

AN OUTLINE OF THE STATEMENT OF MR. AHMAD AL SHAHATTI SECRETARY GENERAL
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1. On the occasion of this meeting in Athens, Greece, where the human civilization was first rooted and where Democratic transformations are taking place, it is important to me as Secretary General to emphasize the extreme importance of the historical gathering which we prepare in Bremen in close cooperation with the University of Bremen & the German-Arab African Bureau. Our main aim is to confirm that we lead a common struggle against a common enemy: Imperialism, Colonialism and Zionism.
2. Our Mediterranean Socialist Organization contributes in the coming Seminar as a representative of progressive forces. The real meaning of our coming gathering resides in the mutual will of progressive forces on either sides of the Mediterranean and among these forces and the progressive forces of the world.
3. This struggle is organically linked with the problems of Freedom and Liberation, which constitutes in the final analysis the fundamental duties of all Peoples.
4. The multiple conflicts which we face today are: The Palestinian Problem, Security in the Mediterranean and Liberation of Peoples who are still under foreign occupation.
5. Our duty is to continue assisting the struggle for liberation of Palestinian lands and to help the Palestinian People to recapture its rights the withdrawal of Israelis from occupied Libanese territories. The reunification of Cyprus and to assist the Maltese People preserving their neutrality and Finally our duty is to denounce all forms of Military Imperialistic presence in the Mediterranean to preserve the security of its People and the People of Europe.

The Mediterranean sea should play again its role as a mean of dialogue between civilizations and Peoples for the benefit of all Human Beings.