

Bassem Eid's
PEACE VISION

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Introduction

The past is past. Today is here and now. And there is still a future to be...

Today's problems, even if rooted in the past, are today's problems. Accordingly, they must be resolved based on where things are at today. Yesterday is gone. The future will be. Only today can we create a new foundation for the future.

We and multitudes around the globe would like to see peace between the Israeli and Palestinian Peoples, a peace that benefits both peoples equally.

The objective purpose of this document is to present what we see as necessary to accomplish this peace; to present what we deem necessary to permit the Israeli and Palestinian Peoples to:

1. Co-exist in a peaceful and humane fashion;
2. Learn about one another as individuals;
3. Create a symbiotic cultural and economic tapestry for all the inhabitants.

The solution we envision is simple, logical, imbued with common sense and "outside the box" thinking. "Everybody gets everything and nobody gets anything other than peace."

Now, in consideration of where things are at today, we are going to deal with the most current map of the Middle East area. In that regard, we envision a new federation to be called Greater Palestine that will consist of the three sovereign independent states of Israel, Palestine (West Bank) and Gaza.

To bring these three states together will require agreement on a Peace Plan and a Charter for the new Federation.

We suspect that since the Peace Plan represents the end to a new beginning with the Federation Charter, this very fact is a foundation for the future which will establish a new Palestinian cause to create a better future for their people.

But, what is it that we are really accomplishing?

- Three State Federated Solution (All States are Happy);
- Independent Palestine and Independent Gaza (Both States and the People are Happy);
- Recognition of Israel as a Sovereign Jewish State (Israel is Happy);

- End of Long Running Conflict (Peace Loving World is Happy);
- 1967 Borders (Palestine is Happy);
- Open Borders (All States and the People are Happy);
- All Inhabitants of All States Can Roam Freely (People are Happy);
- Jewish Settlements Remain Intact (Israel is Happy);
- No Expansion of Settlements (Palestine is Happy);
- No Contraction of Settlements (Israel is Happy);
- Palestine has right of disposal of vacant homes in Settlements to Jews only (Israel is Happy);
- Long Term Financial Compensation to Palestine (Palestine is Happy);
- Land Lease Payments for East Jerusalem encroachments to Palestine until Messiah (Palestine is Happy);
- Property and Tax Payments to Palestine for Homes in Settlements (Palestine is Happy);
- Israel Military Intact (Israel is Happy);
- Demilitarized Palestine and Gaza (Israel is Happy);
- Palestinian Prisoners Transferred to Federation Prison System (Palestine is Happy);
- Israeli Prisoners Transferred to Federation Prison System (Israel is Happy);
- Jerusalem is Open City (World is Happy);
- East Jerusalem can be Capital of Palestine (Palestine is Happy);
- Jerusalem can be Federation Headquarters (All States and People are Happy);
- Jewish Areas in Greater Jerusalem can remain as Israel (Israel is Happy);
- Muslim Areas in Greater Jerusalem can remain as Palestine (Palestine is Happy);
- Christian Areas in Greater Jerusalem choose to be Israel or Palestine (People are Happy);
- Other Religious Areas in Greater Jerusalem choose to be Either as well (People are Happy);
- Encroached Areas on Border of Israeli/East Jerusalem belong to Palestine (Palestine is Happy);
- All property owners in Greater Jerusalem have right of disposition to any (People are Happy);

Until the Messiah arrives, we keep everybody happy and set an example for global harmony.

The Plum: The Follow Up for the New Beginning

Upon successful conclusion of the Agreement and Charter, the Federation will apply to the International Olympic Committee to become the venue for the 2024 Summer Olympic Games. The building of the infrastructure for the Olympics will become an immediate economic boon for the Palestinians and Gazans and actually set the stage for the three states to work together for a common goal for the common good.

The impact of such an occurrence upon the world at large will be positive beyond words.

“Deliver on a Silver Tray”

I believe that negotiations are at a “stale mate” and will only cause procrastination in the Peace Process. Case in Point:

- Ask a Soldier guarding a Prison: “Who is incarcerated inside these walls”
reply: “Terrorists”. Ask the incarcerated: “What are you doing here?”
Reply: “We are Freedom Fighters” You will never succeed getting these two factions sitting opposite each other at a negotiating table to **EVER AGREE**.
- Israel and the International Community consider these incarcerated as Terrorists. On the other hand, the Palestinians remind Israel that Prime Ministers, Menachem Begin and Itzhak Shamir, members of underground, were recognized by the British as **TERRORISTS**, while the Jews identified them as **FREEDOM FIGHTERS**.
- Ask a Palestinian: “What are these beautiful building on top of the Hill”
Reply: “They are our Occupiers.” Ask the ‘so called occupiers’: “Who are you?” Reply: “We liberated Judea and Samaria”. You will never succeed getting these two factions sitting opposite each other at a negotiating table to **EVER AGREE**.
- The Jews believe that God gave “Har Habait” Temple Mount to them while the Muslims remind us that Mohammad ascended to Heaven on a White Horse from the Dome of the Rock; and therefore, this Real Estate is Muslim. You will never succeed getting these two factions sitting opposite each other at a negotiating table to **EVER AGREE**.

God delivered to the Israelites the Ten Commandments at Mount Sinai. Forty years later traversing the desert Moses gave the Israelites the TORAH with 613 commandments. Three millennia henceforth, the Jews have compiled in the Mishnah and Talmud tens of Thousands of pages of Jewish jurisprudence.

So too, we start the Peace Process by **DELIVERING ON A SILVER TRAY** a Peace agreement that addresses the basic requirement and let the future descendents ratify all else.

PEACE AGREEMENT

This AGREEMENT is made and entered into by and between the State of Israel (hereinafter referred to as “ISRAEL”), the West Bank (hereinafter referred to as “PALESTINE”) and Gaza (hereinafter referred to as “GAZA”).

