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COMBATANTS FOR PEACE



**Exposing the internal correspondence
between activists from 'Combatants for Peace'**



Bringing the Truth to Light

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Over the last couple of years the state of Israel and Israeli society at large have been under both internal and international pressure, aimed at altering the State of Israel's image and values. The leaders of these efforts are composed of dozens of foreign funded organizations and associations operating under the guise of 'Human Rights Groups'. They operate out in the field, in the media, in the courts, in the Knesset and Government Ministries, in the international media and with foreign governments. Some operate openly, others choose to operate covertly. After observing that the State of Israel is struggling to cope with the growing influence of these organizations, we decided to put an end to our silence, to stand up and make a change. We started to investigate.

We began a long, and often dangerous journey, with limited resources, armed primarily with the faith in the virtue of our goals.

We established 'AD KAN- Young Israelis for Israel' a few years ago, to investigate these organization's activities in depth, from within.

During the past couple of years, we have been working from within these organizations through various means in order to expose the truth.

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Cover Photo: Activist from 'Combatants for Peace' writing slogans with fire on the security fence, from the organizations fakebook page.

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Executive Summary

'Combatants for Peace' is a radical left-wing organization, founded in 2006 by Israelis and formerly convicted Palestinian terrorists, who claim to oppose the occupation and violence. The organization consists of both Jews and Arabs with many roles manned by a Palestinian and corresponding Israeli, in addition several committees are composed by both Jews and Arabs and divided by geographic regions.

Avner Vishnitzer, one of the founders of the organization who while serving in the reserves in the IDF refused to serve in Judea and Samaria, said the organization was established after a group of Fatah and Tanzim activists from the Bethlehem area invited him and his friends to a series of meetings in Beit Jala. The organization was founded following these meetings.

The organization holds meetings and joint activities, including protesting the security fence and Jewish communities in Judea and Samaria. Their main events include a joint memorial service for Israelis and Palestinians, held on Israel's national Memorial Day for fallen IDF soldiers and victims of terror attacks, with freed Palestinian terrorists and their families in attendance. Additional activities include meetings between Palestinians and Israelis intended for the public and for youth in both high schools and pre army programs.

This study is based on personal correspondences between members of the organization over the past decade, giving an authentic glimpse "behind the scenes" of the organization's activities, discussions, updates and coordination. This glimpse provides us the ability to examine the true attitudes and goals of the organization and its members, not through the organization's inauthentic official publications. These correspondences also reveal the organization's modus operandi as recorded in real time throughout their events.

The evidence revealed in this study indicates that the organization maintains correspondence and cooperation with the Palestinian Authority, the Palestinian 'Shin Bet' counterpart, with the "Palestinian Popular Committees" responsible for hostilities against the IDF, and more. This collaboration has spawned joint projects that serve the interests and strategy of the Palestinian Authority against Israel, even gaining the support of foreign countries.

'Combatants for peace' has worked extensively to obtain official approval from Palestinian Authority President, Abu Mazen, for their activities to not be considered normalization (تطبيع - "normalization" in Arabic) with Israel, actions which are forbidden and unacceptable according to the PA. The approval is necessary to enable the Palestinians to take part in the organization's activities and to allow the organization to operate freely in the PA controlled areas. Over the years, the organization's activists have been interrogated by the Palestinian

Security Forces on the grounds of promoting normalization with Israel, claiming that their activities serve Israel's goals. All the while the organization struggles to prove that its purpose is merely to 'resist' the occupation rather than create coexistence and normalization between the sides.

As of 2019, the organization no longer defines itself as a peace or human's rights movement, but as an organization which "resists the occupation".

The organization's management in 2019 characterized their goals as: "A movement that will lead to the end of the occupation through resistance, change of attitude within the population, and the creation of a bi-national community. We want to increase and expand our influence on both the national and international level, with the ultimate goal of ending the occupation." The organization's activists held a meeting in 2014 with General Ziad HaBarah, head of the Palestinian Preventive Security Force (parallel to the Israeli Shin Bet), an intelligence body aimed both at the Palestinian and Israeli population. By the end of the meeting it was concluded that "the appreciation for the movement and their methods were expressed sincerely" by the head of Preventive Security.

The organization requested to coordinate with the Preventive Security, **and as a result one of the main activists in the organization over the years is Raad Alhadar, who as well as serving as a member of 'Combatants for Peace', serves on active duty as a Lieutenant Colonel in the Preventive Security.** Al Hadar was also responsible for the Palestinian side of the organization, including responsibility over the issues of Palestinian entry permits for the organization's activities in Israel and for the escort of Palestinian activists in the organization's regional groups.

Inside correspondence indicates that over the years, the organization's views have become more extreme. Some of these views are stated clearly while others are stated publicly yet in ambiguous and misleading ways, while some of the internal correspondences have uncovered clear radical approaches within the organization.

For example, the organization is openly supportive of the Palestinians' right of return to Israel's borders. In addition, over the years, activists from the organization do not refrain from breaking the law (for example by assisting the entry of illegal immigrants), as they regard violations of the law a legitimate tool in their efforts.

Despite the organization's objection to violence, it seems to be a subjective objection. For example, at one of the organization's seminar, activists discussed the possibility of shaping public opinion in Israel and establishing the perception that **throwing stones is not a violent crime**, rather a legitimate "non-violent" resistance, an attitude that already exists in the Palestinian Authority.

In addition, 'Combatants for Peace' **supports teens refusal to serve in the military and encourage noncompliance, all the while making sure that this view is not made public to prevent tarnishing the organization's image.** One of the important areas in which the organization invests its resources is meetings with educators and students in preparation for recruitment to the IDF. The organization fears its support for refusal to serve will be made public, as it maintains an information and lecture system among pre-military preparatory students **and, if their views were made public, its entry into these educational institutions may very well be banned.**

The organization is also a player in the international arena, guiding foreign diplomats to maintain international pressure on Israel. They do this by maintaining contact with foreign diplomats and leaders from around the world, with the intention of "ending the occupation".

In June 2018, the organization's activists were reportedly **attempting to get Supreme Court judges accused of war crimes at the International Court of Justice in Hague**, due to rulings made in Israel regarding Palestinian eviction orders in the Jordan Valley.

On May 12, 2020, a letter from 'Combatants for Peace's' lawyer was sent to the Knesset members warning them against voting for the annexation of Judea and Samaria to the State of Israel, claiming that it may bring them to trial in the International Court in Hague for serious crimes under international law and international sanctions against them personally. In the letter, members of the movement threaten Knesset members that they will be personally harmed if they vote for the annexation, detailing how former leaders around the world have been criminally prosecuted in their country or at the International Court of Justice in Hague for their actions even when supported by the Americans.

In reference to a letter sent by Suleiman Khatib, one of the Palestinian leaders of "Combatants for Peace" wrote:

*" We issue a warning to the Israeli leadership and make it clear that reckless and dangerous moves such as annexing the territories **will have a heavy price that each and every Knesset member who votes in favor of the process may bear personally.** A decision in favor of annexation would violate my human rights together with that of every Palestinian, and would create a reality of an apartheid. So this is a first step on the way to fighting against the wishes of Netanyahu and Trump to 'flare up' the area, and it will be joined by widespread Palestinian protests - which will not agree to any dispossession and annexation, and will not accept any solution other than peace."*

In other words, not only does the organization personally threaten members of the Knesset, it also threatens Israel with Palestinian violence.

As stated above, in 2019, the organization made a strategic decision that it is a "resistance to the occupation" and not a "human's rights" or a "peace" organization. This fits in well with other facts detailed in the full study, indicating that the organization serves the Palestinians' goals and even conveys them to the Israeli public.

From comparisons between inside correspondences between the organization's official reports to the association's registrar of its annual financial statements we unearthed what may be illegal activity. A suspicion of false reports regarding employees' salaries and ongoing lack of reporting of the organization's use of cash and non-registration expenses arose, in defiance of what is required by law.



The Organization's Strategic Documents

'Combatants for Peace' strategic documents reveal that the goals of the organization contradict themselves. On the one hand, 'Combatants for Peace' claim that they are working to achieve peace and nonviolence, and on the other hand to "end the occupation", when occupation in their definition is not necessarily a result of the Six Day War but the result of the War of Independence. This clearly denies the State of Israel's right to exist.

For example, the 'Combatants for Peace' strategic document for 2015¹ states that the movement wants to create a day to mark "the Nakba" corresponding with the Israeli Independence Day, similar to its activity on the Israeli Palestinian Memorial Day.

