

# Palestinians in Europe Event – 12.07.19, Berlin

The Speakers list and those with known ties to Hamas

by the Palästinensische Gemeinschaft in Deutschland (PGD) and the Palestinian Return Center (PRC)

On December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019 the PGD and the Palestinians in Europe Conference uploaded a speakers list (in Arabic) on their Facebook accounts for their event, which is set to be held on 7<sup>th</sup> December in Berlin.<sup>1</sup> Initial research reveals that some of the invited speakers have direct ties to the terror organization, Hamas.



(PGD, Facebook, published 12/02/19)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> PGD, <u>Facebook</u>, published 12/02/19; Palestinians in Europe Conference, <u>Facebook</u>, published 12/02/19

### Speakers with direct links to Hamas

### 1. Khaled Shouli

Shouli is the secretary General of the Charitable Committee to Support Palestinian People (CBSP).<sup>2</sup> According to a US Department of Treasury report, CBSP and the Association de Secours Palestinian (ASP), a subsidiary of CBSP, were primary fundraisers for Hamas in France and Switzerland.<sup>3</sup> Founded in France in the late 80s and early 90s, CBSP acts in collaboration with more than a dozen humanitarian organizations based



in different towns in the West Bank and Gaza and in Palestinian refugee camps in Jordan and Lebanon. ASP was founded in Switzerland in 1994. The group has collected large sums of money from mosques and Islamic centers, which it then transfers to subsidiary organizations of Hamas.<sup>4</sup>

### 2. Moin Shubib

Muin Kamel Mohammed Shabib (aka Moin Shubib) is the CEO of Education Aid for Palestinians (EAP).<sup>5</sup> The US Office for Foreign Affairs and Control (OFAC) described Shubib as a senior Hamas activist, who worked for the Hamas financial network. Shubib was the person who took responsibility at a Hamas meeting in Philadelphia in 1993 for categorizing the institutions tied to Hamas in order to



enable charities such as Interpal and EAP (which were founded at around that time), to know exactly which Hamas institutions to support.<sup>6</sup>

#### 3. Tarek Hamoud

Hamoud is the general director of the Palestinian Return Center (PRC).<sup>7</sup> According to an Israeli Shin Bet report, the PRC served / serves as an organizational arm and coordinator of the Hamas movement in Europe and was therefore outlawed in Israel.<sup>8</sup> In the past, PRC has regularly hosted Hamas functionaries, including Hamas leader Ismail Haniyeh, at its annual conferences.<sup>9</sup>



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Palestine Solidarite, <u>Gaza: CBSP unblocks 100,000 euros for the land convoy</u>, published 06/25/11, accessed 12/19; Al Watan, <u>WAC receives a</u> <u>delegation from the charity committee to support Palestine France</u>, published 06/03/13, accessed 12/19

 <sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> US Department of Treasury, <u>U.S. Designates Five Charities Funding Hamas and Six Senior Hamas Leaders as Terrorist Entities</u>, published 08/22/03, accessed 12/19
<sup>4</sup> The Washington Institute, <u>U.S.-Designated Hamas Front Gets Symbolic Win in France</u>, published 03/20/07, accessed 12/19; US Department of

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> The Washington Institute, <u>U.S.-Designated Hamas Front Gets Symbolic Win in France</u>, published 03/20/07, accessed 12/19; US Department of Treasury, <u>U.S. Designates Five Charities Funding Hamas and Six Senior Hamas Leaders as Terrorist Entities</u>, published 08/22/03, accessed 12/19 <sup>5</sup> LinkedIn <u>Moin Shubib</u>, accessed 12/19

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> UK lawyers for Israel, <u>Credit cards and Just Giving ditch Education Aid for Palestinians</u>, published 02/25/19, accessed 12/19

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> PRC, <u>PRC's Director-General</u>, published 11/29/19, accessed 12/19

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Shin Bet, <u>The "Palestinian Return Center" was outlawed in Israel</u>, published 12/26/10, accessed 12/19

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> The Telegraph, <u>How the Muslim Brotherhood fits into a network of extremism</u>, published 02/08/15

