3 Dialogue Program

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 debate. 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 helping to consolidate relationships and forge connections 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 up to 100 people. Forums are held as the Ambassador Hotel in Jerusalem, which offers the space and facilities needed to accommodate the anticipated number of participants. In 2004, PASSIA held two fora (see below and under Jerusalem).

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 2004 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 (www. passia.org).

Roundtable Meetings

6 January 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Personal and Community Transformation in the Aftermath of Violence: From Boston to the Balkans

Speaker: John Woodall, MD, Director of the Resilient Responses to Social Crisis Interfaculty Working Group at Harvard University's Mind Brain Behavior Initiative. <u>Participants:</u> Maha Abu Samra, Field Training Officer, UNRWA; Pamella Mills, Program Development Officer, US Consulate; Jamal Al-Aref, Deputy Middle East Representative, ANERA; Michele Auga, Friedrich Ebert Foundation, Jerusalem; Raymond Connelly, Retired; Khalil Assali, Voice of America (Radio Sawa); Dr. Arafat Hidmi, Maqassed Society, Jerusalem; Elias Zananiri, Journalist, RFI, Jerusalem; Subhi Al-Aref, Medical Student; Suzan Nammari, Program Specialist, American Consulate, Jerusalem; Nick Kardahji, Dr. Mahdi Abdul Hadi, PASSIA, Jerusalem.



John Woodall



10 February 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem The Geneva Accords – Just Another Peace Plan? Speaker: Dr. Nazmi Al-J'ubeh, RIWAQ, Center for Architectural Conservation, Ramallah Participants: Fatima Abdo, Student; Ibrahim Sha'aban, Lecturer; Mohammed Nuseibeh, Addar Hotel; Hanlie Booysen, South African Representative Office, Ramallah; Khalil Assali, Voice of America; Elisabeth Petersen, Project Coordinator, FES; Sarah Albrecut, FES Intern; Peter Schäfer, FES; Jamal Al-'Aref, Deputy, Middle East Representative, ANERA; Hatem Abdul Qader, PLC Member; Elias Zananiri, RFI; Ishaq Budeiri, Arab Studies Society; Andrew Whittaker, British Consulate General, Jerusalem; Maha Abu Samra, Field Training Officer, UNRWA; Rafiq Husseini, Welfare Association; Saman Khoury, Media Advisor; Christian Sterzing, Director, Heinrich Böll Foundation; Sari Hanafi, Shaml; Catherine Nichols, Sabeel;

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26 February 2004, PASSIA, Ramallah

The Question of Palestinian Citizenship in the Light of the Current Development in the Region

Speakers: Ali Safarini, Lawyer; Mahmoud Hammad, Lawyer Participants: Lubna Hammad, Lawyer; Gabi Baramki. Consultant; Taleb Awad, Muwatin; Khalil Nakhleh, Ministry of Education and Higher Education; Baha' Bakri, Electoral Affairs, PR Department, Central **Election Committee**



Ali Safarini



Mahmoud Hammad





Abigail Jacobson

24 May 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Alternative Voices in Late Ottoman Palestine -Jews and Arabs on the Evolving National Conflict Speaker: Abigail Jacobson, PhD Candidate, University of Chicago

Participants: Subhi El-Aref, Medical Student; Jamal El-Aref, ANERA; Albert Aghazerian, Lecturer and Consultant, Jerusalem; Khalil Tufakji, Orient House; Dimitri Diliani, Al-Quds University; Walid Assali, Lawyer; Maha Abu Samra, Job Creation Manager, UNRWA; Dan Jacobson, Organizational and Political Psychologist; Terry Bullata, New Generation School; Tally Gur, Activist; Sami Sockol, Journalist; Khalil Assali, Voice of America (VOA); Lily Feidy, Deputy Secretary General, MIFTAH; Mahdi Abdul Hadi, Nick Kardahji, Fadi Kiblawi, PASSIA.



31 July 2004, PASSIA, Ramallah

Israel's Unilateral Withdrawal and its Economic Impacts

<u>Speaker</u>: Hazem Kawasmi, Consultant – Ministry of National Economy, Ramallah

Participants: Ziad Karablieh, Economist, Ministry of Economy; Jihad Abdul Hadi, Director, Ministry of Foreign Affairs; Raed Abu Ghazaleh, Minister's Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs; Walid Badawi, Refugees Department; Khalil Nakhleh, Qattan Center; Hassan Fayyad, Head of Research and Translation Department, NSU; Sam Bahour, ICT Consultant; Adnan Ghosheh, Project Advisor, Municipal Development, GTZ; Mouwya Al Qawasmi, IRD, Ministry of Foreign Affairs; Pol U Gradaigh, Solidarity Activist.



