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Fedayeen Overall Capabilities

There are over 8,000 trained and active military members of fedayeen organizations. . . .

Despite internal differences, the fedayeen remain a significant military and political factor in the Middle East.¹⁰

[One group] has extended its activities to Western Europe and has claimed responsibility for a series of terrorist attacks. Most spectacular of these were the July, 1968, hijacking of an El Al aircraft from Rome to Algiers; the December, 1968, attack on an El Al aircraft at Athens; and the bombings of Israeli diplomatic establishments in Bonn and The Hague on September 8, 1969.¹¹

Fedayeen Intent Regarding Conducting Attacks in the United States

- ▶ The probability that the fedayeen will launch terrorist attacks in the United States similar to those in Europe depends on the extent of this country's continued support for Israel, the severity of Arab military losses inflicted with American equipment, and the need of any of the fedayeen groups of lesser stature to improve their standing vis-a-vis other Arab groups.¹²
- ▶ [One fedayeen group] indicated in September, 1969, that it intended to extend its terrorist operations to the United States in line with its policy of striking at "international supporters of Israel." It has also announced that it will destroy all U.S. "interests" in the Arab world and during February, 1970, was reported to be collecting information on American oil installations in the Middle East.¹³

Fedayeen Capabilities Within the United States

[There are allegations that an Al Fatah apparatus has been set up in the United States to coordinate] propaganda and fund-raising missions.

Representatives of black extremist and domestic subversive groups will continue contacts with and support of the fedayeen and members of both groups will probably be invited to camps in the Middle East for guerrilla and political training.¹⁴