; Fadia Daibes, Water Law Policy Consultant, Jerusalem; Faisal Awartani, Alpha International, Ramallah; Mohammed Adawi, Ministry of Labor, Ramallah.

3 June 2002, PASSIA

Political and Economic Elites in Egypt under Sadat and Mubarak

<u>Speaker</u>: John Sfakianakis, Research Fellow, University of Harvard (Center for Middle Eastern Studies).

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Fadia Daibes, PhD Researcher Water Law; Janet Powers, Professor; Katherina Karmi, Greek Consulate; Mohammed Jadallah, Physician; Timotheos Margaritis, Metropolitan, Greek Orthodox Patriarchate; Heike Kratt, Data Coordinator Project, Willy Brandt Center; Felix Eikenberg, Project Coordinator, Friedrich Ebert Foundation; Sherene Abdul Hadi, Trade Advisor; Hanlie Booysen, Acting Head, South African Representative Office; Nader Al-A'aser, Consul, Egyptian Embassy; Issa Kassissieh, Greek Orthodox Patriarchate; Majdy Al-Dakiky, UNAIS, Al-Quds University.

9 July 2002, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Palestine - Where To?

<u>Speaker</u>: Prof. Yezid Sayigh, Assistant Director of the Center for International Studies, Cambridge

Participant(s): Lorraine Weinrib, Law Professor, University of Toronto; Naim Ateek, Director, Sabeel, Jerusalem; Steve Hibbard, Head, Canadian Representative Office, Ramallah; Magdy El-Dakiky, Al-Quds University, Ramallah; Mathew Brubacher, Policy Advisor; Negotiation Support Unit; Bernard Sabella, Bethlehem University; Adin Talbar, Danish Consul General, Jerusalem; Rafig Husseini, Director, Welfare Association, Jerusalem; Hanna Siniora, Jerusalem Times; Nader Al-A'ser, Consul Egyptian Embassy, Tel Aviv; Walid Assali, Lawyer, Jerusalem; Issam Anani, Lawyer, Ramallah; Teresa Lizaranu, Consul, Consulate General, Jerusalem; Eija Rotinen, Head, Representative Office of Finland, Ramallah; Hanlie Booysen, Acting Head, South African Representative Office, Ramallah; Geoffrey Adams, British Consul General, Jerusalem; Catharina Kipp, Swedish Consul General, Jerusalem; Diana Buttu, Legal Advisor, Negotiations Support Unit; Mohammed Zenati, Jordan Embassy, Tel Aviv; Samia Khoury, Rawdat Az-Zuhour School, Jerusalem; Cedar Duaybis, Volunteer at Sabeel, Jerusalem; Henry Longbottom, Volunteer at Sabeel, Jerusalem; Mousab Khorma, Chief Executive, Palestinian Telecommunication Company; Hiroshi Nakamura, Deputy Representative, Japanese Representative Office; Zahi Khouri, Chairman, Palestine Cellular Company – Jawwal, Ramallah; Prof. Mustafa Abu Sway, Al-Quds University, Jerusalem; Martha Myers, USAID Mission, Tel Aviv; Rebecca Haessig, NDI; Larry Garber, Country Director, USAID Mission, Tel Aviv; Jumana Jaouni, British Consulate, Jerusalem





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24 July 2002, PASSIA **The Land Question in Palestine after 1948** <u>Speaker(s)</u>: Michal Oren, Historical Geographer, The Land of Israel Department, University of Haifa

Participant(s): Ghita Hulden, Journalist; Elizabeth Schumann-Blaure, Project Manager, Friedrich Ebert Foundation (FES), Jerusalem; George Sama'an, Lawyer, Jerusalem; Issam Anani, Lawyer, Jerusalem; Steve Hibbard, Head, Representative Office of Canada, Ramallah; Mohammed Zenati, Jordanian Embassy, Tel Aviv; Magdy Dakiky, Al-Quds University, Ramallah; Fadia Daibes, Water Law and Policy Researcher, Jerusalem; Rafiq Husseini, Welfare Association, Jerusalem; Elias Khoury, Lawyer, Jerusalem; Zaki Abu Halaweh, Journalist, Jerusalem; Nader Al-Aaser, Consul, Egyptian Embassy, Tel Aviv.







31 July 2002, PASSIA

The Water Conflict in the Middle East in the Context of International Law

<u>Speaker(s)</u>: Fadia Daibes, Water Law and Policy Researcher, Dundee University, Scotland, UK

Participant(s): Signe Gilen, Anthropologist, Higher Executive Officer, NORAD; Francine Pickup, Policy Researcher, OXFAM GB; Semund Haukland, Norwegian Representative Office; Charlotte Dunn, AIDA; Janet Synes, Program Representative, OXFAM GB; Hanlie Booysen, Acting Head, South African Representative Office; Pablo Sanz, Deputy Consul, Spanish Consulate; Adrie Booysen, Visitor; Elizabeth Schumann-Braune, Friedrich Ebert Foundation; Safa' Abu Assab, Program Assistant, Diakonia; Loay Frouk, Task Leader, CH2M HILL Company; Blair Bevan, Group Leader, CH2M HILL; Rosemary Hollis, Middle East Program, Chatham House, London.





6 August 2002, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Women & the Palestinian Elections

<u>Speaker(s)</u>: Terry Bullata, Jil Al-Jadid School and, Women Studies Center, Jerusalem <u>Participant(s)</u>: Samia Khoury, Rawdat Az-Zuhour School, Jerusalem; Mahira Dajani, Dar At-Tifl Al-Arabi, Jerusalem; Aida Issawi, Program Coordinator, Palestinian Working Women, Jerusalem; Hidaya Budairi, Arab Women's Union, Jerusalem; Amneh Badran, Acting Director, Jerusalem Center for Women, Jerusalem; Huda El-Imam, Director, Jerusalem Studies Center, Al-Quds University, Jerusalem; Salwa Hdaib, Staff Nurse, Union of Women's Committees for Social Work; Zahira Kamal, Palestinian of Working Women



3 September 2002, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Women & the Palestinian Elections

<u>Speaker(s)</u>: Terry Bullata, Jil Al-Jadid School and, Women Studies Center, Jerusalem <u>Participant(s)</u>: Laila Tarazi, General Union of Palestinian Women; Nabila Darwish, Young Women's Muslim Association (YWMA), Jerusalem; Sana' Shannak, PASSIA.

Briefings

3 January 2002, PASSIA

<u>Participant(s)</u>: European Work Group (X-mas Team): Simona Sambati; Marco Tullb Liuzza; Edoardo Iaculli, Raffaella Pagliei; Alex Düben; Natacha Adam; Carlo Pona; Sara Tamagnini; Miriam Garavaglia; Abdel Majid Hijazi; Hisham Sarsour.

7 January 2002, PASSIA <u>Participant(s)</u>: Ahmed Sharif Lutfi; Nader Al-A'aser, Egyptian Embassy, Tel Aviv.

8 January 2002, King David Hotel, Jerusalem

Reception organized by the American Consulate General in honor of visiting Members of the Congress of the United States of America.

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Peter Deutsch, Representative; Jerrold Nadler, Representative; Barney Frank, Representative; Gary Ackerman, Representative; Ileana Ros-Lehtinen, Representative; Daniel C. Kurtzer, US Ambassador, Tel Aviv; Ronald L. Schlicher, US Consul General, Jerusalem. 9 January 2002, PASSIA <u>Participant(s)</u>: Judith Belinfant, Member of the Netherlands Parliament; Mark Singleton, The Netherlands Representative Office, Ramallah.

9 January 2002, American Colony Hotel, Jerusalem Working Lunch organized by the USAID Mission, Tel Aviv *Participant(s):* Tim Reiser, Paul Grove, Senate Staff members; Larry Garber, USAID Mission, Tel Aviv.

10 January 2002, PASSIA <u>Participant(s):</u> Nader Al-A'aser, Egyptian Diplomat, Egyptian Embassy,Tel Aviv.

12 January 2002, PASSIA <u>Participant(s):</u> René Acquarone, Chief UNRWA Liaison Office, Geneva, Switzerland.

16 January 2002, PASSIA Participant(s): Larry Garber, USAID Mission, Tel Aviv.

19 January 2002, American Colony Hotel, Jerusalem Working Dinner <u>Participant(s):</u> Hanlie Booysen, Head, South African Representative Office, Ramallah.

22 January 2002, PASSIA <u>Participant(s):</u> Mohammed Abdel Ahad, UNFPA Representative, UNFPA, Jerusalem.

22 January 2002, PASSIA <u>Participant(s)</u>: Lavinia Jahshan; Fr. Joachim Schroedel, Rector, German Catholic Mission in the Middle East.

22 January 2002, PASSIA <u>Participant(s):</u> Nader Al-A'aser, Egyptian Embassy, Tel Aviv.

22 January 2002, PASSIA <u>Participant(s):</u> Martha Myers, USAID Mission, Tel Aviv.

24 January 2002, PASSIA <u>Participant(s):</u> Eija Rotinen, Head, Representative Office of Finland, Ramallah.

24 January 2002, American Colony Hotel, Jerusalem Working Lunch <u>Participant(s):</u> Catharina Kipp, Swedish Consul General; Elinore Hammarsjkold, Deputy, Swedish Consulate General, Jerusalem.

25 January 2002, PASSIA

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Prof. Roger Fisher, President, Conflict Management Group, and President, Harvard Law School; Liz McClintock, Director of Programs, Conflict Management Group; Sonja Rauschulz, Program Manager, Conflict Management Group; Landrum Bolling, Mercy Corps International; Issa Kasassiyeh, Jerusalem Task Force, Orient House; Amjad 'Atallah, Legal Advisor, Negotiations Department, Ramallah; Anis 'Anani, Policy Advisor, Negotiations Department, Ramallah.

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5 February 2002, American Colony Hotel, Jerusalem Working Dinner organized by the British Consulate General, Jerusalem. <u>Participant(s)</u>: Delegation of the Foreign and Commonwealth Office, U.K., Middle East and North Africa Research Group: Greg Shapland; Hannah Carter; Angus McKee, Research Analyst; Janet Gunn, Research Counselor.

10 February 2002, American Colony Hotel, Jerusalem

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Francois Loncle, Head, Foreign Affairs Committee, French Parliament, France, Jean Bernard Raymond; Deputy, France; Denis Pietton, French Consul General, Jerusalem; Nadia Sartawi, Protocol and Public Relations Department, Palestinian Legislative Council, Ramallah; Munther Dajani, Al-Quds University, Jerusalem

10 February 2002, PASSIA

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Kazuhiro Higashi, First Middle East Division, in charge of the Palestinian Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Tokyo; Hitoshi Nakamura, Deputy Head, Japanese Representative Office to the PA, Gaza.

11 February 2002, American Colony Hotel, Jerusalem

Working Lunch

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Eija Rotinen, Head, Representative Office of Finland, Ramallah; Juhani Hyotylainen, Military Attaché, Finland.

11 February 2002, Residence of the German Representative, Beit Hanina.

Working Dinner

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Wolfgang Vorwerk, Head, Near East Division, Federal Foreign Office, Berlin; Andreas Reinicke, Head, Representative Office of Germany, Ramallah; Michael Ohnmacht, Head, Cultural and Protocol Dept., Political Affairs Officer, Representative Office of Germany, Ramallah; 'Abed 'Alloun, Preventive Security Officer, Jericho.

14 February 2002, PASSIA <u>Participant(s)</u>: Catharina Kipp, Consul General, Swedish Consulate, Jerusalem; Leo D'aes, Consul General, Belgium Consulate, Jerusalem.

19 February 2002, PASSIA <u>Participant(s)</u>: Larry Garber, USAID Mission, Tel Aviv.

20 February 2002, PASSIA Participant(s): Michael Baumann, German Embassy, Tel Aviv.

20 February 2002, French Consulate General, West Jerusalem Working Lunch <u>Participant(s)</u>: Denis Pietton, Consul General; Odile Roussel, Deputy Consul; Ludovic Pouille; Mathias Vicherat, French Consulate General, Jerusalem.

