THE PALESTINIAN RESISTANCE MOVEMENT

Different observers of the Middle Eastern situation have viewed
the consequences of the War of June 1967 from different perspectives,
and have accordingly reached quite different conclusions.

Some have been primarily impressed by Israel's military
triumph and the defeat of Arab forces; others have noted either
sympathetically or with bewilderment -- the continued refusal of Arabs
to recognize Israel, to negotiate with it, or otherwise to resign themselves
to its demonstrated military prowess and come to terms with its demands.
Some have been impressed by Israel's success in achieving yet another
installment of territorial expansion; others have been chagrined by the
apparent impotence of the United Nations, and particularly its inability
thus far to give effect to the proclaimed principle of "the inadmissibility
of the acquisition of territory by war".

I submit, however, that the most significant consequence of the
War is the resumption, by a new generation of Palestinians, of the
resistance forcefully waged by their parents and grand-parents against the
imposed Zionization of their homeland.

From small beginnings a short while ago, this resumed
Palestinian resistance has now grown into the most important political
factor affecting the Arab confrontation with Zionism. It has swept through