

Palestinian  
Academic  
Society for the  
Study of  
International  
Affairs



**PASSIA**

## GENERAL REPORT

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## I. Philosophy of Work

PASSIA is a Palestinian national institution whose goal is to develop coordination and cooperation among national cultural, educational, and research institutions in the Occupied Lands.

PASSIA aims to fill the pressing need, which arose naturally under the circumstances of military occupation, to present the Palestinian question to the world community in the context of Palestinian inalienable rights; and to maintain a national, progressive Palestinian presence in the local, regional, and international political arenas.

PASSIA's framework for research is the study of the Palestinian question in all its historically cumulative aspects and its potential future developments, with attention to the uniqueness of the Palestinian issue on both the Arab and international levels.

PASSIA aims at creating harmony among professionals of different national ideological trends through democratic discussions at lectures and seminars, and objective analyses in papers and academic research.

PASSIA brings together visiting delegations, representatives of foreign institutions, and foreign dignitaries with their Palestinian counterparts. PASSIA seeks to promote the level of relations between them through conferences both inside and outside Palestine.

PASSIA will organize courses in academic studies to train Palestinians in the theoretical and practical aspects of political science and international affairs, including articulating Palestinian ideological trends within the context of national duty and historical truth.

## II. The Founding of PASSIA

In early 1987, meetings were held in Jerusalem with a number of academics specialized in the fields of political science, history, geography, philosophy, and political economy. They discussed the idea of establishing an academic society whose focus would be on international studies and affairs and which would include a small number of activist thinkers and educators committed to serving the needs of Palestinian society.

The discussion resulted in a work plan which was ratified and executed. This plan included the following points:

- A. The basic charter: An internal charter was set up for PASSIA under the name of "The Palestinian Society for the Study of International Affairs", a private, non-profit Arab institution with a financially independent status, unaffiliated with any government, organization, or political party, and dedicated to studies and research in Palestinian history and its relationship to international affairs.
- B. The founders: The number of and names of the founders were agreed upon; they ratified the internal charter and signed it at the first founding meeting on 28 January 1987. They are:
  - Dr. Mahdi Abdul-Hadi
  - Dr. Sari Anwar Nusseibeh
  - Dr. Bernard Zacharia Sabella
  - Dr. Adnan Ayoub Musallam
  - Dr. Kamal Jaber Abdul Fatah
  - Dr. Saleh Abdul Jawad Saleh
  - Dr. Ali Bassam Al Jirbawi
- C. Registration of PASSIA: The founders presented the basic charter of the society, appropriately signed, in an application to the Ministry of the Interior in Jerusalem on 22 January, 1987, and received on 2 March 1987 official approval and the registration number 8-490-011-58. They also submitted a similar application to the Union of Charitable Societies in Jerusalem. However, the Jordanian authorities refused to register the society and the application remains with the Union of Charitable Societies.
- D. Headquarters: The founders rented a permanent headquarters for PASSIA in the Wadi Joz quarter of Jerusalem, in a building belonging to Qudsieh al Qutob, through one of the inheritors and their agent, Seif Al-Din Al-Qutob. Renovations were made and furnishings purchased to suit the needs of PASSIA for a meeting room, research room, library, administration office, and an office for the general director. The telephone number 02-289819 was installed, and post office box 1945, Jerusalem, was rented.

- E. Membership: The founders, in accordance with the charter, formed the first board of trustees for PASSIA, and Dr. Mahdi Abdul-Hadi was elected president. Both Dr. Manuel Hassassian from Bethlehem University and Dr. Abdul Latif Barghouty from Bir Zeit University were added to the board, and Dr. Jirbawi's resignation was accepted.
- F. The Administration: The board of trustees appointed Dr. Mahdi Abdul-Hadi as executive director for two years starting 1 June 1987 (board decision of 2 September 1987) and hired the Al Kisswani company as legal accountants and auditors for PASSIA. The following operating account was opened:

PASSIA (PALESTINIAN ACADEMIC SOCIETY)  
Account No. 14370291  
BayBank - Harvard Trust  
Cambridge, MA 02139  
USA

Part-time researchers were also hired for certain projects. These researchers were:

Ebba Augustin: the German-Palestinian relations file  
Norma Masrieh: The Palestinian Diary for 1989-90  
Dr. George Irani: The Vatican and the Holy Land file

Two recent graduates of Bir Zeit University, Maha Shihadeh and Basmah Al Samman, were trained in conducting research and studies in international affairs. They worked on an archive file on the closure of the Palestine Information Office in Washington, DC.