25 February 2002, PASSIA <u>Participant(s)</u>: Anne Latendresse, Professor of Geography, University of Quebec, Canada.

26 February 2002, PASSIA <u>Participant(s)</u>: Lee Tae-Sik, Korean Ambassador, Korean Embassy, Tel Aviv.



26 February 2002, the Swedish Theological Institute, Jerusalem

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Johan Brisman, Swedish Consulate; Mari Mörth, Swedish Women's Organization; Hilde Lausund, Norwegian Representative Office; Margoth Sonnebo, Diakonia; Arne Jor, Norwegian Representative Office; Jeanette Lundburg; Anne Bruzelius, Swedish Consulate; Andreas Hedstrem, SIRA; Anna Linoeryd, SIRA; Arne Christianson, SIRA; Ingrid Odquist, YWCA; Tom Kaufmann, Swedish Theological Institute; Gustaf Odquist, Swedish Theological Institute.

27 February 2002, PASSIA

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Steve Hibbard, Head, Canadian Representative Office, Ramallah; Nidal Ismail, Commercial and Public Affairs Officer, Canadian Representative Office, Ramallah

3 March 2002, PASSIA

Participant(s): Nader Al-A'aser, Consul, Egyptian Embassy, Tel Aviv.

6 March 2002, PASSIA

<u>*Participant(s)*</u>: Edith Houston, Democracy and Governance Office Director, USAID Mission, Tel Aviv.

6 March 2002, PASSIA <u>Participant(s):</u> Takeshi Okubo, Head, Japanese Representative Office to the PA, Gaza.

10 March 2002, PASSIA

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Donald C. Sinclair, Director General, Middle East and North Africa, Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade, Canada; Steve Hibbard, Head, Canadian Representative Office, Ramallah.

10 March 2002, American Colony Hotel, Jerusalem

Working Dinner

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Eija Rotinen, Head, Representative Office of Finland, Ramallah; Pasi Patokallio, Ambassador of Finland, Tel Aviv; Markus Lyra, Director General, Political Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Finland; Kari Veijalainen, Director, Middle East and North Africa, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Finland; Maria Serenius, Deputy Director General, Africa and the Middle East, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Finland.

10 March 2002, PASSIA <u>Participant(s):</u> Nader Al-A'aser, Consul, Egyptian Embassy, Tel Aviv.

13 March 2002, PASSIA

<u>Participant(s):</u> Shimba Kazuya, Member of the House of Councilors, Japan; Nakamura, Deputy Head, Japanese Representative Office, Gaza.

17 March 2002, PASSIA

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Delegation of the National Association of World Affairs Councils (NAWAC), Washington D.C., USA: Jerry Leach, National President; Ellen Brennan-Galvin, Fellow, Woodrow Wilson Center; Betty Crowder, National Treasurer; Donna Evans, Executive Director; Elaine Garbe, Program Director; Niki McCuiston, President, Foundation for Responsible Television; Jeffrey Merkley, Executive Director; Shannon Radford, Program Director; David Shtulman, Director.

8 April 2002, American Colony Hotel, Jerusalem Participant(s): Larry Garber, USAID Mission, Tel Aviv. Annual Report 2002 -

9 April 2002, PASSIA

Participant(s): Takeshi Okubo, Head, Japanese Representative Office, Gaza.

12 April 2002, PASSIA <u>Participant(s):</u> Nader Al-A'aser, Consul, Egyptian Embassy, Tel Aviv.

15 April 2002, PASSIA

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Rebecca Haessig, Program Officer, Middle East and North Africa, National Democratic Institute for International Affairs (NDI), Washington DC, USA.

22 April 2002, PASSIA

Participant(s): Cho Koo-Rae, Second Secretary, Korean Embassy, Tel Aviv.

24 April 2002, PASSIA

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Peter Lundberg, Vice Consul, Swedish Consulate General; Eva Asplund, Director, Department of Human Assistance and Cooperation with NGOs, SIDA; Svante Lundberg, Head, Division for Cooperation with NGOs, SIDA; Barbro Wiberg, Desk Officer, Humanitarian Assistance, Middle East Section, SIDA.

28 April 2002, PASSIA

Participant(s): International Labour Organization (ILO) Delegation, Geneva:

Don Skerrett, Director, Office of the Director-General, and Director of Operations; Philippe Egger, Senior Economist, Decent Work Pilot Program; Samir Radwan, Adviser to the Director-General on Development Policies and Counsellor on Arab Countries; Giovanni di Cola, Program Coordinator Universitas; Friedrich Buttler, Assistant Director-General, Regional Director for Europe and Central Asia; Khaled Doudine, Representative, ILO, Jerusalem.

29 April 2002, PASSIA

<u>Participant(s):</u> Members of Parliament of Canada – "Friends of Israel Delegation" Joe McGuire; Stan Dromisky; Monique Guay; Yolande Thibeault; Andy Scott; Bev Desjarlais; Dennis Mills; Colin Kenny; Senator; Jacques Saada; John Harvard; Carolyn Bennett; Raymond Setlakwe, Senator; Richard Kroft, Senator; Jack Austin, Senator; Caroline St. Hilaire; Richard Marlean; Antoine Dubé, Deputy; Francine Laconde, Deputy; Anita Neville; Jason Kenney; MauriceVellacott; Pat Martin; Jim Peterson; Lorna Milne; James Rajotte; Monte Solberg; Albina Guarnicri.

29 April 2002, Ambassador Hotel, Jerusalem

Meeting with Amnesty International Secretary General Irene Khan. Attended by: Fadi Hidmi

29 April 2002, Residence of the Head of the German Representative Office, Beit Hanina Working Dinner

Participant(s): German Members of Parliament, Green Party, Berlin

Kerstin Müller, Member of the German Bundestag, Party whip of the Alliance 90/the greens; Jörn Böhme, Coordinator Working Committee IV, Foreign Policy, Human Rights, Disarmamen, Party whip of the Alliance 90/the greens; Christian Sterzing, Member of the German Bundestag; Andreas Reinicke, Head, German Representative Office, Ramallah.

30 April 2002, PASSIA

<u>Participant(s):</u> Nobuhiko Suto, Member, House of Representatives, and Director, Committee on Foreign Affairs, Tokyo, Japan.



I May 2002, PASSIA

Participant(s): Greek Delegation in Solidarity with Palestine: Pissias Evangelos, Professor and Vaselios Lampzopouloos, Associate Professor, from the Technology Education Institute of Athens; Michalis Tiktopoulos, Civil Engineer; Karalis Sotiris, Civil Engineer; Imad Khatib, Director General, Palestine Academy for Science and Technology, Ramallah; Irene Akra, Public and International Relations Officer, Palestine Academy for Science and Technology, Ramallah.

6 May 2002, PASSIA <u>Participant(s):</u> Nader Al-A'aser, Consul, Egyptian Embassy, Tel Aviv.

7 May 2002, PASSIA

Participant(s): Takeshi Okubo, Head, Representative Office of Japan, Gaza.

7 May 2002, PASSIA

<u>Participant(s)</u>: David Price, Congressman, US Congress, South Carolina; Matthew Keene, Political Officer, Jerusalem.

10 May 2002, PASSIA <u>Participant(s)</u>: Basma Kadamani, Emma Playfair, Ford Foundation, Cairo, Egypt.

10 May 2002, PASSIA <u>Participant(s):</u> René Acquarone, Liaison Officer, UNRWA, Geneva.

10 May 2002, PASSIA Working Lunch <u>Participant(s)</u>: Catharina Kipp, Swedish Consul General, Jerusalem.

10 May 2002, Ambassador Hotel, Jerusalem

<u>Participant(s)</u>: European Parliamentary Delegation representing various parties: Lahssaini Fouad, Belgium; Margie Sudre, France; Leen Laenens, Belgium; Renee Wagener, Belgium; Jill Evan, UK; Eurig Wyn, UK; Geraint Davies, UK; Zouania Fouad, France; Fatiha Saidi, Belgium; Alima Boumediene, France. <u>Palestinian Participant(s)</u>: Claudette Habash, Caritas, Jerusalem; Arjan El-Fassed, LAW Society, Jerusalem; Mahdi Abdul Hadi, PASSIA, Jerusalem. <u>Israeli Participant(s)</u>: Yehudit Elkana, CWJP, Jerusalem; Judith Warschawski, CWJP, Jerusalem; Rachel Amram, WCJP, Jerusalem. <u>Caritas</u>: Caritas Representatives: Nelson Viola Caritas Internationalis, Vatican; Geri Sicola, Caritas, USA; Jean Guy Hamelin, Caritas, Canada.

13 May 2002, PASSIA <u>Participant(s):</u> Michael Baumann, Counsel, German Embassy, Tel Aviv.

14 May 2002, PASSIA <u>Participant(s):</u> Ron Muyzert, Head, Netherlands Representative Office, Ramallah.

21 May 2002, PASSIA <u>Participant(s):</u> Eija Rotinen, Head, Finnish Representative Office, Ramallah.

22 May 2002, PASSIA <u>Participant(s):</u> Monik Beauregard, National Defense Department, Canada; Patrick Dennis, Canadian Defense Attaché, Canadian Embassy, Tel Aviv.

22 May 2002, PASSIA <u>Participant(s):</u> Larry Garber, Country Director, USAID Mission, Tel Aviv.

24 May 2002, PASSIA

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Ian Howard-Williams, Senior Humanitarian Specialist, Conflict and Humanitarian Affairs Department, Department for International Development (DFID), UK; Yvonne Rademacher, Africa I Section, Humanitarian Emergency Branch, Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs, United Nations, New York.

28 May 2002, Askadinya Restaurant, Jerusalem Working Dinner <u>Participant(s):</u> Richard Burden, MP, House of Commons, UK; Jeremy Cotlyn, MP, House of Commons, UK; David Martin, Director, The British Council, Jerusalem.

29 May 2002. PASSIA

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Deborah E. Bodlander, Republican professional staff member, Committee on International Relations, US House of Representatives, Washington DC; Alan Makovsky, Democrat professional staff member, Committee on International Relations, US House of Representatives, Washington DC; Elizabeth Sallies, Political Officer, US Consulate General, Jerusalem.

2 June 2002, PASSIA

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Canadian Solidarity Organization Delegation:Alternatives, Quebec: Monique Simard; Judy Rebick; Aaron Mate; Sabine Friesinger; Asseil Ben Jamil.

3 June 2002, PASSIA

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Marc Gopin, Visiting Associate Professor of International Diplomacy, Senior Researcher, Institute for Human Security, The Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, Tufts University, Medford; Joseph V. Montville, Director, Preventive Diplomacy Program, Center for Strategic & International Studies (CSIS), Washington DC.

15 June 2002, PASSIA

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Greg Mills, National Director, the South African Institute of International Affairs, Johannesburg; Tim Hughes, Parliamentary Research Fellow, the South African Institute of International Affairs, Cape Town; Hanlie Booysen, Acting Head, South African Representative Office, Ramallah.

24 June 2002, PASSIA <u>Participant(s)</u>: Nader Al-A'aser, Counsel, Egyptian Embassy, Tel Aviv.

25 June 2002, PASSIA <u>Participant(s)</u>: Steve Hibbard, Canadian Representative Office to the PA, Ramallah.

25 June 2002, PASSIA

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Mark Singleton, Head of Development Cooperation Department The Netherlands Representative Office, Ramallah.

25 June 2002, PASSIA Participant(s): Dr. Marin Albo, Head, Romanian Representative Office to the PA, Ramallah.

26 June 2002

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Franco La Torre, Responsible for Mediterranean Activities, Ecomed, Italy; Gianfranco Brusasco, Friendship Association for Dialogue, Italy, Sheikh Jamil Hamami.

28 June 2002, American Colony Hotel, Jerusalem Working Dinner <u>Participant(s)</u>: Catharina Kipp, Swedish Consul General, Jerusalem.

28 June 2002, American Colony Hotel, Jerusalem Working Dinner <u>Participant(s)</u>:Aziz Pahad, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Pretoria; I Mogotsi, Director, Middle East, Department of Foreign Affairs, Pretoria; Hanlie Booysen, Acting Head, South African Representative Office to the PA, Ramallah.

3 July 2002, PASSIA, Jerusalem Working Lunch *Participant(s)*: Andreas Reinicke, Head, Representative Office of Germany, Ramallah.

6 July 2002, PASSIA <u>Participant(s):</u> Salim Lone, Director, News and Media Division Department of Public Information, United Nations, US.

