



Message of Condolences

It was with shock and dismay that we received the news of the untimely death of President Yasser Arafat, the great Palestinian patriot who dedicated his entire life to the cause of the Palestinian people and symbolized their national aspirations.

President Arafat was also a good friend of the Eritrean people's national struggle and other liberation movements elsewhere. Mr. Arafat's dedication, patriotic role among his people and his solidarity work among national liberation movements and peace-loving peoples the world over has throughout been legendary.

We in the Eritrean Liberation Front-Revolutionary Council/ELF-RC/ share the sense of loss among the Palestinian people and express our solidarity in this difficult hour and in the hours ahead that Mr. Yasser aspired would be crowned by the formation of the independent Palestinian state and regional peace and security.

We hope that the martyrdom of President Yasser Arafat would give the Palestinian people more strength and resolve for the challenges of liberation and peace ahead.

Our respects and those of our people to the great leader whose record and example shall live on.

Our condolences to the Palestinian people, Yasser Arafat's family and colleagues.

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