



Palestinians reject Israel-Bahrain deal

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Palestinians in Gaza burned pictures of Israeli, U.S., Bahraini and United Arab Emirates leaders on Saturday in protest over the two Gulf countries' moves to normalize ties with Israel.

1-1. Palestinians angry over moves by Bahrain and the UAE _____

1-2. burning pictures of the leaders of those three countries _____

2. The U.S. had joined the three countries in hailing the diplomatic move _____

3-1. Palestinian Liberation Organization _____

3-2. the decades-long Israeli-Palestinian conflict _____

“The Bahraini-American-Israeli agreement to normalize relations is now part of a bigger package in the region. / It is not about peace, it is not about relations between countries. / We are witnessing an alliance, a military alliance being created in the region, / maybe you want to call it an Arab-Israel-NATO.”

4. The Palestinians _____

5-1. A longstanding pan-Arab position _____

5-2. in exchange _____

6. The Palestinians fear _____

[Vocabulary]

□ **Bahrain:** an island country in the Persian Gulf off the coast of Saudi Arabia; oil revenues funded progressive programs until reserves were exhausted in 1970s.



□ **the UAE:** the United Arab Emirates: a group of seven states on the southern coast of the Persian Gulf; a sovereign state in Western Asia at the northeast end of the Arabian Peninsula, in the south of the Persian Gulf, bordering Oman to the east, and Saudi Arabia to the south and west, as well as sharing maritime borders with Qatar to the west and Iran to the north. Each emirate is governed by a ruler; together, they jointly form the Federal Supreme Council. One of the rulers serves as the President of the United Arab Emirates.

□ **Gaza:** a coastal region at the southeastern corner of the Mediterranean bordering Israel and Egypt.



□ **take to the streets:** to go outside on the streets; When people take to the streets, they express their opposition to something in public and often violently

- *Angry citizens took to the streets to protest the war.*
- *Thousands of people have taken to the streets to protest against the military coup.*

□ **hail**: to say publicly how good or important someone or something is; to greet with enthusiastic approval; If a person, event, or achievement is hailed as important or successful, they are praised publicly.

- *The soldiers have been hailed as heroes by the President.*
- *The policeman was hailed by the mayor for saving a baby from a burning apartment building.*

□ **Palestinian Liberation Organization**: PLO; a political movement uniting Palestinian Arabs in an effort to create an independent state of Palestine; when formed in 1964 it was a terrorist organization dominated by Yasser Arafat's al-Fatah; in 1968 Arafat became chairman; received recognition by the United Nations and by Arab states in 1974 as a government in exile; has played a largely political role since the creation of the Palestine National Authority.

□ **Secretary General**: a person who is a chief administrator (as of the United Nations)

- *The secretary-general of an international political organization is the person in charge of its administration.*
- *The government cut ties with the group in 2009 after it refused to remove its deputy secretary-general.*

□ **Saeb Erekat**: **Saeb Muhammad Salih Erekat** (born 28 April 1955) is a Palestinian politician and diplomat who is the Secretary General of the Executive Committee of the PLO (since 2015). He served as chief of the PLO Steering and Monitoring Committee until 12 February 2011. He negotiated the Oslo Accords with Israel and remained chief negotiator from 1995 until May 2003, when he resigned in protest from the Palestinian government. He later reconciled with the party and was reappointed to the post in September 2003.

□ **betrayal**: an action which betrays someone or something, or the fact of being betrayed; violation of a person's trust or confidence, of a moral standard, etc.

- *The depth of Claire's betrayal made him wish he could kill her again a thousand times over!*
- *She wondered if he felt hurt at his best friend's betrayal but didn't have the nerve to ask.*

□ **pan-**: pan- is added to the beginning of adjectives and nouns to form other adjectives and nouns that describe something as being connected with all places or people of a particular kind.

- *...the World Festival of Pan-African Arts.*
- *The company operates a pan-European wi-fi network.*
- *pan-Arab*

□ **statehood**: the status of a place as an independent country

- *There is only one route to Palestinian statehood.*
- *Israel opposes a unilateral Palestinian move towards statehood.*

□ **in exchange**: In order to get or obtain someone or something else.

- *How about you give me those boots in exchange for my old jacket?*
- *I'm sure they'll give you a good bit of money in exchange for your silence on this issue.*

□ **stance**: an attitude or view about an issue that you state clearly

- *The Congress had agreed to reconsider its stance on the armed struggle.*
- *They have maintained a consistently neutral stance.*

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