

A senior Palestinian official in President Mahmoud Abbas' security force has expressed his [appreciation](#) for the United States training programmes, which have helped the organization in its 'resistance operations' against Israeli civilians. Abu Yousuf, who belongs to Abbas' presidential guard - Force 17, boasted that over 1000 Israelis have been killed in the past 6 years, partly thanks to help from the United States. Both the US and EU have been heavily involved in training and equipping the President's security force, which includes members from the armed wing of Fatah - the Al Aqsa Martyrs Brigade. Abu Yousuf is head of the Ramallah division of that same terrorist organization. During an interview for his upcoming book, 'Schmoozing with Terrorists', Yousuf detailed the [techniques](#) he was taught by the Americans, such as reconnaissance, espionage, sniping and weapons training, and described how the Palestinians applied them against Jews.

**Quote:** *'I do not think that the operations of the Palestinian resistance would have been so successful and would have killed more than one thousand Israelis since 2000...without these [American] trainings,'* Abu Yousuf, a senior officer in Palestinian Authority Chairman Mahmoud Abbas' Force 17 Presidential Guard, told The New York Sun. Yousuf noted that the wave of Palestinian terror facilitated by Washington was directly responsible for driving Israel out of the Gaza Strip in 2005. Former Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon admitted at the time that Israel could not continue dealing with the security threats in Gaza, and was withdrawing at least partially because of mounting casualties.

It's not the first time the US has been criticized for causing the deaths of Israelis by their support for Palestinian terrorist organizations. Within the last month, the US pledged [\\$80 million](#) to strengthen Abbas' 'security' forces, for fear that the 'moderate' terrorists might succumb to the fanatical ones. The US Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice was recently criticized when she stated that the US could [not guarantee](#) weapons destined for Fatah would not fall into the hands of terrorists. Last year [Abu Yousuf](#) told WorldNetDaily that US weapons destined for Abbas' presidential security force would not even be used against Palestinians, but against Israelis only.

**Quote:** *'Abu Yousuf told WND the US and Israel facilitated the May transfer of weapons to his Force 17 unit 'for its own political purposes. We are not concerned with the reasons. The weapons will not be used against our brothers, only (against) Israelis.'*

*Sources close to the Al Aqsa Brigades told WND the American assault rifles were used in three separate anti-Israel shooting attacks in June. One attack killed a 35-year-old Israeli Arab on a major West Bank highway on the outskirts of Jerusalem. Israeli security officials say the shooters likely mistook the victim for a Jew. The second attack, which occurred June 13 on the same highway, lightly wounded an Israeli. In the third attack, the Al Aqsa Brigades on June 19 on a West Bank highway ambushed a bus carrying Israeli school girls. The bus was armored. The school girls escaped unharmed.*

Despite these grim statistics, Israel, the United States and the European Union continue to arm and train Palestinian terrorists. Both “Moderates” like Abbas and “militants” like Haniyeh have the same ultimate goal - the destruction of the Jewish State. The only thing they differ on is how that should be accomplished.

### Psalm 83:1-4

Keep not thou silence, O God: hold not thy peace, and be not still, O God. For, lo, thine enemies make a tumult: and they that hate thee have lifted up the head. They have taken crafty counsel against thy people, and consulted against thy hidden ones. They have said, Come, and let us cut them off from [being] a nation; that the name of Israel may be no more in remembrance.

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