

The truth about the struggle of the Palestinians in the 48 regions

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Let's start from here. The image about the Palestinians in the 48 regions very distorted, as shown by the Israeli and Western media and, unfortunately, the .Palestinian Authority plays an important role in it.

Palestinians who remained in the 48 regions after the establishment of the State of Israel, remained in the Galilee, the Triangle and the Negev in the south, there are the .majority of the Palestinian Bedouin who live in the Negev.

the Palestinians in these areas became under Israeli military rule until 1966. During this period the Palestinian established national movements in the 48 regions, the most important of these movements was "**ALARD**" movement, which called for the establishment of a democratic secular state on the land of Palestine, the Israeli authorities imposed house arrest, imprisonment and deportation active on this national movement, especially in Nazareth town, and eventually was taken out of .the law for "security" reasons.

It is true that the Palestinians in the 48 regions carried the Israeli citizenship or forced into it, but they saw themselves as an integral part of the Palestinian Arab people, are part and an integral part of the Palestinian national movement, hundreds of Palestinians youth in this region has been joined the Palestinian .resistance movements in Lebanon in the years of the sixties and seventies.

it is not true that the Palestinians are "**Jews and Israelis live within an oasis of democracy**", and perhaps the coming years after the end of military rule in 1966 will prove that the Palestinians in these areas have paid their

blood in order to preserve their Palestinian identity, in order to stay on their land . and their country in the 48 regions.

In 1976 a huge event occurred among the Palestinians in the 48 areas, in this year Israel has confiscated thousands of dunums of Palestinian farmers in the villages of Galilee, Nazareth, because of this Israeli action the Palestinians in this region began the first Palestinian uprising and general strike, which lasted nearly a month, the army and police forces entered to the Arab villages and cities with tanks to quell the mass demonstrations that protested the confiscation of lands, as a result of the clashes with the army, six martyrs were felled and hundreds were wounded and detainees. This is the first time since 1948 the Palestinians proved that they are clinging to their national identity and struggling against the state of Israel, which occupied their lands.



Land day 1976

This battle and this struggle has forced the Israeli authorities to reverse its decision and was re-confiscated lands to their original owners, and since 1976 salutes the ".Palestinians in all their whereabouts, this anniversary, which call the land day".

These events, Were not only uprising "land day" transient event in the ranks of the Palestinians in the 48 regions, this event created a new awareness and a new understanding among the Palestinians and that they are committed to the

Palestinian identity and their right to fight and defend their homeland and their .dignity in palatine.

After 1976 were signed hundreds of events, demonstrations, strikes, sit-ins and very large confrontations with the Israeli authorities which protests against land confiscation lands and houses demolitions which are still continuing as of this writing, but more importantly, the Palestinians in 48 region stood every day and every week in demonstrations and strikes at stops in solidarity with Palestinian brethren in the West Bank and Gaza Strip, struggled and shown solidarity for the struggle of the prisoners, against the massacres, occupation, against the wars launched by Israel on Gaza, against the war in Lebanon, and perhaps the demonstrations that took place in the 48 regions in protest against the massacres of .Sabra and Shatila in Beirut is the largest protest movement was in 1982.

In 2000 it signed the second intifada, when Sharon entered the Al-Aqsa Mosque. September of this year was angry and bloody month among the Palestinians in the 48 regions, each of the Palestinians in all Palestinian towns and villages in the 48 took to the streets and closed the main streets in Israel in protest against the Israeli massacres committed by Israel in the West Bank and Gaza in protest at Sharon's visit to the al-Aqsa mosque.

Photos of the martyrs in 2000 in 48 region



This confrontation has lasted more than a month and fell in these clashes 13 martyrs (two martyrs from Arraba village in the Galilee, one of them is my cousin) Add this to dozens of wounded and detainees and attacks on Arab workers in Israeli cities. Palestinian masses have once again confirmed in 2000 as an integral part of .the Palestinian struggle for libration and freedom.

The situation now: since month ago the Palestinian territories in 48, daily protests, demonstrations and strikes In protest against the demolition of Arab houses . this policy of demolition houses announced by the head of the Israeli government two months ago. In the Palestinian towns and villages in 48 region , there are more than fifty thousand houses vulnerable to demolition, according to the Israeli government's recent decision. we Talk about the houses have been built in the last twenty years, and return the phenomenon of building houses without a license because of the Israeli government institutions refuse to grant licenses for Arab citizens, adding that Israel had issued the majority of the Arab citizens without lands, this situation did not keep in front of the Palestinians no solution except building



.without a permit.

The vast majority of Palestinians in the 48 do not see the problem as a problem of building without permits or expand the structural maps, they do believe it is the beginning of a new Nakba, it's a new beginning of ethnic cleansing They think it is the beginning of the transfer from our lands and homes, they believe that the apartheid regime who wants repression and persecution of Palestinians, they believe this is a battle for survival and steadfastness on this land, they believe that the battle against apartheid will continue this is the reality of apartheid colonial has no right to continue and drop the apartheid system is the only solution for stability and .peace in Palestine.