

of Labor-Zionism as the hegemonic ideology ruling Israel's social formation. This sets up the context and rationale for the present study, specifically for assessing the possible development of commonality of class location and hence interest as a solid base for future politicization aimed at actual cross-national proletarian alliance.

The description of the mobilization of Palestinians into Israel's labor market does not examine either the class transformation involved or the class locations they are entering. This is the first task to be accomplished by this study. It is to demonstrate that what is happening is, in fact, proletarianization, the formation of a Palestinian proletariat.

Then, we examine the place of this source of labor in relation to other sources of labor that are engaged in Israel's production process and what the differential locations of the various sources of labor may imply in terms of objective conditions for potential Jewish-Arab proletarian alliances. These twin tasks are the subject of the following chapters.