#### 4. Ahmed Abu Artema

Artema is one of the organizers of the "Great March of Return" (GRM).<sup>10</sup> The GRM<sup>11</sup>, although often described as a civilian, non-violent protest of Palestinians in Gaza aiming to highlight their so-called right of return,<sup>12</sup> are frequently accompanied by terror acts against the State of Israel, such as the launching of incendiary kites,<sup>13</sup> Molotov Cocktails and attempts by armed Palestinians to infiltrate the border into Israeli territory.<sup>14</sup> **The GRM is** 



controlled by a "high committee"<sup>15</sup> comprised of representatives from designated<sup>16</sup> terror organizations such as Hamas,<sup>17</sup> the PFLP<sup>18</sup> and the Palestinian Islamic Jihad (PIJ).<sup>19</sup> Furthermore, Ismail Haniyeh has publicly supported the GRMs and has even participated in some of them.<sup>20</sup>

<sup>14</sup> Amnesty International, <u>SIX MONTHS ON: GAZA'S GREAT MARCH OF RETURN</u>, published

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup>Mondoweiss, Organizer of the Great March of Return says protests in Gaza 'must go on', published 06/18/18, accessed 12/19

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> PCHR, <u>67th Great March of Return: 118 Civilians Injured, Including 45 Children, 2 Women, 3 Journalists, and 4 Paramedics by Israeli Forces,</u> published 07/19/19, accessed 08/19; HPC, <u>Accountability for the victims of IHL and IHRL violations during the great march of return in the ARA</u>, accessed 08/19.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Middle East Eye, <u>Palestinians in Gaza call for millions to join Great March of Return anniversary</u>, published 03/15/19, accessed 07/19; Mondoweiss, <u>Organizer of the Great March of Return says protests in Gaza 'must go on'</u>, published 06/18/19, accessed 07/19

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> The Atlantic, <u>Photos: 25 Fridays of Protest in Gaza</u>, published 09/20/18, accessed 07/19

 <sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> Alnour Radio, <u>The Supreme National Commission for the Great March of Return and Breaking the Siege calling for participation in the march of the millions on Saturday</u> (Arabic), published 03/28/19, accessed 07/19
<sup>16</sup> European Council, <u>COUNCIL DECISION (CFSP) 2019/25</u>, published 01/08/19, accessed 06/19; US Department of State, <u>Foreign Terrorist</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> European Council, <u>COUNCIL DECISION (CFSP) 2019/25</u>, published 01/08/19, accessed 06/19; US Department of State, <u>Foreign Terrorist</u> <u>Organizations</u>, listed as of 10/08/1997, accessed 05/19; Government of Canada, <u>Currently listed entities</u>, accessed 06/19; Israel Ministry of Justice, <u>List of Terrorist Organizations and Individuals</u>, accessed 06/19

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> Quds Press, <u>Gaza...the establishment of permanent tents on the border in preparation for the Great Return march</u> (Arabic), published 03/27/18, accessed 07/19

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> Albayan, <u>The GRM National Committee to Albayan: the marches confuse Israel</u> (Arabic), 02/09/19, accessed 07/19

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> Quds Press, <u>Gaza...the establishment of permanent tents on the border in preparation for the Great Return march</u> (Arabic), published 03/27/18, accessed 07/19

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> Hamas, <u>Hamas Chief calls on Palestinian people to participate in One-Million Demonstration of Land and Return</u>, published 03/27/19, accessed 07/19; Hamas, <u>One-Million Protest of Land and Return</u>, <u>Top Hamas Officials Participate in the First Anniversary of Great Return March</u>, published 03/30/19, accessed 07/19

## Additional Speakers

- ties to Hamas unknown or without prove -[ties to BDS, PFLP and other extremist Israel hostile organizations known]

- 5. Eberhard Schultz
- 6. Abraham (Abi) Melzer
- 7. Hassan Kharisha
- 8. Rabih Azad-Ahmad
- 9. Ali Huwidi
- 10. Seiff Abu Kashq
- 11. Adnan Abu Nasser
- 12. Qassem Said
- 13. Maher Hijazi
- 14. Hamdan Aldamiri
- 15. Adnan Alsabach
- 16. Arafat Boujama
- 17. Ahmed Albash
- 18. Ali Maarouf
- 19. Dr. Mounthar Rajeb
- 20. Dr. Nazar Mahmoud
- 21. Dr. Obeida almudalal
- 22. Dr. Ahmed Muhsein
- 23. Mouath Radwan
- 24. Ghassan Abu Samara
- 25. Ali Shatiwi
- 26. Abed Darwish

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