

<u>Ethos of Struggle vs. Principle of Historic Compromise</u>			
Comparative Table			
Issue		Ethos of Struggle	Principle of Historic Compromise
Goal of the Palestinian Struggle		A Palestinian state in place of Israel	A Palestinian state alongside Israel within the 1967 borders, with Jerusalem as its capital.
End of conflict and Finality of Claims / Permanent Status (PSA)		Does not and will not exist.	Possible.
Palestinian representation/ PLO status	Current PLO status	The PLO is the "sole legitimate representative of the Palestinian people."	The PLO is the "sole legitimate representative of the Palestinian people."
	Following Palestinian State with provisional borders (PSPB) without agreement on refugees	Expected clash of authorities over issue of representation regarding refugees and other outstanding issues with Israel.	The Palestinian state will be accountable for its residents. The PLO will continue to lead the Palestinian national struggle.
	PLO after PSA	The PLO will continue its struggle in the name of the Palestinian Diaspora including the 'Arabs of 48'. The PLO's constitutive documents shall not be changed.	The Palestinian struggle will end and the Palestinian state will become the sole representative of its residents and citizens.
Right to Self-Determination	Interpretation of the Right to self-determination	Will only be realized with the establishment of a state in all of Mandatory Palestine in place of Israel.	Establishing a Palestinian state with permanent borders based on the 1967 lines and an agreement over refugees constitutes the realization of the Palestinian right to self-determination.
	After establishment of a PSPB	Does not fully realize the Palestinian right to self-determination, in particular that of the refugees in the Palestinian state and the Diaspora, as well as the Palestinians residing of Israel (Israeli-Arabs)	May constitute an incomprehensive realization of the Palestinian right to self-determination (i.e. the issue of self-determination will remain open).

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	Significance of establishing a Palestinian state	Even after the establishment of a Palestinian state, the refugees will maintain their status until their Right to Return to their original homes in Israel is realized. The PLO must continue representing Palestinians in the Diaspora and in the Palestinian state until claims for a Right to Return to their original homes are realized.	With the establishment of a Palestinian state, the refugees' right to self-determination will be realized. The return of Palestinian refugees to a Palestinian state constitutes a sufficient resolution to their refugeeism; it is illogical for Palestinian refugees to exist in a Palestinian state
	PLO and Right to Return status and Right to Property	These are individual and not collective rights, hence the PLO cannot compromise the Right to Return or its implementation and cannot represent the Palestinian refugees in property claims.	The PLO is the sole legitimate representative of the Palestinians and can therefore collectively represent Palestinian refugees.
Arabs Citizens of Israel		Arab citizens of Israel are Palestinians in every sense. They are represented by the PLO until their 'liberation'. A symbolic legal and political connection should be maintained between the Palestinian national struggle and Israeli-Arabs.	Arab citizens of Israel may be Palestinians, but they are citizens of Israel and their legal-political status is <i>not</i> subject to negotiation. The status of Arab citizens is <i>not</i> represented by the PLO. They are an internal Israeli issue.
Security Arrangements	Military / Air-space arrangements	Any renunciation of sovereign authority to Israel expresses the continuance of Israeli occupation, which should be resisted.	A Palestinian state can reach agreements regarding its sovereign authorities, as can any other state.
Compensation for the Occupation		Unwavering claim for 'compensation for occupation'.	Compensation for the Palestinians is <i>not</i> of utmost importance and may be compromised.