7 July 2002, PASSIA <u>Participant(s):</u> Nader Al-A'aser, Counsul, Egyptian Embassy, Tel Aviv.

9 July 2002, PASSIA <u>Participant(s):</u> Larry Garber, Country Director, USAID Mission, Tel Aviv; Martha Myers, USAID Mission, Tel Aviv.

13 July 2002, PASSIA

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Fayaz Manji, Program Officer, Peace-building & Human Security Division, Department of Foreign Affairs & International Trade, Ottawa; Georges Whalen, Political & Commercial Affairs, Representative Office of Canada, Ramallah.

18 July 2002, PASSIA <u>Participant(s):</u> Peter Erben, EU Facts Finding Mission for Election; Terry Bullata, Jil Al-Jadid School, Women Studies Center, Jerusalem.

18 July 2002, PASSIA <u>Participant(s)</u>: Luci Merie; James Michel, Consultant in International Development Cooperation, USA.

24 July 2002, PASSIA <u>Participant(s)</u>: Members of the British Parliament, UK: Gillian Shephard, MP and ex-member of Cabinet; Richard Bacon, MP; Nick Gibb, MP; Hugh Robertson, MP; Angela Watkinson, MP; Stuart Black, ECO; Andrew Whittaker, British Consulate.

29 July 2002, PASSIA

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Delegation of Canadian Parliamentary Executive Assistants:Tanis Gilbert; Laurie Scott; Adam Dubroy; David Cooper; Mark Buzan; Patrick St-Jacques; Rob Moore; Roy Rempel; Georges Whalen, Representative Office of Canada, Ramallah; Steve Hibbard, Head, Representative Office of Canada, Ramallah.

24 July 2002, PASSIA <u>Participant(s):</u> Michael Baumann, German Embassy, Tel Aviv. 30 July 2002, PASSIA

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Ron Pundik, Director, Peres Peace Center, Tel Aviv; Meron Rapoport, Yediot Ahronot newspaper.

I August 2002, PASSIA <u>Participant(s):</u> Edward McGlynn Gaffney, Jr., Professor of Law, Valparaiso University, USA.

5 August, 2002, PASSIA <u>Participant(s):</u> Nader Al-A'aser, Consul, Egyptian Embassy, Tel Aviv.

5 August, 2002, PASSIA Participant(s): Asher Susser, Director, Moshe Dayan Center, Tel Aviv.

6 August, PASSIA <u>Participant(s)</u>: Keijo Ruokoranta, Head, Representative Office of Finland, Ramallah.

7 August 2002, PASSIA <u>Participant(s)</u>: Piotr Balcerowicz, Professor.

12 August 2002, PASSIA Participant(s): Eisuke Naramoto, Hosei University, Tokyo, Japan.

15 August 2002, PASSIA <u>Participant(s):</u>Susan Collin Marks, Executive Vice President, Search for Common Ground, Jerusalem

19 August 2002, PASSIA <u>Participant(s):</u> Takeshi Okubo, Head, Japanese Representative Office, Gaza.

20 August 2002, PASSIA <u>Participant(s)</u>: Asher Susser, Director, Moshe Dayan Center, Tel Aviv.

21 August 2002, PASSIA <u>Participant(s)</u>: Charles Hunter; Suzan Nammari, Public Affairs Office, US Consulate General, West Jerusalem.

22 August 2002, PASSIA <u>Participant(s)</u>: Elizabeth Sallies, Political Officer, US Consulate General, West Jerusalem.

28 August, 2002 <u>Participant(s</u>):Ann Move Henrik Lundberg, Swedish Consulate General, Jerusalem; Henrik Lundberg, Analyst, Swedish Armed Forces Headquarters, Sweden.

29 August 2002, PASSIA <u>Participant(s):</u> Rebecca Haessig, Program Officer, National Democratic Institute (NDI).

4 September 2002, PASSIA Meeting with a group of writers and novelists: <u>Participant(s)</u>: Naomi Wallace, England; Betty Shamieh, USA; Tuny Kushner, USA; Abdel Fattah Abu Srour, Assistant Professor; Kia Corthron, USA; Robert O'Hara, USA.

6 September 2002, American Colony, Jerusalem Working Lunch Participant(s): Edith Houston, USAID Mission, Tel Aviv. 14 September 2002, PASSIA <u>Participant(s):</u> René Aquarone, Chief UNRWA, Liaison Office, Geneva, Switzerland.

15 September 2002, PASSIA, Jerusalem <u>Participant(s):</u> Nader Al-A'aser, Consul, Egyptian Embassy, Tel Aviv.

17 September, PASSIA, Jerusalem <u>Participant(s)</u>: Mark Allen, Political Relations, Israel, West Bank & Gaza, UN Affairs, Middle East Division, Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade, Canada; Alistair Wallbaun, Canadian Representative Office, Ramallah.

17 September, PASSIA, Jerusalem <u>Participant(s)</u>: Adnan Husseini, Head, Islamic Waqf Office, Old City, Jerusalem; Nader Al-A'aser, Consul, Egyptian Embassy, Tel Aviv.

30 September 2002, PASSIA <u>Participant(s)</u>: Nader Al-A'aser, Consul, Egyptian Embassy, Tel Aviv.

1 October 2002, PASSIA <u>Participant(s)</u>: Keijo Ruokaranta, Head, Representative Office of Finland, Ramallah; Kimmo Kiljunen, Member of Parliament, Finland; Hannele Järvinen, a Specialist in Education, Finland.

3 October 2002, PASSIA Participant(s) Geoffrey Bills, US Consulate General, Jerusalem.

8 October 2002, Residence of the Head of the Netherlands Representative Office, Jerusalem <u>Participant(s)</u>: Karel de Beer, Deputy Secretary General, Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Netherlands; Ron Muyzert, Head, Netherlands Representative Office, Ramallah; Etty Villanueva.

9 October 2002, PASSIA <u>Participant(s)</u>: Steve Hibbard, Head, Canadian Representative Office, Ramallah.

5 November 2002, PASSIA <u>Participant(s):</u> Greg Chapland, British Ministry of Foreign Affairs, London; Jumana Al-Ja'ouni, British Consulate, Jerusalem.

7 November 2002, PASSIA Participant(s): Niall Holohan, Head, Representative Office of Ireland, Ramallah.

9 November 2002, PASSIA <u>Participant(s)</u>: Nader Al-A'aser, Egyptian Consul, Egyptian Embassy Tel Aviv.

11 November 2002, PASSIA <u>Participant(s):</u> Michael Baumann, German Embassy, Tel Aviv.

13 November 2002, PASSIA <u>Participant(s):</u> Carsten Meyer-Wiefhausen, First Secretary, Palestine Desk, German Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Berlin; Michael Ohnmacht, Head of Political Department, German Representative Office, Ramallah.

13 November, PASSIA <u>Participant(s):</u> Laszló Féhérvari, Head, Representative Office of Hungary, Ramallah. Annual Report 2002 -

4 December 2002, PASSIA <u>Participant(s)</u>: Hanlie Booysen, Head, South African Representative Office, Ramallah.

4 December 2002, PASSIA <u>Participant(s)</u>: Neil Weiner, National Strategy Review, USA.

10 December 2002, PASSIA <u>Participant(s):</u> Geoffrey Bills, US Consulate, Jerusalem.

23 December, PASSIA <u>Participant(s)</u>: Emmanuel Rasoulis, Greek journalist and writer.

28 December, PASSIA <u>Participant(s)</u>: Terry Mckay, Department of Peace Studies, University of Bradford.

Forum

See under Jerusalem.

Jerusalem

Introduction

Ever since its foundation in 1987, the Question of Jerusalem has been a primary focus of PASSIA's activities. Besides hosting meetings, projects include academic research, documentation, publication and cooperation with other institutions to increase both awareness and knowledge concerning the various aspects of the Holy City.

Over the years, Palestinian, Israeli, and foreign speakers from a variety of backgrounds (including scholars and academics, representatives from the three monotheistic religions, political figures, diplomats and visiting scholars or researchers) have been invited to give presentations and encourage debate on the issues at hand.

PASSIA projects intend to facilitate the exchange of information, to identify various needs and interests in the city and to encourage the development of possible future scenarios. These goals, in turn, have led to the discussion of a broad range of topics, including infrastructure, demographic and geopolitical issues, settlements and land use, 'absentee property', the Old City, religion and religious affiliation with the city, Israeli institutions and the Israeli Municipality, and future scenarios for the status of the city.

Meetings on Jerusalem

(for meetings focusing on religious aspects see the Religious Studies Unit chapter)

29 January 2002, PASSIA

The Multi-Sector Review (MSR) Project for Jerusalem

<u>Speaker(s):</u> Dr. Rafiq Husseini, Chair of the Steering Committee, MSR Dr. Varsen Aghabekian, MSR Project Manager

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Wassef Daher, Vice President, Jerusalem Chamber of Commerce, Jerusalem; Mark Singleton, Deputy Head, Netherlands Representative Office, Ramallah; Ahmet Tuta, Deputy Consul, Turkish Consulate General, Jerusalem; Pablo Sanz, Deputy Consul, Spanish Consulate General, Jerusalem; Elinor Hammarskjold, Deputy Consul, Swedish Consulate General, Jerusalem; Fouad Hallak, Database manager, Jerusalem; Meejeong Hong, lecturer, Kyunghee University, Korea; Eija Rotinen, Head, Representative Office of Finland, Ramallah; Hanlie Booysen, Head, Representative Office of South Africa, Ramallah; Carol El-Jabari, Director, Patient's Friends Society, Jerusalem; Hassan Al-Qiq, Engineer, Jerusalem; Ibrahim Sha'ban, Attorney, Jerusalem; Valerie Brownridge, Deputy Consul, British Consulate General, Jerusalem; 'Issa Kassissieh, Jerusalem Task Force, Orient House, Jerusalem; Georges Whalen, Representative Office of Canada, Ramallah; Nader El-Aaser, Consul, Egyptian Embassy, Tel Aviv; Catherine Nichols, Sabeel, Jerusalem; Nora Carmi, Sabeel, Jerusalem; Wolfgang Lapuh, Head, Austrian Representative Office, Ramallah.



25 May 2002, PASSIA Jerusalem – Crisis and Current Opportunities

<u>Speaker:</u> Daniel Seidemann,Advocate, Jerusalem <u>Participant(s)</u>: George Hiukian, Historian, Advisor, The Swedish Center; Abdel Rahman Abu Arafeh, Arab Thought Forum; Hatem Abdel Qader, PLC member; Nader AL-'Aaser, Egyptian Consul; Hanna Siniora, The Jerusalem Times; Sam'an Khoury, Palestinian Media Center; Samia Khoury, Rawdat Az-Zuhour School; Terry Boullata,Women's Studies Center; Fadia D'aibes, PhD Researcher; Dimitri Diliani,Al-Quds University; Khuloud Khayyat Dajani, Social Health Dept., Al-Quds University; Mustafa Abu Sway, Al-Quds University.







PASSIA Forum

4 September 2002, Ambassador Hotel, Jerusalem
 Jerusalem: From Impasse to Prospects
 Speaker(s): Manuel Hassassian, Political Scientist, Bethlehem University
 Nazmi Al-Jubeh, Department of History, Birzeit University
 Daniel Seidemann, Attorney, Jerusalem
 Menachem Klein, Bar Ilan University, Jerusalem Institute of Israel Studies



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Workshops & Conferences

11 April 2002, YWCA, Jerusalem

A Palestinian Vision on Jerusalem

Lecture by: Dr. Mahdi Abdul Hadi

<u>Participant(s)</u>: International Friends of Sabeel for the week 6-13 April 2002, Sabeel International Solidarity Visit

8-13 September 2002, University of Mainz, Germany **First World Congress for Middle Eastern Studies (WOCMES)** <u>Organized by</u>: Centre for Research on the Arab World (CERAW), Institute of Geography, University of Mainz.

