

P.L.O. claims that it cannot recognize Israel, the real reason is that the P.L.O. would cease to have a purpose. After twenty years of terrorist activity, the P.L.O. has no goals other than the perpetuation of itself as a violent organization. The P.L.O. exists to prevent peace, not to promote it.

In the past decade Canada has had a policy of allowing members of the P.L.O. into Canada so long as they are not known terrorists. Canada is not in a position to know who amongst the P.L.O. has been involved in terrorist crimes. More important, though, is the fact that all members of the P.L.O., by being members advocate violence. Members of any terrorist organization should not be admitted into this country. Canada should not make distinctions between known killers and those who are accomplices.

The P.L.O. stands for everything to which we as a nation are opposed. Because we are against violence as means for settling disputes, because we are against the promotion of hatred, because we stand against those who bully their opposition into silence, we should not deal with the P.L.O. until it renounces terrorism and formally accepts the State of Israel. In having contacts with such an organization we compromise our dignity and moral stature. The argument that having contact with the P.L.O. allows us to encourage the organization to moderate its position has been refuted by experience. Contact with the