

## Decision No. ( ) of 2007<sup>1</sup>

**The Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Palestine Liberation Organisation,  
The President of the Palestinian National Authority,  
The Commander-in-Chief of the Palestinian Forces,**

Having reviewed Article 39 of the Basic Law amended in 2003,  
Having reviewed the Presidential Decision No. 84 of 1994 Concerning the Establishment of  
the Palestinian National Security Council,  
Based upon the powers bestowed upon me, and  
In accomplishment of the public interest,

**I hereby promulgate the following decision:**

### **Article 1**

Mr. Mohammed Yousef Dahlan shall be appointed as Advisor to the President of the National Authority on the affairs of national security and as Secretary of the National Security Council.

### **Article 2: Duties of the National Security Advisor/Secretary**

1. Translate the policies and directives approved by the President into executive programmes and follow up with their implementation.
2. Submit to the National Security Council for approval recommendations and proposals regarding operational strategies and plans, as well as the organisational structures and budgets of the security agencies.
3. Develop the programmes and plans pertaining to the restructuring of the security agencies and follow up with their implementation, along with all agencies, and submit regular reports on the level of performance to the President.
4. Regulate, develop, and supervise the international relations related to issues of national security.

### **Article 3**

The National Security Advisor/Secretary of the National Security Council shall attend meetings of the Executive Committee of the Palestine Liberation Organisation by virtue of the position so as to the follow up with relevant issues.

### **Article 4**

All previous relevant decrees are hereby repealed.

### **Article 5**

All competent authorities, each one within its sphere of jurisdiction, shall implement the provisions of this decision, which shall enter into force as of the date of its promulgation and shall be published in the Official Gazette.

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<sup>1</sup> Before this decision could be published in the Official Gazette, political developments on the ground had changed. The decree was however implemented in reality between its date of issuance and 23 June, 2007, when the National Security Council was dissolved by presidential decree.

**Issued in the city of Ramallah on March 2, 2007.**

**Mahmoud Abbas**  
**Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Palestine Liberation Organisation**  
**President of the Palestinian National Authority**  
**Commander-in-Chief of the Palestinian Forces**

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