The goal of the movement in this document is: "Ending the Occupation and Establishing a Palestinian State, based on the 1967 Borders [or other just solutions to be negotiated], which will exist in peace and cooperation with the State of Israel."

In the 2019² strategy documents, the overall goal of the movement was changed and was defined as "the end of the occupation". The terms "human rights" or "peace" are not included in the goals of the movement, nor do they appear in the strategic document.

"Combatants for peace" is defined in these documents as "a movement that aims for the end of the occupation through resistance, altering public conception and creating a bi-national community. We want to increase and expand our influence on both the national and the international level, with the supreme goal of ending the occupation."

It also stated that "the movement stands on three legs - international community life, resistance to the occupation and the violence, and a change of public conception. **We see the resistance effort as the driver of the other two and would like to empower it in 2019.**"

In the summary of a year-end board meeting held in January 2019, it was stated ³ that the movements leading projects are **"My Nakba"** and **"The Israeli Election Project."**

¹ File: Ver2, Strategic Document- Combatants for Peace, summary – 12.8.2015

² Work Plan in light of the organization's new strategy

³ File: Strategic Plan for 2019

Normalization, Resistance and Ties to the Palestinian Authority

'Combatants for Peace' presents itself as a joint organization for Jews and Palestinians. As a result, the organization contends with the Palestinian's fear of 'normalization' with Israel, i.e activities designed to promote peace and coexistence between Israelis and Palestinians, while limiting the 'resistance' and the Palestinians daily struggle with the Israeli "occupation".⁴

As a result in June 2013 a meeting was held⁵ between members of the inner circle in "Combatants for Peace", after Avner Vishnitzer, one of the founders, updated those attending that the movement entered the "black list", composed of pro normalization organizations. This measure was pushed for by ISM at the BDS conference in Bethlehem. Vishnitzer said that the BDS movement and anti-normalization factors are increasing and that Palestinian activists of "Combatants for Peace" have been the targets of attacks on social media platforms.

Reports from the Groups

Michal, Tel Aviv – Nablus: since the Gaza war there was a kind of deadlock which starts to be released. Also Muhanad takes a more active role. Now the building of the garden in Yanun starts on the ground. Some could see it as normalization. Regarding projects like the garden one should always ask: what's the benefit and what the price is.

For example, you can see in a video⁶ posted by "Combatants for Peace" on 27/12/18 where the organization's activist Nizia Ramaha (نزية رماحة) from the village of Jilzon, explain why he joined the organization.

He chose to join "Combatants for Peace" over other organizations because it is a 'resistance organization' and not a "normalization" organization.

⁴ See for example Rami Elchanan's article – 'who is fearful of normalization?' <https://www.yediot.co.il/articles/0,7340,L-5038393,00.html>

⁵ File: Re_normalization, BDS, and other factors affecting our surroundings

⁶ <https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=1883353435120230>

"People might think that this is an organization that deals with normalization, **but what I saw as an activist in this organization is that most of its activists are liberated prisoners, young people who are struggling, the struggle is at the core of the organization,**" Ramah said. "Even the Israelis in the peace-support organization oppose the occupation and oppose serving the occupation ... support a Palestinian state whose capital is Jerusalem."

It should be noted that Ramaha himself was sentenced to 21 years in prison for committing terrorist attacks but was released in the Oslo Accords in 1994 after serving only eight and a half years in prison. He said that after his time in prison, he realized that the Palestinian goals could be achieved not only through "armed struggle" but through other means.



As part of the attempts to prove that 'Combatants for Peace' are not a normalization organization, strong ties to the PA are apparent, such as a meeting with **Muhammad al Madani** - the head of the Interaction with Israeli's Committee, meetings with Preventive Security leaders, joint activity with the governor of Bethlehem and the "Popular Resistance Committees", a meeting with Palestinian President Abu Mazen, and more.

As part of the efforts described above, Palestinians and Israelis from 'Combatants for Peace' participated in a meeting with Abu Mazen on 28/5/14.⁷

At the meeting in Ramallah, activists gave Abu Mazen a certificate of recognition with the organization's emblem, the PLO flag and the Temple Mount image and the al-Aqsa mosque were printed. The certificate read: "To the head of the Palestinian Authority, Mahmoud Abbas Abu Mazen, we appreciate your efforts for an equitable peace."



The gift given to Abu Mazen by 'Combatants for Peace'. May 2014

Uri Ben Asa, the Israeli CEO of the organization, noted in the meeting summaries that Abu Mazen was asked about normalization, and replied that "the joint activity of Israelis and Palestinians in promoting peace – is not normalization⁸ and it should be encouraged."

⁷ File: RE_Report from Abu Mazen's meeting – google groups

⁸ Originally – 'tatbiya'

Ben Asa added that this poses an opportunity for the organization, and he believes the Palestinians, with their connections, "should take initiative and put out an official notice from the PA that our activity is not considered 'normalization' and the PA supports it."

Ben Asa noted that it is worthwhile to do so through **Raad Alhadar**, a senior Palestinian Preventive Security Officer who is also a senior activist in the 'Combatants for Peace', who took part in the meeting.

In addition, on September 15th 2014, members of "Combatants for Peace" held a meeting⁹ with the head of the Palestinian Preventive Security¹⁰ (equivalent to the Israeli Shin Bet) Ziad Habirah, and with Mohammed Al Madani - the chief of staff for Interaction with Israelis Committee in the Palestinian Authority.

These meetings were organized by Raad Alhadar, who was characterized in the meeting's summary as 'a new/ veteran member who is now in charge of the Palestinian groups, who instills a positive attitude within the movement.' In fact, **Raad is a senior officer of the rank of lieutenant colonel in the Palestinian Preventive Security, responsible at the time, according to information that we received, for the gathering of information from Israeli peace organizations.**

The meetings were attended by the activists: **Raad Alhadar, Suleiman Khatib, Muhammad, Nur Shahada, and Mohand, Avner Vishnitzer, Chen Alon, Itamar, Meital and Uri Ben Asa.**

"The main purpose of the meeting was to make sure the Palestinian Authority identify us as a desirable movement whose activities are welcomed and not considered normalization." That's what was written in the summary's conclusion.

"We all felt that the goal was fully achieved. We met with **Ziad Oblarih** - the head of the Intelligence in the Preventive Security, and then with **Muhammad al Madani** - the head of the Interaction with the Israelis Committee (and member of the PLO Executive Committee), and with **Dr. Fatih Darvish** - who is a member of the team as well CEO of Tawasul.

In the meeting they agreed on the cooperation between the PA and the Combatants for Peace on two main issues: 'Stopping the intention to build the E2 settlement (in the Efrat settlement in Gush Etzion) and regarding the event on the eve of Memorial Day"

"They expressed great appreciation for our activity and are ready to talk about assisting us on issues that still need to be developed. We all left the meeting with a feeling that a really important step had been made".

9 File: RE_Report – Very important meeting with the PA – 9.16.2014

10 The Palestinian Preventive Security ('Alman Aluka'i) Is the Palestinian security apparatus, which serves as a Palestinian counterpart to the Israeli Shin Bet. The unit collects information and they run agents within the Palestinian and Israeli population, and even within the IDF. For example: <https://www.haaretz.co.il/misc/1.821702>
<https://www.haaretz.co.il/misc/1.821891>

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היום היינו במפגש עם אבו מאזן, שאורגן על ידי פורום אירגוני השלום (ליאור, ומוסי רז). סה"כ נכחו כ-200 איש, מלוחמים הינו יוסי, מוהנד, וסולימאן. (הי גם סבע אבו סולימאן- חבר של מוהנד מרמאללה, שמבחינתו הצטרף אלינו, ורוצה להקים ברמאללה קבוצה). מהישראלים היו נסע, אסף אביבה, ואנכ. מקווה שלא שכחתי אף אחד...

