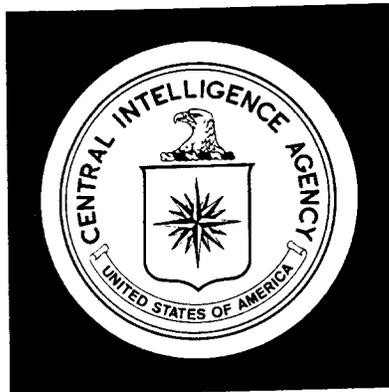


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## ISRAELIS LIKELY TO HIT BACK

The fedayeen attack on the Israeli Olympic team in Munich on 5 September, which ended in the death of 11 Israelis, will remind Tel Aviv that its problems with the Arabs are far from solved and that such favorable factors as the departure of the Russians from Egypt and the relative quiet on the frontiers and in the occupied territories can quickly be overshadowed by the desperate actions of a few Palestinians. The Munich drama followed a three-month lull in such fedayeen activity; in early May, the same "Black September" organization attempted unsuccessfully to hijack a Sabena jet liner. Black September is the terrorist front of Fatah.

The Israeli Government and public are particularly bitter over the latest outrage and will seek to avenge the death of the Israeli athletes. West Germany has already been the target of Israeli press criticism, and bitterness could well be voiced against the Meir government itself for not having taken sufficient security precautions. The

semi-official newspaper, *Davar*, has called for "war to the end against these murderous organizations, their members, and dispatchers, wherever they may be." *Davar* warned the Arab governments giving sanctuary to the fedayeen to "eliminate the terrorist bases within their borders, or Israel will undertake the task." The government itself expressed almost the exact sentiments in a communique issued after a cabinet meeting.

Israel is almost certain to strike against fedayeen installations and concentrations in southern Lebanon and in Syria. Fedayeen in Syria may indeed get extra "attention" from the Israelis since they have been harassing Israeli positions in the Golan Heights for several weeks and since the Syrians have termed the Munich fedayeen "martyrs." Although Tel Aviv may undertake some quick, dramatic retaliatory strikes in the near future, the Israelis may prefer a more carefully planned military operation in order to deal the fedayeen a very heavy blow.

