

is that Palestinians themselves will determine their own destiny, without the interference of other Arab countries or imperialist nations, particularly the US. Ongoing attempts by the US and Israel to split the Palestinians and fragment their rights are destined to fail. Denying that the PLO is the sole legitimate representative of the Palestinians and rejecting self-determination only delays the achievement of a comprehensive peace.

The third aim of the PLO is to increase the number of countries who recognize the declared state of Palestine, particularly the members of the

EEC who accept the idea of self-determination. This would further isolate Israel and the US in their rejectionist stand.

The future rests in the escalation of the intifada, which is the only way to move towards the realization of Palestinian self-determination. While the US rejects a fully empowered international conference and denies Palestinian national rights, it pressures the international community to do the same. Meanwhile, it supplies Israel with the means to suppress the intifada.

But the historic trend in the 90s is

towards democracy. And there is hope that in the international community the Middle East conflict will be part of that trend. The need is to unite against racism and fascism, so that both Jews and Arabs will be liberated from the confines of Zionist ideology.

The importance of the Return conference, bringing together as it did over 150 participants from some 14 countries, was its placing the Palestinian right to return firmly on the political agenda of activists in the international community, as well as in Palestine.

## New Book

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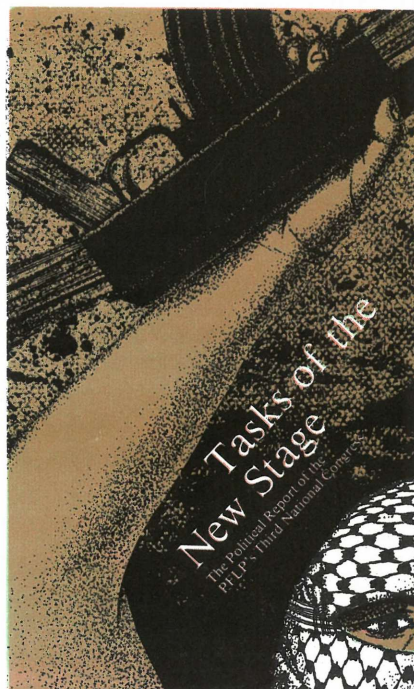
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