

## They Said About Palestine ...

**King Faruq:** Palestine is Arab and it must remain Arab. If the Arab armies enter Palestine then they will enter it for its survival, even its deliverance (salvation). They will leave the people of Palestine free to decide their own fate.

**King Abdullah:** If the Jews do not consent to what we deliver to them, then we will wage war against them and treat them as they have treated [us]. If we hesitate in undertaking this duty, then our peoples will be killed. I will not allow Palestine to be divided or for there to be a Jewish state within it. It is surprising to me that the United Nations works toward framework of war the subjugation of people instead of establishing peace and freedom for the people from bondage.

**Hajj Amin al-Husseini:** The sword has spoken and so the pen falls silent! The Arabs in Palestine will not allow the establishment of a Jewish state except over their dead bodies. Nevertheless, victory will be ours! Yesterday (not long ago) we fought as one, and as for today the Arab world and the Islamic world are one family supporting [one another].

**Amir Abdullah:** When the Arabs boldly embarked upon the Great Revolt, I was quite young and I did not participate in it. As for today, I will participate in the jihad for the people of Palestine with the strength that allows me obligations from my post in Baghdad. God will write victory for the fearless Iraqi army and the Arabs in this conflict.

**Shukry al-Quwatli:** Syria, its army and its resources are at the disposal of Palestine. The Syrians will not hesitate in the face of any sacrifice or any efforts for the deliverance of this Arab nation from Zionist colonization. Many have given generously and will spare no effort in this cause.

**King Ibn Saud:** My sons and I have sacrificed (ourselves) for Palestine. My family, my people, and I will undertake our duty completely in order to prevent Palestine from becoming a Jewish state and annihilating its Arab character. The defense of Palestine is in my estimation a defense of all the Arab regions.

**Bishara al-Khuri:** Palestine is the first line of defense for Lebanon. So if we fight for its sake, then we fight for the sake of Lebanon. No solution is possible through which we would allow the creation of a Jewish state within our borders. It is incumbent upon every Lebanese [citizen] –photocopy cut off—this and undertake his duty in this matter. God and righteousness are on our side.