

ABU MAZEN – LIVNI – PERES MEETING MINUTES

ATTENDED BY SAEB

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Livni: I hear you talk about final negotiations, you will not succeed, we would like to end the final negotiations, and if you can't, we must create a track with an agreed process. There is Israel's security and Hamas government. What is your plan for the coming period?

Abu Mazen: We must give Hamas a chance.

Livni: If the international community gives assistance, will this assistance mean Hamas success?

Peres: We follow up what you do. Your job is difficult. The important think is not to speak about peace but about making

peace. We must stop terror. We will arrange a meeting, and thank you for what you did at the Rafah crossing.

Livni: How do you see the subject?

Abu Mazen: When we speak about security, we requested weapons, guns and bullets. I sent the presidential guard to the crossing. You must help me with this. In regard to the government, I had two options:

1. Prevent them from forming a government.
2. Give them a chance.

We decided to give them a chance. But they will not change. We will have a national dialogue on 25 May.

Saeb explains about:

- a. Re-building Fatah.
- b. Presidential guard.

c. Peace process

Livni: We are attempting to launch a significant peace process, without reaching a final status, if negotiations take place in the name of the PLO instead of the government, there are great risks, not to reach an agreement or fail in the referendum.

Leave the word unilateral measures.

Peres: Let us move economically and politically. Let us not talk about everything or nothing, and speak about the three industrial zones in Jordan valley and on Egypt borders. We do not want Iran to control the region.

Saeb: They are trying hard.

Livni: If the idea that Hamas failed, the international pressure will be strong. But if assistance is sent for two months, this will mean the continuation of Hamas.

Abu Mazen: There will be chaos, civil war and must receive assistance.

Livni: If you do not do now the process of changing the government, you will not be able to do that in the future. They will have roots, and I want to understand.

Abu Mazen: Our problem is not only the government, but also the presidency. So far I did not receive any assistance.

Saeb: Frankly we would like to:

- a. Build Fatah
- b. Build the PLO

c. Prepare for a confrontation with Hamas in the elections and with regard to other matters.

He requests to cover fuel with the tax money, along with electricity, water, food and medicine.