10 September 2002: The Question of Jerusalem Panel introduced and chaired by Mahdi Abdul Hadi, PASSIA Part 1: What is Jerusalem Today?
Nazmi Al-Ju'beh, Birzeit University, and Daniel Seideman, Attorney, Jerusalem
Part 2: Negotiating Jerusalem
Manuel Hassassian, Bethlehem University, and Menachem Klein, Jerusalem Institute for Israel Studies

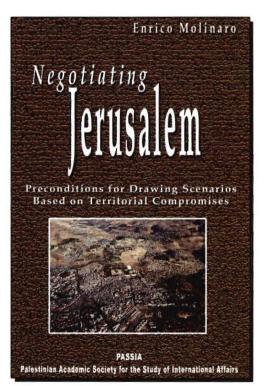
Research

From its establishment in 1987, PASSIA's activities focused much attention on the many aspects of the Jerusalem Question and related research, publication and dissemination of information. (For a full list of publication related to Jerusalem please see PASSIA's homepage at http://www.passia.org).

Negotiating Jerusalem – Preconditions for Drawing Scenarios Based on Territorial Compromises

by Enrico Molinaro April 2002 (English, 127 pages)

The author introduces and describes in detail two models of collective identity to explain why Israel and the PLO have decided to exclude from the framework of the interim peace agreements the discussion over the highly sensitive and strategic issue of lerusalem until the beginning of the permanent status negotiations. The first model, the territorial / national approach, emphasizes the special importance of lerusalem as the national capital for two warring parties. The second model follows a universalist-religious approach, stressing |erusalem's significance as a spiritual center for Christians, Jews and Muslims throughout the world. The author further discusses problems of terminology and suggest creative proposals for the negotiators.



Another major activity in 2002 was the completion of maps on Jerusalem as part of a larger project, entitled *Palestine in Maps – 1878-2002* (see under research program for details). A special section of the book is devoted to Jerusalem, presenting a series of maps that give the essential geographical detail of the many plans and proposals for the city, as well as its changing status and character.

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Religious Studies Unit

Introduction

Interfaith matters and religious issues have always had a special place in PASSIA's regular meeting program, and having realized the increasing need for better understanding between the various religious communities, in early 1998, PASSIA decided to establish a *Religious Study Unit* devoted to inter-religious dialogue and activities. The unit's work focuses on the role and significance of religion for different people and tries to promote understanding of, and respect for, others in order to address this religious diversity. Subjects discussed include the causes and consequences of problems within and between the established religious communities that contribute to the elimination of misconceptions and stereotypes.

The PASSIA Religious Studies Unit combines the following activities, some of which are held 'off the record' to allow for the frankest exchange and debates possible:

Coordinating Meetings and Briefings: Meetings and brainstorming sessions involving members of PASSIA's Religious Studies Unit and local and foreign counterparts/project partners from the three monotheistic religions with the aim of fostering coordination of ongoing and future activities.

Dialogue Sessions and Roundtables: Meetings with representatives from one or more of the three monotheistic religions, which usually include a guest speaker presenting a certain topic related to inter- or intra-religious issues followed by a discussion.

Seminars and Workshops: Encounters on a specific topic, involving either members of the three monotheistic religions or only representatives of the Christian or Muslim community. These seminars and workshops are intended to help participants to find common ground and to allow different religions to work in harmony and on an equal footing.

Conferences: Participation in conferences, here and abroad, that deal with aspects of religion, belief and interfaith relations, or foster an open and free debate on religious issues and aspects as they concern the people in the Holy Land.

Publication: Documentation and publication of research studies or proceed-ings from meetings/seminars.

Activities of the Religious Studies Unit in 2002 were all attended by Dr. Mahdi Abdul Hadi, Head of PASSIA; they included the following (presented in the following order: date; place; topic; speaker; participants):

Coordinating Meetings and Briefings

4 March 2002, PASSIA

The Greek Orthodox Patriarchy of Jerusalem and the Israeli Media <u>Participant(s)</u>: Archimandrite Atallah Hanna, Greek Orthodox Patriarchate, Jerusalem

4 April 2002, PASSIA

Assessment of Dialogue Efforts Among Religious Forums in Palestine

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Georges Lemopoulos, General Secretary, World Council of Churches (WCC), Geneva; Salpy Eskidjian, International Relations Program Executive, WCC, Geneva; Sheikh Jamil Hamami, Council of Waqf and Islamic Affairs, Jerusalem.

12 April 2002, PASSIA **The Siege of the Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem** Participant(s): Lilian Peters, Quakers, Jordan.

22 June 2002, PASSIA

The Three Monotheistic Faiths and the Question of Jerusalem

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Quaker Middle East Working Party: Kathy Bergen, Canada; Tony Bing, USA; Max Carter, USA; Helena Cobban, USA; Jim Fine, USA; Deborah Gerner, USA; Stephanie Krayer, UK; Jim Matlack, USA; Rick McCutcheon, Canada; Mmereko Emily Mnisi, South Africa; Ron Mock, USA; Hilda Silverman, USA; Zoharah Simmons, USA; Jean Zaru, Palestine; Lilian Peters, Quakers Representative in the Middle East; Sheikh Jamil Hamami.

20 August 2002, PASSIA

The Concept of Shaheed in Islam

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Catholic Relief Services Delegation (TheVisitor Outreach Program): Kia Fisher; Glen R. Sears; Matthew Breman; Robin Gulick; Ranya Ghuma; Peter Sulyok; Frederick McGay; Leah Hrachovec; Jane L. Lorenzo; Reverend Sandra Olewine; David P. Young; Douglas Dicks; Margo Sabella.

5 October 2002, PASSIA

Jewish Rabbis' Suggestions for Dialogue

Participant(s): Reverend Doctor David Neuhaus, Pontifical Biblical Institute.

7 October 2002, PASSIA

The Question of Jerusalem Since the Corpus Separatum of 1947

<u>Participant(s)</u>: A Delegation of the Presbyterian Church USA: Reverend Dr. Fahed Abu Akel, Moderator, 214th General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church; Mary Zumot, Professor and wife of the moderator; Rev. Dr.Victor Makari, Area Coordinator, Office of the Middle East; David Young, Photographer; Alexa Smith, Journalist; Doug Fletcher, Minister; Ross Turner, PC Young Adult Volunteer; Sarah Lisherness, Coordinator, Presbyterian Peacemaking Program; Donald Smith, Director of Regional Ministries.

28 October 2002, PASSIA

The Islamic Factions in Palestine - Ideology and Reality

<u>*Participant(s):*</u> Group from the Presbytery of Greater Atlanta, USA: Kirby Lawrence Hill; Charles R. Hughes, Jr.; Sarah Humphrey; Walton C. Bryde; Elnor Holcombe.

5 November 2002, Latin Patriarchate, Old City, Jerusalem

The Damascus Conference on Jerusalem (held later that month on 18 November 2002) <u>Participant(s)</u>: Michel Sabbah, Latin Patriarch, Jerusalem

Dialogue Sessions and Roundtables

I May 2002, PASSIA

The Concept of Shaheed (Martyr) in the Christian Faith

<u>Speaker(s)</u>: Fr. Joachim Schroedel, Rector, German Catholic Mission in the Middle East, Egypt

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Samia Khoury, Rawdat Az-Zuhour School; Laila Carmi, Commercial Attaché, French Consulate; Arvid Weinlich, Representative, German Association; Bettina Stelling, Physiotherapist, Caritas Baby Hospital of Bethlehem; Nora Carmi, Coordinator, Women's De-partment, Sabeel Institute; Fr. Afrym El Orosalemy, Coptic Orthodox Church; Elie Dibsy, Dentist; Sam'an Khoury, Palestine Media Center, Ramallah; Hanna Hallak, Physicist, Bethlehem, Langer, Samerak

Bethlehem University; Gustaf Õdquist, Lutheran Church; Bishop Munib Younan. Lutheran Church; Samir Bayyuk, British Pro-Consul; Bishop Riah Abu Al-Assal, Church: Anglican Yazeed Said. St. Georges' Cathedral; Judeh Majaj, General YMCA; Secretary. Fadia Daibes, PhD Researcher: Fadi Hidmi: Mahdi Abdul Hadi.





6 September 2002, Sabeel Center, Jerusalem **Religious Fundamentalism** Lecture by Dr. Mahdi Abdul Hadi

28 October 2002, PASSIA Yousef (Joseph) in the three Monotheristic Faiths

<u>Speaker(s)</u>: Muslim Perspective: Sheikh Salah Abu Arafeh, Al-Aqsa Mosque, Jerusalem Jewish Perspective: Rabbi Jeremy Milgrom, Rabbi, Jerusalem

Christian Perspective: Rev. David Neuhaus, *Pontifical Biblical Institute, Jerusalem* <u>Participant(s)</u>: Jean-Pierre Sternberger; Lucia Pizarro-Wehlen; Father Rafiq Khoury; Jamal Dajani; Muezz Nashashibi; Haytham Alami; Sheikh Jamil Hammami; Nader Al-'Asser; Nora Carmi; Abdel Wadud Tamimi; Mustafa Abu Sway; Baha'eddin Al-Bakri



12 December 2002

The Significance of Sufism in Algeria in the Aftermath of Independence <u>Speaker</u>: Dr.Sossie Andezian, Anthropologist, French National Centre for Scientific Research <u>Participant(s)</u>: Albert Aghazarian, Henry Longbotton, Hanlie Booysen, Fadia Daibes

Seminars and Workshops

26 February 2002, the Swedish Theological Institute, Jerusalem

<u>Participant(s):</u> Johan Brisman, Swedish Consulate; Mari Mörth, Swedish Women's Organization; Hilde Lausund, Norwegian Representative Office; Margoth Sonnebo, Diakonia;Arne Jor, Norwegian Representative Office; Jeanette Lundburg;Anne Bruzelius, Swedish Consulate; Andreas Hedstrem, SIRA; Anna Linoeryd, SIRA; Arne Christianson, SIRA; Ingrid Odquist, YWCA;Tom Kaufmann, Swedish Theological Institute; Gustaf Odquist, Swedish Theological Institute.

Conferences

7-8 June 2002, Rabat, Morocco The International Conference on the Protection of Islamic and Christian Holy Shrines in Palestine Organized by: The Islamic Educational. Scientific and Cultural Organization (ISESCO), Rabat



21-22 September 2002, Beirut **Evaluation Meeting for the Islamic-Christian Dialogue Team** <u>Organized by:</u> The Middle East Council of Churches, Lebanon

15-18 October 2002. Geneva, Switzerland

International Consultation on Christians and Muslims in Dialogue and Beyond Dr. Mahdi Abdul Hadi presented a lecture on The Palestinian-Israeli Conflict: Impact on the Region and Future Scenarios







Organized by: The World Council of Churches, Switzerland.

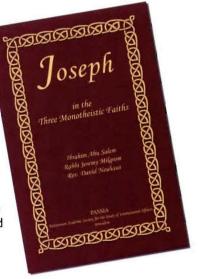
20-23 October 2002, Doha, Qatar **2002 Doha Conference on: "US Relations with the Islamic World"** <u>Organized by:</u> The Brookings Institution, Saban Center for Middle East Policy, Washington DC, USA

Publications

* Yousef (Joseph) in the three Monotheistic Faiths

by various contributors December 2002 (Arabic & English)

Compilation of three papers by a Muslim, a Christian and a Jewish scholar on the topic of Joseph. The papers were presented as part of the 2002 dialogue program of the Religious Studies Unit and were authored by Dr. Ibrahim Abu Salem, Rev. David Neuhaus, and Rabbi Jeremy Milgrom.



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Civil Society Empowerment

Training and Skills Development

Introduction

The PASSIA project *Civil Society Empowerment Through Training and Skills Development* was developed in 1997 against the background that Palestine presents a unique challenge for institution building and the establishment of an effective civil society, as a wide range of NGOs seek to achieve long-term and lasting objectives in an uncertain and dynamic environment. However, many of the key personnel in civil society organizations (CSOs) receive no formal training and there is an immense need to develop proper skills and capacities that will enable them to become more efficient.

The Program

PASSIA's Civil Society Empowerment project is thus designed to assist in the human resource and institutional development of nascent Palestinian infrastructures. It is primarily geared towards Palestinian civil society practitioners, but also addresses government personnel with specific responsibility for policy formulation and project implementation, as well as other professionals keen to enhance their analytical, planning and managerial skills.

Each seminar comprises of the following interrelated activities:

(a) Application and Selection of Participants. The training program is advertised in the local press with a three-week period for applications. Normally, the applicant holds a BA degree or its equivalent. Non-graduates with a relevant experience are also welcome to apply, as are new graduates with no working experience but with a serious interest in enhancing their skills. Applicants must be able to commit themselves full-time throughout the required period and to undertake preparatory reading and written work. A good knowledge of written and spoken English is essential. Applicants are then invited for interviews, on the basis of which the selection is made. In accordance with PASSIA's policy, the interviews and selection are conducted by an external interviewer.