WHEREAS the parties desire to join together in a Federation to be called Greater Palestine (hereinafter referred to as “FEDERATION”); and

WHEREAS the parties acknowledge each others’ right to exist; and

WHEREAS the parties desire to end any and all hostilities between one another;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of mutual covenants and agreements contained herein the parties agree as follows:

1. Sovereignty

The three parties hereto agree that they are all independent sovereign nations capable of determining their own destiny, culture, language and religion. They further agree to abide by the laws of FEDERATION and that ISRAEL has the right to offer the people of its non-Jewish villages the choice to remain as Israelis in an Israeli village or to become Palestinian in a “Palestinian Settlement” in ISRAEL according to the rules as agreed to in Article 3 (Settlements) below.

2. Borders

The three parties hereto agree to accept borders commonly referred to as the 1967 borders which resulted from the Six Day War. They mutually agree that the nature of such borders is fully supported by the Israel-Egypt Peace Treaty of 1979 and the Israel-Jordan Treaty of Peace of 1994. Further, Israel agrees that the area known as East Jerusalem belongs to Palestine and all three parties further agree that all such borders shall be open to all of their respective residents. The people of each state are free to travel between the states in a manner similar to the people of Canada, the United States and the European Union and such freedom must be specified in the accompanying **Federation Charter** document.

3. Settlements

The three parties hereto agree that Israeli settlements in PALESTINE and Palestinian settlements in ISRAEL will remain intact subject to the following conditions:

a. Israeli settlements in PALESTINE

1. Settlements with less than ten (10) adults become the domain of the host state;
2. Population in the settlements can increase only through marriage and the offspring of the inhabitants with the only exception subject to item **a.7.** below;
3. All inhabitants are citizens of Israel;
4. The settlements can neither expand nor contract geographically;
5. PALESTINE shall issue a deed for each occupied house in the settlements and for which each house shall pay a “Real Estate Tax” to be determined to PALESTINE;

6. PALESTINE must provide the settlements with the necessary and requisite municipal services (utility and administrative) for which they are to receive payment on the order of what is paid throughout the state for like services (i.e. No price gouging).
 7. So long as a settlement has at least ten (10) adults in residence, the governing body of PALESTINE has the discretion to sell, rent or lease any vacant house but only to a Jewish citizen of ISRAEL.
 8. Settlements shall be treated and viewed as essentially “Foreign Embassies” as an Embassy is the domain of the state it represents within the sovereign state of the host. Outside of the Embassy, all rules and regulations, indeed all laws of the host state must be observed as in this situation, there is no “diplomatic immunity.”
- b. Palestinian Settlements in ISRAEL
1. Granted by the Israel Government, selected “Villages” may choose to become “Palestinian Settlements” under same rules as “Jewish Settlement” is in Palestinian Territory. Sole EXCEPTION; there is no Attrition factor.
 2. 75% of the inhabitants of “said” Village, must vote for the change and become a “Palestinian Settlement” in Israel.
 3. Recognizing that the inhabitant of “said” village may be of Christian, Muslim, Jewish or another faith, each individual over the age of 18 has the right to accept their allegiance, and remain a residing inhabitant in the Village.
 4. Any Real Estate or Business in said village REMAINS the ownership of present proprietor. Said “Taxes” are paid in accordance with “Jewish Settlements” in Palestine, and Proprietor may sell, lease, and rent their establishment in perpetuity.
 5. Residents of “said” village working in Israel, or employed in Village by an Israel entity, will remain as such and pay TAXES to “one entity only”. The converse is true; Any Israeli from outside the village who is employed in the village “pays taxes to one entity.

4. Buffer Zones

The three parties hereto agree that Palestinian villages in PALESTINE which border on Israeli settlements may expand toward those settlements. They further agree to consider that the existing buffer zones be transformed into Victory Gardens to be tended to by both the Israelis and the Palestinians using existing technologies and methodologies to produce basic food stuff such as fruits, vegetables, fish and even fowl as such gardens would serve a basic humanitarian purpose for all the people.

5. Capital Cities

The three parties hereto agree that each state has the right to choose its own capital city, that they will together decide on the capital of FEDERATION and that PALESTINE has the right to name the area known as East Jerusalem as its capital if it so chooses.

6. Prisoners

The three parties hereto agree that all Palestinian prisoners in Israeli prisons and all Israeli prisoners currently incarcerated in PALESTINE and GAZA are to be released to the Federation Prison System.

7. Legal System

The three parties hereto agree that each state is free to establish its own legal system and that they will work together to establish the legal system of FEDERATION. They further agree that the laws of

FEDERATION shall supersede the laws of the individual states with the exception of Article 11 (Immigration/Emigration) below.

8. Armed Forces/Military

The three parties hereto agree that Palestine and Gaza shall be demilitarized subject to the requirements of FEDERATION for the defense of FEDERATION. They further agree that the existing armed forces of Israel shall serve as the armed forces of FEDERATION and that such armed forces will include Palestinians and Gazans during a transition period to be determined. They further agree that FEDERATION may at times ask for volunteers and in any event residents of all three states shall have the right to volunteer their services to FEDERATION armed forces if they so desire.

9. Individual Freedoms or Rights

The three parties hereto agree that all the people of FEDERATION are free people: free to be who they are, what they are and where they want to go.

10. Sale of Property

The three parties hereto agree that any property in any of the three states, subject to Article 3 (Settlements) above and Article 12 (Jerusalem) below, can be sold to anyone and that such sale is binding by authority of the particular state involved.

11. Immigration/Emigration

The three parties hereto agree that all residents of FEDERATION are free to settle in the state of their choosing subject to the immigration laws of the chosen state. They further agree that the immigration laws of any of the states supersede the immigration laws of FEDERATION.

