SAMPLE DIALOGUE AGENDA – For dialogue after you have been together for at least 6 months

Name Go Around: What is your personal connection to Israel or Palestine? Is it through living there, faith, friends, family, general concern? (brief sentence)

Reflections by Facilitators: Review/summarize some of the themes, thoughts and information from last dialogue. Facilitator checks in to make sure she reflected correctly, and then summarizes

Current events: (list a few as suggestions - invite all to add)
- Israeli Labor Party Elections
- Fateh - Hamas
- Joint Israeli – Palestinian Peace Demonstrations in Ramallah/Tel Aviv

Today’s Topic What does Zionism mean to you?
How has Zionism affected your life or the life of people with whom you are connected?
SAMPLE FIRST DIALOGUE AGENDA

Mingling-Food-Socializing 15 minutes

Facilitators introduce themselves

Pencil Exercise 10 minutes

Pair participants up to practice listening without interruption: Each person speaks for 4 minutes, the other listens (no notes, no writing, just ears!) without asking a question of his partner. Initial questions may be:

- First name – What does it mean? Were you named in honor/in memory of someone? How did you get your name?
- Your connection to Israel/Palestine/Middle east – through faith, friends, family, other?
- What do you think is one myth the “other” has about you, or your people?
- What is an idea you think the “other” has about you?

Each pair introduces their partner to the whole circle. Checks in to see if they heard/reflected everything 20-30 minutes

From the introductions the facilitators are writing or parking “hot topics” or phrases on flip sheet

After introductions group develops guidelines for conversation 15 minutes

Group chooses one hot word that came out of introductions (security, safety, occupation, jihad etc…) And group tries a short dialogue for reminder of time 35 minutes

Closing ritual 1 minute