

Abstract

The Government of all Palestine And Palestine Liberation Organization

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On the holy land of Palestine the Palestinian people were born, thrived and developed their humanitarian, cultural and nationalistic identity.

Despite the scramble of all imperialistic powers since the dawn of history to get hold of this strategic region the Palestinians had through generations stuck to their land in order to preserve their identity.

The new international regime deprived the Palestinians from enjoying independence though article ٢٢ of the Convention of the league of Nations ١٩١٩ and the Luzanne Agreement ١٩٢٣ recognized Palestine as all previous Wilayats of the Ottoman State as independent countries. But Palestine was to be subjugated by a new invader the Zionism. Palestinians were deprived of self determination and later the United Nations passed the resolution No. ١٨١ in ١٩٤٧ which called for the inception of two states: an Arab and a Jewish one. On refusal of such a settlement the Palestinians had to look for the formation of a body which would represent their identity and shoulder responsibility to regain Palestinians lawful rights in their land. So "The Government of all Palestine" came into being on the wake of Gaza conference in ١٩٤٨.

The impotence of this Government initiated search for a more vital substitute and so the Palestine Liberation Organization was born.

The Problem of the study is to cast light on circumstances which accompanied and led to the formation of the government of all Palestine and the Palestine Liberation Organization.

Though there are numerous studies on the Government and the PLO which I made use of some of them but no academic work on the topic devoted specifically to a comparison has been accomplished to the best of

my knowledge. Sources of the study are diverse: official documents of PLO the United Nations, Arab League and research centers I made use of numerous periodicals, biographies, references works and in some cases private interviews.

The study falls into six chapters an introduction, conclusion, appendices and a bibliography.

The introduction surveys geographical, humanitarian and political atmosphere in the region before the birth of the Government of all Palestine.

The first chapter is devoted to the inception of the Government, its achievement, relationship with international and Arab community.

The second chapter focuses on the birth of the PLO, throwing light on its various bodies and pinpointing factors that were responsible of its survival.

The third chapter deals with the reaction of the Jordanian Hashemite kingdom to both the Government and the PLO because the kingdom has always been a major player in Palestinian affairs.

The fourth factor surveys the Arab reaction towards both the Government and the PLO both the official one, that of the Arab League, and also that of popular and political organization and parties.

The fifth chapter is devoted to the impact of the event on international community starting with the United Nations, USA, USSR and other European major powers.

The sixth chapter presents analytical comparison which revalued factors that were behind the disappearance of the Government of all Palestine and the survival of the PLO. A summary of results and deductions is given in the conclusion. Finally I would like to thank al-Nelein University which offered me this opportunity to undertake this study's, I would also like to thank my family, my mother and all those who provided me with some information to complete this study.