12. Jerusalem

The three parties hereto agree that because Jerusalem is considered holy and therefore sacred to Christianity, Islam and Judaism and that all three religions are represented by the inhabitants of the whole of Jerusalem, to be known as Greater Jerusalem. That Greater Jerusalem shall be declared an "Open City" whereby its inhabitants and visitors are free to visit and/or worship at whatever Houses of Worship and Shrines of their choosing and in any event that Greater Jerusalem is a unique and special case to be handled as follows:

- a. Should there be some form of conflict with regard to any and all religious sites then such site(s) shall fall under the auspices of FEDERATION;
- b. Any area or building, commercial, residential or otherwise, including cemeteries with ten (10) or more Jewish inhabitants shall belong to ISRAEL and with ten (10) or more Muslim inhabitants shall belong to PALESTINE and with ten (10) or more Christian or other minority shall have the right to pick the State of their choice and in the event there is more than one group each with 10 or more inhabitants then the disposition of the area or building shall be adjudicated by FEDERATION.
- c. Due to the uncertainty of the border or dividing line between Israeli Jerusalem and East Jerusalem, any existing Israeli encroachment into East Jerusalem and its suburbs shall remain under the flag of ISRAEL subject to the reality that such land is actually owned by PALESTINE. ISRAEL agrees, as a show of good faith and to eliminate uncertainty, that any questionable encroachment shall be considered as actual encroachment. Such encroachments shall be part of a comprehensive "Land Lease" whereby ISRAEL shall pay to PALESTINE an annual fee to

be determined. Such "Land Lease" shall remain in effect until such time that the Messiah arrives.

- d. Anyone who owns property in Greater Jerusalem may keep their property and has the right to sell, rent or lease such property to anyone.

13. Hebron

The three parties hereto agree that because Hebron is a uniquely holy city, similar to but different than Jerusalem, that the Jewish settlements of Hebron should be "Land Leased" by Israel with an annual fee to be determined and payable to Palestine until such time that the Messiah arrives.

- a. Anyone who owns property in Hebron may keep their property and has the right to sell, rent or lease such property to anyone. As "Land Lease" lessee Israel is the governing authority in the Jewish settlements, deeds to the property in such settlements shall be issued by Israel.

This is the complete Agreement between the parties hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have affixed their signatures below.

For: THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ISRAEL

(Authorized Signature) (Printed Name)

For: THE PEOPLE OF THE WEST BANK

(Authorized Signature) (Printed Name)

For: THE PEOPLE OF GAZA

(Authorized Signature) (Printed Name)

Date: _____

WITNESSED BY:

Bassem Eid: _____

**PREPARER'S COMMENTS
ON THE
PEACE AGREEMENT**

ISRAEL AND THE OCCUPIED TERRITORIES

- ★ National capital
- ⊙ District (meḥoz) centre
- City, town
- ✈ Airport
- International boundary
- - - - - Boundary of former Palestine Mandate
- - - - - Armistice Demarcation Line
- · - · - District (meḥoz) boundary
- Main road
- Secondary road
- +— Railroad
- +— Oil pipeline



1. Sovereignty

Because of the wide political divide between the West Bank and Gaza it was felt, that for the sake of Peace and the all elusive Peace Treaty, it made sense to treat the two entities as separate but equal Sovereign Palestinian States, Gaza and Palestine. It should be understood that if and whenever these two Sovereign States find it in their mutual interests to unite, they may do so: One nation, one flag and one people. Until such time they shall be treated as independent of one another.

2. Borders

Israel's argument about returning to 1967 borders is not based upon expansion, but defensible borders. Since Gaza and Palestine are to be demilitarized and only Israel is to maintain its IDF to serve the Federation, there is no need to be concerned about defending the borders.

Gaza – In green and south-west of Israel, is on the Mediterranean Coast. It is bordered by Egypt in the south-west and Israel in the north and south-east.

Palestine (West Bank) – In green is bordered by Israel on the north, south and west and by Jordan on the east.

Israel – In light yellow, is bordered by Egypt on the south-west, Jordan on the east, Lebanon on the north and Syria on the north-east.

Golan – In green is part of Israel in the north-east and recognized as such by the Federation. A future Peace Treaty between Israel and Syria may change the Golan borders and if so, the new boundaries will be recognized by the Federation.

FINAL BORDERS TO BE DETERMINED AND SIGNED OFF POST RATIFICATION OF THE AGREEMENT.

3. Settlements

Jewish Settlements in Palestine (West Bank, Judea and Samaria), are in Palestinian Territory and the land of the Settlements is the domain of Palestine. Same for Israel. Should Israel agree as stated in **1. Sovereignty**, that villages in Israel may choose their “allegiance,” said land, in Israeli territory, is the domain of Israel.

- b.** This guarantees attrition in Jewish settlements. It should take anywhere from 20 - 200 years before any settlement gets reduced to less than 10 adults. At that time Palestine gets it all. While empty houses belong to them and the revenue source goes away, they do have the following options:
1. They can rent it to a Jewish family to maintain the rental revenue if they properly maintain the property; or
 2. If they don't want to maintain the property they can set up a long term “Triple Net Lease” with a Jewish family. While the rent may be lower, all care and maintenance of the property falls to the lessee; or
 3. They can sell a house to a Jewish family thereby acquiring the current Real Estate value of the property plus, they will collect Real Estate Tax. The new occupant will still be under all aspects of the Peace Agreement that relate to “Jewish Settlements.”

Because of the “attrition factor,” Insurance underwriters in Palestine and Israel might want to get creative and offer some kind of “Attrition Insurance.”

It may take a couple of generations before Arab villages recognize the full economic benefit of Jewish Settlements. Jews will shop, dine and otherwise entertain themselves in Arab villages. Children from both sides will participate in sporting events and the bottom line is that people are people and they will intermingle.

The Palestinians will recognize that the Jewish Settlements need to remain as Jewish Settlements and that ultimately, the future of these settlements are in their hands.

JEWISH SETTLEMENT BOUNDRIES TO BE RECOGNIZED AND SIGNED OFF POST RATIFICATION.

4. Buffer Zones

The Buffer Zone is an area to be blended between villages and ought to serve each village.

5. Capital Cities

We take it for granted that Palestine will establish its Capital in East Jerusalem as the Federation Municipal offices will blend in between the 2 Capitals. Jerusalem will therefore, become the only city on earth to hold 2 foreign embassies within its boundaries. The magnitude of Jerusalem's economy is "unimaginable."

6. Prisoners

Recognizing that Israel considers incarcerated Palestinians as "Terrorists" and Palestine considers the incarcerated as "a Freedom Fighters," for the sake of peace, all incarcerated will be under Federation auspices. They may remain incarcerated in the present prison. Once adjudicated by the Federation Court, those release will go "Home," those to continue serving will be transferred to a prison in their "Home Land."

