


FATAH

OVERVIEW	
Full Name	<i>Harakat At-Tahrir Al-Watani Al-Filastini</i> (The Palestinian National Liberation Movement, with the Arabic first letters in reverse order giving <i>Fatah</i> = conquest)
Place/Date of Creation	Kuwait, 1957
Founders	Yasser Arafat, Khalil Al Wazir (Abu Jihad) Farouq Qaddoumi, Mahmoud Abbas, Khaled Al-Hassan, Salah Khalaf and other Palestinian refugees in Kuwait
Emblem/Flag	 <p>The official Fatah emblem/flag has a yellow background (with a white variant). In the center are two fists holding rifles and a hand grenade superimposed on a map of historic Palestine (i.e. British Mandate borders).</p>
Headquarters	Ramallah, West Bank, occupied Palestinian Territory
Leaders - Exile	Farouq Qaddoumi (Head of Fatah's Political Bureau)
Leaders - Local	Mahmoud Abbas (President of Palestine, Chairman of the PLO and Head of the Palestinian Authority) Marwan Barghouthi (leader of <i>Tanzim</i> , currently imprisoned by Israel)
Structure	Tripartite: General Conference, Revolutionary Council, Central Committee
Main Document	Fatah Constitution (1964) Fatah Internal Charter (August 2009)
Military Wing	Al-Assifa (1964), Al-Aqsa Martyrs' Brigades (2000)
Ideology	Moderate-Secular – Palestinian Nationalist
Vision	Two-state solution with a Palestinian democratic, secular, multi-religious state within the 1967 borders and with East Jerusalem as its capital
Position on Oslo	Supportive
PLC Seats (2006)	45
Relation with the PLO	Took control of the PLO as the largest single bloc at the 5 th PNC meeting in Cairo in 1969 and remained its most powerful member since then.
Websites	http://www.fatah.ps/ (official website) http://www.jmcc.org/documents/NewFatahCharter2009.pdf (new internal charter)

Historical Figures/Founding Members:

									
Yasser Arafat	Khalil Al-Wazir	Salah Khalaf	Farouq Qaddoumi	Khaled Al-Hassan	Mohammed Najjar	Kamal Adwan	Walid Nimr Nasser (Abu Ali Iyad)	Kamal Nasser	Hani Al-Hassan

Contemporary Figures:

									
Mahmoud Abbas	Salim Zanoun	Zakaria Al-Agha	Nabil Sha'ath	Abbas Zaki	Maher Ghneim	Nasser Al-Qidwa	Marwan Barghouthi	Saeb Erekat	Mahmoud Al-Aloul