- (b) Research and Preparation. Upon selection, participants are provided with a preparatory reading package containing materials that allow them to familiarize themselves with the basic issues in advance of the seminar. Furthermore, each participant is given a paper assignment to prepare for presentation during the training program.
- (c) Training. A five-day intensive training course with lectures on conceptual frameworks and functional skills given by local and international experts. Since the programs' primary aim is to impart practical skills, the seminars include activities that call on participants to actively employ the information they learn in their places of employment. The training course is followed by two follow-up workshops with the aim of linking the previous training to actual issues or real-world situations and of enhancing the skills of the participants, who prepare for the workshops by doing practical assignments. In 2002, due to the difficult situation on the ground, especially with regard to movement restrictions, PASSIA modified the course structure to a six-day seminar without follow-up workshops; the second assignments were handled via e-mail.
- (d) Conclusion. Participants who fulfill all requirements will receive a certificate for the course taken. PASSIA prepares the proceedings of the training program and publishes them in the form of a handbook.

In 2002, PASSIA held three training programs, one on Monitoring and Evaluation, one on Train the Trainer, and one on Strategic Management (details are described below).

Training Program on Monitoring and Evaluation

The Training Program on Monitoring and Evaluation was designed to meet the needs of employees (team/staff members) in civil society or other institutions whose responsibilities include include project planning, implementation and appraisal and who wish to enhance their skills in these fields.

The rationale for the PASSIA training program on *Monitoring and Evaluation* was the lack of use and knowledge of M&E tools and practices in Palestinian society. The course was thus designed to improve the overall capacity for efficient project management and implementation through the application of M&E techniques, including measurement of achievements, review processes, and appropriate information collection. Targeted were participants working in project planning and implementation whose responsibilities include monitoring, evaluation and project appraisal.

Following the selection of participants, the preparatory reading period commenced; each participant received a reading package containing assorted background articles that would enable him/her to become familiar with the concepts of the seminar beforehand.

The reading period included the preparation of a short paper assignment, with the following instructions:

The monitoring and evaluation training aims at building the skills of trainees in designing and implementing their own monitoring and evaluation tasks. Therefore, the theoretical training will be complemented with practical application. In preparation of the course, you are asked to carry out the following:

- 1. Select one of the projects you are currently managing or will be managing in the near future.
- 2. Complete the attached form (The form included questions regarding project background, output, objectives, strategies, activities, timeframe, etc. This task formed part of the course's goal to have each participant design a monitoring and evaluation plan for a project he/she selected).

The training program was originally to take place from 28 March–I April 2002 at PASSIA's seminar premises in Ramallah. However, it was the night between 28-29 March 2002 that Ramallah was invaded by Israeli occupation troops and closed off from the outside world. This, as well as the subsequent events made it impossible to implement the course as planned. The seminar was eventually held, slightly modified, from 25-28 July 2002 at the Claridge Hotel in Dahiet Al-Barid (a place located near the Ar-Ram checkpoint between Jerusalem and the West Bank that deemed to be the safest accessible venue for all given the circumstances on the ground).

The Lecture Program (28 March and 25-28 July 2002)

Thursday, 28 March 2002

9:30-10:30	Session 1: Opening session
	Welcoming Remarks Dr. Mahdi Abdul Hadi , Head of PASSIA
	- Ice breaking exercises - Review of training program - Introduction Khalid Nabris , Community Development Consultant, Jerusalem
10:30-1:00	Session 2:
	Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E) as an integral component of project planning & implementation process Review of the logical framework planning Indicators and Measures Khalid Nabris
1:00-2:00	Lunch

2:00-3:30	Session 3:
	Monitoring and Evaluation planning Khalid Nabris
3:30-4:15	Discussion of participants' tasks and assignments
4:15-4:30	Evaluation of the day



Thursday, 25 July 2002

9:30-10:15 Session I: Opening session

> Welcoming Address / Opening Remarks Dr. Mahdi Abdul Hadi, Head of PASSIA

- Ice breaking exercises Review of training program
- Introduction

Khalid Nabris, Consultant

Session 2: 10:15-1:00

- 1) Review of Day 1 training
- Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E) as an integral component
- of project planning & implementation process
- Review of the logical framework planning
- Indicators and Measures
- Monitoring and Evaluation planning
- Khalid Nabris

1:00-2:00 Lunch

2:00- 4:00 Session 3:

Monitoring tools, methods and procedures. Khalid Nabris

4:00- 4:30 Discussion of participants' tasks and assignments

Evaluation of the day

Friday, 26 July 2002

9:00-11:15 Session 4:

Monitoring tools, methods and procedures, contd. *Khalid Nabris*

11:15-11:30 Break

11:30-1:00 Session 5:

Evaluation types (process evaluation, impact evaluation, etc.) and evaluation models (pre and post evaluation, case control etc.) *Khalid Nabris*

- 1:00-2:00 Lunch
- 2:00-3:15 Session 6:

Baseline Data Survey (data collection, analysis and use) Khalid Nabris

- 3:15-4:15 Participants' tasks and assignments
- 4:15-4:30 Evaluation

Saturday, 27 July 2002

9:00-11:15 Session 7:

Qualitative methods (design, process, tools, data collection) Khalid Nabris

11:15-11:30 Break

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11:30-1:00	Session 8:
	Quantitative Methods (design, process, tools, data collection) <i>Khalid Nabri</i> s
1:00-2:00	Lunch
2:00-4:15	Session 9:
	- Data analysis and interpretation/ report writing - Using data for program/policy development <i>Khalid Nabri</i> s
4:15-4:30	Evaluation
5:30-7:30	Participants' tasks and assignments (Optional)



Sunday, 28 July 2002

9:00-11:30 Session 10:

Practical exercises (participants will work on designing their own evaluation plans) *Khalid Nabris*

11:30-11:45 Break

11:45-1:30 Session 11:

Presentation of plans (each participant will be given 7 minutes to present his/her plan and receive feedback) Khalid Nabris

- 1:30-2:15 Lunch
- 2:15-3:30 Session 12:

Final discussion, wrap-up and evaluation

The follow-up writing assignment requested from the participants to draft a complete monitoring and evaluation plan for a project they are involved with. Participants were given three weeks to complete the assignment.



The Participants (as of March 2002)

ABDALLAH, Manal - Ramallah

Project Coordinator, The Palestinian Center for Microprojects Development (PCMD), Dahiet Al-Barid, Jerusalem

ABDEL SALAM, Waddah - Nablus

Project Coordinator, Women's Affairs Technical Committee, Ramallah

AMRA, Mahmoud - Al-Bireh Head of School, Assistant to the Director, Friends' Boys School, Al-Bireh

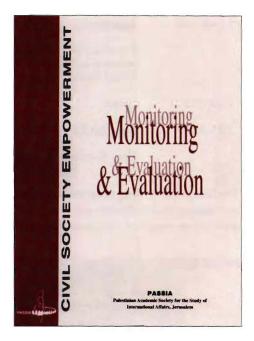
ANANI, Diana - Hebron Child/Youth Development Specialist, ANERA, Hebron

DUQMAQ, Nader - Beit Jala Monitoring & Evaluation Specialist, PARC, Ramallah

GHOSHEH, Amjad - Jerusalem Program Coordinator, YMCA, Ramallah

HASAN, Maha - Ramallah Assistant Country Director, AMIDEAST, Ramallah

KHOURY, George - Jerusalem Program Management Officer, UNDP, Jerusalem



MAHMOUD, Sufian - Bethlehem

Field Worker, Ministry of Planning and International Cooperation (MOPIC), and UNDP, Program of Assistance to the Palestinian People (PAPP)

MUHAISEN, Fida - Qalqilya Project Planner, Qalqilia Municipality, Qalqilia

NAMMOUR, Diana - Jerusalem Country Operations Assistant, UNDP, Jerusalem

NASSAR, Imad - Bethlehem Facilitator, Project Coordination and Appraisal, Wi'am, Bethlehem

NATSHEH, Hijazi - Ramallah Youth & Community Coordinator, Welfare Association, Jerusalem

SALEH, Sarah - Ramallah Monitoring & Reporting Officer, Save the Children, Jerusalem

SILWADI, Najwa - Ramallah Deputy Director and Social Work Instructor, Al-Quds University, Jerusalem

Training Program on Train the Trainer

The Train the Trainer program was designed against the background that there is a lack of professional indigenous trainers in Palestine and the corresponding need to create local capacity for training resources on a permanent basis. The course aimed at equipping a cadre of Palestinian practitioners with the necessary teaching practices involved in presenting and delivering training sessions in order to increase Palestinian sustainability by reducing the dependency on external trainers. Targeted were participants whose responsibilities include – or will include – a training/ teaching component.

Following the selection of participants, the preparatory reading period commenced and each participant was required to prepare a paper assignment, with the following instructions:

Select a training program that you have carried out recently or expect to carry out in the near future. Develop a plan for this training program covering the following:

I. Introduction

- Background information about the training in terms of need, situation, trainees, etc.

2. Training objectives

- Objectives to be achieved by the end of the training

3. Training methods and approaches

- Training style, philosophy, and approaches
- Training methods and activities

4. Training duration and schedule

- Number of training days; daily training schedule and sessions

5. Training requirements

- Logistical needs (tools, equipment, etc.)

6. Evaluation of the training

- Daily and end of training evaluation methods and approaches

7. Other considerations

Any other considerations that should be taken into account to facilitate the successful implementation of the training.

The training program took place from 19-24 September 2002 at the Claridge Hotel in Dahiet Al-Barid.

The Lecture Program

Thursday, 19 September 2002		
9:30-10:30	Session 1: Opening Session	
	Welcoming Address / Opening Remarks Dr. Mahdi Abdul Hadi , Head of PASSIA	
	- Ice breaking exercises - Review of training program - Introduction Khalid Nabris , Consultant, Jerusalem	
10:30-10:45	Break	
10:45-1:00	Session 2:	
	Adult Learning - Principles and Applications	
1:00-2:00	Lunch	
2:00- 4:15	Session 3:	
	Experiential Learning - Principles and Applications	
4:15- 4:30	Evaluation of the day	

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8:30-10:30	Session 4:
	Effective Communication
10:30-10:45	Break
10:45-1:00	Session 5:
	Team-Building
1:00-2:00	Lunch
2:00- 4:15	Session 6:
	Assessing Training Needs / Developing Training Objectives
4:15- 4:30	Evaluation of the day

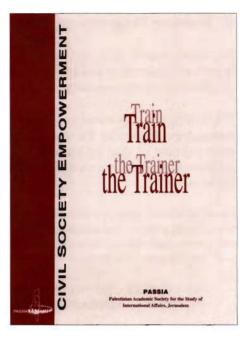
AWAD, Manal - Beit Jala BA, Theater Studies, Superior D'ART Dr Amatigoe Institution, Tunisia

HUSARY, Dina - Ramallah Public Relations Officer & Project Coordinator, Palestinian Hydrology Group, Ramallah

MAKKY, Abd Al-Nasser - Jericho Election Director, Ministry of Local Government, Jericho

QABAJEH, Loa'y - Hebron Computer Department Teacher, Palestine Technical Colleges, Hebron

SADER, Maha - Jerusalem Teacher Trainer, Early Childhood Resource Center, Jerusalem



SANDOUKA, Rihab - Jerusalem

BA Biology, Bethlehem University, MA Public Health, Birzeit University

SHTAY, Nawal - Jerusalem

Project Coordinator, Palestinian Family Planning & Protection Association, Jerusalem

TAMIMI, Fuad - Hebron

Instructor & Computer Lab Supervisor, Ministry of Detainees & Freed-Detainees Affairs, Hebron

TOUMA, Lubna - Beit Jala Department of International Relations, The Commission for NGOs Affairs (PA)

YAGHMOUR, Amjad - Jerusalem GIS & CAD Coordinator, Good Shepherd Engineering, Bethlehem

ZREINEH, Nicola - Beit Jala

Actor, Drama Trainer and Project Coordinator, Inad Theater, Beit Jala

Training Program on Strategic Management

The Training Program on Strategic Management was designed to meet the needs of employees (team/staff members) in civil society or other institutions whose responsibilities include - or will include - project planning, management and implementation.

