

V. RESEARCH STUDIES PROGRAM

PASSIA has undertaken its Research Studies Program ever since its foundation in 1987. To date, this endeavor has resulted in over 200 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 are 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.

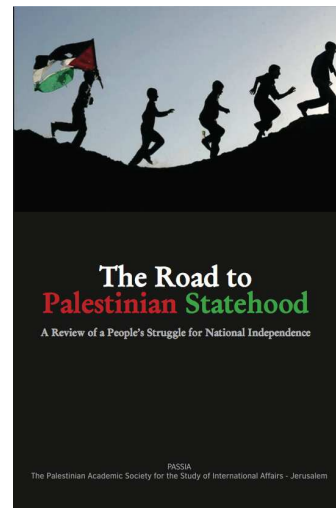
PASSIA is proud that its publications have become a valuable reference source for academics, diplomats, professionals, libraries and anyone with an interest in Palestinian issues and their relations to regional and international affairs.

As part of the 2012 Research Program, PASSIA published *The Road to Palestinian Statehood: Review of a People's Struggle for National Independence* as well as two monographs and one bulletin. In addition, PASSIA produced two French translations of the English-original bulletins on *Negotiations* and *Area C*.

The Road to Palestinian Statehood - Review of a People's Struggle for National Independence

PASSIA Publication, December 2012, 156 pages

After almost a century of dispossession, subjugation, discrimination and suffering, Palestinians continue to live under foreign occupation and are still striving to fulfill their dreams of an independent and sovereign state in the face of inexorable Israeli violations of international law, the passive or active complicity of their Arab state neighbors and the wider international community, as well as the ongoing divisions and internal conflicts in their midst. This publication retraces the history of the Palestinian struggle for statehood, from the exordium of the Palestinian national movement to the recent bid for statehood at the United Nations.



have something to offer the other in exchange for what they themselves want. It appears that Israel has become accustomed to the way things are and sees no urge to change the status quo: it is in control of all the issues at stake, including land, natural resources, and people, while its own economy is flourishing. At the same time, nobody has emerged from the international community willing to take serious action against Israeli illegal acts or bring the occupation to an end. So far, the process has failed, but it will inevitably continue. The intention of this bulletin is to examine past efforts and expose the apparent intractability of this conflict by looking at both the existing state of affairs and the differing views regarding the so-called permanent status issues, i.e., Jerusalem, borders, refugees, settlements, water, and security.

President Yasser Arafat

PASSIA Publication, January 2012, 19 pages

A booklet on the late Palestinian president, paying tribute to his life and struggle. This publication is organized in chronological clippings and illustrated with numerous photos.

PASSIA Publications 1987-2012

PASSIA Publication March 2012, 71 pages

This book is listing all of PASSIA's publications published since 1987 – whether available in print or electronic versions – including a brief description of each of them.