THE TIME TO ADJUDICATE AND RENDER FREEDOM TO BE DETERMINED POST RATIFICATION -

7. Legal System and

8. Armed Forces / Military

TO BE DETERMINED POST RATIFICATION -

11. Immigration/Emigration

We recognize that the "right of return" is a sensitive issue. Realistically, the youngest person (the so called Refugee) who lived in what is today Israel, is 66 years old. Most probably, a 72 year old "Refugee" may have a vague memory of what his/her old domicile used to be. Even if we were to assume that those houses still exist, it's unlikely that these families would want to return to that domicile. And, in any event, since they are not Jewish, it may be against Israeli

Immigration laws. So, let's just say that a segment of "Left" oriented Jews in Israel, sympathetic to a refugee cause, will establish a fund to purchase said original homes from the present occupants at 200% value and as Jewish owners of the property, will rent it to the Refugee until the Messiah comes.

12. Jerusalem

"Encroached" Jewish Jerusalem is Palestinian Land in Palestinian Territory.

ALL PROPERTIES, SHRINES, NEIGHBORHOODS TO BE IDENTIFIED POST RATIFICATION -

Afterthought on the Timeless Debate

On the one hand you have Observant Muslims, Christians and Jews who believe in the coming of the Messiah and anything contrary to that is nothing short of heresy. On the other hand, you have Secular Muslims, Christians and Jews who choose to understand that the Messiah is a "figment of one's imagination."

Regardless of who prevails in this timeless debate, with this Peace Plan, the people triumph and tranquility blossoms in the land.

Federation of the Enlightened States of the Middle East

Economic, Defense and Social Alliance

Serving the Needs of the People

PREAMBLE

This Federation, to be known as “Greater Palestine,” is an Alliance of Sovereign Middle-Eastern States. Its primary purpose is to serve the humanitarian and economic needs of its people by providing for the common defense and promoting justice, freedom and peace in the Middle-East region so as to set an example for the rest of the world’s trouble spots for now and all time.

CHARTER

Article I. INTRODUCTION

Like the phoenix that rises from the ashes, so too the Sovereign States of Gaza, Israel and Palestine, rejuvenated under a new Defense, Social and Economic Alliance. “Greater Palestine” aims to be a “de facto” alliance for cooperation in the mutual defense of our land and our people. A “de facto” alliance to pursue the absolute betterment of our people and the rest of humanity and a “de facto” alliance in the economic stability and growth necessary to secure our well-being and way of life.

One of the main aims of the Alliance is to enable and promote the interaction of all the people’s of differing faiths and beliefs to foster understanding and respect and cooperation: to ease the burdens of everyday life as a human being and set the stage for unparalleled personal growth over time.

Ours is a region with a troubled past that needs to be lifted once and for all from the yoke of poor and misguided leadership and governance; lifted into the light, from the darkness of repression and misinformation. It is all about the people using their new found freedom to learn and to grow and to heal.

It is about providing each individual with the space and support to be all they can be constrained only by what they choose to be.

We understand that all such new changes can be intoxicating to the point of overriding common sense and we must therefore allow for local governance to deal with the substantive differences of the people within the framework of the “greater good,” the Constitution, to be prepared by the people and their representatives with this Charter as the foundation thereof.

It is to establish the “Rule of Law” and to implement the practice of transparency of Good Governance in all areas and territories controlled and governed by the Federation.

It is to establish and promote an economy that fully serves the Military in its defense of the new nation and fully serves the People’s way of life.

This Alliance, Federation, New Nation otherwise known as “Greater Palestine,” is a unique symbiosis of the people’s way of life, the economy and the military in that order. The people always come first.

A key hallmark of this new symbiosis will be the nature of its Research and Development to achieve the “Absolute Betterment of the Human Condition” not just for its own people but for all of mankind.

This Federation Charter and accompanying Peace Agreement shall be signed by the appointed representatives of the people of Israel, Palestine and Gaza, in Jerusalem, the symbolic center of the three great Western Religions.

Article II. GOVERNING COMPOSITION

- A. **Executive** – To consist of an “Executive Council” comprised of the elected head of each of the Member States.
1. Duties – To assure that the Federation stays true to its aims and objectives; to oversee the various Ministries with other duties to be determined.
 - a. Issuance of any Official document, Statement or Edict must be unanimous.
- B. **Ministries** – To focus on specific Federation functions. Each Ministry shall consist of at least two representatives from each of the Member States.
1. Internal Affairs – Primarily the overseeing of State controlled people oriented services to assure that the People are being served properly. These services include but are not limited to the various forms of communication (electronic, wireless, print, etc.), garbage disposal, street cleaning, environmental caretaking, etc. and Interstate commerce (transport only between the States). The Federation Tax Authority will be a sub-Ministry.
 2. Foreign Affairs – Maintain International Profile; Promote cultural and other exchanges; Host international events; Promote tourism; Establish an International Business Headquarters.
 3. Defense – To protect the people and their way of life by defending Federation borders and the sovereignty of the States from foreign and domestic enemies.
 4. Education – To promote learning with focus on life and personal growth; to help disseminate the knowledge necessary to maintain a creative and vibrant economy; to always go where no one has gone before.
 5. Technology
 - a. Research and Development – To promote unlimited “outside the box” thinking in all spheres with specific focus on defensive systems to protect the people and preclude war; new modes of personal and public transport; and the health and well-being of the people and humanity in general.
 6. Religious Affairs – To promote tolerance and understanding among all religions and beliefs.
 7. To be determined
- C. **Judiciary** – Independent and obligated to no State or individual. Shall in all deliberations exercise common sense and wisdom and cannot compromise justice under any conditions.
1. Federation – May rule only on conflicts or disputes between the States with the exception of the Federation and State prison system. The composition will include three people from each and every State chosen by the State with each person to be seated for a term of five years.