The training program aimed at imparting key issues and practical skills in planning and management, so that by the close of the program the participants had an increased understanding of how to improve the performance of organizations and how an appropriate strategic approach will contribute to their efficiency in handling current and future tasks.

Upon selection, each participants received a reading package containing assorted background articles that would enable him/her to become familiar with the concepts of the seminar beforehand. The preparatory reading period included a short paper assignment, with the following instructions:

Please answer the following on no more than two pages single-spaced; please draw both on your personal experience and the pre-seminar reading materials:

"Describe where the organization / project you are involved with is going to be in three years from now, how and why."

The training program took place from 17-22 December 2002 at the Claridge Hotel in Dahiet Al-Barid.

The Lecture Program

Tuesday, 17 Dec	ember 2002
10:00-10:30	Welcoming Address / Opening Remarks Dr. Mahdi Abdul Hadi, Head of PASSIA, Jerusalem
10.30-12.00	Civil Society in Palestine Dr. Mahdi Abdul Hadi
2.00- 3.00	Lunch
13:00-14:30	What is Strategic Planning? (Key issues) Rafiq Husseini, Welfare Association, Jerusalem
4.30- 4.45	Break
14:45-16:00	Participants Assignment I



Wednesday, 18 December 2002

- 9:00-10:30 Main Issues of Strategic Thinking, Planning and Management Kamel Husseini, Communication and PR Company, Ellamtam 10.30-10:45 Break 10.45-12.15 Management of Organizations (1): Mission, Structures, Goals Kamel Hussein 12.15-13.30 Lunch
- 13.30-15.30 Participation in Reconstruction after Disasters Suranjana Gupta, Research and Policy Adviser, Groots International and Huairou Commission, New York

Thursday, 19 December 2002

- Management of Organizations (2): Strategic Orientation, Needs 9:00-10:30 Hakam Kanafani, Chief Executive Officer, Jawwal
- 10.30-10:45 Break
- 10 45-12 15 Management of Organizations (3): Long-term Vision, Goal-setting, Planning, Development Priorities Hakam Kanafani
- 12.15-13.30 Lunch
- 13.30-15.30 The Palestinian Experience in Strategic Planning / Institutional Development - Case Study: Jawwal Hakam Kanafani

Friday, 20 December 2002

- 9:00-10:30 Management Issues I: Organizational needs, strategic planning, resource mobilization Samir Huleileh, Sales and Marketing Manager, Nassar Investment Company, Bethlehem
- 10.30-10:45 Break
- 10.45-12.15 Management Issues 11: Human Resource management, development and planning (hiring policies, job descriptions, recruitment, training needs) Mounir Kleibo, Program Analyst for Governance and Public Sector Unit / Program Manager, UNDP
- 12.15-13.30 Lunch
- 13.30-15.30 contd. (with exercises)

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Saturday, 21 December 2002

9:00-10:30	Management Issues III: Public relations, donors, networking Dr. Albert Aghazarian , Lecturer / Consultant
10.30-10:45	Break
10.45-12.15	Management Issues IV: Preparing a Strategy Rafiq Husseini
12.15-13.30	Lunch
13.30-15.30	Exercise with Dr. Mahdi Abdul Hadi

Sunday, 22 December 2002

- 9:00-10:30 The Palestinian Experience in Strategic Planning / Institutional Development – Case Study: The Palestinian Planning Ministry **Dr. Samih Abed,** Assistant Deputy Minister of Planning, Ramallah
- 10.30-10:45 Break
- 10.45-12.15 Involving People in Planning Processes Suranjana Gupta
- 12.15-13.30 Lunch
- 13.30-15.30 Wrap-up of the Seminar



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After the six-day training program, participants received the following second writing assignment, to be completed within three weeks:

Please choose one of the following instructions and answer on 2-4 pages singlespaced; please draw on what you have learned during the seminar:

"Describe where the organization / project you are involved with is going to be in three years from now, how and why."

or:

"Assess the current development needs of your organization / department and prepare a preliminary strategic plan."

The Participants

ABDEL NOUR, Diana - Ramallah Principal, Friends Girls School, Ramallah

ABU SWAY, Yousef - Jerusalem Project Management, Planning, USAID

DARAGHMEH, Omar - Tubas

Head of Soil Management Dept., Ministry of Agriculture, Ramallah

HALAIQA, Hijazi - Hebron Dir., Al-Shoyoukh Medical Center, Hebron

HAMMAD, Lubna - Ramallah Legal Consultant, UNICEF, Jerusalem

HJOUJ, Khaled - Al-Bireh Marketing and Sales Manager, Arab Technology Systems (ATS), Al-Bireh

IRFAIYY, Birlam - Hebron Program Manager, Save the Children, Hebron

AL-JABARI, Maher - Hebron Advisor for Development & Planning, Hebron University, Hebron

JAOUNI, Muhannad - Jerusalem Personal Assistant to Minister of Finance, Ministry of Finance, Ramallah Annual Report 2002 -

KHALIDI, Zahra - Jerusalem Dir. General, Project Loving Care & Saraya, Jerusalem

KHALILI, Osamah - Nablus Infrastructure Program Coordinator, Save the Children, Nablus

KHATIB, Omar - Ramallah Head of the International relations Department, Ministry of NGO's Affairs

KHWEIS, Mahmoud - Jerusalem Administration Officer, International Service, Jerusalem

QAWASMI, Badawi - Ramallah Coordinator of the West Bank Field Workers & between PCATI & Palestinian Peers

SAYEGH, Suha - Nablus Program Manager, Bisan Center for Research & Development, Nablus

SHIHABI, Muzna - Ramallah Office Manager, Masrouji Company, Al-Bireh

WATHAEFI, Fatina - Jerusalem Dir. of Rural Development Department, Ministry of Agriculture, Ramallah



Civil Society Empowerment

Promoting Good Governance

Introduction

Another focus of PASSIA's *Civil Society Empowerment* project is *Promoting Good Governance*. The project is based on the notion that the achievement of good governance (transparency, accountability, rule of law, minority rights and absence of corruption) is a learning process that could be most effectively assisted by capitalizing upon the experiences of other emerging democracies or states in transition. It aims to help develop a responsive, efficient and credible public sector, with a transparent legal system and independent judicial institutions. The latter is particular important given the fact that in countries transitioning to democracy, and the Palestinian case is a good example, the system is often weak and torn between incompatible institutional mandates and traditions. Moreover there is often a tendency to revert to more familiar patterns of authoritarianism – as displayed in the neighboring Arab states - and abuse of power rather than fostering the rule of law.

The project is a combination of research and workshops to analyze both the Palestinian democratization experience as well as the lessons and pitfalls of other countries in their attempts to promote and introduce concepts of participation, decentralization, accountability, transparency and rule of law.

The Program

PASSIA believes that by looking at what others have to say about success and strategic failures on the road to functioning democratic and legal systems new methods that would assist in the search for good governance practices could be developed for the Palestinian case.

As part of the project, a resource database is being developed, containing information about experts and expertise in the field of 'Good Governance', which will be accessible via PASSIA's website.

The other project component - a series of intensive workshops - will examine Palestine's experience to date as well as that of other countries with regard to the following four major topics: The Rule of Law, Democracy and Democratization, Decentralization and Local Government, and State-Society Relations.

For each of these sub-topics three (series of) sessions are held beginning with preparatory or brainstorming meetings, in which local civil society practitioners, rights activists etc. try to identify existing work undertaken locally in the subject area as well as main topics to focus on with regard to the Palestinian case. Based on the results of these sessions, explicit topics for the second session will be selected and respective possible expert speakers approached and invited.

The second set of sessions includes speakers from other emerging democracies to lecture on the given topic. Based on this in-depth look at the best practices other states in transition developed, their failures, missed opportunities and lessons learned, it is hoped to find successful ways to tackled the problems ahead for the Palestinian case.

A third set of sessions then discusses the results of the previous meetings with locally concerned people and prepares recommendations and ways how to introduce and implement the necessary policies at a national Palestinian level.

Meetings 2002

7 March 2002, PASSIA

The Rule of Law in the Palestinian Judicial and Political System

(Brainstorming Session 1)

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Raffoul Rofa, St. Yves Society, Jerusalem; Khalil Ansara, Financial Markets International (FMI), Ramallah; Jonathan Kuttab, Al-Haq, Jerusalem; Khalil Tufakji, Arab Studies Society, Jerusalem; Khaled Abu Alia, Civic Forum, Ar-Ram; Walid Assali, Lawyer, Jerusalem; Mohammed Jadallah, Jerusalem Development Center, Jerusalem; Omar Dajani, UNSCO, Gaza; Elias Khoury, Lawyer, Jerusalem; Tamer Maliha, Lawyer, Jerusalem.



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14 March 2002, PASSIA The Rule of Law in the Palestinian Judicial and Political System (Brainstorming Session 2)

<u>Participant(s):</u> Ellen Kelly, Rule of Law Project Manager, USAID Mission, Tel Aviv; Deirdre Connolly, UNDP, Jerusalem; Bill Docherty, Society of St. Yves, Jerusalem; Meejeong Hong, Lecturer, Kyunghee University, Tokyo; Raffoul Rofa, Society of St. Yves, Jerusalem; Phillip Walker, Lawyer, Director of Amideast's Law Project, Jerusalem; Mohammed Abu Harthieh, Human Rights Advocacy Activist Lawyer, Jerusalem; Michael Keating, UNSCO, Gaza; Omar Dajani, UNSCO, Gaza.



16 April 2002, PASSIA

Rule of Law in the Palestinian Judiciary and Political System

<u>Speaker:</u> Omar Dajani, Regional Affairs Officer, UNSCO, Gaza

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Mohammed Abu Harthiyeh, Human Rights Lawyer; Philip Walker, Amideast, Lawyer; Ellen Kelly, USAID Mission, Lawyer; Martha Myers, USAID Mission; Elias Khoury, Lawyer; Raffoul Rofa, Society of St. Yves, Lawyer, Jumna Abu Ziad, British Consulate.

12 May 2002, PASSIA

The Concept of the Rule of Law and Islam

Participant(s): Sheikh Jamil Hamami, Sheikh Yacoub Sabanih, Fadi Hidmi.

18 June 2002, PASSIA Community Participation/Involvement in Fostering Rule of Law Ideas Participant(s): Walid Salem, Fadi Hidmi.

27 August 2002, PASSIA

The Palestinian Constitution and the Rule of Law

<u>Speaker(s)</u>: Mohammed Dahleh, Advocate

<u>Participant(s):</u> Nader Al-'Aaser, Egyptian Consul, Bernard Seneria, Judge; Lopez Guerra, Professor; Rami Shehadeh, Legal Advisor; Marc Gerritsen, Policy Officer, Netherlands Representative Office; Amjad Atallah, Attorney; Hanlie Booysen, Head, South African Representative Office; Glenn Robinson, Professor; Ellen Kelly, USAID Mission; Sarah Ewane, British Council; Arafat Hidmi, Physician, Maqassed Hospital; Michael Ohnmacht, Political Affairs, German Representative Office; Sophie GuericheDevelopment Officer, European Commission; Elise Aghazarian; Wulf F. Roener, Judge.

5 September 2002, Ambassador Hotel

Expert Meeting on: The Rule of Law Application and Transfer to Democracy in South Africa

<u>Speaker(s)</u>: Leon Wessels, Advocate, Member of the South African Human Rights Commission, South Africa



16 September 2002, PASSIA **The Rule of Law and Democratization Efforts in Palestine** <u>Participant(s):</u> Walid Salem, Panorama, Jerusalem; Dr. Mahdi Abdul-Hadi, PASSIA, Elise Aghazarian, PASSIA.