- G. The Library: A core library on the Palestinian issue was set up, specialized in international relations. A number of books and reference materials were purchased, and subscriptions were made to a number of American, European, Arab, and Palestinian periodicals.

A number of files and a press archive were started on the subjects of foreign institutions, Jerusalem, education, human rights, media institutions, and the diplomatic corps in Jerusalem.

### III. Academic Affairs

#### A. Seminars and Lectures

PASSIA held a number of meetings, seminars, and lectures at the headquarters. The subjects of the gatherings ranged from the Palestinian uprising and the role of the local and foreign press, to the positions of governments and institutions and their historical, regional, and international influence, to issues of Palestinian-European relations. Most prominent among these academic activities were the following:

1. Lecture: Palestinian-Israeli Meetings in the Occupied Lands 1967-87  
Speaker: Dr. Mahdi Abdul-Hadi - PASSIA  
Date: 30 June 1987
2. Lecture: West Germany and the Arab-Israeli Conflict  
Speaker: Dr. Helga Bomgarten - Berlin Free University, West Germany  
Date: 3 July 1987
3. Conference: Palestinian-German Relations  
Date: 4-5 October 1987  
Speaker: Professor Friedman Bottner - Head of Middle East Department at the Free University, West Germany  
Subject: West Germany and the Middle East  
Speaker: Thomas Shiffler - Berlin Free University, West Germany  
Subject: The Policy of the Democratic Socialist Party in the German Federal Republic  
Speaker: Dr. Helga Bomgarten  
Subject: The German Federal Republic Middle Eastern Policy and the Palestinians  
Round Table: Dr. Mahdi Abdul-Hadi, Dr. Bernard Sabella, Dr. Manuel Hassassian  
Subject: A Palestinian Perspective on Palestinian-German Relations
4. Lecture: Legislation in the U.S. Congress to Close the Palestine Information Office in Washington, DC  
Speaker: Dr. Abdul Aziz Said, American University, Washington, DC  
Date: 8 October 1987

5. Lecture: The Foreign Policy of the British Labour Party and the Arab-Israeli Conflict  
 Speaker: Gerald Kaufman, "Foreign Minister" of the Shadow Government (Labour opposition) U.K.  
 Date: 6 January 1988
  
6. Conference: International Media and Press Coverage of the Uprising in the Occupied Territories  
 Participants: Teachers in local universities  
 The Arab Journalists Association  
 Reporters for international news agencies in Jerusalem  
 European and American journalists  
 Date: 8 January 1988
  
7. Lectures: Arab Literature Translated into the German Language  
German Academics and the Events of the National Uprising in the Occupied Territories  
 Speaker: Professor Stefan Feld - Director of the Eastern Seminar, Bonn University, West Germany  
 Date: 7 March 1988
  
8. Lecture: The Palestinian Question and American Foreign Policy  
 Speaker: Professor Thomas Naff - Director of the Middle East Department at the University of Pennsylvania  
 Date: 12 March 1988
  
9. Lecture: The Uprising and the American Media  
 Speaker: Dr. Anne Lesch - Villanova University  
 Date: 29 March 1988
  
10. Lecture: Swedish Foreign Policy and the Arab-Israeli Conflict  
 Speaker: Beatrice Zeidler-Blomberg - The Swedish Institute for International Relations, Stockholm  
 Date: 6 April 1988
  
11. Conference: PNC Resolutions 1964-1987  
 Papers: Dr. Mahdi Abdul-Hadi - PASSIA  
 Dr. Mahmoud Mohareb - Arab Studies Society  
 Date: 10 April 1988
  
12. Lecture: The Armenian Issue and Minorities in the USSR  
 Speaker: Dr. Manuel Hassassian - PASSIA  
 Date: 29 April 1988