Hazem Kawasmi





7 October 2004. PASSIA, Ramallah

City-to-City Cooperation (C2C) as a Strategy for Development: How Palestinian Cities Can Benefit

Speaker: Dr. Bruce Stanley, Consultant, EU Participants: Dani Ceuninck, Head, Belgian Consulate; Nadia Hajal, Miftah; Fransisca Schaft, GTZ, Municipal Development Project; Muzna Shihabi, Palestinian Medical Relief; Sam Bahour, ICT, Consultant; Faisal Awartani, Lecturer; Ahmad Harb, BirZeit University; Iyad Masrouji, Economist; Dr.Ibrahim Murad, Physician



Bruce Stanley



27 October 2004. PASSIA, Ramallah

Contemporary Challenges for Palestinian Women

<u>Speakers</u>: Dr. Islah Jad, Women Research Institute, Birzeit University; Dr. Maryam Saleh, Faculty of Qur'an, Al Quds University; Eva Dalak, Researcher, Political Sciences, Sorbonne University

<u>Participants</u>: Ghazaleh Arar, GUPT; Rana Mousa, Ministry of Interior; Hadeel Qazzaz, Henrich Boll Foundation; Eiman Nimer, Al Huda Women Association; Arabya Mohammad, Al Huda Women Association; Nihaya Rabih, Al Huda Women Association; Khadijeh Abu Ali, Researcher; Rima Saba, Planning Consultant; Sana Shannak, PASSIA



Maryam Saleh

Islah Jad

Eva Dalak



Adnan Samara

14 December 2040, PASSIA, Ramallah

Fateh Movement and the Internal and National Elections

<u>Speaker</u>: Adnan Samara, Deputy Gen. Sec. of the Fateh Revolutionary Council

Participants: Dr. Ahmad Suboh, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Information; Salwa Abu Khadra, Palestinian Women General Union, Ramallah; Rabiha Diab, Assistant Deputy, Ministry of Youth and Sports; Obaida Kazimi, General Manager, Orient House, Jerusalem; Nidal Omar, Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics; Alexis Le Cour Grandmaison, Deputy Consul, French Consulate; Jerusalem; Ross Allen, Political Consul, UK Consulate; Walid Salem, Director, Panorama Center, Jerusalem; Khawla Kurd,

Arab Women Union Society; Kefah Abu Odeh, Police; Ramadan Sharqawi, Public Relations, Police; Ghazaleh Arar, GUPT; Elham Najjar, PSI; Mahmoud Najjar, Palestinian Planning Center; Sam Bahour, Consultant; Wafa Amr, Journalist, Reuters; Faisal Awartani, Director, Alpha International; Khalil Nakhleh, Director, Qattan Center; Jannie Kuih, Sociologist; Marc Mellinger, US Consulate, Jerusalem; Ibrahim Eid, Consultant; Dr. Sa'adeh Al-Khatib Al-Kaswani, General Director, Ministry of Information; Engineer Adnan Abu Ayyash, Deputy Assistant, Ministry of Local Government



Briefings

13 January 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: The Palestinian-Israeli Conflict and New Challenges, Such as Israel's Apartheid Separation Wall

Participant(s): Corinne Whitlateh, Executive Director, Churches for Middle East Peace, USA; Rev. Jim Wetekam, Media Director, Churches for Middle East Peace, USA; Fr. Jim Kofski, MM, Maryknoll Office for Global Concerns, USA; Catherine Gordon, Associate for International Issues, Washington Office, Presbyterian Church, USA; Rev. Phil Jones, Director of Washington Office, Church of the Brethren, USA; Joe Volk, Executive Secretary, Friends Committee on National Legislation, USA.

15 January 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: Elections in Palestine

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Reinhard Uhrig, Head of Cultural Affairs, German Representative Office, Ramallah.

