

Terrorism: The PLO Connection - 259 pages - Crane Russak, 1989 - Yonah Alexander, Joshua Sinai - 1989 - 9780844816050

Public Agenda highlights information on terrorist organizations, countries that support terrorism, anti-U.S. attacks, U.S. citizen casualties caused by international terrorist attacks, the use of biological and chemical weapons, and the history of biological and chemical weapons. Public Agenda also provides access to sites on aviation safety, emergency management, biological and chemical terrorism, and international relations. This new Handbook provides a comprehensive, state-of-the-art overview of current knowledge and debates on terrorism and counterterrorism, as well as providing a benchmark for future research. The attacks of 9/11 and the 'global war on terror' and its various legacies have dominated international politics in the opening decades of the 21st century. In response to the dramatic rise of terrorism, within the public eye and the academic world, the need for an accessible and comprehensive overview of these controversial issues remains profound. The Routledge Handbook of Terrorism and Counterterrorism 8 Possony discussed the Arab and Muslim terrorist groups, some communist but most nationalist or religious, that flourished with Soviet support in the 1960s and '70s: the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) and its Palestine Liberation Army (PLA) and commando Popular Liberation Forces (PLF); the Popular Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PDFLP); the Marxist-Leninist Popular. Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO). The PLO was founded in 1964 during the first Arab summit in Cairo, where leaders of 13 Arab nations pledged to take a more active role for the 'liberation of Palestine.' Since that time it has declared itself the representative of the Palestinian people and their nationalist aspirations. The PLO was responsible for scores of acts of terrorism from its creation, resulting in the deaths of thousands of civilians. Among the infamous attacks conducted by the PLO are: the murder of 11 Israeli athletes at the 1972 Munich Olympic Games; the killing of 21 schoolchildren at Ma'alot in 1974; the death of 35 people and wounding of 85 in an attack on Israeli tourist buses along the Haifa-Tel Aviv coastal highway in 1978; the hijacking of the Achille Lauro cruise.