13. Seminar: The 1936 Revolt and the Intifada 1987-88  
 Paper: Dr. Mahdi Abdul-Hadi - PASSIA  
 Date: 20 and 27 April 1988
14. Lecture: Palestinian Leadership in the West Bank and Gaza Strip  
 Speaker: Dr. Ziad Abu Amr - Bir Zeit University  
 Date: 30 May 1988
15. Lecture: The Political Content in "Isma'il"  
 (a Palestinian novel)  
 Speaker: Dr. Ahmad Harb - Bir Zeit University  
 Date: 2 June 1988
16. Seminar: Life in the Israeli Prisons  
 Participants: Dr. Nabil Al-Ja'bari, head of the Hebron University Board of Trustees; Radwan Abu Ayyash, head of the Arab Journalists Association; Journalist Sam'an Khoury  
 Date: 8 June 1988
17. Lectures: Italy and Aid to the Occupied Territories  
The Uprising and Italian Foreign Policy  
 Speaker: Mr. Mareno Falleoro - Italian Consul General in Jerusalem  
 Date: 14 June 1988
18. Seminar: The Bassam Abu Sharif Document, 1988 - Analysis and Discussion  
 Papers: - Bassam Abu Sharif's document  
 - The PLO File presented to the Arab Summit in June 1988  
 - The Palestinian document printed in Af-Fajr on 18 June 1988 and in the Jerusalem Post on 24 June 1988  
 Date: 13 July 1988
19. Discussion: Palestinian - American Relations  
 Participants: PASSIA and Dr. Judith Kipper of the Brookings Institution, Washington, DC  
 Date: 27 July 1988

- B. PASSIA was careful not to limit its activities to member academics and university teachers, but worked instead at widening the base of participation to include a larger many sectors of Palestinian society in an attempt to reach a level of ideological harmony and develop interrelations among them.

Participants in the meetings and activities of PASSIA were:

#### 1. Municipalities

Mustafa Abd al-Nabi Natsheh (Hebron), Odeh Rantisi (Ramallah), Jamil Tarifi (El Bireh), Hanna Nasser (Bethlehem)

#### 2. The Press

Radwan Abu Ayyash (Arab Journalists Association), Elias Zananiri (Al-Awdah), Raymonda Tawil (Al-Awdah), Salah Zuheikeh (Al-Sha'b), Ziad Abu Zayyad (Al-Jisr), Sam'an Khoury, Hanna Siniora (Al-Fajr), Khalil Touma (Al-Fajr), Maher Abu Khater (Al-Fajr), Ali Ya'ish (Al-Sha'b), Jack Khazmo (Al-Bayader), Nada Khazmo (Al-Bayader), Daoud Kuttab (Al-Sennara), Hafeth Al-Barghouti (Al-Qabas)

#### 3. Societies

Faisal Hussein, Ishaq Budeiri, Mahmoud Muhareb Samia Khouri; Doris Salah, Layla Karmi; Ibrahim Mattar; Dr. Mubarak Awad; Khalil Mahshi, Nancy Nye; Dr. Amin Khateeb

#### 4. Trade Unions

Dr. Arfan Arafeh, Dr. Anees Al Qaq, Dr. Sufian Al-Khateeb, Dr. Hamdouh Al-Eker, Dr. Ibrahim Al-Lad'a, Dr. Ghazi Hanania, Pharmacist Isma'il Tazzeez, Pharmacist Salman Abu Rmeleh, Attorney Sa'id Hussein, Attorney Waleed Asali, Attorney Jiryis Khouri, Dr. Anton Tarazi, Pharmacist Nobar Arsenian, Dr. Samir Khateeb, Unionist Shafer Sa'd, Unionist Abed Abu Diab, Sa'id Kan'an, Attorney Ghassan Shak'a, Dr. Hala Egal, Dr. Elie Dibsi, Engineer Mohammed Nusseibeh

#### 5. Universities and Colleges

Dr. Izzat Ghourani, Dr. Ziad Abu Amr, Dr. Nabil Ja'bari, Tayseet Aruri, Dr. Sari Nusseibeh, Dr. Manuel Hassassian, Dr. Azmi Bishara, Dr. Mousa Budeiri, Muneer Fasheh, Dr. Bernard Sabella, Dr. Sharif Kana'neh, Albert Aghazarian, Dr. Adnan Musallam, Abdul Rahman Natsheh, Dr. adeeb Al-Keisi, Dr. Ahman Harb, Dr. Tamer Essawi, Dr. Simon Kuttab, Fareed Tawil, Dr. Hannan Hallaq, Dr. Ishaq Hussein