15 January 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: The Apartheid Separation Wall

Participant(s): Hernan Tassara, Head, Chile Representative Office, Ramallah

21 January 2004, British Consul General's Residence

(Working Dinner)

Participant(s): Baroness Symons of Vernham Dean, Minister, State for Foreign & Commonwealth Affairs, United Kingdom; Nick Allan, Private Secretary of Baroness Symons, Foreign & Commonwealth Office, United Kingdom; John Jenkins, British Consul General, Jerusalem; Nazmi Al-Ju'beh, Riwaq Center, Ramallah; Zahira Kamal, Minister, Women's Affairs, Ramallah; Lucy Nusseibeh, Middle East Non-Violence & Democracy, MEND, Jerusalem; Marwan Abu Az-Z ulof, Al-Quds Newspaper, Jerusalem; Huda Al-Imam, Center for Jerusalem Studies, Al-Quds University, Jerusalem; Mahdi Abdul Hadi, Head, PASSIA, Jerusalem.

22 January 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: Palestinian Elections

Participant(s): László Fehérvári, Head, Hungarian Representative Office, Ramallah.

22 January 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: The Palestinian - Israeli Conflict 2004 - Where to?

<u>Participant(s):</u> (Canadian-Israeli Committee) Elizabeth Whiting, Political Organizer for the Richard Mahoney Campaign, Municipal Affairs, City of Ottawa; Nick Masciantonio, Canadian Cable Television Association; David Cooper, Assistant Director, Government Relations, Canadian-Israeli Committee; David Pretlove, Financial Administrator, Ontario Liberal Party; Andre Albinati, Consultant, Earnscliffe Strategy Group; Jonathan Schneiderman, Consultant; Mike Klander, Political Consultant; Andrea Jordan, Consultant.

23 January 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: The Palestinian - Israeli Conflict 2004 - Where to?

Participant(s): (Finnish Delegation) Liisa Jaakonsaari, Member of the Parliament (MP), Social

Democratic Party; Sinikka Hurskainen, MP, Social Democratic Party; Eija Rotinen, Director, Ministry of Foreign Affairs; Anneli Jäätteenmäki, MP, Finish Center Party; Esko Juhani Tennilä, MP, Left Alliance; Raili Lahnalampi, Counsel, Foreign Affairs Committee; Keijo Ruokoranta, Head, Finnish Representative Office; Eero Lankia, MP, Finish Center Party; Jari Vilen, MP, National Coalition Party.

24 January 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem <u>Topic:</u> Palestinian-Israeli Bi-National Conditions

<u>Participant(s):</u> Steven M. Riskin, Program Officer, United States Institute of Peace, Washington.

26 January 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem Topic: Local Election in Palestine

<u>Participant(s):</u>Christian F. Jouret, Conseil De L'Union Européenne, Conseiller Politique Du Représentant Spécial de L'Union Européenne Pour le Processus de Paix au Moyen Orient.

26 January 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem <u>Topic:</u> The Future of the Judiciary System in Palestine <u>Participant(s)</u>: Reem Bahdi, Assistant Professor, University of Windsor, Canada.

27 January 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem

<u>Topic:</u> The Intifada 2000 and the Palestinian Civil Society (A Book Project) <u>Participant(s)</u>: Avi Isakarof, West Bank & Gaza Strip Correspondent, Israel Broadcasting Authority, Jerusalem.

29 January 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem

TOPIC: European Union Technical Assistance to the Palestinians

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Alban Biaussat, Task Manager, Institutional Development and Reform, European Union, European Commission Technical Assistance Office, West Bank, Gaza Strip; Anne Le More, Program Officer, Coordination and Socioeconomic Affairs Unit, UNSCO, Jerusalem.

31 January 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem

<u>Topic:</u> Japan's Foreign Policy and the Palestinian-Israeli Conflict <u>Participant(s)</u>: Tokuro Furuya, Principal Deputy Director, First Middle East Division, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Japan.

4 February 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem <u>Topic:</u> **PASSIA Projects** <u>Participant(s):</u> Steve Hibbard, Head of the Canadian Representative Office, Ramallah

5 February 2004, American Colony, Jerusalem <u>Topic:</u> Italian-Palestinian Relations. <u>Participant(s):</u> Nicola Manduzio, Consul General, Italian Consulate, Jerusalem

6 February 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem <u>Topic:</u> **PASSIA Seminar on Ireland and Northern Ireland** <u>Participant(s):</u> Niall Holohan, Head, Irish Representative Office, Ramallah. 3

9 February 2004, Resident of the Hungarian Representative, Jerusalem.

(Working Dinner)

