

## Peace Agreement Access Tool PA-X <https://pax.peaceagreements.org/>

<b>Country/ entity</b>	Israel Palestine
<b>Region</b>	Middle East and North Africa Middle East and North Africa
<b>Agreement name</b>	Letters exchanges between PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat and Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin following the signing of the Gaza-Jericho Agreement May 4, 1994
<b>Date</b>	4 May 1994
<b>Agreement status</b>	Unilateral document
<b>Interim arrangement</b>	Yes
<b>Agreement/ conflict level</b>	Intrastate/intrastate conflict ( Arab-Israeli Conflicts (1948 - ) )
<b>Stage</b>	Framework/substantive - partial
<b>Conflict nature</b>	Government/territory
<b>Peace process</b>	Israel-Palestine peace process
<b>Parties</b>	Yasser Arafat, Chairman of the PLO; Yitzhak Rabin, Prime Minister of Israel.
<b>Third parties</b>	-
<b>Description</b>	This involves the agreed exchange of two identical letters (coded once), between the head of the PLO and the Israeli government, which accompany and provide additional commitments to the Gaza-Jericho Agreement.

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### Groups

Children/  
youth No specific mention.

Disabled  
persons No specific mention.

Elderly/age	No specific mention.
Migrant workers	No specific mention.
Racial/ethnic/national group	No specific mention.
Religious groups	No specific mention.
Indigenous people	No specific mention.
Other groups	No specific mention.
Refugees/displaced persons	No specific mention.
Social class	No specific mention.

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## **Gender**

Women, girls and gender	No specific mention.
Men and boys	No specific mention.
LGBTI	No specific mention.
Family	No specific mention.

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## State definition

Nature of state (general)	<p>Page 1, Letter from PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat to Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin: ... 5. Neither side shall initiate or take any step that will change the status of the Gaza Strip and the Jericho Area pending the outcome of the permanent status negotiations.</p> <p>Page Page 2, Letter from Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin to PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat: ... 5. Neither side shall initiate or take any step that will change the status of the Gaza Strip and the Jericho Area pending the outcome of the permanent status negotiations.</p> <p>Page Page 3, Letter from Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin to PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat: ... 9. The two sides reiterate their commitment to commence permanent status negotiations as soon as possible, but no later than the beginning of the third year of the interim period, as provided for in Article V of the Declaration of Principles.</p>
State configuration	No specific mention.
Self determination	No specific mention.
Referendum	No specific mention.
State symbols	No specific mention.
Independence/ secession	No specific mention.
Accession/ unification	No specific mention.
Border delimitation	No specific mention.

Cross-  
border  
provision

No specific mention.

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**Governance**

Political institutions (new or reformed)

Governance→Political institutions (new or reformed)→General references

Page 1, Letter from PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat to Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin:

... 1. The PLO undertakes to ensure that the Palestinian Authority, including the Palestinian Police and other Palestinian Authority agencies, will function in accordance with the Agreement, and that the Palestinian Authority will activate the coordination and cooperation mechanism in a timely manner.

Page 1, Letter from PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat to Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin:

... 4. When Chairman Arafat enters the Gaza Strip and the Jericho Area, he will use the title 'Chairman (Ra'ees in Arabic) of the Palestinian Authority' or 'Chairman of the PLO', and will not use the title 'President of Palestine.'

Page 1, Letter from PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat to Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin:

... 6. Pursuant to Article IV, paragraph 3, of the Agreement, the PLO shall inform the Government of Israel of the names of the members of the Palestinian Authority in a letter that shall be provided within a week of signing the Agreement. The appointment of these members to the Palestinian Authority shall take effect upon an exchange of letters between the PLO and the Government of Israel. Changes in the membership of the Palestinian Authority will take effect upon an exchange of letters between the PLO and the Government of Israel.

Page Page 2, Letter from Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin to PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat:

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Page Page 2, Letter from Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin to PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat:

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Elections No specific mention.

Electoral  
commission No specific mention.

Political  
parties  
reform No specific mention.

Civil society No specific mention.

Traditional/  
religious  
leaders No specific mention.

Public  
administration No specific mention.