המפגש היה לדעתי מרגש, אבו מאזן דיבר, להתרשמותי מהלב, על הבחירה שלו בזניחת הדרך האלימה, והשאיפה שלו לשלום, על בסיס היוזמה הערבית, ומתוך משא ומתן. ניכר שהם החליטו לפנות ישירות אל הקהל הישראלי, הם הקימו את "הוועדה הפלשתינית לאינטראקציה עם החברה הישראלית" - ראו מצורף נייר על מטרותיה של הוועדה. נדמה לי שכדאי ליצור איתם קשר. אבו מאזן הספיד את רון פונדק, והעניק אות הוקרה לאשתו וביתו - זה היה מרגש מאד. בקטע של השאלות, הייתה לנו פאשלה קטנה (לדעתי קטנה...), מוסי רז נתן את רשות הדיבור רק לאנשים שנרשמו אצלו קודם, לא ידענו, ולא שאלנו רשמית למרות שהכנו את השאלה והצוות השואל. אבל מה שחשוב הוא שהנושא שרצינו לשאול עליו, בנושא התבציעה, משאל אפילו פעמיים, על ידי קול אחד, ועל ידי אחינועם ניני. (רצינו לשאול (אסף ויוסי), כיצד הרשות יכולה לעזור, ולתמוך, לאירגון אקטיביסטי כמו לוחמים לשלום, שפועל למען סיום הכיבוש, ופתרון צודק בדרכים בלתי אלימות, לפעול בצורה חופשית יותר, ולהכריז על פעולותינו כפעולות רציונות)

התשובה של אבו מאזן הייתה חד משמעית: פעילות משותפת של ישראלים ופלשתינים לקידום השלום - איננה תתבצעה והוא רוצה לעודד אותה.

לדעתי על הפלשתינים, בעזרת קשריהם, (למשל עם רעד שהיה שם ומוכן לעזור) צריכים לאחוז את השור בקרניו ולהוציא נייר רשמי מהרשות שהפעילות שלנו אינה תתבצעה והרשות רוצה לעודד אותה. דיברתי על זה עם סולימאן, ומוהנד, ויוסי - הם אמרו שזה רעיון טוב, והבטיחו לפעול לקדם את זה.

חוץ מזה: **מוניב אל מסרי** (המיליארדר הפלשתיני), היה שם (כמעט כל ההנהגה הפלשתינית הייתה), היות שהעניינים שלי ממצוצות דולרים, ניגשתי אליו, הצגתי את עצמי, וביקשתי להיפגש איתו, כדי לבדוק איך הוא יכול לעזור לנו. להפתעתי, הוא נענה בחיוב, נתן לי את כרטיס הביקור שלו, וחיבר אותי עם המזכירה המקסימה שלו, כדי לתאם פגישה, החלפנו מיילים, ואני מקווה שתיווצר בעקבות זו פגישה. אם זה יצליח, נצרך כמובן פלשתינים, ונראה מה נוכל ליצור מזה.

לסיום, נשאיתי עם מוהנד (יחד עם חבר שלי דוד) ברמאללה, טיפלו בעניינים הכספיים, וזכיתי לאירוח כיד המלך. חזרתי לירושלים באוטובוס מרמאללה לירושלים, ובמחסום קלאנדיה, זכינו שהחייילים, הורידו אותנו לחקירה, מה עשינו ברמאללה??, מה אתם עובדים עלינו שניפגשתם עם אבו מאזן??, וכאלו. אחרי כרבע שעה, ובדיקת תעודות הזהות במחשב, הם שיחררו אותנו לדרכינו עם נזיפת נו, נו נו - ושנדע שמאד מסוכן לישראלים להסתובב ברמאללה...

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אתמל ה-14 לאוגוסט, אורגנה ללוחמים לשלום, פגישה חשובה בראמללה. האירגון נעשה על ידי ראד, חבר ותיק /חדש שהוא עכשיו אחראי על הקבוצות הפלשתיניות, ומפיח רוח טובה בתנועה. המטרה המרכזית של הפגישה הייתה להביא לכך שהרשות הפלשתינית, תכיר בנו ואותנו, כתנועה רצויה, שפעילות מבורכת ואינה נורמליזציה.

כולנו חשנו שהמטרה הושגה במלואה.

ניפגשנו עם זיאד אובלריח - ראש המודיעין המסכל, ואח"כ עם מוחמד אל מדאני - ראש הצוות לאינטראקציה עם הישראלים (וחבר הוועד המנהל של אש"פ), ועם דר פתחי דארוויש - שהוא חבר בצוות וגם המנכ"ל של טוואסול (Tawasul). בשתי הפגישות, היתה הקשבה טובה, והתנהל דיון טוב. ההערכה לתנועה ולדרך פעולותינו הובעה בפה מלא. הפגישה עם מוחמד אל מדאני וצוותו היתה, ידידותית חמה וטובה במיוחד. סוכם על שיתוף פעולה עם הצוות של אל מדאני, כאשר דר דארוויש קיבל את "המינוי" להיות המתאם ללוחמים לשלום. סוכם על שיתוף פעולה בעיקר בשני נושאים: (1) הפעילות שלנו בנחלה / E2 - לעצירת הכוונה לבניית רצף התנחלויות סוגרות בית לחם מדרום. (2) בתחום ערב יום הזיכרון. הם הביעו הערכה רבה לפעילות הזו שלנו, ומוכנים לדבר על עזרה בנושאים שעוד צריכים לאפיין.

כולנו יצאנו מהפגישה, עם הרגשה טובה שנעשה פה צעד חשוב מאד. הפלשתינים היו גאים ובצדק רב על ההישג הזה, ואמרו שהפגישות האילו יעניקו להם רוח גבית. מרוב התרגשות לא הנצחנו את האירוע בתמונה (בושה)

בפגישות נכחו ראד, סולימאן, מוחמד, נור, ומוהננד אבנר ויש, חן, איתמר, מיטל ואנוכי. המשתתפים מוזמנים, לתקן, להוסיף להכחיש ככל העולה על דעתם....

שלכם,
אורי

נ.ב : אני מצרף שוב את נייר העמדה שהוכן על הצוות של אל מדאני, שהוא חשוב ומעניין ושווה לשתפו הלאה.

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The cooperation that was agreed upon with the Palestinian Authority in E2 (Campaign Nahala) was indeed initiated, and the person who coordinated the activity from "Combatants for Peace" was Hillel Bardine.¹¹

This collaboration included joint activities with the Governor of Bethlehem, the Bethlehem People's Committees and members of the Palestinian Ministry of Barriers and Settlements, in order to prevent construction in the northern neighborhoods of Efrat, which is south of Jerusalem.

From: cfp-all-groups@googlegroups.com [mailto:cfp...@googlegroups.com] **On Behalf Of** assaf yacobovitz
Sent: Wednesday, October 08, 2014 12:56 AM
Cc: לוחמים לשלום כללי
Subject: Re פעילות בגזרת ירושלים-בית לחם

באמת פעילות רצינית. טוב שהפוליטיקאים מתערבבים בשטח ככה בחסותנו.
אשמח לשמוע אם משהו השתנה בעמדת המועצה באזור פוקין (אני הבנתי שההתנגדות ספציפית בחוסן לא?)
חסן איש חזק ונמרץ ושיתפתם איתו פעולה המון זמן ואתם מכירים אותו וכו'. יחד עם זה אני מבין שיש לו בעיית
גניבת קרדיט פה ושם. עכשיו כשהוא יועץ השר הוא צפוי להתנהג פוליטית אף יותר. צריך לקחת את זה בחשבון
אני חושב.
נושא נחלה דובר בהיגוי חד"ל, יפורסם סיכומו בקרוב, אבל אולי חשוב להבהיר האם פוקין הוא מוקד בלתי נפרד
של הקמפיין
המתייחס לאותו אזור?

On February 2016, Mohammed Awida, Palestinian Coordinator of Combatants for Peace, announced that **Palestinian President Abu Mazen** wanted to meet with Combatants for Peace again.¹²

¹¹ <https://www.facebook.com/cforpeace/posts/869305619759066>

¹² File: RE_Update – Combatants for Peace 1

'mohamad owedah' via CFP - Israeli Steering
committee <cfp-man...@googlegroups.com>: 12 בפברואר 2016 בשעה 21:57, מאת

שלום לכולם
צעדת החופש שאנחנו מובילים וההמשך שלה צעדת החופש החדשה שהתחילה היום באזור עזבת טביב
ונביא אליאס עושה הד גדול בתקשורת הפלסטיני וגם בדרג המדיני
הטלוויזיה הפלסטינית שדרה בחדשות שלה ביום שישי וגם היום עלינו ועל צעדות החופש... זהה הגיע למשיא
אבו מאזן וביקשו פגישה איתנו ואנחנו בשלבי תכנון לביקור
... שתכלול גם שרים וראשי אגף ביטחון
.. אנחנו מתכננים שיהיה בין עשרה לחמש עשרה מכל צד
נציג החלום ובבקש סיוע כספי ותדמיתית ותמיכה ממנו ומכל הגופים שייכים לרשות.. ואנחנו ביטוחים שיתן
!הסכמה
...זה יהיה ענק לנו ונגד כל מי שנגדנו מפחינת נורמליזציה (תטביע)
! אנחנו נמשיך לעדכן ונהיה בייחד וחלום צעדת המליון לא רחוקה אם נמשיך בייחד יד ביד
אחיהם מוחמד עוידה המתאם הפלסטיני
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הקבוצה מיועדת לדיון ותקשורת בין חברי קבוצת ההנהלה בנושאים של פעילות התנועה
אנא הקפידו שתגובות אישיות ישלחו לשולח ולא לברירת המחדל שהיא כל הקבוצה
תודה

One of the reactions to the proposal was a suggestion made by Uri Zarir¹³ that while tightening the relations with Abu Mazen, the movement's activists would organize a strike by Arab businesses beyond the Green Line, or protest for the release of the assassin Marwan Barghout who was sentenced to five life sentences for his responsibility in terror attacks in which many Israeli's were murdered.