<u>Topic:</u> The Palestinian–Israeli Conflict and Hungarian Foreign Policy <u>Participant(s):</u> Zsolt Németh, Chairman, Foreign Affairs Committee, Hungarian National Assembly, Hungary; Csaba Lõrincz, Ambassador, Counselor, Foreign Affairs Committee, HNA, Hungary; András Klein, Staff Director, Foreign Affairs Committee, HNA; Janos Hovari, Ambassador, Hungarian Embassy, Tel Aviv; Csaba Czibere, First Secretary, Hungarian Embassy, Tel Aviv; Károly Peimli, Counselor, Hungarian Embassy, Tel Aviv; Nigel Roberts, Country Director, West Bank and Gaza Department, The World Bank, Jerusalem; Hatem Abdul Qader, PLC Member, Jerusalem; Marwan Jilani, Executive Director, Geneva Initiative Office, Ramallah; Lily Hilal, Negotiation Support Unit, Ramallah; Mahdi Abdul Hadi, Head, PASSIA, Jerusalem.

13 February 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem

TOPIC: Current Situation of the Palestinian-Israeli Conflict

Participant(s): South African Ministerial Delegation: Aziz Pahad, Deputy, Ministry of Foreign Affairs; Ronnie Kasrils, Minister, Ministry for Water and Forestry; Schoeman Du Plessis, Private Secretary, Ministry for Water and Forestry; Yousef Saloojee, Acting Chief Director, Middle East; Nina Marais, MEPP, Israel-Palestine Issues; Phadime Choshane, Third Secretary, South African Representative Office; Eman Karar, Director, Water Management Institutional Governance; Boniface Aleobue, Deputy Director, Groundwater; Myolisi Dlamini, Assistant, Minister of Water Support; Hanlie Booysen, Deputy, South African Representative Office, Ramallah; Nick Kardahji, PASSIA; Mahdi Abdul Hadi, PASSIA.



17 February 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem <u>Topic:</u> Introduction to PASSIA's Work <u>Participant(s):</u> Izuru Shimmura, Head, Japan Representative Office, Gaza.

24 February 2004, PASSIA, Ramallah.

Topic: Fateh Revolutionary Council Meeting: Agenda and Strategy

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Hanlie Booyson and Phadime Choshani, South African Representative Office.

24 February 2004, Residence of the US Consul General, Jerusalem.

Topic: US-Palestinian Relations (Working Dinner)

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Mr. and Mrs. David Pearce, Consul General, US Consulate, Jerusalem; Molly Williamson, Former Consul General, US Consulate, Jerusalem; Ziad Abu Zayyad, PLC Member, Jerusalem; Lucy Nusseibeh, Middle East Non-Violence and Democracy (MEND); Samir Huleileh, Sales and Marketing Manager, Nassar Investment Company, Bethlehem; Sawsan Huleileh; Yousef Khoury, Businessman; Mahdi Abdul Hadi, PASSIA.

25 February 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem. <u>Topic:</u> Introduction to PASSIA

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Nils Ragnar Kamsvag, Head, Norwegian Representative Office.

25 February 2004, American Colony, Jerusalem.

<u>Topic:</u> The Wall and the Future of the Palestinian-Israeli Conflict (Working Dinner with the Delegation of Mr. Christian Lange, Member of the German Parliament) <u>Participant(s)</u>: Christian Lange, Member, German Parliament, Germany; Wolfgang Leidig, Mayor, Schwäbisch-Gmund; Andreas Reinicke, Head, German Representative Office, Ramallah; Michèle Auga, Director, FES, Jerusalem; Terry Bullata, Head, Board of Trustees Women's Studies Center & New Generation School; Mahdi Abdul Hadi, PASSIA.

16 March 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem.

Topic: Sharon's Disengagement Plan

Participant(s): Glenn Miles, Australian Representative Office, Ramallah.

20 March 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem.

Topic: An Assessment of the PLC

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Professor Robert Springborg, Director, London Middle East Institute and MBI Al-Jaber Chair in Middle East Studies, London; Guilain P. Denoeux, Senior Associate, Management Systems International, USA.

27 March 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem.

Topic: The Assassination of Sheikh Ahmad Yassin and Hamas

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Magnus Cedergren, Country Strategist, Division for Middle East and North Africa, Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (SIDA), Sweden; Göran Berg, Consul General, Swedish Consulate General, Jerusalem; Anne Mowe, Councilor, Political Affairs, Swedish Consulate General, Jerusalem.

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<u>Participant(s)</u>: Delegation from the International Labor Organization (ILO), Nourjahan Ansari, Program Assistant; Khaled Doudine, ILO Representative;

Simel Esim, ILO RO – Regional Gender Advisor; Tareq A. Haq, ILO Employment Development and Strategies Officer; Friedrich Buttler, ILO; Steven Dates, ILO Standards and Rights Sector; Philippe Egger, ILO.

