

The People's Campaign for Peace and Democracy

HASHD

Press Release

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The Palestinian People's Campaign for Peace and Democracy (HASHD) is a non-violent national campaign that promotes a peaceful ending to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. HASHD calls for negotiations between Palestinian and Israeli leaders on the bases laid out in the Nusseibeh / Ayalon document as it represents the most realistic approach to ending this conflict. HASHD aims at mobilizing the people to create pressure on their leaders to publicly endorse this document.

(Attached please find an unofficial draft of the Nusseibeh / Ayalon document)

HASHD's VISION FOR A PALESTINIAN STATE

- A state which is sovereign along the borders of pre-1967 war with Jerusalem (Al-Quds) as its capital and with free passage between its two parts (West Bank + Gaza)
- A state free of Occupation Forces and Settlers
- A state for the Palestinian people, where the foundations can be laid for future generations to live free of pain and suffering and have the opportunity for self development in accordance with their potentials and capacities.
- A state which guarantees Freedoms, Democracy, Transparency, and respect for its human citizens.
- A state of economical and technological development; a state of opportunities, technocracy, social justice and free economy.
- A state of liberty and equality, free of gender, religious, belief, and color discrimination
- A state of scientific creativity and openness to the world; a state of tolerance, diversity and cultural radiance.
- A state of security and stability.

Cover letter

The Palestinian people and the Jewish people each recognize the other's historic rights with respect to the same land.

The Jewish people has for generations wanted to establish the Jewish State in all the Land of Israel, while the Palestinian people has similarly wanted to establish a state in all of Palestine.

The two sides hereby agree to accept a historic compromise based on the principle of two sovereign and viable states existing side by side.

The following Statement of Intentions is an expression of the will of the majority of the people.

Both sides believe that through this initiative they can influence their leaders and thereby open a new chapter in the region's history.

This new chapter will also be realized by calling on the international community to guarantee security in the region and to help in rehabilitating and developing the region's economy.

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Statement of Intentions

1. Two states for two peoples: Both sides will declare that Palestine is the only state of the Palestinian people and Israel is the only state of the Jewish people.
2. Borders: Permanent borders between the two states will be agreed on the basis of the June 4, 1967 lines, UN resolutions, and the Arab peace initiative (known as the Saudi initiative).
 - Border modifications will be based on an equal territorial exchange (1:1) in accordance with the vital needs of both sides, including security, territorial contiguity, and demographic considerations.
 - The Palestinian State will have a connection between its two geographic areas, the West Bank and the Gaza Strip.
 - After establishment of the agreed borders, no settlers will remain in the Palestinian State.
3. Jerusalem: Jerusalem will be an open city, the capital of two states. Freedom of religion and full access to holy sites will be guaranteed to all.
 - Arab neighborhoods in Jerusalem will come under Palestinian sovereignty, Jewish neighborhoods under Israeli sovereignty.
 - Neither side will exercise sovereignty over the holy places. The State of Palestine will be designated Guardian of al-Haram al-Sharif for the benefit of Muslims. Israel will be the Guardian of the Western Wall for the benefit of the Jewish people. The status quo on Christian holy site will be maintained. No excavation will take place in or underneath the holy sites.
4. Right of return: Recognizing the suffering and the plight of the Palestinian refugees, the international community, Israel, and the Palestinian State will initiate and contribute to an international fund to compensate them.
 - Palestinian refugees will return only to the State of Palestine; Jews will return only to the State of Israel.

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- The international community will offer to compensate toward bettering the lot of those refugees willing to remain in their present country of residence, or who wish to immigrate to third-party countries.
- 5. The Palestinian State will be demilitarized and the international community will guarantee its security and independence.
- 6. End of conflict: Upon the full implementation of these principles, all claims on both sides and the Israeli-Palestinian conflict will end.

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Agree: _____

Name: _____

Date: _____

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