Glorification of Terrorism and Political Incitement in the Palestinian Authority

The Palestinian Authority (PA) uses its power and influence over Palestinian-Arabs to encourage acts of terror against Israeli civilians and to celebrate those who commit such acts.

PA government officials hold receptions and release statements that honor and laud terrorists.

Picture and text posted on the Ramallah official Facebook page that honored Palestinian-Arab terrorist Abd Al-Fattah Doleh, who participating in the kidnapping and murder of 16-year-old Israeli Ofir Rahum.

- In February 2016, the PA’s “High Commission for Youth and Sports” held a cultural event in memory of Baha ‘Alyan, who, along with Bilal Ghanem, killed 4 and wounded 3 in a shooting and stabbing attack on a Jerusalem bus.1
- Fatah Central Committee Member Mahmoud Al-Aloul said that Parliament Member Marwa Barghouti is a “source of pride for the Palestinian people.” Barghouti founded Tanzim, the military faction of the PA, and he led the first and second intifadas.2

The PA names streets, schools, youth tournaments, and more after the terrorists who have murdered the most civilians.

- The PA named a youth soccer tournament after Muhammad Halabi. Halabi murdered two Israeli civilians and injured two more, including a two-year-old boy, in 2015.3
- Abbas has named two high schools, a computer center, a soccer championship, two summer camps, and a public square after Dalal Mughrabi.

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1 “Al-Quds University In Jerusalem Commemorates Terrorist In Guise Of Promoting Culture And Education” MEMRI, February 15, 2016
2 Fatah Official: “Marwan Barghouti is “a source of pride for the Palestinian people” Palestinian Media Watch April 4, 2016
3 “PA names soccer tournament after Old City murderer,” Arutz Sheva, April 11, 2015.
Mughrabi led the deadliest terrorist attack in Israeli history. She boarded a bus in 1978 and murdered 38 civilians, including 13 children.\(^4\)

- Yihyeh Ayyash murdered 20 civilians in a 1994 bus bombing. Abbas named a street next to the presidential compound in Ramallah after him.\(^5\)

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The PA organized the tournament in 2016 honoring Abu Jihad, the head of the PLO terror organization’s military wing and architect of some of the most fatal attacks in Israel’s history, claiming the lives of 125 Israelis. Fatah officials from throughout the PA attended the event and crowned the winners.\(^6\)

- The municipality of Surda-Abu Qash in the PA named a street after Muhammed Halabi, a Palestinian-Arab who stabbed 4 civilians, including a mother and her child, in October 2015. Halabi also received an honorary law degree awarded posthumously from the Palestinian Authority Bar Association.\(^7\)

- In November 2015, the official PA daily reported that a Palestinian-Arab school named a football tournament after Ahmad Manasra, a 13-year-old terrorist who stabbed and wounded 2 Israelis.\(^8\)

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In May 2016, Fatah held an event to honor “the death as a Martyr of Ayyat Al-Akhras,” a terrorist who carried out a suicide attack in a Jerusalem supermarket in March 2002, leaving 2 dead and 28 wounded.\(^9\)

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\(^4\) “Palestinians Honor a Figure Reviled in Israel as a Terrorist,” *The New York Times*, March 11, 2010.


\(^6\) “Fatah organizes kickboxing championship named after Abu Jihad, arch-terrorist” *Palestinian Media Watch*, April 18, 2016

\(^7\) “Palestinian town names street for killer of 2 Israelis” *The Times of Israel* October 28 2015

\(^8\) “Palestinian School Names Football Tournament After 13-Year-Old Terrorist” *United With Israel*, November 25, 2015

\(^9\) “Fatah event today to ‘honor’ suicide bomber” *Palestinian Media Watch*, May 26, 2016