30 March 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem

<u>Topic:</u> Introducing "Alternatives" (a new UK-based NGO promoting peace in the Middle East)

<u>Participant(s)</u>: William Sieghart, Chairman; Oliver McTernan, Consultant in Conflict Resolution and Prevention.

31 March 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem <u>Topic:</u> Israeli Withdrawal from Gaza <u>Participant(s):</u> Matthias Finken, Counselor, Political Affairs, German Embassy, Tel Aviv.

17 April 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem <u>Topic:</u> **PLO-PA Relations** <u>Participant(s):</u> Christian F. Jouret, European Union Advisor for Political Affairs, Jerusalem.

27 April 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: Current Political Situation in Palestine

Participant(s): Hans Jochen Vogel, Verein Gegen Vergessen - Für Demokratie (Society Against



Andreas Eberhardt, Society Against Forgetting - for Democracy; Elisabeth Schumann, Friedrich-Ebert Stiftung (FES), Berlin; Michèle Auga, FES, Jerusalem; Kathrin Ziemens, FES, Jerusalem.



30 April 2004, Ambassador Hotel, Jerusalem.

Topic: The Current Political Situation in Palestine (Working Dinner) Participant(s): V. Peter Harder, Deputy Minister, Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade; Steve Hibbard, Head, Canadian Representative Office, Ramallah.

11 May 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem Topic: Palestinian Civil Society Participant(s): Everett Mandelson, Harvard University, MA, USA.

12 May 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem Topic: The USA and the Arab World <u>Participant(s)</u>: Kate Seelye, Fulbright Scholar.

17 May 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem **TODIC:** Palestinian Culture and Narrative History Participant(s): Nora Ingdal and Anne Hege Simonsen, authors of a book on Palestinian Culture, Oslo, Norway.

20 May 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem **TODIC:** Palestine, Israel and the Notion of a Bi-National State Participant(s): Pamela Scholey, Peace Building and Reconstruction Program Initiative,

International Development Research Center, Ottawa, Canada; Nick Kardahji, Fadi Kiblawi, Mahdi Abdul Hadi, PASSIA.

21 May 2004, Working Lunch, Tel Aviv. <u>Topic:</u> Local Government Elections in Palestine <u>Participant(s):</u> Larry Garber, Head, US Agency for International Development (USAID), West Bank and Gaza Mission. Tel Aviv.

25 May 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: Elections in Palestine

<u>Participant(s)</u>: John Jenkins, Consul General, British Consulate, Jerusalem; Andrew Whittaker, Political Consul, British Consulate, Jerusalem

26 May 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: Elections in Palestine

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

26 May 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem <u>Topic:</u> Non-Violence Theses and the Palestinian Case <u>Participant(s):</u> Yoáv Karny, Senior Fellow, United State's Institute of Peace, Washington, DC

5 June 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem <u>Topic:</u> Higher Education in Jerusalem <u>Participant(s):</u> Professor Mujed Kazmi, MIT University, Boston

7 June 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem <u>Topic:</u> **Civil Society in Morocco** <u>Participant(s):</u> Dr. Reinhard Bodemeyer, GTZ, Morocco.

14 June 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: Palestinian Leadership

Participant(s): Jumana Abu Zayyad Jauni, Political Officer, British Consulate, Jerusalem

19 June 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: Civil Society in Palestine, Where to?

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Anthony Richter, Associate Director, Open Society Institute, New York; Timothy Rothermel, Director, UNDP, Jerusalem; Munir Qleibo, UNDP, Jerusalem.

21 June 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: The Human Bomb

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Tami Amanda Jacoby, Center for Defense and Security Studies, University College, University of Manitoba, Canada.

21 June 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem

<u>Topic:</u> **Civil Society and Israel's Unilateral Separation Plan from Gaza** <u>Participant(s):</u> Chris Mohale, Counselor, South Africa Representative Office, Ramallah

23 June 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem Topic: Egyptian Initiatives

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Hanlie Booysen, Deputy, South African Representative Office, Ramallah; Chris Mohale, Counselor, South Africa Representative Office, Ramallah; Ronnett Ravhura, Analyst, Department of Foreign Affairs, Arcadia; Phadime Choshane, Third Secretary, South Africa Representative Office, Ramallah.

10 July 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem <u>Topic:</u> The Hague Court's Ruling on the Separation Barrier <u>Participant(s):</u> Marc Otte, EU Special Envoy.