2. State – May rule only on conflicts or disputes between local communities within the State. If necessary, may request extradition on behalf of a community in the event of a Capital Crime. The State shall decide on the composition and term of the court.
3. Local Communities – May adjudicate local issues by Rabbinical Court (Jewish Beit Din) and/or Sharia Law if the community so chooses.
4. Supreme Court – Consisting of three people from each and every State to be chosen by the State and to be seated for a term of five years. They are to pass only on Charter / Constitutional issues. For a decision to become precedent requires at least a two-thirds majority of the members of the Court. A majority decision less than two-thirds applies only to the situation at hand and shall have no legal impact whatsoever going forward (i.e. no precedence).

Article III. GOVERNANCE

- A. Local Communities are hereby granted the right to choose local or state governance. If they choose local governance, then such governance is of, by and for that Local Community only and any disagreements between two or more communities are to be adjudicated by the State (Article II. C. 2. above). Such decision by the Local Community cannot be overruled by the State.
- B. Member States may maintain their own internal Police Force as well as establish a Tax Authority.
 1. Extradition - The transfer of an individual accused of a Capital Crime to the State where the crime occurred is hereby authorized.
- C. Responsibilities
 1. Within the framework of the law, every entity from the level of the individual person up through and including the Federation is to maintain Peace.
 2. The business of the Local Community is to care for the people.
 3. The business of the State is to care for the environment and oversee the Local Communities.
 4. The State protects the People (serves as a buffer) from the Federation.
 5. The State protects the Federation (serves as a buffer) from the People.
 6. The Federation oversees the States.
 7. The Local Community must satisfy the “Federation Mandate” (Article VII. A. below), with help from other Local Communities, the State and/or the Federation. Suggestions in this regard may be offered by all.
- D. Public figures at the Federation, State and Local level, whether elected or appointed:
 1. Must be “natural born” citizens of a Member State beginning sixty (60) years (approximately three generations) after ratification of this Charter.
 - a. The term “natural born” shall mean a person born to an existing Member State citizen (Mother and/or Father) regardless of where born.
 2. Must, within ten (10) years after ratification of this Charter, have completed a two (2) year Masters Program, one (1) year each of the History of Judaism and the History of Islam, at an accredited Center of Education.
 3. Must be fluent in Arabic, Hebrew and English ten (10) years after ratification of this Charter.
- E. Justice – One of the key elements behind this Charter.
 1. The Federation and the States must mete out justice equally to all and there are no exceptions.

2. A key reason behind the “Federation Mandate” (Article VII.A. below) is justice, equal justice for all, the creation of a true “Level Playing Field.”
3. “Local Governance” as mentioned throughout helps assure the key reasons behind the “Federation Mandate” (Article VII.A. below) and makes the people ultimately responsible for their own well-being.

Article IV. MILITARY / DEFENSE / SECURITY

- A. Armed Forces – Established and maintained to protect the Federation’s borders from foreign invasion and to assure the safety and security of the people and their way of life.
 1. Israel shall spearhead the Military with help from the Member States.
 2. To consist of men and women volunteers from all States of the Federation.
 3. Any foreign nation or “belligerent” group declaring or attempting to wage war on a given State of the Federation shall be considered as a war declared on the Federation.

Article V. CONTINUITY

- A. The Federation shall continue until the arrival of the Messiah at which time the blessed one will determine the nature of any further continuance.
- B. New States - Only Sovereign States which share a common border with the Federation can be considered for inclusion into the Federation.
 1. The Federation currently borders Egypt on the South-West, Jordan on the East, Syria on the East- North-East and Lebanon on the North.
 2. For a new state to be accepted will require the unanimous vote of all Member States as well as the unanimous blessing of the Executive Council of the Federation.
 3. Must disarm before joining the Federation, Palestine and Gaza included.
 4. Must accept and sign this Charter as well as the Federation Constitution if it is in force.
- C. Secession - A State may secede from the Federation if seventy-five percent (75%) of its people vote to do so.

Article VI. CASH FLOW, FUNDING, TAXATION

- A. The People.
 1. Every person must pay a “per capita” tax to the State. Any exemption, the frequency of payment and the amount to be paid is determined by the Federation Tax Authority.
 2. Member States must collect the “per capita” tax from all their residents on behalf of the Federation. The State has the authority to exempt certain individuals from the tax for whatever reason but, in so doing, the State assumes the liability for said tax.
 3. Any and all income directly attributable to the “Federation Mandate” (Article VII.A. below) shall be free of any and all taxation from both the State and the Federation.
- B. Local Community – Has the right to tax local businesses.

- C. Member States – May tax Real Estate and businesses.
- D. The Federation – May determine from where addition funds are obtained if necessary.
- E. Funding to be Determined.
 - 1. The Arts
 - 2. Education
 - 3. The “Federal Mandate” (Article VII.A. below).

Article VII. GUARANTEED RIGHTS OF THE PEOPLE

- A. Federation Mandate** – The key for the people. No individual in any State within the Federation is to go without anything deemed as a necessity of life. It shall be up to each local community in each State throughout the Federation to accomplish this.
 - 1. The objective of this mandate is to create the proverbial “Level Playing Field” in order to establish Equal Opportunity and Justice for All.
 - 2. All communities will work together to help other communities achieve the mandate. The States and the Federation will provide whatever help they can, financial and otherwise.
 - 3. Necessities of life are identified as follows: For survival - water, food, clothing, shelter; For society and economics - health care, education (temporal and spiritual) and energy.
- B. Freedom to practice or follow any religion or belief of their choice.
 - 1. Access to any House of Worship, Shrine, other Holy sites and Monuments, etc.
- C. Freedom of Travel throughout the Federation with only one form of identification if “challenged” by someone in authority.
- D. No discrimination, overt or de facto, in any public place or private establishment.
- E. All personal documents such as Marriage Certificates, Birth Certificates, State ID’s, Passports, Drivers Licenses, etc. are valid and acceptable in all States of the Federation.
- F. Freedom of Commerce and Freedom from Duty and Excise Taxes.
- G. Freedom of the Press and Other Media – This is absolutely necessary to facilitate transparency in government and to assure the continuing freedom of the people.
 - 1. Forms of Media Covered – Print, Electronic, Wireless, Audio and/or Video, etc.
 - 2. Type of Media Covered – All types which provide information. This includes but is not limited to Current Events, Analyses, Historical and Educational information.
 - 3. No single entity may own, directly or indirectly, more than one form of media if there is no competition within its market area whether it is Local, State, or National. This specifically precludes entities such as Holding companies which represents a form of piggybacking.
 - 4. Collusion in lieu of ownership to get around this restriction will be grounds for immediate forfeiture of the media concerned without compensation. Such media will be put up for sale to the highest bidder.