C. Papers and Publications

1. The following studies were published and distributed free of charge to universities and other institutions:
  - a. The Palestinian Diary (in cooperation with Al-Fajr and the Palestinian Center for the Study of Non-violence)
  - b. Notes on Israeli-Palestinian Meetings by Dr. Mahdi Abdul-Hadi
  - c. Notes on the German-Palestinian Relations Seminar - PASSIA report
  - d. The Federal Republic of Germany, The Palestinians, and the Middle East by Dr. Helga Bomgarten
  - e. Arabic Literature Translated into German by Dr. Stefan Feld
  - f. Archive file: The Closure of the Palestinian Information Office in Washington, DC by Basma As-Samman and Maha Shihadeh
  - g. Sweden and the Arab-Israeli Conflict by Beatrice Zeidler-Blomberg
  - h. Bylaws of PASSIA, PASSIA papers
2. Forthcoming Publications
  - a. The Armenian Issue and Minorities in the Soviet Union by Dr. Manuel Hassassian
  - b. The 1936 Revolt and the 1987-88 Uprising by Dr. Mahdi Abdul-Hadi
  - c. A Reading in the Statements of the White Uprising by Dr. Mahdi Abdul-Hadi
  - d. The Palestinian Agenda 1989-90 by Norma Masrieh
  - e. Palestinian-German Relations File, PASSIA Papers
  - f. The Palestinian Leaders in the Occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip by Dr. Ziad Abu Amr

- D. The academic program for the remainder of 1988 will include:
1. A series of meetings with the foreign consuls in Jerusalem; subjects:
    - a. The position of their countries on the Arab-Israeli conflict.
    - b. The national uprising and their countries' foreign policies
  2. Symposia on the Middle East International Peace Conference; subjects:
    - a. Propositions in the nature and details of peace negotiations between the PLO and the Israeli government
    - b. The Soviet Union and the International Conference
    - c. The United States and the International Conference
    - d. The PLO and the International Conference
  3. Lectures on the Israeli Knesset Elections
    - a. RATS - Citizens Rights Movement
    - b. MAPAM - United Workers Party
    - c. Peace Now movement
    - d. The Arab Democratic Party
    - e. The progressive movement
    - f. The Labour Party
    - g. The Likud bloc
    - h. The religious groups
    - i. The Communist Party
    - j. Other parties
  4. Joint meetings with local and foreign institutions
  5. Participating in conferences and seminars locally and in Europe and the United States

#### IV. International Affairs

A. Local and Foreign Conferences. PASSIA has taken part in conferences locally and abroad, through attendance, discussion, and presentation of papers. The most prominent of these meetings were:

1. Subject: The Jerusalem International Conference for Popular Folklore  
Host: The Center for Reviving Arab Heritage, Taibeh  
Place: Dar al-Tifel building, Jerusalem  
Participant: Dr. Mahdi Abdul-Hadi  
Date: 22-26 August 1986
2. Subject: The First Palestinian Conference for Mental Health (towards better psychological health in Palestine)  
Host: The Palestinian Center for the Study of Non-Violence, Jerusalem  
Participant: Dr. Bernard Sabella ("The Occupation and Mental Health")  
Date: 5-11 November 1987
3. Subject: Scientific Research in the Occupied Territories  
Host: The Center for Scientific Research, Hebron University  
Place: Hebron  
Participant: Dr. Manuel Hassassian  
Date: 26 November 1987
4. Subject: Divided Cities (Jerusalem, Berlin, Belfast, Nicosia, Beirut)  
Host: The Salzburg International Seminar  
Participant: Dr. Mahdi Abdul-Hadi (presented a paper on Jerusalem)  
Date: 8-11 February 1987
5. Subject: Discussion on the Middle East (a view into the future)  
Host: The Carter Center at Emory University (former US President Jimmy Carter)  
Place: Atlanta, Georgia, USA  
Participant: Dr. Mahdi Abdul-Hadi  
Date: 19-22 November 1988
6. Subject: Arab Americans and the Arab World: Challenges and Opportunities  
Host: Association of Arab American University Graduates (AAUG)  
Place: Washington, DC  
Participant: Dr. Mahdi Abdul-Hadi  
Date: 19-22 November 1988

