

PNC Resolutions

The National Unity Program



PNC session emblem

Below are the resolutions adopted at the unifying session of the Palestinian National Council (PNC), held in Algeria, April 20-25, 1987.

POLITICAL:

First: On the Palestinian Level

Based on the Palestinian National Charter and adhering to the resolutions of the PNC, we reaffirm the following political points as the basis for Palestinian nationalist work in the framework of the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO), the sole legitimate representative of the Palestinian people.

1. To adhere to the inalienable national rights of the Palestinian Arab people. These are the right to repatriation, self-determination and the establishment of an independent Palestinian state on the Palestinian national soil, with Jerusalem as its capital. Also, to adhere to the political program of the PLO, which aims at fulfilling these rights.

2. To consider the PLO the sole legitimate representative of the Palestinian people; to reject delegating, mandating or sharing this representation; to reject and resist any alternative to the PLO.

3. To uphold the PLO's independence, rejecting tutelage, control, absorption or interference in its internal affairs.

4. To continue the struggle in all forms: armed, political and mass struggle. These are the means for achieving our national rights and liberating the Palestinian and Arab land from Israeli occupation. These are also the means for confronting the projects of the aggressive imperialist-Zionist alliance in our region, particularly the US-Israeli strategic alliance. These forms of struggle are considered as a genuine expression of the anti-imperialist, anti-colonialist and anti-Zionist nature of our people's national liberation movement.

5. To reject Security Council resolution 242 as a valid base for resolving the Palestinian cause. This resolution deals with the cause only as one of refugees, ignoring the inalienable national rights of our people.

6. To reject all partial and unilateral solutions. Also, to reject all projects which aim at liquidating the Palestinian cause, including the Camp David accords, the Reagan plan, self-rule and the (Israeli-Jordanian) joint administration plan in all its forms.

7. To uphold the resolutions of the Arab summits related to the Palestinian cause, particularly those of the Rabat summit of 1974. To consider the Arab peace plan which was adopted at the Fez Summit of 1982 as a basis for Arab action on the international level, in order to try and find a solution to the Palestinian cause and restore the occupied Arab territories.

8. To support the convening of an international conference with full authority under the auspices of the UN and on the basis of its resolutions related to the Palestinian cause. This conference is to be held in order to deal with the Arab - Zionist conflict and its core, the Palestinian cause. The conference shall be attended by the five permanent members of the Security Council. The PLO shall participate as a full, independent party, on an equal footing with the other parties, because the PLO is the sole legitimate representative of the Palestinian people, as stated in the Arab summits' resolutions. To uphold this form of international conference.

9. To consolidate the unity of all nationalist forces and institutions in the occupied territories under the leadership of the PLO. Also, to develop all forms of cooperation in order to struggle against the Zionist enemy and its racist, repressive policies - its colonialist settlement policy, iron fist policy and its plans for self-rule, joint administration, normalization of relations and the so-called development plan. To struggle against the attempts to fabricate alternatives to the PLO, including the attempts to appoint municipal and village councils. To support the steadfastness of our people, represented in their nationalist forces and institutions.

10. To enhance the joint work aimed at organizing our camps in Lebanon. To defend the existence of these camps and consolidate the unity of our people there under the leadership of the PLO. To uphold the rights of our people in Lebanon: their right to residence, work, travel and political and social activities. To reject all attempts to disperse our people or to confiscate their arms. To reaffirm our people's right to fight the Zionist enemy, and defend themselves and their camps in accordance with the Cairo agreement and its appendices,