10 July 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem <u>Topic:</u> The Hague Court's Ruling on the Separation Barrier <u>Participant(s):</u> Latif Dori, Member of Meretz.

12 July 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem <u>Topic:</u> The Hague Court's Ruling on the Separation Barrier <u>Participant(s):</u> Mathias Finken, Conselor, Political Affairs, German Embassy, Tel Aviv

15 July 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem

<u>Topic:</u> Palestinian-Israeli Issues and the International Court of Justice <u>Participant(s):</u> Tom Roberts, National Catholic Reporter, Chicago, US; Linda Epstein, LL.B., Director Israel Office, Jewish United Fund of Metropolitan Chicago, US, Rabbi Yehiel E. Poupko, Judaic Scholar, Jewish United Fund, Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Chicago.

22 July 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem <u>Topic:</u> Passia Seminar on Ireland and Northern Ireland <u>Participant(s):</u> Dr. Niall Holohan, Irish Representative, Ramallah.

23 July 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem <u>Topic:</u> The Wall and the International Solidarity Movement <u>Participant(s):</u> Sarah Irving, Liaison Manager, Olive Co-Operative Ltd., Tourism Trade and Education in the Middle East.

26 July 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem <u>Topic:</u> The Crisis in Gaza, June-July 2004 <u>Participant(s):</u> Geoffrey Bills, US Consulate, Jerusalem.

2 August 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem <u>Topic:</u> Palestinian Economy - Where to? <u>Participant(s):</u> Karl O'Connor, Economist, London, UK.

2 August 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem <u>Topic:</u> The Crisis in Gaza - Where to? <u>Participant(s):</u> Keigo Ruokoranta, Finish Representative, Ramallah; Leena Sharma, Toimittaja, Journalist; Suomen Kuvalehti.

3 August 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: British-Palestinian Relations

Participant(s): Hanlie Booyson, South Africa Representative Office, Ramallah.

3 August 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: British Council Agenda in the Region

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Sultan Barakat, Department of Politics, Post-War Reconstruction and Development Unit (PRDU), University of York; Maria Holt, Consultant, British Council.

3 August 2004, American Colony Hotel-Jerusalem

<u>Topic:</u> Meeting with Canadian Delegation

Participant(s): Pat Martin, Member of Parliament, Winnipeg Center; Marc Gold, Chair, Canada Israeli Committee; Benoit Sauvageau, MP, Bloc Quebecois Depute de Repentigny, House of Commons; Pierre Poilievre, MP, Conservative; Steven Friedman, Professor, Physician; Judy Wasylycia-Leis, MP,



NDP; Michael Dayan, Doctoral Candidate; Jeremy Harrison, M.P, Conservative; Scott Reid, MP, Conservative, Lanaric-Frontenac- Lennox and Addington; Judy Kremer, Law Student, University of Montreal; Dan Troller, Information Technology Specialist; Robert Astroff, United Israel Appeal Federations, Canada; N.Golden, Lawyer; Adam Giamborne, NDP, National President; Jenni Byrne.



II August 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem <u>Topic:</u> Europe and the Palestinian-Israeli Conflict <u>Participant(s):</u> Mikko Zenger, Lecturer, Journalist, Helsinki, Finland.

18 August 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem <u>Topic:</u> An Assessment of the European Programs in the OPT <u>Participant(s):</u> Dr. Bruce Stanley, Consultant.

18 August 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: Mapping of Human Rights, Good Governance and Public Participation Sector NGO's Relating to the OPT

Participant(s): Chris Sidoti, Team Leader; Fadia Daibes, Consultant.

19 August 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: Palestinian Reforms and the Role of Civil Society

<u>Participant(s):</u> S.Staffan, Foreign Ministry, Stockholm, Sweden; Anne Mauve, Political Officer, Swedish Consulate, Jerusalem.

25 August 2004, American Colony Hotel, Jerusalem

Topic: The Palestinian-Israeli Conflict

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Dr. Ayanda Ntsaluba, Director General, Department of Foreign Affairs; Isaac Mogotsi, Director, Middle East, Levant; Nina Marais, Assistant Director, Middle East, Levant; Hanlie Booysen, South African Representative Office; Rev. Dr. Naim Atiq, Director, Sabeel; Diana Botto, Negotiations Support Unit, Ramallah.

30 August 2004, the Offices of the Palestinian Central Bureau, Ramallah

<u>Topic:</u> The Current International Political Order and Its Impact on the Palestinian Question

Speaker: Dr. Mahdi Abdul Hadi, Chairman, PASSIA.

