

# Mahmoud Abbas' Bright Idea to Hold Elections Now Has Him By the Throat

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After Mahmoud Abbas made public his list of candidates for the upcoming parliamentary elections, consisting of Fatah members unswerving in their loyalty to him, there was rebellion in the ranks. Angry Fatah members gave violent vent to their fury at Abbas' choices, with gunfire and arson. "Palestinian Elections: Abbas faces 'revolt' over Fatah's electoral list," by Khaled Abu Toameh, [Jihad Watch](#).