בתאריך 14 בפברואר 2016 בשעה 2:09, מאת Uri Zameret <uriza...@gmail.com>:

וואו, מדהים מוחמד!
אם אבוא מאזן יקרא להצטרף אלינו לעדות החופש, ובעצמו ישתתף בהפגנות החופש
(אולי גם אפשר לשלב בהפגנות מסרים למען שחרור אסירים פוליטיים של פת"ח או אולי לעשות הפגנות מול
בתי הכלא שבהם הם כלואים) - סתם דוגמא, הפגנה לשחרור ברגותי
עוד רעיון זה שביתה פלסטינית המונית בעסקים ישראליים מעבר לקו הירוק, במיוחד כאלה שלא משלמים
מינימום.

בנימה פחות אופטימית, הקצין הראשי של מפקדת אזור קלקיליה נכנסו בלילה בין שישי לשבת בסביבות עשר
לביתו של בייאן טביב, ראש עזבת טביב, הוציאו את המשפחה מהבית ואיימו עליהם (כנראה בגלל שחסמנו
את הכביש או סתם כדי להפחיד), שאם ייזרקו אבנים על כביש 55, באזור נבי אליאס עד עזבת טביב (למרות
שעזבת טביב בכלל לא על נמצאת על הכביש), הוא ישלם על זה, איימו במעצרים וכו', זרקו גם רימון הלם

שזה לא יעצור אותנו,
ואינשאללה שיגמר הכיבוש
לילה טוב
אורי זריר..

13 File: RE_Update – Combatants for Peace

The connection to the Preventive Security and Raad Alhadar's role in linking the two organizations

The Palestinian Preventive Security is equivalent to the Israeli Shin Bet, and it acts as an espionage and intelligence gathering body within the Palestinian population and against the Israeli population.

The materials revealed that the Preventive Security maintains contacts with activists from 'Combatants for Peace', at times monitoring their activities, and they occasionally have conversations with Palestinian activists from within 'Combatants for Peace'.

In an attempt to avoid labeling the organization as a normalization organization, on September 15th 2014,¹⁴ members of the 'Combatants for Peace' met with the Palestinian Preventive Security Minister, Ziad Habayarh.

The meetings were organized by Raad Alhadar, who was described in the summary of the meeting written by Uri Ben Asa, as "a new/ veteran member who is now in charge of the Palestinian groups, who instills a positive attitude within the movement." Alhadar, as will be explained below, is a Palestinian Preventive Security officer with the rank comparable to a Lieutenant Colonel.

The meeting was attended by General A-Reich, Raad Alhadar, Suleiman Khatib, Muhammad, Nur Shahada, Vemohand, Avner Vishnitzer, Chen Alon, Itamar, Meital and Uri Ben Asa.

"The main purpose of the meeting was to get the Palestinian Authority to recognize us as a desirable movement whose activities are welcomed and not considered 'normalization', the summary concluded. 'We all felt that the goal was fully achieved' and 'the appreciation for the movement and their actions were duly noted.'"

¹⁴ File: RE_Report-a very important meeting in the Palestinian authority- 16.9.2014

Palestinian "Shin Bet" officer in active service - one of the founders of the "Combatants for Peace"

Raed Elhadar¹⁵ (Abu Mahmud) is a Palestinian Preventive Security Officer with a rank similar to that of a Lieutenant Colonel, and he is also one of the founders of 'Combatants for Peace'.¹⁶

On October 19th, Ad Kan exposed the fact that he was a Palestinian Preventive Security Officer while serving a dual role as a so called 'peace activist'.

"Combatants for Peace" tried to prevent our revelation of this information.

Raed Elhadar is a convicted terrorist who after spending a year as a fugitive, served three years in the Israeli prisons for attempting to build a bomb, at least this is what was told by Elhadar himself in one of the organization's meetings in 2007:¹⁷



¹⁵ Raed's contact details: Facebook profile: <https://www.facebook.com/raed.alhadar> email: raedhadar@yahoo.com phone number: 053-2854910

¹⁶ <https://www.ynet.co.il/articles/0,7340,L-3238245,00.html>

¹⁷ <https://youtu.be/8ljasqiExkc>



When he was younger, Elhadar joined the Fatah Movement, wherein he committed terrorist activities such as stone throwing, tire burning, throwing Molotov cocktails and more.

With the establishment of the Palestinian Authority in the 1990s, Elhadar began working in the Palestinian Interior Ministry and then in the Palestinian Preventive Security, where he currently serves as a Lieutenant-Colonel.¹⁸ In April 2015, Elhadar completed a Preventive Security Commanders Course.

Elhadar, who was Born in Yata (Hebron region) in 1972, currently lives in Ramallah.

Seen on the left: Elhadar dressed in the Palestinian preventive security uniform, 31/12/2018.¹⁹



Above Left: Raed Elhadar (in a red striped tie) at the closing ceremony of the Preventive Security Commanders Course, wearing a scarf on his neck with the symbol of the Preventive Security, April 17, 2015.²⁰



Above Right: Picture of the Preventive Security Commanders Course graduates on April 2015. Raed Elhadar seen standing first from the right.

18 <https://www.justvision.org/portrait/849/interview>

19 <https://www.facebook.com/photo.php?fbid=10157011110133069&set=a.10152296581143069&type=3>

20 <https://www.facebook.com/raed.alhadar/posts/10153231130428069>



A photo of the graduates of the Preventive Security officers' course in April 2015. Raed Alhdar – standing fourth from the left.



Al-Dahar (top row, sixth from left) with General Ziad Hab-Elriah (fifth from left) head of Palestinian Preventive Security, at the graduation ceremony on April 2015.



Raad Alhadar holding a Certificate of Completion of Preventive Security Commanders Course, April 2015
(Alhadar seen in bottom right).



The certificate itself given over to the graduates of the Preventive Security's Commanders Course.

Alhadar, who was one of the founders of 'Combatants for Peace' when the organization started operating in 2006,²¹ served in key positions in the organization until 2018, and participated in the organization's activities in Israel and abroad on a regular basis.²² He was sent to the organization as part of his role in the Preventive Security, in order to closely monitor Israeli-Palestinian ties, similar to other Preventive Security personnel sent to participate in other Israeli-Palestinian peace organizations.

For example, Elhadar can be found in pictures posted by 'Combatants for Peace' on its Facebook page, participating in the organization's activities:

Demonstration by "Combatants for Peace" in support of Ahad Tamimi, the Palestinian girl arrested after hitting an officer and an IDF soldier in the village Nabi Salah. (Elhadar seen standing first from left, Neta Hazan stands seventh from left, Posted on January 13, 2018)²³:

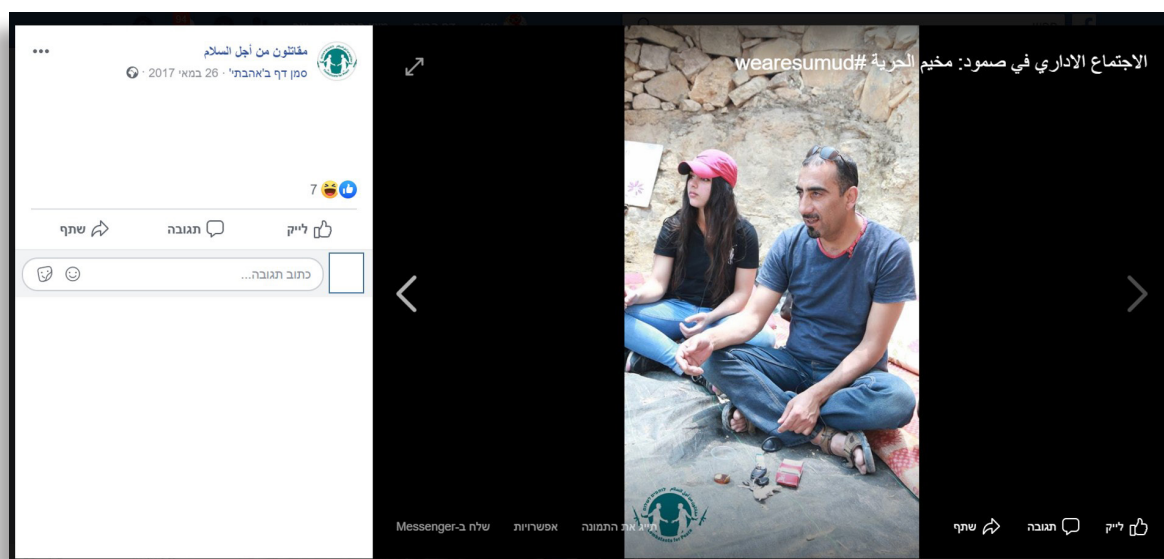


21 <http://afcfp.org/speakers/raed-al-hadar/>

22 <https://youtu.be/zEuO2m2NZ9U>, <https://www.facebook.com/raed.alhadar>

23 <https://www.facebook.com/photo.php?fbid=10156977135968496&set=a.127363598495&type=3&permPage=1>