Participant(s): Fifty Staff Members, Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics.

31 August 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: Palestinian Prisoners

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Vidar Birkeland, Oslo Labor Party, Lawyer, Norwegian Confederation of Trade Unions; Geir Waage, General Secretary, Norwegian Labor Youth, AUF; Dr. Rannfrid Thelle, Labor Party Women, Lecturer and Researcher, University of Oslo in Biblical Studies.

13 September 2004. PASSIA, Jerusalem <u>Topic:</u> **A Proposal for Community Peace-Building** <u>Participant(s):</u> Bernard Zamaron, Delegate General, Robert Schuman Center for Europe.

20 September 2004. PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: Canadian-Palestinian Relations

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Ron Willson, Representative, Representative Office of Canada, Ramallah.

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6 October 2004. American Colony Hotel, Jerusalem

Topic: The Disengagement Plan of PM Ariel Sharon

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Ambassador Edward Djerejian, Director, James Baker III Institute for Public Policy, Houston.

7 October 2004. PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: Education-Civil Society

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Joe Glicksberg, Program Manager, Network Scholarship Programs, OSI, New York.

11 October 2004, PASSIA, Ramallah

<u>Topic:</u> Israeli Withdrawal from Gaza Strip and Its Impact on the Palestinians

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Ewen MacAskill, Diplomatic Editor, The Guardian; Jane Kinninmont, Country Risk Analyst, Middle East and Africa, Business Monitor International; Anton La Guardia, Diplomatic Editor, The Daily Telegraph; Roula Khalaf, Middle East Editor, Financial Times; Jessica Sallabank, Jane's Terrorism and Lusurgency Center; William Morris, Secretary General, The Next Century Foundation, London, UK; Peter David, Foreign Editor, The Economist.

12 October 2004, PASSIA, Ramallah

Topic: The Negotiation Support Unit

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Prof. Robert Springborg, Director, London Middle East Institute & MBI AI Jaber Chair Middle East Studies; Dr. Glenn E. Robinson, Associate Professor, NPS Research Associate, UC Berkeley.

15 October 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem

TOPIC: Political Affiliations of Islamic Welfare Organizations

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Renata Capella Soler, Humanitarian Coordinator, European Union, European Commission Technical Assistance Office, Gaza.

18 October2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: The European Initiative

Participant(s): Mathias Finken, German Embassy, Tel Aviv.

18 October 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: The Impact of Sharon's Separation Plan

<u>Participant(s)</u>: David Cairns, MP, Parliamentary Private Secretary, Malcom Wicks, Minister, State for Work and Pensions, South London; Tony Cunningham, Parliamentary Private Secretary to Eliot Morley, Minister of State for Environment and Agri-Environment; John MacDougall, MP, Central Fife, Chair, All Party Netherlands Group, Netherlands; Dan Fox, Political Director, Labour Friends of Israel.

19 October 2004.PASSIA, Jerusalem <u>Topic:</u> Palestinian Elections and Hamas <u>Participant(s):</u> Ross Allen, Consul Political, British Consulate, Jerusalem.

26 October 2004. PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: Israeli Withdrawal from Gaza

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Sisa Ncwana, South Africa Representative, Ramallah; Hanlie Booysen, Deputy, South Africa Representative, Ramallah.

I November 2004. PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: Palestinian Leadership

Participant(s): Ross Allen, Consul Political, British Consulate, Jerusalem; Jumana Jaouni, Political and Press Officer, British Consulate, Jerusalem.

I November 2004. PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: Civil Society and International Affairs

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Oded Ben-Haim, Director, Palestinian Affairs Division; Shalom Cohen, Director of Middle East Department, Jerusalem.

9 November 2004. PASSIA, Jerusalem <u>Topic:</u> Crisis in Palestine and Israel Participant(s): Geoffrey Whitfield, Executive Director, World Spo

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3 December 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: Palestinians and the Post-Arafat Era

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Dr. Peter Gubser, President, Anera; Dr. Thomas Neu, Middle East Representative, Anera, Jerusalem.

06 December 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem <u>Topic:</u> Palestinians and the Post-Arafat Era <u>Participant(s):</u> Young Sam Ma, Minister Counsellor, Deputy Chief of Mission, Korean Embassy, Tel Aviv.