7. Subject: The Day of Solidarity with the  
Palestinian People  
Host: Dr. Clovis Maqsoud, Arab League  
Representative to the United Nations  
Place: UN headquarters, New York  
Participant: Dr. Mahdi Abdul-Hadi  
Date: 29 November 1988
8. Subject: 20 Years of Occupation from Resistance  
to Uprising  
Host: Bir Zeit University  
Place: Ambassador Hotel, Jerusalem  
Participant: Dr. Mahdi Abdul-Hadi  
Date: 25-26 March 1988
9. Subject: The First Education Conference (The present  
situation and its effects on the future)  
Host: The Union of Workers in the Teaching Sector  
in the Occupied Territories  
Place: Ambassador Hotel, Jerusalem  
Participant: Dr. Mahdi Abdul-Hadi  
Date: 5 May 1988
10. Subject: Negotiations in Theory and Practice  
Host: Salzburg International Seminar  
Place: Salzburg, Austria  
Participant: Dr. Manuel Hassassian  
Date: 25 May-4 June 1988

Conferences to which PASSIA was invited but was unable to attend:

1. Place: Brussels Conference  
Subject: Give Peace a Chance  
Host: Mr. David Suskin  
Date: 19-21 March 1988
2. Place: Amsterdam Conference  
Host: Urije University, Amsterdam  
Date: April 1988

B. Meetings with Delegations. PASSIA has received a large number of parliamentary, diplomatic, academic, international, and joint delegations. Discussions were held also with members and friends of PASSIA concerning the development of events and their local, regional, and international dimensions.

1. Parliamentary and Political Party Delegations

- a. The Netherlands: Mr. J.J. De Boes, head of the foreign committee in parliament; Mr. Joep De Hoop Sheffer, MP; Mr. Hans Qualtherie Van Weezil, MP; Mr. Jan Revis, Embassy of the Netherlands, Tel Aviv.  
Subject of meeting: the Palestinian-Israeli conflict; Israeli political parties; the PLO and the Arab world.  
11 November 1987
- b. United Kingdom: The "foreign minister" of the British shadow government (Labour opposition) Mr. Gerald Kaufman, MP; Mr. Ivan Cullen, British Consul General in Jerusalem.  
Subject of meeting: The Intifada; the Israeli Labour Party; Palestinian-Jordanian Relations. 6 January 1988
- c. Italian Communist Party, Rome; three members  
Subject: The National Uprising. 23 January 1988
- d. United Kingdom: British parliamentarians in the European Parliament; the British Consul General in Jerusalem  
Subject of meeting: Israeli agreements with the EEC; Arab (Syrian) agreements with the EEC; the National Uprising. 2 February 1988
- e. The European Parliamentary Delegation of the EEC.  
Subject of meeting: The National Intifada; Palestinian-European relations and the PLO. 2 February 1988
- f. Members of the Social Democratic Party (SDP)  
Mr. Babi Ramber, SDP, West Germany, head of delegation  
Subject of meeting: The Palestinian-Israeli Conflict; Palestinian-European Relations; the Intifada and the PLO. 22 May 1988
- g. The European Parliamentary Delegation of the EEC.  
Subject of meeting: Arab-European dialogue; the call for Mr. Yasser Arafat to address the European Parliament. 25 May 1988
- h. British MP George Galloway (House of Commons)  
Subject of meeting: The Palestinian Intifada; Israeli political parties and the Intifada.  
1 June 1988