Ra'ad Alhadar in a 'Combatants for Peace' activity held at the 'Tzmud' camp in southern Hebron on May 26, 2017:²⁴



On March 26, 2017, Neta Hazan and Rad Alhadar participated in the festival – 'A Matter of act night 2017' held in the Netherlands, on behalf of 'Combatants for Peace'²⁵



²⁴ <https://www.facebook.com/CombatantsforPeace/photos/a.1042899489176277/1042909819175244>

²⁵ <https://www.facebook.com/photo.php?fbid=10154389334516711&set=a.10152207538496711&type=3>

On September 14, 2017, Alhadar participated in the "Joint Hope" conference in Kalanswa as representative of "Combatants for peace":



Between the years 2014-2018 (at the very least), Alhadar served as coordinator / **co-leader of the Palestinian groups from the Palestinian side**²⁶ - one of the senior positions in the organization, where amongst other things he recruited new activists for "Combatants for peace"

avner wishnitzer

15:11 15/10/2014

cfp-all-groups פורסם בקבוצה

שלום לכולם,

בשבועות האחרונים ראד ואני, מלווי הקבוצות, עושים מאמץ לחזק כמה מן הקבוצות ובמקביל, מתקדמים לקראת פתיחת קבוצות חדשות. באשר לחיזוק הקבוצות, ראד כבר נפגש עם כמה קבוצות והוא ממשיך בפגישות האלה עד להשלמת הסבב. הכוונה היא להביא עוד אנשים ולחדד את אופני התפקוד הראויים לקבוצה אזורית. בנוסף, אנו עושים עבודת הכנה לקראת פתיחה מחדש של הקבוצה הדרומית. אני מקווה שבתוך כמה שבועות יהיו בשורות בהקשר זה.

כאמור, במקביל אנחנו מתקדמים לקראת פתיחת שתי קבוצות חדשות, האחת ביריחו והשניה בצפון הגדה. חשוב להדגיש: עדיין לא התקבלה החלטה רשמית בעניין אולם אנו מכינים את הקרקע וכשהדברים יבשילו, נבקש את אישור ההנהלה ונלך קדימה. אנו משוכנעים שעלינו לגדול הן מבחינת מספר הפעילים בגרעין הקשה של הקבוצות והן מבחינת הפריסה הגיאוגרפית. כמו כן, אנחנו משוכנעים שההתניה שהדריכה אותנו בשנים האחרונות (קודם חיזוק הקבוצות הקיימות ורק אחר כך קבוצות חדשות) היא שגויה. אם היינו פועלים לפי ההיגיון הזה לפני חמש שנים היינו עד היום עם 2-3 קבוצות. עלינו לעשות את הדברים במקביל כי האחד אינו בא על חשבון השני. הגיע הזמן לעלות כיתה גם בהקשר זה.

אני פונה למי שמעוניין לקחת חלק בפתיחת הקבוצה החדשה ביריחו לכתוב לי בהקדם. הכוונה היא, מטבע הדברים, לפעילים ופעילות מאזור ירושלים שכן להגיע מן המרכז ליריחו זה הרבה פחות סביר (אבל ברור שאם יהיו מעוניינים נקבל אותם בזרועות פתוחות).

חג שמח,
אבנר

Avner Wishnitzer, PhD
Kreitman Post-Doctoral Fellow

²⁶ File: Update on the issue of the regional groups 15.10.2014 (Raed the Palestinian Coordinator parallel to Avner Vishnitzer from the Israeli side).

Al-Hadar in charge of coordinating between the extreme left and PA officials

On May 28, 2014, "Combatants for peace" met with Abu Mazen in Ramallah.²⁷ In the meeting summary written by Uri Ben Asa, he proposes that Palestinian activists with the help of their contacts, need to **"take action and send out an official paper from the Palestinian Authority stating that our activities are not 'normalization' and that the PA encourages their actions."** Ben Asa noted that it was worthwhile to do this through Raad who was present at the meeting, but did not appear on the list of participants as a 'Combatant for Peace' activist.

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היום היינו במפגש עם אבו מאזן, שאורגן על ידי פורום אירגוני השלום (ליאור, ומוסי רז). סה"כ נכחו כ-200 איש, מלוחמים הינו יוסי, מוהנד, חדר, וסולימאן, (הי גם סבע אבו סולימאן- חבר של מוהנד מרמאללה, שמבחינתו הצטרף אלינו, ורוצה להקים ברמאללה קבוצה) מהישראלים היו נסע, אסף אביבה, ואנכי. מקווה שלא שכחתי אף אחד... המפגש היה לדעתי מרגש, אבו מאזן דיבר, להתרשמותי מהלב, על הבחירה שלו בזניחת הדרך האלימה, והשאפה שלו לשלום, על בסיס היוזמה הערבית, ומתוך משא ומתן. ניכר שהם החליטו לפנות ישירות אל הקהל הישראלי, הם הקימו את "הוועדה הפלשתינית לאינטראקציה עם החברה הישראלית" - ראו מצורף נייר על מטרותיה של הוועדה. בדמה לי שכדאי ליצור איתם קשר. אבו מאזן הספיד את רון פונדק, והעניק אות הוקרה לאשתו וביתו - זה היה מרגש מאד. בקטע של השאלות, הייתה לנו פאשלה קטנה (לדעתי קטנה...), מוסי רז נתן את רשות הדיבור רק לאנשים שנרשמו אצלו קודם, לא ידענו, ולא שאלנו רשמית למרות שהכנו את השאלה והצוות השואל. אבל מה שחשוב הוא שהנושא שרצינו לשאול עליו, בנושא התבציעה, נשאל אפילו פעמיים, על ידי קול אחד, ועל ידי אחינועם בני. (רצינו לשאול (אסף ויוסר), כיצד הרשות יכולה לעזור, ולתמוך, לאירגון אקטיביסטי כמו לוחמים לשלום, שפועל למען סיום הכיבוש, ופתרון צודק בדרכים בלתי אלימות, לפעול בצורה חופשית יותר, ולהכריז על פעולותינו כפעולות רציונות)

התשובה של אבו מאזן הייתה חד משמעית: פעילות משותפת של ישראלים ופלשתינים לקידום השלום - איננה תתבציעה והוא רוצה לעודד אותה.

לדעתי על הפלשתינים, בעזרת קשריהם, (למשל עם רעד שהיה שם ומוכן לעזור) צריכים לאחוז את השור בקרניז ולהוציא נייר רשמי מהרשות שהפעילות שלנו אינה תתבציע והרשות רוצה לעודד אותה. דברתי על זה עם סולימאן, ומוהנד, ויוסרי - הם אמרו שזה רעיון טוב, והבטיחו לפעול לקדם את זה.

חוץ מזה:

מוניב אל מסרי (המליאדר הפלשתיני), היה שם (כמעט כל ההנהגה הפלשתינית הייתה), היות שהעניינים שלי מנצצות דולרים, ניגשת אליו, הצגתי את עצמי, וביקשתי להיפגש איתו, כדי לבדוק איך הוא יכול לעזור לנו. להפתעתי, הוא נענה בחיוב, נתן לי את כרטיס הביקור שלו, וחיבר אותי עם המזכירה המקסימה שלו, כדי לתאם פגישה, החלפנו מילים, ואני מקווה שתיווצר בעקבות זו פגישה. אם זה יצליח, נצרך כמובן פלשתינים, ונראה מה נוכל ליצור מזה.