17 December 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem <u>Topic:</u> Palestinians and the Election for the PA and PLC <u>Participant(s):</u> Alexis Le Cour Grandmaison, Deputy Consul, French Consulate, Jerusalem.

18 December 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: Civil Society Issues

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Dr. Pamela Scholey, Peace Building and Reconstruction Program Initiative International Development Research Center, Ottawa, Canada; Roula El-Rifai, Senior Program Specialist, Middle East Unit, Program and Partnership Branch, IDRC, Canada.

19 December 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: The Peace Process

<u>Participant(s)</u>: International Students having MA degree at Ben Gurion University – A Course on the Peace Process:

Lauren Libruk; Gemma Laser; Aaron Estabrook; Margaret Weiss; Benjamin Acosta; Tamar Krieger; Adi Helfer; Danielle Saranja; Melanie Bray; Eyal Haim; Jared Olson; Chad Martin; Jennifer Szapiro; Tamar Spieler; Stephanie Schwartz; Ari Miller; Dror Amster; Timen Spitlea.

22 December 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem <u>Topic:</u> Identity, Culture and the Economic Agenda <u>Participant(s):</u> Mathias Finken, German Embassy, Tel Aviv.

22 December 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem <u>Topic:</u> Non-Violence and Religion and the Arab-Israeli Conflict <u>Participant(s):</u> Aaron Tapper, Co-Executive Director, Abraham's Vision, New York.

28 December 2004, PASSIA, Ramallah <u>Topic:</u> **The Elections** <u>Participant(s):</u> Jean-Paul Mari, Journalist, Le Nouvel Observateur, Paris.

28 December 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: The Elections

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Egyptian Observers Delegation: Nader El A'asser, Egyptian Council, Egyptian Embassy, Tel Aviv; Rakha Hassan, Ambassador, RTD; Farouk Ghoneim, Ambassador, RTD; Ahmed Shama; Medhat Tawfik; Essam Gaber; Ahmed Hafez, 3rd Secretary, Political Section, Embassy of Egypt in Tel Aviv; Medhat Hanafi, Ambassador; Hisham Wagdy.

29 December 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: Palestine and the PA Elections

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Ron-Helmut Herrmann, Election Expert, European Union, Election Observation Mission – West Bank & Gaza 2005.

29 December 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem <u>Topic:</u> Palestine and the PA Elections <u>Participant(s):</u> Hidenori Sato, Bureau Chief, The Yomiuri Shimbun, West Jerusalem.

30 December 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: The Elections

Participant(s): Padime Chris-Choshane, 3rd Secretary, South African Representative, Ramallah.

30 December 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: The Elections

<u>Participant(s)</u>: Vibeke Klitgaard, Long Term Observer, Election Observer Mission-West Bank and Gaza 2005, European Union; Gunnar Eicholz, Long Term Observer, Election Observation Mission-West Bank and Gaza 2005, European Union.

30 December 2004, PASSIA, Jerusalem

Topic: The Elections

Participant(s): Ross Allen, Consul Political, British Consulate, Jerusalem; Jumana Jaouni, Political and Press Officer, British Consulate, Jerusalem.

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15 June 2004, Ambassador Hotel, Jerusalem <u>Topic:</u> Negotiating Political Transitition-Experiences from Africa

<u>Speaker(s):</u> Mr. Vasu Gounden and Mr. Senzo Ngubaners (The African Center for the Constructive Resolution of Disputes (ACCORD)

<u>Participant(s):</u> Amneh Badran, Director, Jerusalem Center for Women; Hanna Hasan;



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Benjamin Pogrund, Director, Yakar's Center for Social Concern; Abed Abu Diab, Member of Labor Union; Hanlie Booysen, Deputy, South African Representative Office; Maher Daoudi, Program Manager, Swedish Consulate General; Khuloud Dajani, Executive Vice President, Dean of Public Health, Al-Quds University; Tom Neu, Economist; Ian Lustick, Professor, University of Pennsylvania; Fadia Daibes, Water Law and Policy Consultant; Lilian Peters, Consultant; Elizabeth Jadon, Student; Abdul Aziz Bukhari, Sheikh; Muhammed Desai; Ishaq Budeiri, Director, Arab Studies Center; Anne M?ve, Councilor, Political Affairs, Swedish Consulate General; Khader Shihabi, Islamic Waqf; Michèle Auga, Director, Friedrich-Ebert Stiftung (FES); Mahdi Abdul Hadi, Sana' Shannak, Mahmoud Abu Rmeileh, Nick Kardahji, Fadi Kiblawi, PASSIA





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