Article VIII. AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

- A. Three great challenges:
 - 1. To preclude the need for war via the development of defensive systems / mechanisms that will serve to render all form and type of offensive weapons harmless.
 - 2. To pursue the absolute betterment of the human condition for their people and the rest of humanity.
 - 3. To set an example for the rest of the civilized world.
- B. Individuals:
 - 1. To have each individual accord dignity and respect to others.
 - 2. To not force themselves upon nor interfere with others.
 - 3. To aid, abet and support others where possible.
- C. Education:
 - 1. Public and Private Secular schools must teach all of B. above. Parochial schools must also teach each point so long as the point does not conflict with “religious interpretation.”
 - 2. Public and Private Secular schools must teach the history of all member States.
 - 3. Hate is not to be taught anywhere under any conditions.
- D. Federation:
 - 1. To facilitate B. (Individuals) above and the newly emerging economy, Federation will, within two weeks of the ratification of this Charter, apply to the International Olympic Committee to serve as the venue for the 2024 Summer Olympic Games.
- E. Hybrid Economy:
 - 1. Capitalism and socialism co-existing with one another. The former is unbridled but for the goods & services necessary to support the “Federation Mandate” (Article VII.A. above).

Article IX. GENERAL DISPOSITIONS

- A. Official National Languages: Arabic, Hebrew, English.
 - 1. All three must be represented on all municipal and commercial signage in all States.
- B. Federation Headquarters shall be domiciled in Greater Jerusalem at a site to be determined.
- C. There shall be two national holidays at inception:
 - 1. Unification Day – The date of the signing of this document.
 - 2. Memorial Day – To bless the memory of our valiant men and women who have died for their people.
- D. All secular and religious holidays in all Member States shall be respected by all.
- E. Currency – To be determined by the unanimous decision of the States.
- F. Existing monuments and those to be erected in honor of their “heroes” in all States shall receive full recognition.

- G. All existing State Prisoners incarcerated because they have been found guilty, are pending trial, or are being held with no disposition, etc as to being a “Combatant” for a State against another State or it’s People, come under Federation auspices and following adjudication by Federation may be transferred to Palestine, Israel or Gaza accordingly.

Article X. NATURE OF THE SYMBIOSIS

- A. Because the Federation represents a unique symbiosis of the People, the Military and the Economy, and because Israel has a track record of being successful Militarily and in providing the necessities of life for it’s people (they made the “desert bloom” among other things), it suggests that with the help of the other Member States, Israel should take the lead Militarily and in satisfying the “Federation Mandate” (Article VII.A. above).
1. Once the “Federation Mandate” (Article VII.A. above) is satisfied, every single individual resident of each Member State of the Federation will be free to pursue their dreams, desires, wants and wishes...
 2. The people will realize this goal because the Economy and the Military will have assured it.
- B. Centralization meets Decentralization.
1. Taken to its extreme this would be like tyranny meeting anarchy. They cancel one another and achieve equilibrium in the middle, the State.
 2. The State becomes as the fulcrum, the point of balance. While we are not at the extremes, it works the same.
- C. The essence behind the Federation:
1. It is all about the People from all of the Member States as the People come first.
 2. The creation of the Federation is really for the benefit of the people.
 3. The State protects the People from the Federation and the Federation from the People.
 4. The Federation keeps the States in line and protects the States and the People.

Article XI. NATIONAL SYMBOL / NATIONAL FLAG

Without question, this is left to the people. The people will put their heads together and come up with a national symbol, a logo. It will mean or symbolize whatever they want it to and it will be a part of their national flag, the flag of “Greater Palestine,” whose design will be left to the States.

This is the coming together of two great peoples aided by the enlightenment of their leaders. They are coming together simply because they choose to look forward rather than back.

Preparer's Comments on the Federation Charter

Article III. A. Local Communities

It is recommended that the terms "Community" and "Local Community" be defined in some way post ratification.

Article VII. A. Federation Mandate

The Mandate is an Investment. Get the communities up and running (smarts and simplicity required). All is sustainable at every turn resulting in minimal down line maintenance. For the Federation, the annual expense pursuant to the Mandate reduces dramatically over time in a poverty free nation.

It just makes sense for the people to be in control of their own well-being. They, with Federation help (the Investment), will implement the means to produce and maintain the "Necessities of Life."

Article VIII. E. Hybrid Economy

The Federation and/or States may want to consider Natural Capitalism in lieu of or to temper the Free Market variety. It makes more sense as it concerns itself with and accounts for all forms of capital including "Human Capital" and the Environment.

Frequently Asked Questions

Q. Why all the years of fighting and animosity between Muslims and Jews?

A. Sibling rivalry! They share a common patriarch in Abraham. Abraham had two sons, Ishmael and Isaac. The Muslims are descendents of Ishmael. The Jews are descendents of Isaac. Because they are so much alike with so much in common, they constantly fight.

The most compelling argument for “sibling rivalry,” which is nothing more than “Brotherly Love,” is a day such as October 4, 2014, the day of capitulation. This tenth day of the last month on the Muslim calendar is Ein Al-Adha. This tenth day of the first month on the Jewish calendar is Yom Kippur. On Yom Kippur, Jews atone for their sins against their brothers while on Ein Al-Adha Muslims celebrate Allah forbidding Abraham to sacrifice his son. The Torah states that Isaac was to be sacrificed. The Koran only mentions “first son.” Most Muslims believe that it was Ishmael to be sacrificed.

