

**Article One: The Name:**

The Palestine Committee will be called (The Central Committee) in order to differentiate it from other committees. It will be referred to in these bylaws as (the Committee).

**Article Two: Definition:**

The Central Committee is a committee which is specialized in working for the Muslim cause in Palestine, and it originates from the Palestine Body formed by the Executive Office of the Muslim Brotherhood in The Levant countries and with direction from the Office of Guidance. Its scope of work is limited to North America and its contacts include other countries . The Committee works only in its field of speciality and with what does not conflict with the policies and the systems of the Group in America.

**Article Three: The nature of the Committee's work:**

The nature of the Committee's work has general dimensions to serve the Muslim Palestinian cause on the American front in cooperation and coordination with the Ikhwan inside America and outside of it according to the authorities given to it.

**Article Four: The Committee's duties:**

The Central Committee is considered the highest Shura and Executive authority in regards to work for the Palestinian cause on the American front and within the limits established for it by the Palestine Body and the leadership of the Group in America. The duties of the Committee is focused on supervision and follow-up of all work and issues relating to the following fields<sup>2</sup>:

**1- Issues relating to the Islamic Association for Palestine:** (It is the official organization representing the popular side of work for the cause. Stressing the Islamic aspect of the cause, the necessity of adopting it and defending it is done through it) The duty of the Central Committee in regards to the Association is as follows:

- 1- Drawing the general strategy for the Association.
- 2- Approving the plan, work programs and policies.
- 3- Approving the budget and the employees.
- 4- Appointment of the Shura Council and the Executive Committee

**2- Issues relating to the Occupied Land Fund:** (It is the official organization which represents the financial and the charitable aspect to support the homeland people in the occupied territories. Collection of donations, securing their delivery and adopting charitable projects there is done through it). The duty of the Central Committee in regards to the Fund is as follows:

- 1- Drawing the general strategy for the Fund.
- 2- Approval of the plan, work programs and policies.
- 3- Approval of the budget and the employees.
- 4- Appointing the Fund's board of directors.

**3- Issues relating to the United Association for Studies & Research:** (It is the official organization which represents the media and the cultural aspect to support the cause. The recording of the history of Islamic work for Palestine and providing a frame for media, political and cultural address is done through it). The duty of the Central Committee in regards to the Association is as follows:

- 1- Drawing the general strategy for the Association.
- 2- Approval of the plan, work programs and policies.
- 3- Approval of the budget and the employees.
- 4- Appointing the Association's board of directors.

**4- Issues of relating to Rehabilitation and Coordination:** (It is an internal committee representing the rehabilitation aspect for the sons of the occupied territories and The Levant countries in fields which serve work upon their return to the homelands and securing their financial, social and academic needs). The duty of the Central Committee in regards to the committee is as follows:

- 1- Drawing the general direction of the committee with what does not conflict with the bylaws of coordination of the Group in America.
- 2- Approval of the plan, work programs and policies.
- 3- Approval of the budget.
- 4- Appointment of the members of the committee.

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**5- Issues relating to political work and foreign relations:** (It is a committee which operates through the Association for now. It is hoped that it will become an official organization for political work and its headquarters will be in Washington, God's willing. It represents the political aspect to support the cause politically on the American front).

**6- Issues relating to money and investment:** (It is an internal committee which controls and monitors expenses and budgets, the implementation and the monitoring of investment projects to ensure the availability of financial support for the work of the Central Committee). The duty of the Central Committee in regards to the financial committee is as follows:

- 1- Drawing the general strategy for the committee.
- 2- Approval of the plan, work programs and policies.
- 3- Approval of the general budget.
- 4- Appointing the committee's members.

**7- Issues relating to the Secretariat and Monitoring:** (It is an internal committee which prepares for meetings, records meetings minutes, coordinates between the organizations and the committee internally, and between them and the rest of the organizations, departments and committees of the Group in America and monitors the performance of work as planned for it).

**Article Five: Formation of the Committee:**

The Palestine Body (affiliated with the Executive Office of The Levant countries and the Office of Guidance) appoints -after consulting with the leadership of the Group in America - the head of the Committee who in turn consults with people of opinion and speciality to form his Committee. The Palestine Body and the leadership of the Group in America have the right to object to any member of the Committee. In this case, the head of the Committee has to appoint an alternative for the brother being objected to.

**Article Six: Membership of the Committee:**

The Committee will be composed of 6-7 members representing the heads of the above mentioned organizations and committees. The Committee will then choose one of its members to be vice president.

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**Article Seven: Policies governing work:**

- 1- The Committee will adhere to the Islamic Sharia in all of its work, positions and policies.
- 2- The Committee will adhere to the policies, directions and resolutions of the Palestine Body and the leadership of the Group in America.
- 3- The Committee will present its plans, work programs, policies and systems to the leadership of the Body and the leadership of the Group for approval.
- 4- The Committee will adopt a policy of expanding the circle of participation in its work to include all the ethnicities of those working on the Islamic front in America.

**Article Eight: Financing of the Committee:**

Sources of Committee's financing will be from:

- 1- The Palestine Body.
- 2- The Group in America.
- 3- Unconditional donations.
- 4- Investment projects supervised by the Committee.

**Article Nine: Administrative relations:**

Administrative relations will be arranged as follows:

- 1- The Committee is considered one of the committees of the Executive Office for the Group in America and submits a periodical report about its work.
- 2- The Committee will submit a report about its work to the Palestine Body.
- 3- The head of the Association is considered an observing member in the youth organization department or the domestic work department (according to what the Group specifies) for the purpose of coordination and cooperation.
- 4- Organizations and committees affiliated with the Central Committee will submit a report about their work every two months.
- 5- The Committee will hold 4 meetings annually, one every three months.
- 6- The Committee will hold emergency meetings by a call from the chairman or half the Committee's members (by presence or by phone).
- 7- Resolutions will be reached by Shura (and their results are binding for the chairman). When reaching equal votes, the chairman's side prevails.

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8- In case of any disagreement (God forbid) between the Committee and the organizations, departments and committees of the Group in America, the matter will be submitted to the leadership for a final decision.

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**Remarks:**

<sup>1</sup> The instructions of the International Shura Council and the Office of Guidance in regards to the Palestinian issue through the Secretariat General, dated 8/1/1990, state the following:

- 1- The completion of the creation of Palestine Committees in all the countries.
- 2- Giving attention to holding conferences relating to the cause of Palestine, publishing and focusing on the brutality of the Jews.
- 3- Collecting of donations for the Islamic Resistance Movement from the Ikhwan and others.
- 4- Contacting embassies and international organizations to protest the crimes of the Jews in Palestine.
- 5- Bringing to the media light the case of Sheik Ahmad Yasin and his ailing condition.
- 6- Working to bring to prominence writers who are specialized in the Palestinian cause.
- 7- Tasking the countries with creation of committees which work on implementing the following recommendations:
  - a- Resisting the interests of the countries which support Israel and utilizing the weapon of economic boycott in an effective and fruitful manner in all horizons.
  - b- Educating Arab peoples of the dangers of Jewish immigration to Palestine and empowering the peoples to stand against it (immigration).
  - c- The importance of reaching total unity between Arab nations to stand up against the imminent dangers on Palestine and the Arab nations.
  - d- Stressing the Islamic aspect between us and the Zionists.
- 8- Making use of what relationships the Ikhwan have in all fields and gatherings to serve the cause.

<sup>2</sup> In regards to the work details of the organizations and the committees in the different fields, their plans and bylaws should be referred to.

God the guide to what is good and successful.