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In PLO there was radical group like People Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP) which was not satisfied with Fatah's moderate policy. PFLP with Marx-Leninism ideology attacked Israel from Jordan. It aimed to attract the world's attention to Palestine policy. Initially the Jordanian government joined to operation to attack Israel, but always they met a painful counterattack by Israel. King Hussein, who realized that there was no winning battle against Israel, asked the US to mediate and tried to change their policy realistically. PLO presumed Jordanian government as a betray. They planned to overthrow Hashemite monarchy and build a republican state in Jordan. PLO promoted the terrorist activities both inside and outside of Jordan.

Radical terrorism activities by PLO and its affiliated PFLP were rejected not only by Jordanian citizens but also Palestinians. When PFLP hijacked five civilian airliners at one time in September 1970, Jordanian King Hussein came out of patience and finally embarked on elimination of PLO. It was called "Black September" and resulted in civil war in Jordan. PLO who lost support of the people was defeated and had to move its headquarters to Beirut, Lebanon.

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