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30 September, 2002, PASSIA Towards a Culture of Democracy in Palestine

(Brainstorming Session 1)

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Wayne Primeau, Deputy Representative, Canadian Representative Office; Fatima Anan, Jerusalem Center for Women; Abdel Rahman Abu Arafeh, Director, Arab Thought Forum; Maha Abu dayyeh Shamas, Women's Center for Legal Aid and Counseling; Safa' Abu Assab, Diakonia; Mustafa Abu Sway, Professor, Al-Quds University; Felix Eikenberg, Friedrich Ebert Foundation

6 November 2002, PASSIA

The South African Experience: Rule of Law, Political Vision & Future Solutions

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Terry Boullata, Head of School; Nedal Ismail, Canadian Representative Office; Volker Trushon, student; Michèle Auga, FES; Khader Abu Alia, teacher; Musa Dweik, Assistant Professor; Niall Holohan, Irish Representative Office; Leila Hilal, Negotiation Support

Unit; Kogila Hudler, University of Colombia, Canada; Hanlie Booysen, South African Representative Office; Audrey Bomse, Attorney; Christa Clamer, École Biblique; Mustafa Abu Sway, Professor; José Fonseca, Portuguese Representative Office; Saman Khoury, Media advisor; Nora Carmi, Sabeel; Amneh Badran, Jerusalem Center for Women.





19 December 2002, PASSIA

Culture of Democracy in Palestine

(Brainstorming Session 2)

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Suranjana Gupta, Research and Policy Advisor, Groots International, USA; Abdel Rahman Abu-Arafeh, Director, Arab Thought Forum; Ibrahim Sha'ban, Lecturer; Muhammed Dajani, Director, Technical Assistance and Training Department, PECDAR; Terry Bullata, Jil Al-Jadid School and Women Studies Center, Jerusalem; Felix Eikenberg, Friedrich Ebert Foundation (FEF); Natasha Khalidi, Projects Coordinator, Jerusalem Center for Women; Tomoko Watonabe. PhD Candidate, Japan; Chie Ezaki, PhD Candidate, University of Tsakuba, Japan; Elise Aghazarian, Project Coordinator, PASSIA.





EuroMeSCo Working Group on Governance

Introduction

The European-Mediterranean Study Commission (EuroMeSCo) is a network of independent institutes and research centers, which deal with subjects related to security, foreign policy and international affairs. PASSIA was one of the founding members in February 1994. Currently, EuroMeSCo is composed of 35 members and 8 observers from 27 countries of the European-Mediterranean Partnership (EMP) area. Owing to its membership and the topics researched and discussed within the network, EuroMeSCo functions both as a confidence-building measure and a provider of expertise in areas of relevance to the EMP.Within the network, working groups are set up to conduct research on certain issues, the findings of which are regularly discussed in workshops organized and hosted by one of the member institutes.

The EuroMeSCo working group *Issues of Governance* is a cooperative undertaking launched in 2001 and led since by PASSIA of Palestine and the Berlin-based Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik (SWP) of Germany. The idea of this cooperation was based on the fact that promotion of governance is an acknowledged goal of Euro-Mediterranean cooperation. The project focuses on three broad topics – Civil Society, the Role of Institutions, and the Rule of Law – and consists of two main components – research and working group meetings, with contributions of individual researchers from various EMP countries.

Format and Contents

As part of the research component the project aims at analyzing and explaining why and how governance-related issues should be dealt within the EMP context, how institutions (government agencies, civil society organizations and private sector) and people understand the processes of decision- and policy-making, how prevailing laws and policies effect their behavior, and how they participate in the process of policy formulation. In addition, means and instruments that could be employed to reach the common goals will be discussed. The research component includes the establishment of a database on experts and expertise in the field of 'Governance' from within the EMP (institutions and individuals), which will be made accessible to all members.

Besides coordinating meetings between the lead institutes on project related activities, the workshop component consist of a series of working group meetings in which research papers and other relevant issues related to civil society and governance are discussed, recommendations are made and guiding principles for decision makers and other actors are developed.

Activities in 2002

COORDINATION MEETINGS OF THE LEAD INSTITUTES

2 June 2002, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Directors' Meeting

<u>Participants</u>: Dr. Volker Perthes and Muriel Asseburg from SWP; Dr. Mahdi Abdul Hadi, Deniz Altayli and Fadi Hidmi from PASSIA

The meeting discussed project prospects, activities and working plan, budget issues, and necessary arrangements and potential EuroMeSCo invitees for the next workshop, tentatively planned for December in Amman. Furthermore, the design and content of the database was discussed.

16 December 2002, Amman

Directors' Meeting

<u>Participants</u>: Muriel Asseburg from SWP; Dr. Mahdi Abdul Hadi and Elise Aghazarian from PASSIA, and working group members Fouad Ammor (GERM, Rabat, Morocco), Niall Greene (Institute of European Affairs, Dublin, Ireland), and Anders Hellner (Swedish Institute for International Affairs, Stockholm).

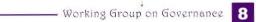
The meeting included a briefing on the progress and proceedings of the working group to date, and further work plans.

WORKING GROUP MEETINGS

31 May-2 June 2002, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Workshop: The Changing Role of Civil Society Institutions Organized by: PASSIA

<u>Participants</u>: Mahdi Abdul Hadi, Deniz Altayli and Fadi Hidmi from PASSIA, Jerusalem; Volker Perthes and Muriel Asseburg from SWP, Berlin; Niall Greene, Institute of European Affairs, Dublin; Anders Hellner, Program Director, Swedish Institute of International Affairs.





PROGRAM: Friday, 31 May 2002

Arrival	
20:00	Opening Session & Welcoming Dinner, Ambassador Hotel

Saturday, I June 2002

<u>First Session</u>	
9:30-11:00	People-to-People Programs – Peace-making or Normalization? Presentation by Ghassan Andoni, Director, Palestinian Center for Rapprochement, Beit Sahour, and Discussion
11:00-11:15	Coffee Break
Second Session	n
11:15-12:45	Corruption and Civil Society Presentation by <i>Dr. Niall Greene, Dublin-Ireland,</i> and Discussion
13.00-14:30	Lunch Break
Third Session	
14:30-16:00	Implementing State Reforms and the Role of Civil Society
	Presentation by Dr. Mahdi Abdul Hadi, Head of PASSIA, and Discussion

16 December 2002, Inter-Continental Hotel, Amman, Jordan

Workshop: Civil Society Initiatives in the Euro-Mediterranean Partnership Area Organized by: PASSIA

Participants: HRH Prince Hassan, Royal lordanian Court; Alvaro de Vasconcelos, Director, IEEI, Portugal; Mahdi Abdul Hadi, Head of PASSIA, Jerusalem; Muriel Asseburg, Research Associate, SWP, Berlin; Adnan Abu Odeh, retired Ambassador, Jordan; Nabih Shequem, Ambassador and Head of the European-American Department, Jordan; Samia Kabariti, Jordanian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, EU desk;Ahmad Mango, Office of HRH Prince Hassan, Jordan; Niall Greene, Institute of European Affairs, Dublin; Anders Hellner, Program Director, Swedish Institute of International Affairs; Ingmar Karlsson, Swedish Consul General, Turkey; Fouad Ammor, Professor, Morocco; Mustafa Hamarneh, Director, Center for Strategic



Studies, University of Jordan, Amman; Hassan Barari, Researcher, Center for Strategic Studies, University of Jordan, Amman; Elise Aghazarian, Project Coordinator, PASSIA; Musa Dweik, School of Law, Al-Quds University, Jerusalem; Hanlie Booysen, South African Representative, Ramallah; Ibrahim Othman, Professor, Jordan; Hani Hourani, Director of UJRC, Jordan; Abdul Malik Alhamar, Secretary General, Arab Thought Forum, Jordan; Jamil Nimri, Columnist, Jordan; Jamal Al-Tahat, Writer, Jordan; Akram Khatib, Journalist, Jordan.





PROGRAM:

9.30 Op ning S_ssion:

Introduction to EuroM SCo

Presented by:

Alvaro de Vasconcelos - Director, Institute of Strategic Studies & International Affairs. Lisbon, Portugal

Civil Soci ty Initiativ s in th Middl East Presented by:

Mahdi Abdul Hadi - Head of PASSIA, Jerusalem Hani Hourani - Director, Al-Urdun Al-Jadeed Research Center, Jordan.

10.15 Coffee Break

10.30 S ssion I: Europ & M dit rran an S curity

Presented by:

Alvaro de Vasconcelos - Director, Institute of Strategic Studies & International Affairs. Lisbon, Portugal Dr. Hassan Barari - Center for Strategic Studies, University of Jordan, Amman

Discussion

11.45 Coffee Break

12.00 <u>S ssion 2:</u> Corruption & Civil Soci ty

Presented by:

Niall Greene - Institute of European Affairs, Dublin, Ireland.

Discussion

14.30 Lunch (Directors' Meeting - Working Plan 2003, etc.)

15.30 <u>S ssion 3:</u> Coop ration in th EMP ar a: Migration, Stability & Cultural Exchang Corruption & Civil Soci ty

Presented by:

Ingmar Karlsson - Swedish Consul General in Istanbul Anders Hellner - Swedish Institute of International Affairs

Discussion

16.45 Coffee Break

17.00 <u>S ssion 4</u>:

6) Closing S ssion

Presented by:

Alvaro de Vasconcelos - Director, Institute of Strategic Studies & International Affairs. Lisbon, Portugal.







Conferences & Workshops

Introduction

As a major Palestinian academic institution and think tank dealing with international affairs and the Palestine Question, PASSIA is invited to many conferences, seminars and workshops that take place at both local and international venues.

Listed below are all conferences PASSIA was invited to attend and able to participate throughout the year 2002 (see also chapters on Jerusalem and the Religious Studies Unit for more specific topics)¹:

31 January-1 February 2002, Paris, France EuroMeSCo Annual Conference: "The Euro-Mediterranean Integration Process: Balance and the Way Ahead" <u>Organized by:</u> IFRI - Institut Francais des Relations Internationales, Paris.

20-24 March 2002, Florence, Italy Third Mediterranean Social and Political Research Meeting - Workshop: Elite Change in the Arab World

<u>Organized by:</u> European University Institute, Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies, Mediterranean Program, Italy

17 May 2002, Uppsala University, Sweden **Peace Process in Palestine-Israel** Discussion Session with contribution by Dr. Mahdi Abdul Hadi: <u>Organized by</u>: Department of Peace &Conflict Research, Uppsala University, Sweden

26 May 2002, Hawwa' Center for Culture and Arts, Nablus **Israeli Practices and Violations against the Palestinian People and the International Law** Lecture by Dr. Mahdi Abdul Hadi Audience: Members of NGOs and women's organizations; academics.

¹The many events to which PASSIA was also invited but was unable to attend are not listed here.

12-June 2002, Barcelona, Spain

Building Confidence in the Euro-Mediterranean Region: The Security Dilemma EuroMeSCo Senior Officials Meeting <u>Organized by</u>: Fundacio CIDOB, Barcelona, and the European Institute of the Mediterranean (EIM) in cooperation with the EuroMeSCo Secretariat

30 August- I September 2002, University of Southern Denmark, Odense, Denmark Continuing the Dialogue between Civilizations after September 11 <u>Organized by</u>: Rockefeller Foundation and the Danish Foreign Ministry

23-27 September 2002, London

684th Wilton Park Conference on: Prospects for Peace in the Middle East <u>Organized by:</u> Wilton Park, an Executive Agency of the Foreign and Commonwealth Office, UK





11-12 October 2002, Lisbon, Portugal **EuroMeSCo Link Meeting** <u>Organized by:</u> EuroMeSCo Secretariat (Instituto de Estudos Estratégicos e Internacionais), Lisbon.

II October 2002, London, U.K. **Arab Heritage of Palestine: The Question of Palestine** <u>Organized by:</u> Al-Furqan Islamic Heritage Foundation, UK



1-3 November 2002, Hamburg, Germany

Peace between Israel and the Arab World

<u>Organized by</u>: The Evangelische Akademie Nordelbien, in cooperation with (DIAK) German-Israeli Association for Peace in the Near East, and the Heinrich-Böll Foundation, Germany

18 November 2002, Copenhagen, Denmark Security in the Euro-Mediterranean Region: Building a Comprehensive Concept EuroMeSCo Joint Meeting Organized by: Danish Institute of International Affairs, Copenhagen

22 November 2002, Dublin, Ireland

Conflict Resolution: Ireland and Beyond

<u>Organized by</u>: National Committee for the Study of International Affairs, the Royal Irish Academy

24 November - I December, South Africa

Dr. Mahdi Abdul Hadi's Visit to South Africa

<u>Organized by</u>: Department of Foreign Affairs, South Africa

Program:

24 November: Arrival, Johannesburg International Airport

Received and met by: DFA, Mr. Mgotsi, Director Levant, Ms. Dadoo, Deputy Director, Palestine and Israel Embassy of Palestine, Mr. Dahman, Counsellor.

