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Did the Palestinians achieve more by terror or by peaceful means from 1964 to 1974?

The Palestinians resorted more toward the idea of terror, but had very little success. They used guerilla warfare but was very unsuccessful. As a substitute they used terrorism, which many other countries thought that the PLO was. It wasn't until 1991, during the Madrid conference they weren't considered one. The Palestinians were targets of many Israeli attacks and Fatah had strong involvement with them, at the battle of Karamah, Black September, and Lebanon. Another terrorist event was during the 1972 Munich Olympics when the Black September group took 11 members of the Israeli Olympic team hostage. While all these events made the Palestinians feared, they achieved very little. It wasn't until Arafat's speech at the UN. After this speech the US would later recognize the Palestinians as people in 1993 with the signing of the Declaration of Principles on Interim Self-Government Arrangements.