

PFLP Politbureau Statement

On September 9-11th, the PFLP's politbureau held several meetings and discussed the latest political developments relevant to the Palestinian cause and the region.

THE PLO

The politbureau discussed the Palestinian situation and reaffirmed the significance of the restoration of the PLO's unity at the PNC's unification session... the politbureau discussed at length the violations of the adopted political and organizational resolutions by some influential figures in the PLO leadership, in particular by the chairman of the Executive Committee. These violations concern meetings with the Camp David regime (Egypt) and statements along the same lines, which only serve to weaken national resistance to the Zionist enemy.

The politbureau warns of the danger of continuing this policy and its negative impact on Palestinian national unity and the PLO's credibility and relations with its nationalist and progressive allies and the Palestinian masses. In view of this, we call upon the Palestinian masses and forces, mainly those who shouldered responsibility for restoring Palestinian national unity in Algiers, to join together to stop any violations of the PNC's resolutions and to safeguard Palestinian national unity. The politbureau confirms its commitment to the PNC resolutions and to joint work with all parties, within and outside the PLO, to consolidate Palestinian national unity in the PLO, and to decisively confront the attempt to violate the PNC resolutions and harm unity.

OCCUPIED PALESTINE

The politbureau reviewed the situation in occupied Palestine and highly praised the masses' steadfastness and confrontation of the occupation and its oppressive policies. The politbureau also reviewed the intensification of the Zionist settlement policy, the upgraded Jordanian-Israeli coordination in accordance with the joint administration policy, and the expulsions, particularly of student activists.

Our masses... call upon all nationalist and progressive forces to intensify their solidarity campaign to foil the occupation authorities' plans and the joint administration policy. This

requires that the PLO, the leader of the masses, and all Palestinian forces raise the slogan: All efforts to support our masses' steadfastness; all efforts to confront the occupation and its policies; and all efforts to abolish the Israeli-Jordanian administration policy.

LEBANON

The situation in Lebanon has recently worsened to a dangerous point. Hunger has struck broad sectors of the Lebanese and Palestinian people. The security situation has deteriorated drastically... The siege continues on the Palestinian camps in Beirut and the South, as do attempts to expel Palestinians with the aim of eliminating the Palestinian nationalist role and armed presence. Israeli aggression against the Lebanese and Palestinian masses has increased, inflicting heavy casualties, as seen in the recent air raid on Sidon and the nearby camps. This necessitates, more than ever, the unification of the Lebanese-Palestinian nationalist ranks, and directing all efforts against the common enemy.

In view of the situation, Nabih Berri introduced his initiative for solving the nearly three-year-old war of the camps. The PLO and all Palestinian forces welcomed this initiative. They highly praised the Front for Unification and Liberation for adopting this initiative and forming a delegation, headed by Mustafa Saad, to discuss solutions. The aim is to restore the militant relations between the Lebanese and Palestinian masses and put an end to the negative situation that has predominated...

The PFLP confirms its appraisal... of the positive atmosphere that prevailed in the meetings between the Palestinian representatives and the representatives of the Front for Unification and Liberation. The PFLP considers the current conditions suitable for restoring unity between Lebanese and Palestinian nationalists. We call upon all to be patient and act responsibly to make the dialogue successful and foil all attempts to hamper the restoration of the alliance between the



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