



People and burning barricades guarded Um al-Fahm entrances

25,000 votes for an explicitly fascist policy.

The angry demonstrators raised slogans affirming their determination to fight Kahane, such as: «By length and breadth, our unity will shake the earth», «Go Kahane, Um al-Fahm is fire», «Kahane, you barbarian, go to your country America».

The demonstrators and the police clashed several times. Police threw tear gas grenades on the crowd of angry residents and stone throwers. The residents determined not to allow Kahane to enter the town alive, formed chains of people and burning barricades to guard the entrances of Um al-Fahm using their best available weapon, stones. Obviously, Kahane and his supporters were defeated and their fiercely aggressive move ended when he was taken away by the police for his «protection».

The successful resistance of the Palestinian people and their progressive Jewish supporters forced the Israeli Minister of Interior, Yosef Burg, to retreat from his earlier decision which called for the facilitation of Kahane's entrance into the village as his right arising from being a Knesset member. The people forced Burg to withdraw this decision and later call for Kahane's removal from the scene for his «safety».

The Israeli authorities later detained at least 45 residents of Um al-Fahm and surrounding villages. Many of these individuals were arrested when they went to the police headquarters in response to court summons. They were charged with stone throwing and participation in the event. Many progressive Jewish organizations and individuals also joined the Palestinians in voicing their complaints against such illegal pro-

cedures of arbitrary interrogation. Also, many pointed out that this event was another opportunity for the Israeli repressive forces to arrest political activists in general. Participants also noted the clear collaboration between the police and Kahane against Um al-Fahm residents and the anti-racist Jews who participated in the successful confrontation.

After the defeat he faced in Um al-Fahm, fascist Kahane went on to spread his venom to mixed cities of Jews and Arabs. He visited Acre, Nahariya and Ma'alot after he had been to Haifa. He is trying not just to expel all Arabs but also to destroy the concept of the possibility of Jewish-Arab coexistence. However,

in Acre he was met by Jewish-Arab demonstrators that denounced his fascist and racist practices. *Al Ittihad* of August 28th quoted Kahane's speech in Acre where he said: «After the next elections, Ariel (Sharon), Rafael Eitan and I will guarantee order in the state. When I am the Minister of Security then I will load all the Arabs on trucks and send them off to Saudi Arabia directly.»

This is the fascist Kahane and the above incidents are only the prelude to his racist and fascist threats and practices. We must be clear that this phenomena of Kahanism is part of the Zionist attitude towards the Palestinian Arabs. It is quite clear that the attitude of the government, is also Kahanism. This is the core of the problem, Kahane is not just an individual but rather a trend born from within and part of the racist expansionist Zionist ideology and practice.

The significant resistance of Um al-Fahm will not stop fascist Kahane from proceeding to other Arab villages and towns. However, the victory of this town increased and strengthened the spirit of resistance of our Palestinian masses in confronting his future aggressive fascist and racist activities.

Um al-Fahm added one more day to the history of the successful resistance of our masses under occupation and affirmed their determination to fight the Zionist racist and fascist practices.

Progressive Jewish demonstrators: «Kahane, go home, you have an American passport!»