לסיום, משארתי עם מוהנד (יחד עם חבר שלי דוד) ברמאללה, טיפלו בעניינים הכספיים, זוכיתי לאירוח כיד המלך. חזרתי לירושלים באוטובוס מרמאללה לירושלים, ובמחסום קלאנדיה, זכינו שהחילים, הורידו אותנו לחקירה, מה עשינו ברמאללה?? מה אתם עובדים עלינו שניפגשתם עם אבו מאזן??, וכאלו. אחרי כרבע שעה, ובדיקת תעודות הזהות במחשב, הם שיחררו אותנו לדרכינו עם גזיפת נו, נו נו - ושנדע שמאד מסוכן לישראלים להסתובב ברמאללה...

היה יום חוויתי וחשוב.

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27 File: RE_ Report from meeting with Abu Mazen - Google Groups

Indeed, the correspondence reveals that four months later, Raad Alhadar was responsible for coordinating meetings²⁸ between "Combatants for Peace" activists and Palestinian Preventive Security Ziad Habari, and Muhammad al Madani - the head of the Israeli-Palestinian Interaction Committee. These meetings were held on September 15th, 2014, and in the summaries of the meetings written by Uri Ben Asa, Raad Alhadar is defined as "an new / veteran member who is now in charge of the Palestinian groups, and brings a positive attitude to the movement".

In addition, Alhadar was responsible for Palestinians entry into Israel on behalf of the organization. He collaborated with the Israelis in the organization, namely Neta Hazan (an active veteran of the 'Combatants for Peace'), all this while serving as an officer in the Palestinian Preventive Security.

In March 2015, it was noted that Alhadar, together with Neta Hazan, were responsible for approving the lists of names of Palestinians entering the Memorial Day ceremony in Israel.²⁹

From: cfp-all...@googlegroups.com [mailto:cfp...@googlegroups.com] **On Behalf Of** maya katz
Sent: Sunday, February 22, 2015 12:47 PM
To: לוחמים לשלום כללי; tulkarm-cfp-management; cfp-ta...@googlegroups.com; t...@googlegroups.com
Cc: m7md 3weda; Yom Hazicaron; sulaiman khatib
Subject: הזמנה לאורחים פלסטינים לטקס (שלא מגיעים ישירות דרך חברי התנועה הפלסטינים) - הנפקת אישורים

שלום לכולם,

אנו רוצים להרחיב את מעגלי ההשתתפות של פלסטינים בטקס.

אם יש לכם מכרים וחברים פלסטינים, שהם לא חברי התנועה ואתם מעוניינים להזמין אותם, זה הזמן לתת פרטים כדי שנוכל להוציא להם אישורי כניסה.

לצורך כך:

1. מלאו שם מרובע (4 שמות אחורה), תז, טלפון ומהיכן מגיע. היכנסו לטבלה ומלאו.
2. אני מבקשת **מתנדב/ת** שירכז את הרשימה הזו, ואחכ יעביר אותה לנטע, בתיאום עם ראאד הדר (שאחראי על הרשימות של חברי התנועה הפלסטינים).

אנא צרו איתי קשר בטלפון.

היות ולוקח זמן להוציא אישורים, אנא איספו את הפרטים כבר עכשיו.

שבוע טוב,

מיה

28 File: Re_ Reporting - Very Important Meeting in the PA - September 16th, 2014 - See screenshot at the beggining of the chapter.

29 File: Re_ Invitation to the ceremony for Palestinian guests (which do not come directly through members of the movement - joint work of Neta and Raed

It should be noted that from the conclusion of the United Nations 'Combatants for Peace' steering committee's meeting from December 2014 it is also indicated that the Palestinian side of the organization sought to pay Raad Alhadar for his important work in the organization, in contrast to most of the activists³⁰ who are volunteers.

Payment and recompense

There was an agreement about the payment for professional services. If somebody delivers professional service as translation or tour guiding he will be paid, there should be a preference for members of CfP. But we should take care that there should be a pool of people.

There are basically two approaches to payment in the movement:

1. Everybody is a volunteer, only general coordinators and managers are paid
2. Everybody who works more than can be expected from a volunteer should be paid

Somehow reality and the written agreements of the last document are not matching. Payment for general coordinators was accepted informally, but was never formally decided.

There are requests from the Palestinian side to pay Raed for his work as he is doing a very important job. It's not more than 3 people / positions who are in discussion to be paid. Additionally there is the request to pay those who are speaking a lot in inhouse meetings like Jamil al-Qassas.

Although there should be symmetry in positions and payment, we need to be flexible at some point, not mixing up symmetry and equality. Especially for the position of the group tutors might be quite different on the Palestinian and the Israeli side. The position has been paid in the past. Important: only actual work should be paid. It's not enough to have a position; the holder of the position should work according to the position.

The decision about payment was transferred to a bi-national meeting, preferably general coordinators, manager and two not paid members. There is a preference for payment according to position, not according to hours. The flexibility regarding symmetry and equality should be taken into account.

Remark: another position with payment is the media person. The Palestinian side did not manage to find a media person who could serve the Palestinian and the Israeli side. According to the decision that was taken in Murad, there will be two media persons. Nothing was decided regarding the future procedure.

To Do: Decision about payment has to be taken in a bi-national forum

30 File: summary minuetes one national management meeting 09 12 2014

A Palestinian "Shin Bet" officer represents 'Combatants for Peace' internationally

On January 2015, Rahad Alhadar and an activist named Ben from "Combatants for Peace" stayed together in Germany on behalf of the movement and 'became close friends'.³¹

Google קבוצות

Re: ערב חשוב בברלין

Encounters

03:46 24/01/2015

פורסם בקבוצה: cfp-all-groups

תודה נורית

I do my best...

היה אכן ערב מיוחד ומלא בהמון דברים. זהו היה ערב אחרון בטור של לוחמים בגרמניה.

פגשנו כ-350 וגייסנו משהו כמו 1200 יורו לתנועה. ראא'ד ואני התקרבו מאוד והתהליך התעמק יותר ויותר. יש לנו מתאמת גרמניה שרוצה ויכולה לתאם אגודת חברים של לוחמים בגרמניה.

מרגיש כמו שבוע עבודה לא רע...

אשמח עם המייל של נורית ושלי יתורגמו לערבית בבקשה.

תודה

בן

On October 2015, Combatants for Peace won an award from the Fellowship of Reconciliation. Raad Alhadar served as the Palestinian representative for "Combatants for Peace" at the awards ceremony at the organization's annual conference in New York.³²

On March 2017, Raad Alhadar participated in a trip to the Netherlands on behalf of 'Combatants for Peace' together with Neta Hazan, Jamil al-Cassos and Asaf Jacobowitz.³³

31 File: Re_ An important evening in Berlin 24.1.2015

32 File: Fwd_ a travel to the United States 5-8.11 – A quick decision on an Israeli representative is required 18.10.2015

33 <https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=1719210684761016>
<https://afcp.org/about-us/frequently-asked-questions/>
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gVzD1VV_LvU



During the "Combatants for Peace" trip, Alhadar took advantage of the trip to the Netherlands to conduct meetings with Palestinian officials. There he met with Palestinian ambassadors and with the official Palestinian representative in the Netherlands³⁴



³⁴ <https://www.facebook.com/raed.alhadar/posts/10155198792908069>

Actions against the Security Fence on July 15th 2016

On July 5, 2016, Issa Abu Aram,³⁵ a senior Palestinian Preventive Security officer (with a rank comparable to the rank of a General in the IDF) sent a letter classified as 'highly confidential' to the Preventive Security Director - General Ziad Habarriah. In the letter, Abu Aram reported that 'Combatants for Peace' protest will be held with the participation of about 1,000 Palestinians and Israelis against the separation fence, on July 15, 2016.

According to the report, Abu Aram coordinated the actions with the activist Raad Alhadar and with Neta Hazan, a "Combatance for peace" activist, who is in "continous" contact with him. Abu Aram wanted to update the Preventive Security personnel in Bethlehem about the expected activities, and instructed "to give them everything necessary for the success of their efforts."



Liwa 'Issa Abu Aram, author of the document



General Ziad Hab-Elriah, the director of Preventive Security

³⁵ <https://www.facebook.com/issa.abueram>

A photo of the letter:

Palestinian National Authority
Preventive Security H.Q.