Q. Just how alike are the Muslims and Jews?

A. Very! What differentiation there is overall appears to be forced to simply differentiate. Let us reference them by their lineage:

- Ishmael prays five times a day. Isaac prays three times a day.
- They both write from right to left and there is a huge similarity in their language and expressions.
- Ishmael says Salaam Aleikem. Isaac says Shalom Aleichem.
- They both follow the Lunar Calendar. Isaac compensates for the solar cycle or leap year. Ishmael does not. This is why Ramadan is sometimes in the winter and sometimes in the summer.
- Both forbid pork to be eaten. Isaac keeps Kosher. Ishmael keeps Halal.
- Both don't mingle with their women. They maintain separation in public and in prayer and at functions such as weddings and funerals, etc.
- Isaac circumcises his male offspring on the eighth day. Ishmael does it on their thirteenth birthday.
- Isaac demands his women's garments to be modest. Ishmael demands his women to wear burkas.
- Isaac believes the Hebrew alphabet contains the building blocks of the Universe. Ishmael believes that Arabic is the language of Heaven.

- Isaac faces Jerusalem for prayer. Ishmael faces Mecca.
- Isaac's Moses received God's Torah. Ishmael's Mohammed received Allah's Koran.
- Isaac has Rabbis heading the community. Ishmael has Imams heading the community.
- Isaac glorifies God on Saturday. Ishmael glorifies Allah on Friday

Q. Why would Palestinians and Israeli's sign the Peace Agreement or the Federation Charter if they do not address all issues and do not resolve all questions?

A. When God gave the Ten Commandments to the Israelites, the Israelites in one voice said: "Naase Ve-Nishma," "We shall do and hear." Normally it is prudent to first listen and then, if we like what we hear, do it. The Israelites had so much faith in God that they first accepted the Torah and then they dwelt in it. The bottom line is "If you really want Peace, have some faith and take the step." Ratify first and then negotiate.

Q. How can you ask people to have the faith to agree on issues that are unmentioned or unresolved?

A. Once the reality of Peace fills the air, the climate will change. Consider that all the major obstacles have been addressed. There are no **boulders or heavy stones** left unturned. There are only multiple pebbles and without question, more will surface in time. In that regard, let us consider the following:

- Where does an Israeli Settlement begin and end? Is the wall of the last house the boundary? Or the end of the back yard? Perhaps a ten meter buffer? Etc. Such a pebble or "petty issue" can be negotiated after ratification.
- The same would apply for Jerusalem and Hebron.
- As for open borders, do we open the frontier on the day of ratification or do we have a transition period? With Peace in the air and a growing respect between two intelligent peoples, they will find a mutually satisfactory answer following ratification.
- With regard to the IDF (Israel Defense Force) and demilitarization, all parties will mutually benefit from the new arrangement, the details of which will be worked out after ratification.

- Despite everything, the People are yearning for Peace. Negotiations have served only as stalling tactics that holds everyone back. Now is the time to move forward.

Q. Can you enlighten me as to just which major obstacles were addressed?

A. We addressed and resolved Borders, Settlements, Jerusalem, Prisoners, Militarization, Recognition, Peace, Respect, Education, Economics and the People. Everybody gets everything and nobody gets anything other than PEACE.

Q. If Israeli Settlements and Jerusalem Encroachment are both Palestinian territory, why are there two different financial arrangements?

A. Consider the following:

- Israeli Settlements have an attrition factor. Residents cannot sell, lease or rent their home. In the event of a natural disaster (earthquake) or manmade accident (gas explosion), permission to rebuild comes from the Palestinian Authority who issues building permits and deeds.
- Land lease has no attrition factor and only ceases to exist when the Messiah arrives. Home owner can sell, lease, or rent their home to anyone. In the event of a natural disaster (earthquake) or manmade accident (gas explosion), permission to rebuild comes from the Israeli Authority who issues building permits and deeds.
- Israeli Settlements pay real estate tax to Palestine. Jerusalem Encroachments pay real estate tax to Israel.

CONCLUSION

After disseminating the entire Peace Plan, give the People 75 days to review and digest it before voting on a Referendum.

This is for the People and by the People, Gazans, West Bankers and Israelis, free from Politicians and free from any Governmental Authority, whether elected or self appointed. A simple vote of **YES or NO, AYUA or LA, KEN or LO.**

Let the Peace commence!

Bassem Eid

Universal Declaration of Human Rights

(Approved by All Nations of the United Nations General Assembly)

Preamble

Whereas recognition of the inherent dignity and of the equal and inalienable rights of all members of the human family is the foundation of freedom, justice and peace in the world,

Whereas disregard and contempt for human rights have resulted in barbarous acts which have outraged the conscience of mankind, and the advent of a world in which human beings shall enjoy freedom of speech and belief and freedom from fear and want has been proclaimed as the highest aspiration of the common people,

Whereas it is essential, if man is not to be compelled to have recourse, as a last resort, to rebellion against tyranny and oppression, that human rights should be protected by the rule of law,

Whereas it is essential to promote the development of friendly relations between nations,

Whereas the peoples of the United Nations have in the Charter reaffirmed their faith in fundamental human rights, in the dignity and worth of the human person and in the equal rights of men and women and have determined to promote social progress and better standards of life in larger freedom,

Whereas Member States have pledged themselves to achieve, in cooperation with the United Nations, the promotion of universal respect for and observance of human rights and fundamental freedoms,

Whereas a common understanding of these rights and freedoms is of the greatest importance for the full realization of this pledge,

Now, therefore, The General Assembly,

Proclaims this Universal Declaration of Human Rights as a common standard of achievement for all peoples and all nations, to the end that every individual and every organ of society, keeping this Declaration constantly in mind, shall strive by teaching and education to promote respect for these rights and freedoms and by progressive measures, national and international, to secure their universal and effective recognition and observance, both among the peoples of Member States themselves and among the peoples of territories under their jurisdiction.

Article 1

All human beings are born free and equal in dignity and rights. They are endowed with reason and conscience and should act towards one another in a spirit of brotherhood.

