

Unity Elections, West Bank, Gaza and Palestinian refugees/diaspora

There are plans for new elections in the West Bank and Gaza

What about the Palestinian refugees and diaspora?

Were the expulsions of people in 1948 and 1967 also expulsions of voters?

What if they could vote and link their vote to their ancestral town?

The first step is voter registration

Using the same sort of documents that people in Gaza and the West bank used, after being expelled

They would give information about the ancestral town their family was from, and receive a Voter Registration Card

Palestine - Voter Registration Card	
Photo	
	Name:
	Current Address:
	Ancestral Address:



Photo: Palestine Central Elections Commission

The they would be issued with a ballot paper, valid for their ancestral town and electoral district:

Including:

Safed	Ramleh
Acre	Nablus
Haifa	Ramallah
Nazareth	Jerusalem
Tiberius	Hebron
Beisan	Gaza
Jenin	Beersheba
Tulkarm	

Then they could go to a voting booth and vote

Then voters could place their ballot papers in a ballot box with their ancestral electoral district on it

For example:



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Jerusalem or Haifa or Jaffa or Acre or....

How long could this take? The first election in 1996, took 10 weeks to organise, for 1 million voters

Unity Elections, would help give a unified election result.

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