

## Where does Palestine stand now?



#### The Zionist genocide

- 29.000 dead, 70.000 wounded
- Attack on Rafah is being prepared against 1.4 million people seeking shelter
- Since start of genocide additional 10,000 Palestinians put in prison

# Analysis of Osama Hamdan: Hamas polit buro member

- Why did Hamas attack occur on October 7, 2023?
- Where does the liberation movement stand now?



https://www.presstv.ir/Detail/2024/02/19/720397/Hamas-interview-Press-TV-Hamdan-Israel-war-Gaza-Rafah-United-States-resistance

#### The Zionist plan for Palestine

- Netanyahu at the UN in 2023: we want to end the Palestinian issue within the next four years. No Palestine on the map.
- Collaboration with Arab nations was going well for Netanyahu: Abraham accords
- A program to seize the occupied city of al-Quds whose eastern part is sought by Palestinians as the capital of their future state and thus end the dream of a Palestinian state.
- Transfer ownership of Palestinians' real estate to Zionists coupled with bringing in one million new settlers from outside of Palestine to the occupied territories

#### The attack on the resistance

- Before the October 7<sup>th</sup> attack the Zionist stepped up their process of liquidating the resistance
- 500 people had been killed in the West Bank and 3,000 wounded and arrested.
- You have to options
  - 1. Do nothing and they continue to take your land and kill you
  - 2. You resist and know that with resistance there will be a backfire
- With option two the enemy is paying a price for the occupation and you keep the hope alive that there can be an end to occupation and oppression. The end game: the enemy will be forced to leave your land.

## The October 7<sup>th</sup> plan

- The attack should be on a grand scale to shake up the whole political power structure
- The planning should be meticulously well, without the enemy being able to take action preemptively
- The Zionist response was expected to be massive
- That would open up a dynamics that would totally change the status quo and bring the liberation struggle to the next level
- This is an existential threat to the Palestinians
- Al-Aqsa Storm stopped US plan in region, marked end of Netanyahu's dream

#### The impact of the genocide on Hamas

- Hamas popularity rose despite the genocide, because people feel that the chances for liberation are higher than ever
- This comes with increased responsibility: how to move forward with this level of trust.
- Palestinian people should be able to hold elections to elect their leadership. It is not about appointment, but about election

## Zionist plan for Palestine after the genocide

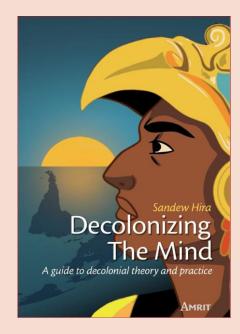
- Close off Gaza's southern border with Egypt, giving Israel complete control of entry and exit from the enclave.
- Israel will have security control over the entire area west of Jordan, which includes all of the West Bank
- An overhaul of Gaza's civil administration and education systems, including a cut-off of funding from Qatar to Gaza
- "De-radicalization" in the education system (fighting antisemitism and hatred of Israel)
- Shut down UNRWA and replace it "with responsible international aid agencies."
- No two state solution, no Palestinian state

## Resistance plan for Palestine after the war

- Hamas does not strive to be sole representative of the Palestinian people.
- Agreement reached with all factions of the resistance for postwar approach: a transitional government in which all factions are represented, hold elections and begin the reconstruction process.
- Basis of agreement: continue to work for the total liberation of Palestine

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