- i. Young European Conservatives; British Consul General Ivan Cullen.  
Subject of meeting: The Palestine question: a historical perspective. 2 July 1988
  - j. Swiss Parliamentary delegation headed by Mr. Spielmann  
Subject of meeting: The Intifada. 11 July 1988
  - k. Mr. Hans J. Frank, MP Sweden and chairman of the Swedish-Palestinian Friendship Society.  
Subject of meeting: National Institutions in Occupied Land. 17 July 1988
2. Diplomatic Delegations
- a. Senator John Chafee, United States Congress  
Subject of meeting: Palestinian refugee camps. 7 January 1988
  - b. Father Andrea Weller, The Papal Mission in Jerusalem  
Subject of meeting: The Vatican and the Holy Land; the appointment of Patriarch Michael Sabbah. 12 January 1988
  - c. Mr. Joan Revis, Consultant for the Embassy of the Netherlands  
Subject of meeting: The document of the national institutions (the 8 demands). 27 January 1988
  - d. Mr. Herwig Bartels, Ambassador of West Germany to Amman; Mrs. Carola Muller-Holtkempter, First Secretary of the Embassy  
Subject of meeting: Palestinian-Arab Relations; the National Uprising; coordination with German cultural institutions. 3 and 10 March, 25 and 28 April, 21 and 23 June 1988
  - e. Senator Arlen Specter, United States Congress; Charles Battaglin, staff assistant  
Subject of meeting: Arab-Palestinian relations; the Palestinian-Israeli conflict and the PLO. 7 April 1988
  - f. Rep. S. Solarz, United States Congress; staff assistant Stanley Roth  
Subject of meeting: American conditions for dealing with the PLO; the white uprising. 8 April 1988.
  - g. Mr. Arnold Hjerstrom, Swedish Consul General in Jerusalem  
Subject of meeting: Jordanian-Palestinian relations; coordination on lectures from Sweden 12 April 1988

- h. Mr. John Menee First Secretary in the Canadian Embassy in Tel Aviv  
Subject: The Palestinian national flag; documents and information. 20 April 1988
- i. Mr. Newsom, Institute for Diplomacy, Georgetown University, Washington, DC (former US ambassador)  
Subject of meeting: Palestinian-Palestinian relations inside and outside the occupied territories; coordination for publishing articles. 20 May 1988
- j. Mr. Marvin Stones, Deputy Director, OS information agency, Washington, DC  
Subject of meeting: Palestinian-American relations  
23 June 1988
- k. Mr. John Hirsch, Arab-Israeli Desk Officer, United States Department of State  
Subject of meeting: The Palestinian-Israeli conflict; the National Uprising.  
3 July 1988
- l. Ambassador Morton Abramowitz, US State Department  
Subject of meeting: The National Uprising. 8 July 1988

C. Academic Delegations

- a. J.J. Servan Schreiber, International Committee, Carnegie Mellon University (French writer)  
Subject of meeting: Contact and information through computers. 25 January 1988
- b. Professor Gene Sharp, head of the Albert Einstein Institute, Cambridge, USA; Dr. So'ad Dajani, Harvard Center for International Affairs  
Subject of meeting: The National Uprising. 1 February 1988
- c. The Swiss-Jewish delegation, headed by Professor E. Stegemaan (14 members)  
Subject of meeting: The religious relations among Jews, Christians, and Moslems; Israeli political parties.  
26 March 1988
- d. Professor Herbert Kelman, Harvard University, Cambridge, USA  
Subject of meeting: Palestinian-American relations.  
29 March 1988
- e. Paul Helbing and Charlot Prince, Amsterdam University, The Netherlands (researchers)

Subject of meeting: Development institutions in the Occupied Lands marketing to the EEC. 28 April 1988