Constitution Governance→Constitution→Constitutional reform/making  
Page Page 2, Letter from Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin to PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat:  
... 3. The PLO undertakes to submit to the next meeting of the Palestinian National Council for formal approval the necessary changes in regard to the Palestinian Covenant, as undertaken in the letter dated September 9, 1993 signed by the Chairman of the PLO and addressed to the Prime Minister of Israel.

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## Power sharing

Political  
power  
sharing No specific mention.

Territorial  
power  
sharing Power sharing→Territorial power sharing→Federal or similar sub-divided government  
[Summary] Letters touch on the continuation of talks regarding the 'Jericho and Gaza areas' / Palestine.

Economic power sharing No specific mention.

Military power sharing No specific mention.

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## **Human rights and equality**

Human rights/RoL general No specific mention.

Bill of rights/similar No specific mention.

Treaty incorporation No specific mention.

Civil and political rights No specific mention.

Socio-economic rights No specific mention.

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## **Rights related issues**

Citizenship No specific mention.

Democracy No specific mention.

Detention procedures No specific mention.



Media and communication	No specific mention.
Mobility/access	Page 1, Letter from PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat to Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin: ...13. The two Parties shall continue discussions on the following issues: ... c. additional arrangement in the Rafah passage; and  Page 3, Letter from Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin to PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat: ... 13. The two Parties shall continue discussions on the following issues: ... c. additional arrangement in the Rafah passage; and
Protection measures	No specific mention.
Other	No specific mention.

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## Rights institutions

NHRI	No specific mention.
Regional or international human rights institutions	No specific mention.

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## Justice sector reform

Criminal justice and emergency law	No specific mention.
State of emergency provisions	No specific mention.

Judiciary and courts No specific mention.

Prisons and detention No specific mention.

Traditional Laws No specific mention.

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## **Socio-economic reconstruction**

Development or socio-economic reconstruction No specific mention.

National economic plan No specific mention.

Natural resources No specific mention.

International funds No specific mention.

Business No specific mention.

Taxation No specific mention.

Banks No specific mention.

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## Land, property and environment

Land reform/ rights	Land, property and environment→Land reform/rights→Land reform and management Page 1, Letter from PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat to Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin: ...13. The two Parties shall continue discussions on the following issues: a. the size of the Jericho Area;  Page 3, Letter from Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin to PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat: ... 13. The two Parties shall continue discussions on the following issues: a. the size of the Jericho Area;
Pastoralist/ nomadism rights	No specific mention.
Cultural heritage	No specific mention.
Environment	No specific mention.
Water or riparian rights or access	No specific mention.

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## Security sector

Security Guarantees	No specific mention.
Ceasefire	No specific mention.

Police	<p>Page 1, Letter from PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat to Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin:  ... 1. The PLO undertakes to ensure that the Palestinian Authority, including the Palestinian Police and other Palestinian Authority agencies, will function in accordance with the Agreement, and that the Palestinian Authority will activate the coordination and cooperation mechanism in a timely manner.</p> <p>Page Page 2, Letter from Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin to PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat:  ... 1. The PLO undertakes to ensure that the Palestinian Authority, including the Palestinian Police and other Palestinian Authority agencies, will function in accordance with the Agreement, and that the Palestinian Authority will activate the coordination and cooperation mechanism in a timely manner.</p>
Armed forces	No specific mention.
DDR	No specific mention.
Intelligence services	No specific mention.
Parastatal/ rebel and opposition group forces	No specific mention.
Withdrawal of foreign forces	No specific mention.
Corruption	No specific mention.
Crime/ organised crime	No specific mention.
Drugs	No specific mention.

Terrorism No specific mention.

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## **Transitional justice**

Transitional justice general No specific mention.

Amnesty/pardon No specific mention.

Courts No specific mention.

Mechanism No specific mention.

Prisoner release No specific mention.

Vetting No specific mention.

Victims No specific mention.

Missing persons Page 1, Letter from PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat to Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin:  
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Reparations No specific mention.

Reconciliation No specific mention.

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## Implementation

UN  
signatory No specific mention.

Other  
international  
signatory No specific mention.

Referendum  
for  
agreement No specific mention.

International  
mission/  
force/similar No specific mention.

Enforcement  
mechanism No specific mention.

Related  
cases No specific mention.

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