Article 2

Everyone is entitled to all the rights and freedoms set forth in this Declaration, without distinction of any kind, such as race, colour, sex, language, religion, political or other opinion, national or social origin, property, birth or other status. Furthermore, no distinction shall be made on the basis of the political, jurisdictional or international status of the country or territory to which a person belongs, whether it be independent, trust, non-self-governing or under any other

limitation of sovereignty.

Article 3

Everyone has the right to life, liberty and security of person.

Article 4

No one shall be held in slavery or servitude; slavery and the slave trade shall be prohibited in all their forms.

Article 5

No one shall be subjected to torture or to cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment.

Article 6

Everyone has the right to recognition everywhere as a person before the law.

Article 7

All are equal before the law and are entitled without any discrimination to equal protection of the law. All are entitled to equal protection against any discrimination in violation of this Declaration and against any incitement to such discrimination.

Article 8

Everyone has the right to an effective remedy by the competent national tribunals for acts violating the fundamental rights granted him by the constitution or by law.

Article 9

No one shall be subjected to arbitrary arrest, detention or exile.

Article 10

Everyone is entitled in full equality to a fair and public hearing by an independent and impartial tribunal, in the determination of his rights and obligations and of any criminal charge against him.

Article 11

1. Everyone charged with a penal offence has the right to be presumed innocent until proved guilty according to law in a public trial at which he has had all the guarantees necessary for his defence.
2. No one shall be held guilty of any penal offence on account of any act or omission which did not constitute a penal offence, under national or international law, at the time when it was committed. Nor shall a heavier penalty be imposed than the one that was applicable at the time the penal offence was committed.

Article 12

No one shall be subjected to arbitrary interference with his privacy, family, home or correspondence, nor to attacks upon his honour and reputation. Everyone has

the right to the protection of the law against such interference or attacks.

Article 13

1. Everyone has the right to freedom of movement and residence within the borders of each State.
2. Everyone has the right to leave any country, including his own, and to return to his country.

Article 14

1. Everyone has the right to seek and to enjoy in other countries asylum from persecution.
2. This right may not be invoked in the case of prosecutions genuinely arising from non-political crimes or from acts contrary to the purposes and principles of the United Nations.

Article 15

1. Everyone has the right to a nationality.
2. No one shall be arbitrarily deprived of his nationality nor denied the right to change his nationality.

Article 16

1. Men and women of full age, without any limitation due to race, nationality or religion, have the right to marry and to found a family. They are entitled to equal rights as to marriage, during marriage and at its dissolution.
2. Marriage shall be entered into only with the free and full consent of the intending spouses.
3. The family is the natural and fundamental group unit of society and is entitled to protection by society and the State.

Article 17

1. Everyone has the right to own property alone as well as in association with others.
2. No one shall be arbitrarily deprived of his property.

Article 18

Everyone has the right to freedom of thought, conscience and religion; this right includes freedom to change his religion or belief, and freedom, either alone or in community with others and in public or private, to manifest his religion or belief in teaching, practice, worship and observance.

Article 19

Everyone has the right to freedom of opinion and expression; this right includes freedom to hold opinions without interference and to seek, receive and impart information and ideas through any media and regardless of frontiers.

Article 20

1. Everyone has the right to freedom of peaceful assembly and association.

2. No one may be compelled to belong to an association.

Article 21

1. Everyone has the right to take part in the government of his country, directly or through freely chosen representatives.
2. Everyone has the right to equal access to public service in his country.
3. The will of the people shall be the basis of the authority of government; this will shall be expressed in periodic and genuine elections which shall be by universal and equal suffrage and shall be held by secret vote or by equivalent free voting procedures.

Article 22

Everyone, as a member of society, has the right to social security and is entitled to realization, through national effort and international co-operation and in accordance with the organization and resources of each State, of the economic, social and cultural rights indispensable for his dignity and the free development of his personality.

Article 23

1. Everyone has the right to work, to free choice of employment, to just and favourable conditions of work and to protection against unemployment.
2. Everyone, without any discrimination, has the right to equal pay for equal work.
3. Everyone who works has the right to just and favourable remuneration ensuring for himself and his family an existence worthy of human dignity, and supplemented, if necessary, by other means of social protection.
4. Everyone has the right to form and to join trade unions for the protection of his interests.

Article 24

Everyone has the right to rest and leisure, including reasonable limitation of working hours and periodic holidays with pay.

Article 25

1. Everyone has the right to a standard of living adequate for the health and well-being of himself and of his family, including food, clothing, housing and medical care and necessary social services, and the right to security in the event of unemployment, sickness, disability, widowhood, old age or other lack of livelihood in circumstances beyond his control.
2. Motherhood and childhood are entitled to special care and assistance. All children, whether born in or out of wedlock, shall enjoy the same social protection.

Article 26

1. Everyone has the right to education. Education shall be free, at least in the elementary and fundamental stages. Elementary education shall be compulsory. Technical and professional education shall be made

generally available and higher education shall be equally accessible to all on the basis of merit.

2. Education shall be directed to the full development of the human personality and to the strengthening of respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms. It shall promote understanding, tolerance and friendship among all nations, racial or religious groups, and shall further the activities of the United Nations for the maintenance of peace.

3. Parents have a prior right to choose the kind of education that shall be given to their children.

Article 27

1. Everyone has the right freely to participate in the cultural life of the community, to enjoy the arts and to share in scientific advancement and its benefits.

2. Everyone has the right to the protection of the moral and material interests resulting from any scientific, literary or artistic production of which he is the author.

Article 28

Everyone is entitled to a social and international order in which the rights and freedoms set forth in this Declaration can be fully realized.

Article 29

1. Everyone has duties to the community in which alone the free and full development of his personality is possible.

2. In the exercise of his rights and freedoms, everyone shall be subject only to such limitations as are determined by law solely for the purpose of securing due recognition and respect for the rights and freedoms of others and of meeting the just requirements of morality, public order and the general welfare in a democratic society.

3. These rights and freedoms may in no case be exercised contrary to the purposes and principles of the United Nations.

Article 30

Nothing in this Declaration may be interpreted as implying for any State, group or person any right to engage in any activity or to perform any act aimed at the destruction of any of the rights and freedoms set forth herein.