**Analysis of the Attack**

In analyzing the Bali nightclub bombings and determining how it impacted the field of global terrorism, one must understand the area of global terrorism. Researchers of terrorism discovered there are four major waves of global terrorism: "the Anarchist, the Anti-Colonial, the New Left, and the Religious (2017).” When considering the four waves of worldwide terrorism and terrorist organization that committed the attack, their ideology is a religious base, and being that the attack was spiritual made it global terrorism.

**Terrorist Attack**

There are several reasons this event is considered a terrorist attack instead of an act of violence. There are different definitions of terrorism. Considering the meaning of the attack has that point to it is why it is regarded as a terrorist attack. One reason this event is considered to be a terrorist attack is that the deliberate offense intends to advance a political, religious, or ideological cause (2019). The second reason and the second point it hit is it intended to coerce or influence a government by intimidation and intimidate a section of the public. The final aim and last point it hit on is to cause one of the following specified harms, including death, serious injury, or severe property damage. With every aspect hit, this is why the event is considered a terrorist attack.

**Ideology and Motivation**

Al-Qaeda is a militant Islamist multi-national organization founded in 1988 (2006, pg.75). Al-Qaeda is responsible for many attacks in various countries, including the 1998 United States embassy bombings, the September 11 attacks, and this attack 2002 Bali nightclub bombings. Haynes (2006) states “serious threats to global order are said to emanate from Al- Qaeda, exemplified by bombings and multiple deaths in places such as Bali, Dar es Salaam, Istanbul, Nairobi, New York, and Madrid." New York Times reporters found a brief statement of the "goals and Objectives of Jihad" in an Al-Qaeda house in Afghanistan. It states (1) establishing the rule of God on earth, (2) attaining martyrdom in the cause of God, and (3) purification of the ranks of Islam from the elements of evil. But according to Byman (2015), "the ultimate goal of Al-Qaeda is to overthrow the corrupt apostate regimes in the Middle East and replace them with actual Islamic governments, with the United States being the primary enemy, which they see as the root cause of the Middle East’s problem.

**Draw Connections**

When drawing connections between Al-Qaeda's ideology and the global nature of the attack, one must understand what Al-Qaeda philosophy was behind the attack and how the global nature of the attack ties into it. The offense intended to draw attention to a holy war to defend the people of Afghanistan from America. Al-Qaeda was given information that Americans frequently visited Bali and their associates, but to their surprise, more Australians and Indonesians died than Americans. The organization uses the attack to further its global cause in several different ways. One way the organization uses the attack to further its global cause is the terror they installed in tourists and even the locals. Next, it further its global purpose by reaching other radical terrorist groups by linking with them and forming a connection. Also, with social media being a prominent platform, the terrorist attack on a little island that killed many tourists was broadcasted, reaching those globally, which even further it's a global cause. With social media being such as a used tool, it further their goals, recruited members, and spread their message to so many.

**Local and global impact**

This attack had domestic and global implications concerning who became involved in the response. The attack took place on a tourist destination, but locals as well visited, in which 38 Indonesians were killed. Local businesses and surrounding neighborhoods had windows destroyed, and frames were torn apart. The attack also caused massive damage to the island, which, in return, cause the local economy to be affected. Locals assisted with evacuating people to the nearby hospital. The local hospital was ill-equipped to deal with the level of the disaster. This attack also had a global impact on the fact many of those killed were tourist enjoying a night out. The Australian government assisted as well as sending the military to help with medical emergencies. Anytime something of this magnitude helps, there is always a global impact, for one can empathize with grief. The local criminal justice didn't know how to handle this attack, so reinforcements were called. The United States assisted in the help in capturing those responsible for the attacks. At the time the Indonesian government didn’t acknowledge JI as a terrorist organization or even its existence.

**Terrorist Organization**

When describing the impact of the attack on the terrorist organization itself, one must ask itself was the attack successful, was the cause of the successful, and was the message received. Researchers could not say with certainy if the attack helped or hinder the organization's objective for one reason the intended targets were in attendance. In one's opinion, the attack neither helped nor frustrated the organization's purpose because the goal for the attack was not achieved. It didn't impede the organization's cause either because it still puts fear in those around the world, reaching millions. One would state the attack gain the support of followers and even recruit followers because of the attack. With an attacking of this magnitude, it was broadcast around the world, and it reached those who never would have known about this if it wasn't televised, so it spread the organization's message in a sense.

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