- f. Mr. Sune Persson, head of the Center for Middle Eastern Studies, Stockholm; the Swedish Consul General in Jerusalem  
Subject of meeting: Coordination for lectures in October 1988. 29 April 1988
- g. Mr. Scott Kennedy and Ms. Deena Hurwitz, The Resource Center for Non-Violent Studies, Santa Cruz, Calif., USA  
Subject of meeting: Martin Luther King; Mahatma Gandhi; the Uprising: unarmed struggle. 3 May 1988
- h. American Coalition for Middle East Dialogue (ACMED), 13-member Arab-Jewish-Other delegation including Professor Michael Zigmund (progressive Jewish organizations), Marc Breslow (New Jewish Agenda), Maria Youssef (Director, Middle East Forum), Charles Davis (Seattle Committee for Israeli-Palestinian Peace)  
Subject of meeting: The Palestinian-Israeli conflict; Palestinian-Jordanian relations. 27 May 1988
- i. European Graduates group: Australia, Britain, and France.  
Subject of meeting: The National Uprising; the PLO. 30 May 1988
- j. Mr. Allan Solomonow, American Friends Service Committee  
Subject of meeting: American media and the Palestinian-Israeli conflict; American institutions in the Occupied Lands; American development programs and the Uprising. 10 June 1988
- k. American academics: Dr. Lewis Brownstein, Director, International Relations, State University of New York; Dr. Gregory Gravse III, Middle East Institute, Columbia University.  
Subject of meeting: The National Uprising; Palestinian leaders through history and the PLO. 25 June 1988
- l. Dr. Mikko Zenger, University of Helsinki  
Subject of meeting: The Palestinian issue. 27 June 1988

#### D. International and Joint Delegations

- 1. The American-Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee  
Osama Domani, California; Frank C. Newman, California; Patrick Hallin, Appellate Court Justice, San Francisco.  
Subject of meeting: The Uprising. 1 February 1988



2. Canada Arab World Association  
Subject of Meeting: Palestinian-Canadian Relations;  
the PLO; the National Uprising. 15 February 1988
  
3. Socialist International Delegation  
Mr. Pentti Vaananen, General Secretary of Socialist  
International, Finland; Mrs. Margareta Bonver,  
International Relations in the Italian Communist Party; Mr.  
Enker Georginess, Former Prime Minister of Denmark,  
President of Socialist International; Mr. Jan Marnios,  
International Relations for the Dutch Socialist Party; Mr.  
Conny Fredrickson, Sweden.  
Subject: Arab-Palestinian Relations; the PLO; the Uprising;  
field visits to Israeli settlements in the Occupied Lands,  
visits to Arab hospitals, unions, and refugee camps.  
22 February 1988
  
4. Amnesty International  
Subject of Meeting: The trial of Faisal Husseini (prisoner  
of conscience) 23 February, 29 March, 5 May 1988
  
5. International Labour Organization, delegation headed by  
C. Comtet, J.N. Serais, A. Zengar  
Subject of meeting: Workers in the Occupied Lands; the  
Uprising. 26 March 1988

## C. Media

Journalists, foreign correspondents, and international network news reporters visited PASSIA and met its president and members. They transmitted Palestinian points of view on current events, Palestinian-Arab relations, Palestinian-European-American relations, and other issues.

### 1. United States Media

- a. The New York Times:
  - Columnist Anthony Lewis, 14 January 1988
  - Correspondent John Kifner, 4 May 1988
  - Editorial writer Mr. Meyer, 30 June 1988
  
- b. The Christian Science Monitor
  - Correspondent George Moffit, 20 and 25 April, 13, 16, and 25 June, 7, 18, and 26 July 1988
  
- c. Los Angeles Times
  - Correspondent Dan Fisher, 17 May, 22 July 1988
  - Jerusalem Bureau Chief Dial Torgerson, 31 May 1988
  - Rome Bureau Chief William Montalban, 12 June 1988
  - Cyprus Correspondent Charles Wallace, 12 June 1988

- d. Washington Post
    - Paris Correspondent John Randall, 10 December 1988
    - Correspondent Glenn Frankel, 26 April, 13 June 1988
  - e. Chicago Tribune
    - Jerusalem reporter Steven Franklin, 18 April 1988
  - f. Newsday
    - Foreign Affairs reporter Martin Berck, 18 May 1988
  - g. Philadelphia Inquirer
    - Reporter Marc Duvoisin, 20 July 1988
  - h. The News World
    - Middle East Correspondent Dan Watkins
  - i. The Jewish Journal of Los Angeles
    - Correspondent Yehuda Lev, 13 January 1988
  - j. The Middle East Journal
    - Editor Jean C. Newsom, 20 May 1988
  - k. Middle East Policy Survey, Washington, DC
    - Editor Richard Strauss, 15 June 1988
  - l. CBS News
    - Bob Simon, 2 February, 7 April 1988
    - Lewis Lipman, 19 April 1988
  - m. NBC News
    - Martin Fletcher, 19 June 1988
  - n. Associated Press
    - Telephone Interviews, 12 February., 18 April, 10 and 27 July 1988
  - o. Internews
    - David Hoffman
  - p. Freelance journalists
    - Milton Viorst, 10 February, 18 June 1988
    - Jeremy Kaplan, 27 June 1988
    - John P. Tarpey, 5 June 1988
    - Deborah Amos, 12 April and 10 June 1988
    - John Rice, 27 March 1988
2. European Media
- a. The Sunday Times, London
    - Mr. Phillip Jacobson