25 November:

Meeting with Robin Cohen, Dean of Humanities, UCT, Cape Town Political Studies Seminar: Developments in Palestinian Politics Public Talk at IDASA: The Politics of Negotiation: Why the Oslo Accord failed. Chaired by: Prof. Robin Cohen, and followed by a half-hour discussion.

Dinner for NGOs and other invited guests from the media and intellectuals:

Robin Cohen and wife, Crain Soudien, Head of Education UCT, Shabbir Wadee, Head of Forensic Pathology, Stellenbosch University, Leslie London, Prof. Of Health and Human Rights, UCT, Vincent Saldanha, Director, Legal Resource Center; Nomfundo Walaza, Director, Trauma Centre for Survivors of Violence and Torture; Kanthan Pillay, E-TV; Aslam Fataar, Education Dep. UCT, Ashraf Kagee, Assoc. Prof. Psychology, Stellenbosch.

<u>26 November:</u> Visit to Robben Island, Ahmed Kathrada, Chairperson, Robben Island, Museum Council.

District Six Museum Tour Interview with E-TV Joint event with Muslim Judicial Council and 'Not in My Name', South African Jewish group opposed to Israeli occupation (Meeting followed by Iftaar)

27 November: Depart Cape Town to Johannesburg

Roundtable hosted by Institute for Global Dialogue Roundtable Seminar, Center for Violence and Reconciliation Visit to Lenasia

28 November: SABC live radio interview

Meeting for officials in the Foreign Affairs Dep.

Meeting with Ebrahim Ebrahim, Advisor to the President

Lunch meeting with Directorate: Levant officials (Mr. Uys Viljoen, Ms Roshan Dadoo, representative from the UN office in Pretoria, Mr. Sudeshin Reddy and Mr. Iqbal Jazebai, Academic from UNISA). Visit to Apartheid Museum

Interview with Radio 702

Dinner hosted by Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs

29 November:

South African Jewish Board of Deputies breakfast meeting

SABC Africa: TV interview on the Kenya bomb attacks for South African Broadcast Company African Satellite Channel

'Why Negotiations Failed – What Future for Palestine?' South African Institute of International Affairs

Interview with John Battersby (group Political Editor of the Independent newspapers Meeting with Center for Policy Studies

30 November:

Tour of Soweto Palestine Solidarity Campaign

1st December:

Deconstructing Palestine through Images - exhibition opening and event by Palestine Solidarity groups

Departure

26 December 2002, Grand Park Hotel

The Impact of the Israeli Elections and the Possible War Against Iraq on the Palestinians

<u>Organized by</u>: Muwatin - The Palestinian Institute for the Study of Democracy, Ramallah (8th Annual Conference)

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Jamal Zahalqa, George Giacaman; Samih Shbeib; Saleh Abdul Jawad; Abdel Hakim Mufid; Ghassan Al-Khatib; Qadurah Fares; Mohammed Al-Hindi; Mustafa Barghouthi; Nathem Bader; Hani Al-Masri



PASSIA Desk Diary

Introduction

Every year since 1988, PASSIA has published its Diary, which still follows its original aims and goals, i.e., to serve as a directory of contact information of relevant organizations operating in the West Bank and Gaza – listing names, addresses, main activities – combined with a full day-to-day planner (calendar) of the respective year and a comprehensive compilation of events and statistics related to Palestine and the Palestinians.

The PASSIA Desk Diary is annually updated – entries are added, changed or removed and new addresses and information are included. PASSIA is very proud to say that its diary has become an invaluable source of information for many people, both locally and abroad.

Contents

The 2003 edition of the PASSIA Desk Diary contains over 350 pages of updated and new addresses, a comprehensive calendar, and information and statistics on relevant events and issues, as they became available throughout the year of 2002.

The first section is the **Directory**, which contains details of Palestinian and international institutions operating in the Palestinian Territories. The fact that it is annually updated as well as the comprehensiveness of the directory is unique and makes it an invaluable resource for all those interested in or working on the Palestine Question. Among the information provided one finds names of contact persons, phone and fax numbers, e-mail and mailing addresses, internet websites (where available), and a brief background for most organizations on their main fields of work. The directory also includes an index that facilitates the search for a certain entry. Directory entries in the 2003 edition included the following:

- PLO Bodies, Departments, and Representation Abroad
- Palestinian Authority (PA) Ministries and other Institutions, Commissions and Councils
- Palestinian Legislative Council (PLC) members and committees
- Police and Security (PA)
- Local Government (Governorates, Municipalities & Village Councils)
- Political Parties and Factions
- Academic and Research Centers
- Agriculture
- Associations & Unions
- Chambers of Commerce
- Charitable Organizations
- Cultural Centers
- Democracy, Peace & Community Development Centers
- Diplomatic Missions
- Education (Universities, Colleges, Schools, Training Centers, Educational Institutes, and Libraries)
- Environment & Water
- Financial & Development Institutions (Banks, Credit, Investment & Consulting Companies, Money Changers)
- Governmental Aid Missions
- Health (Hospitals, Clinics & Centers, Physicians, Pharmacies)
- Human Rights & Law (Human Rights Centers, Law Offices, Lawyers)
- International & UN Organizations
- Local and Foreign Media & Press
- NGOs Operating in Palestine
- Palestinian Organizations in Israel
- Religious Forums & Centers
- Services (Accountants, Advertisement, Print & Design, Bookshops & Stationary, Car Rentals, Computers, Couriers & Express Services, E-mail & Internet, Insurances, Management Consulting & Development, Planning & Engineering, Real Estate, Restaurants, Telecommunication & Office Equipment, Translation & Editing)
- Trade Import/Export



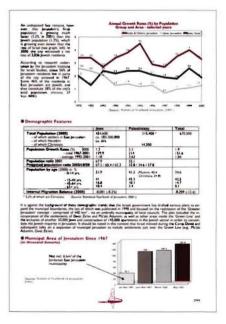
- Travel and Tourism (Airlines, Hotels & Resorts, Hospices & Guesthouses, Travel Agencies & Tour Operators, Taxis & Transportation)
- Women's Organizations
- Youth Organizations and Sport Clubs



The **second section** of the Diary 2003 includes **standard features**, such as a day-by-day planner, calendars for the previous and following years, address and note space, and anniversaries and national holidays of foreign countries. Each calendar page also includes a box explaining Islamic terminology such as *Sura*, *Shia'*, *Qur'an*, *Shari'a*, *Sunna*, *Da'wa*, *Awqaf*, etc.

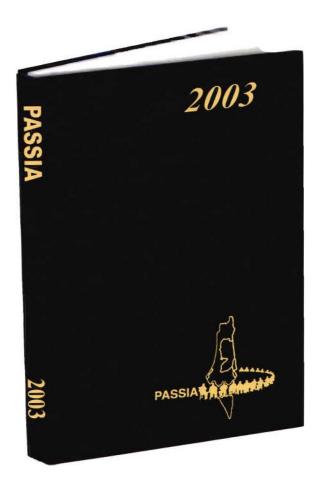
The **third section** of the Diary is the **Agenda**, a source of information and facts about Palestine and the Palestinians. The agenda begins with 14 chapters in which the following aspects of Palestinian society and the Palestine Question are described, supported by tables, statistics and suggestions for further research (reading material and website references):

- Dictionary of Palestinian Political Terms
- Geography
- Population
- Refugees
- Land & Settlements
- Water & Environment
- Economy (Agriculture, Industry & Private Sector, Labor & Employment, Tourism, Trade, Taxation, Finances)
- Education
- Health
- Infrastructure (Housing & Construction, Transport & Roads, Telecommunication, Electricity & Energy)



- Society & Living Conditions
- Government & Negotiations
- Jerusalem (facts & figures on the history, population, Israeli policies and practices, settlement, and housing, as well as a chronology of events throughout 2000).

The **fourth and final part** of the agenda comprises some graphs and figures related to Palestinian history, the PLO structure and donor coordination, a **Palestine Chronology 2002**, a full list of PASSIA **publications**, as well as a selection of colored **Maps**, including one on the Israeli reinvasion of the West Bank during 2002.





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C. Financial Support

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I. Research Program

- Special Bulletins and Research Studies supported by the Friedrich Ebert Foundation (FES), Jerusalem
- Special Publication The Palestine Question in Maps, 1878-2002 supported by the by the Finnish Representative Office in Ramallah

2. Dialogue Program

Supported by Friedrich Ebert Foundation (FES), Jerusalem

3. Program on Jerusalem

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4. Religious Studies Unit

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5. Civil Society Empowerment Project

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6. Working Group on Governance

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7. PASSIA Diary 2003

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D. Networking

PASSIA is a member of the following networks and associations:

PALESTINIAN NGO NETWORK (PNGO)

The PNGO Network, established in 1995, strives to promote coordination and cooperation among Palestinian NGOs and to advocate their right to exist and function without restrictions. It is active in advancing democratic values and in strengthening the role of the civil society in Palestine. At present the network has 76 members (see also http://www.pngo.net/).

EURO-MEDITERRANEAN STUDY COMMISSION (EUROMESCO)

MeSCo was established in 1994 (PASSIA was a founding member) in order to provide Mediterranean countries with a forum for debating international policy and security issues from a regional point of view. In principle, network members deal with international relations and security, carry out policy-oriented research, enjoy a domestically and internationally recognized reputation, and are NGOs.

In 1996, MeSCo's scope was expanded to include institutes from non-Mediterranean countries. EuroMeSCo strives to promote dialogue and the exchange of information between its members; to support their institution-building and research capacities, and to foster cooperation between the civil societies in the member countries. EuroMeSCo has currently 38 full members and 13 observers.

(For further details see: http://www.euromesco.net)

THE ARAB SOCIAL SCIENCE RESEARCH NETWORK (ASSR)

ASSR strives to promote policy research, improve regional cooperation, develop research organizations, and assist researchers. It was launched in Beirut in August 1996 by a group of senior researchers from the following leading regional institutions (see http://www.assr.org/ for more information):

- Lebanese Center for Policy Studies (LCPS), Beirut
- Lebanese Association for Educational Sciences, Beirut
- Al-Ahram Center for Strategic Studies, Cairo
- Ibn Khaldun Center for Development Studies, Cairo
- Center for Strategic Studies, University of Jordan, Amman
- Al-Urdun Al-Jadid Center, Amman
- Center for Palestine Research Studies (CPRS), Nablus
- PASSIA, Jerusalem
- The Ford Foundation, Cairo Office

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Saturday,	Z I	September	2002

8:30-10:30	Session 7:
	Developing a Training Plan
10:30-10:45	Break
10:45-1:00	Session 8:
	Training Methods, Techniques and Tools and Their Effective Use
1:00-2:00	Lunch
2:00- 4:15	Session 9:
	Training methods, techniques and tools and their effective use
4:15-4:30	Evaluation

Sunday, 22 September 2002

8:30-10:30	Session 10:
	Presentation and Facilitation Skills: - Motivating and Facilitating Group Interaction - Setting and Maintaining a Positive Learning Climate
10:30-10:45	Break
10:45-1:00	Session 11:
	Presentation and Facilitation Skills: - Effective Leadership of a Training Session
1:00-2:00	Lunch
2:00- 4:15	Session 12:
	Developing Training Materials (e.g., Visual Aids), Exercises and Other Activities
4:15-4:30	Evaluation

Monday, 23 September 2002

8:30-10:30 Session 13:

Planning a Training Session

10:30-10:45 Break

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10:45-1:00	Session 14:		
	Monitoring and Evaluating Training Programs		
1:00-2:00	Lunch		
2:00- 4:15	Session 15:		
	Group Work		
4:15-4:30	Evaluation		
Tuesday, 24 September 2002			
9:00-11:00			
9:00-11:00	Session 16:		
	Group Presentations		
11:00-11:15	Break		
11:15-1:00	Session 17:		
	Group Presentations		
1:00-2:00	Lunch		
2:00-3:30	Session 18:		
	Summary, final discussion, wrap-up and evaluation		

At the close of the course, participant received a second writing assignment, requiring them to prepare a training plan for their organization/department or project staff, based on what they have learned during the seminar.

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