السلطة الوطنية الفلسطينية
قيادة الأمن الوقائي

بطاقة احالة
مكان الحزن

نوع الوثيقة: مرسى للقافية
تاريخها: ٢٠١٦/٧/٥

البلد: بيت لحم
الجهة: الامن الوقائي
اسم المرسل: عبد الله

الموضوع: نفاية ضد جدار - الفصم العفري بيت لحم
يخبرني لعلكم انه مستفاد نفاية ضد جدار - الفصم العفري ضد جدار
شاركية اسرائيليه، ونفطية / تمت ومن مقابلته من اهل السلام في
قمة بالتسليم مع رائد الجدار / امير رناي بالتواضل بالتسليم مع لشارع
الاسرائيلية نتاخران وهو على يد رنة توي وبتواضله مع جداره
بعد الموضع الذي شارك في قفلة النفاية... شخص، راضيه فليس
ان يتلفوا الاخوة في دائرة بيت لحم لتوفير لا يندم لا يندم النفاية
و سنواضله يا... حال توفرها من بيت لحم الميراث ليد
النفاية ٢٠١٦/٧/٥

عبد الله
تاريخ: ٢٠١٦/٧/٥

A translation of the letter - translated by a certified lawyer:

סמל
הרשי"פ

הרשות הלאומית הפלסטינית
מנהל הביטחון המסכל

סגור המסמך : סודי ביותר
תאריך : 5/7/2016

המקור / העיר : בית לחם
הגוף : הביטחון המסכל
שם השולח : עיסא אבו עראם

אל האח זיאד הב-אריח / מנהל מנגנון הביטחון המסכל
הנושא : פעילות נגד גדר ההפרדה הגזענית – בית לחם

מובא לידיעתך כי הולכת להתקיים פעילות נגד גדר ההפרדה הגזענית באמצעות משתתפים ישראלים
ופלסטיניים תחת השם לוחמים למען השלום, פעילות אשר תיאמתי עם ראאיד אלהדאר / בטחון
מסכל ובתיאום עם הפעילה הישראלית נטע חזן הנמצאת ביחסים איתנים ומתמשכים עימו בהקשר
למשימה זו. בפעילות זו צפויה השתתפותם של 1000 אנשים וכי נבקשם לעדכן את האחים במנגנון
הביטחון בבית לחם כדי להעניק להם כל הדרוש להצלחת הפעילות.

אנו נעדכנכם בכל חדש עובר למידע שיתקבל אצלנו כולל המועד הקבוע
לתחילת הפעילות 15/7/2016

בכבוד רב,
מאת : עיסא אבו עראם
(חתימה)

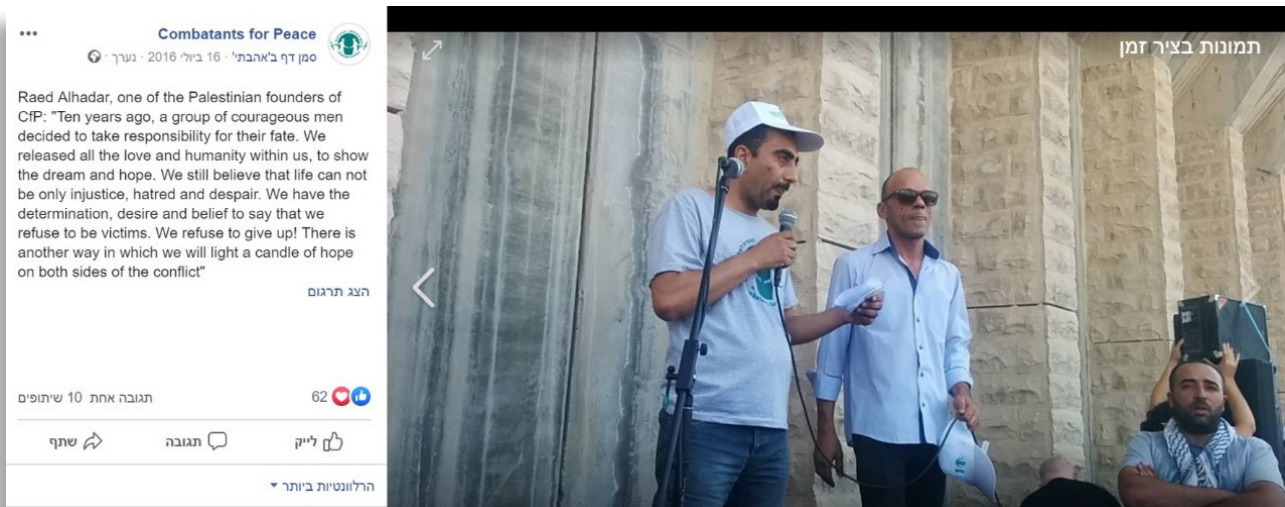
אישור תרגום ע"י עורך דין

אני הח"מ חאלד סכיס עו"ד, מרח' אלעזר בן צדוק 2 בת"א-יפו, מאשר כי תרגומי היום 9/5/2019 מסמך
מהביטחון המסכל ברשי"פ המצ"ב ומסומן באות- 'א' מהשפה הערבית לשפה העברית. הריני לאשר כי
הנני שולט בשתי השפות – עברית וערבית - שליטה מלאה ברמת שפת אם, וכי התרגום הנ"ל הינו תרגום
מלא ומדויק.

חאלד סכיס, משרד עורכי-דין
אלעזר בן צדוק 2, ת"א-יפו 6802251
טל. 03-5180725 פקס. 03-5188730

עורך דין
KHALED SAKIS
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As was stated in the classified letter³⁶, **Abu Aram asked that the Bethlehem Preventive Security personnel provide all the assistance needed for the success of Combatants for Peace's activity.** The organization indeed held a march on the date specified in the letter marking the tenth anniversary of their activity: Hundreds of Palestinians and Israelis opposing the security barrier south of Jerusalem participated in this march. Neta Hazan and Ra'ad Al-Jadar from the PA Security organized and coordinated the march, as detailed in the letter, the two even delivered speeches at the event. In the speech Hazan stated that "it is my duty to stand beside my Palestinian sisters and brothers, for their battle is our battle³⁷".



Raad Alhadar seen in the center of the photo³⁸

36 <https://cfpeace.org/events/%D7%A6%D7%A2>

37 <https://youtu.be/VbgA-m8zAZs>, <http://maki.org.il/%D7%99%D7%95%D7%A6%D7%A2>
<https://www.facebook.com/c4peace/photos/a.271493002961200/919482434828917/?type=1&theater>

38 https://www.facebook.com/pg/cforpeace/photos/?tab=album&album_id=1121890574500568

Supporting violence and breaking the law

On July 3rd 2014, a striking exchange was recorded ³⁹a short while after the three boys were kidnapped in Gush Etzion: A member of the organization, Michael Alexander⁴⁰, was quoted telling Palestinians in a meeting held by the movement "I'm not meant to say this because I'm from Combatants for Peace' but I think that the Israelis will leave here if you start a third intifada"

A Conference was held for Combatants for peace in Cyprus between July 22nd and July 26th, 2017. This conference was chaired by Professor Paula Green and professor Stahlin Vinthag. Its purpose was to lead campaigns for a nonviolent struggle **and it discussed "the likelihood of changing public opinion in Israel and if (what else) - throwing stones is considered violence"**.

Israeli and Palestinian activists took part in this conference, many of them are members of 'Combatants for Peace'. Professor Stahlin gave a lecture about 'The characteristics of non-violence' and Professor Green lead a 'Agree- Don't agree' simulation regarding NV and CFP, regarding amongst other things, **"the likelihood of changing public opinion in Israel and if (what else) - throwing stones is considered violence"**⁴¹

On top of all that, in the conference summary it was stated that members of the organization learned about three steps crucial in enabling a campaign to succeed. **The peak of this 'campaign', the summery stated, was advancing the campaign towards illegal activity.**

The stages of the campaign are: 1 - Publicity. Make people aware of what is happening (information, seminars, meetings and debates). 2 - legal activity that deals with the issue. 3 - moving towards illegal activities such as encouraging refusals to carry out orders.

An example of this kind of activity was documented when Michal, a member of the organization, was filmed by undercover agents from Ad Kan while telling the story of how she transported illegal Palestinian immigrants from Nablus to Tel Aviv, in complete defiance of Israeli law⁴².

39 <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pOY-cq8p3Dg>

40 An article with Michael Alexander on social television
<https://tv.social.org.il/environment/2012/11/11/concrete-ground-gan-meir>

41 File: summary of workshop in Cyprus NV-trainingCyprus2017

42 <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-SvnxzTYwFO>

Illegal activity of this sort was conducted on July 6th, 2019 when a group of Combatants for Peace activists breached a barrier ⁴³that the Israeli authorities had stationed at the entrance to the 'Lebanon restaurant' in the town of Marda on route 5. The barrier was stationed there to prevent people from merging dangerously on to highway 5 using an illegal passage from the restaurant to the highway.

