Terrorism: A Study in Scarlet

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You will be taking the second of two planned quizzes on Wednesday, March 19, 2008. To make your lives much happier, I have decided to give you a review sheet. That would be this paper.

Format

The test will have three sections: true/false, multiple choice, and short answer. The entire quiz is worth 50 points, which is 10% of your final grade in this course. Additionally, the second quiz is cumulative; that is, things from the first quiz may find their way onto the second quiz. So, *in addition to* the topics from the first quiz, focus on these items:

Topics

- Four important terror groups: ETA, PKK, IRA, LTTE
- The causes of terrorism
- The logic used by terrorists
- Are terrorists Rational Actors? What does it mean to be a rational actor?
- What are the differences between domestic terrorism, transnational terrorism, international terrorism, and global terrorism?

Articles

For each of these five articles, be able to give the purpose of the article, the hypothesis, the results (and conclusions), the definition of terrorism, and the statistical methods used (if any used). Of course, knowing all of these would be patently unfair. Were you the professor, which ones would you think were important? What criteria would you use?

- Berg 1986
- Brown 1995
- Corsi 1981
- Crenshaw 1981
- De Silva 2007
- Devine, Rafalko 1982
- Dilmac 2005
- Edles 1999
- Enders and Sandler 1999
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- Harris 2004

- Horsley 1979
- Hutchinson 1972
- Pape 2003
- Price 1977
- Ross 1993
- Ross and Gurr 1989
- Sandler, Tschirhart, and Cauley 1983
- Shamir and Shikaki 2002
- Stevenson 1996
- Taylor and Vanden 1982

Some Interesting Questions

- Why does the United States and Canada not suffer from the same level of terrorism as does Spain and Turkey?
- Why did the IRA stop attacking the government? Are the important characteristics of the IRA the same as the ETA? If so, would peace result from the Zapatero government speaking to the ETA?
- Currently, Turkey is taking a military strategy with the PKK. Has this been effective? Why are the PKK terrorists?
- Why do groups use suicide terrorism? Is it always effective? When is it and when is it not?
- The United States adheres to a policy of no substantial talks with terrorists. Should this change? Explain both sides.
- What would it take for you to be a terrorist?