- b. The Observer, London
    - Jan Mather
  - c. The Financial Times, London
    - Mr. David Lennon
  - d. Middle East International, London
    - Michael Adams, 1 February 1988
  - e. Middle East Mirror, London
    - Daoud Kuttab, March, April, June 1988
  - f. The Week, Thames TV, London
    - Mr. Peter Gill, 11 February 1988
  - g. Frankfurter Rundschau
    - Journalist Hall Wyner, 24 June 1988
  - h. NRC Hahdesblad, Amsterdam, The Netherlands
    - Mr. Michael Stein, senior foreign correspondent, 24 June 1988
  - i. Agence France Presse, Jerusalem
    - Patrick Eidgar, 28 June 1988
  - j. Australian Broadcasting Corporation (ABC Australia)
    - Neil Ross, Marc Kenny, 15 July 1988
3. Israeli Media
- 1. Jerusalem Post
    - Joel Greenberg, 5 March, 10 April, 8 June 1988
    - Edward Grossmann, 28 December 1987
  - 2. Israel Radio (English-language broadcast)
    - Steve Rodan, 13 and 29 December, 28 January, 16 March, 8 and 28 July 1988
  - 3. Journalist and writer Amos Alon, 30 June 1988
  - 4. New Outlook magazine, June 1988
  - 5. Haaretz newspaper, June 1988
4. Palestinian and Arab Media
- Al-Yom Al-Sabe'
  - Falasteen Al-Thawra
  - Al-Fajr (English-language edition)
  - Al-Quds, Al-Shab, Al-Bayader Al-Siyassi, Al-Awdah, Al-Jisr, Al-Sennara

## V. Coordination Affairs

Since the founding of PASSIA in March 1987, programs and activities were coordinated with a number of local and foreign institutions including:

### A. Local Institutions

1. The Arab Studies Society
2. Dar Al-Tifel Al-Arabi, Jerusalem
3. Arab Journalists Association in the Occupied Territories, Jerusalem
4. Al-Fajr daily Arabic edition and weekly English edition
5. The Palestinian Center for the Study of Non-Violence, Jerusalem
6. Bir Zeit University, Bethlehem University, Hebron University, Gaza University, and the Graduates Association in Hebron
7. Conglomerate of Workers Unions, Beit Hanina

### B. Foreign Institutions

1. The Lutheran Church in Jerusalem
2. Dr. Friedrich, German Provost
3. Friedrich Ebert Stiftung, West Germany
4. Goethe Institute

### C. Consulates General in Jerusalem: Sweden, Spain, Italy, USA

## VI. General Remarks

In accordance with the philosophy of work of PASSIA, and for purpose of developing and activating the society further to play its academic role in the field of international relations, there is a dire need for permanent funding to cover the following expenses:

### A. Equipment

1. Microphone and recording equipment for seminars, lectures, and meetings
2. Computer and printer
3. Stencil printer and accessories
4. Photocopy machine [donated by the Friedrich Ebert Institute, Germany]
5. Furnishings for an expanded meeting hall

### B. Administrative Staff

1. Full-time secretary
2. Administrative Assistant/Public Relations Officer
3. Full-time typist

C. Academic Staff

1. Two full-time researchers
2. Librarian
3. Archive worker

D. Funds for present and future activities

1. Local conferences, seminars, and lectures
2. Participation in foreign conferences and meetings
3. Fees for researchers and supervisors of research
4. Stationery, publications (both regular and emergency)
5. Subscriptions to foreign periodicals specializing in international affairs
6. Expenses for visiting foreign delegations
7. Funds for typing documents and university theses
8. Funds for typing the annual agenda 1989-90 (in English with maps)