"..this is how you achieve solidarity, this is how you create nonviolent resistance" wrote the organization and claimed that the Israeli authorities placed this barrier as a result of the 'Regavim' movement's activity.

43 <https://www.facebook.com/cforpeace/posts/2383828838306729>

International activity and ties to foreign diplomats

Alongside maintaining connections with the Palestinian Authority, Combatants for Peace maintain close ties to foreign diplomats, holding meetings with them and giving them tours. In the strategic plan for 2019 this issue appears to be one of the organizations main objectives, alongside its field work⁴⁴.

A 3. Field work will be accompanied by media, international and judicial efforts on our part. We will make sure to synchronize the different aspects of our work so that every aspect will be complemented by the other components and together we will achieve the full potential of our movement. Many of these aspects, and the coordination between them have already been used during our activity in 2018 for example in Han El Achmar and in the Bika'a. As we have stated, we want to improve this coordination. And so, every field activity will include these aspects:

- The activity itself
- Media coverage
- Working with diplomats and politicians (live updates, providing help when necessary)
- Working with our friends overseas
- Working with attorneys (if necessary)

One of the major projects that included foreign diplomats was in Nachale which is located South of Bethlehem: The project led tours of the area for foreign diplomats and members of the EU. Combatants for Peace, led by Hael Bardeen, orchestrated this project with the governor of Bethlehem, the Popular Resistance Committees and PA officials.

As part of these efforts, various tours and conferences were attended by EU members and diplomats from different countries⁴⁵.

As part of these efforts, when Israeli authorities removed illegal electricity poles, an activist by the name of Baruchi passed on the information to Belgian organizations. Baruchi convinced them to apply pressure on Israel, resulting in a harsh condemnation by the Belgian foreign minister⁴⁶.

44 Work plan in light of the 2019 movement's strategy

45 File: Fwd_ Report on the Diplomats Tour today, and 'Nahala' Camp 25.6.2014

File: Updates and Meeting regarding the EU Conference and the Governor of Bethlehem Related E2 in Dehisha - 29.5

46 File: web farewell from Bruchi and an opportunity to say thank you

On May 5th 2017, Combatants for Peace approached the German president who was visiting Israel and asked to meet him in order to express their views against the occupation⁴⁷.

مقاتلون من أجل السلام
לוחמים לשלום
Combatants for Peace



Only by joining forces
will we be able to end
the cycle of violence

Jerusalem, 05.05.2017

**To his Excellency, the President of the Federal Republic of Germany,
Mr. Frank-Walter Steinmeier**

Dear Excellency,

We are writing you on behalf of our organization Combatants for Peace. We are a bi-national Israeli-Palestinian movement nominated for the 2017 nobel peace prize. Our movement was founded and is runned by ex-combatants from both sides who work in Israel and in the Palestinian territories for the past 11 years to promote peace and freedom for both people and to end the occupation.

In the past week, the State of Israel has celebrated the 69th year of its Independence. At the same time, the Palestinian people have been occupied by the Israeli state for 50 years. And in the same week, we at Combatants for Peace organized the Israeli-Palestinian memorial day ceremony, remembering our loved ones on both sides, who lost their lives as an outcome of this conflict. You surely understand, it is a very emotional time for all of us.

Unfortunately, the Israeli Ministry of Defence has refused to allow 225 Palestinians to join our memorial ceremony in Tel Aviv. We managed to hold the ceremony anyway, and were connected to each other by video conference. 4500 people came to the event in Tel Aviv and Beit Jalah, more than 15 000 people watched the ceremony online. During the event we have been attacked massively by Israeli right-wing activists, no Israeli government official has condemned the attacks. Our event, aimed as a signal of hope for Israelis and Palestinians, has become a main topic in the Israeli public discourse in the past week.

We, Israeli and Palestinian peace activists of Combatants for Peace, greatly appreciate your visit to the Holy Land. Your visit comes at a critical time, a time, when government-led and right-wing organizations' campaigns try to silence civil society organizations and trying to pressure foreign governments to cut ties with organizations that criticize Israeli government policies.

We know that You personally share our mission of a just peace between Israelis and Palestinians. We know, that You personally and the Federal Republic of Germany are deeply committed partners for the Israeli and Palestinian people alike and that you support our aim, ending the Israeli occupation of the Palestinian people and a true, equal coexistence of the two peoples based on the values of humanity.

Our movement is working hard to make this vision come true. Founded by former Israeli soldiers and Palestinian Fighters, today, Combatants for Peace is a large movement of peace loving activists who want to challenge the status quo, to counter the one-sided narratives on both sides and promote an end of violence, which is dominating the daily life of millions of people in this region. Our community is a proof, that there is indeed another way.

Dear esteemed Mr. President, **we would like to invite you to listen to our stories**. As former fighters, all of us went through a transformation – from former enemies to partners for peace. We would highly appreciate a meeting with you, either here in Israel and Palestine, or in Germany.

With our highest esteem,
on behalf of all Combatants for Peace,

Uri Ben Assa, Israeli CEO

Sulaiman Khatib, Palestinian CEO

Contact: office@cfpeace.org

⁴⁷ File: brief_steinmeier Request for a Meeting with the German President Visiting Israel 5.5.17

On October 2nd 2018, prior to Angela Merkel's visit to Israel, members of Combatants for Peace issued a letter to the German Chancellor⁴⁸ calling on her to meet members of the organization and to oppose the upcoming destruction of an illegal Bedouin outpost Chan El Achmar⁴⁹.

To
Her Excellency Dr. Angela Merkel
Chancellor of the Federal Republic of Germany
Bundeskanzleramt
Willy-Brandt-Straße 1
DE-10557 Berlin, Germany

Jerusalem, 02. October 2018

Dear Mrs. Chancellor, Dr. Angela Merkel,
dear Mr. Heiko Maas,

we warmly welcome You to Jerusalem! We, Israelis and Palestinians, all former fighters in the endless wars our region has gone through, would like to address you with urgency regarding the village of Khan Al Ahmar. We call upon You to also listen to us, a vivid civil society of Israelis and Palestinians, who work for equality and justice for our both peoples on the ground.

While You, honorable Chancellor, will be dining with Israeli Premier Benjamin Netanyahu and consult within the Israeli Knesset, You should know that at the same time, there are people living in constant fear of losing their homes. In the next days, a village for hundreds of Palestinian Bedouins and a school for more than 100 students, will be demolished and the people forcefully evicted - just half an hour from Jerusalem.

Khan al Ahmar has become a symbol of hope in the civil, non-violent resistance against Israeli settlement policies. We, members of Combatants for Peace, together with many internationals, and other Israeli and Palestinian civil society organizations, have been present in Khan Al Ahmar since weeks, around the clock, to protect the village from demolition.

It is even more than "just" demolishing the homes of dozens of families - it creates another hard fact on the ground, and the Israeli settlement policy, illegal by international law, would move a big step forward, if the demolition takes place. The occupied territories would be basically split in two parts, if the village gets demolished and the surrounding settlements get extended.

With appreciation, we have followed the statement of the European Union to immediately stop the demolition order for Khan Al Ahmar, but we are in times, where loose statements do not help anymore.

We see Germany as an influential friend of our Jewish-Israeli society, and as a friend of our Palestinian people. Therefore, we call upon the Federal Republic of Germany, to convince the Israeli government to stop the demolition of the village of Khan al Ahmar. This is in the interest of all of us who believe in coexistence and peace for Palestinians and Israelis alike. History has taught us, violence leads to nothing more than even more desperation, frustration and more violence.

We invite You to meet with us and listen to our personal stories. We have served in the Israeli army and we were fighters in the violent Palestinian resistance. We all understood that this endless circle of destruction does not lead to anything. We all went through a deep personal transformation which formed the basis for our movement "Combatants for Peace". Today, it is the largest, joint Israeli-Palestinian peace movement. We work towards another reality in our region every day, where Israelis and Palestinians live side by side in peace and dignity, with equal rights for all. Clearly, the occupation is the biggest obstacle in achieving that. Please help us to make our dream come true!

In November, 19th - 23rd, representatives of Combatants for Peace will come to Berlin. We would love to get in touch with You and convince You that there is another way. A way of hope for Israelis and Palestinians alike.

With our highest esteem,
In peace from Israel and Palestine,

Combatants for Peace

Contact: office@cfpeace.org
www.cfpeace.org

48 File: Merkel_Letter_KhanALAHmar 2.10.18, Letter to Merkel to meet and protest about Khan Al Ahmar

49 <https://tv.social.org.il/updates/60348>

