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The official announcement that the cold-blooded murder of all those innocent Americans bound for Christmas at home on the PanAm plane bombed while more than five miles up in the air was the work of terrorists - what a Christmas present that was to us - provides Roy Meachum's correct accreditation.

For years he has been using his column to praise everything Muslim and in the course was usually Anti-Israeli and anti-Semitic.

When these Arab terrorists hijacked a liner and murdered an aged and infirm Jewish American and our government, aided by Israeli intelligence, ~~snatched~~ captured them, Roy Meachum denounced our government. When the Italian and Yugoslav governments permitted Abu Nidal to escape - only ^{to} ~~the~~ have the others indicted and convicted and Nidal to be ~~described~~ described as "the world's most-wanted terrorist," Roy Meachum proclaimed they are not terrorists - they are patriots.

They bombed the Vienna and Rome airports, wrecked ~~a~~ Greek ferry and engaged in more than 900 terrorist acts throughout the world in which hundreds of innocents, including those at prayer in at least two ^{non-Israeli} (synagogues, were murdered ^{and} they remained, to Roy Meachum, great patriots. Under prodding he refused to retract or apologize.

PLO Chairman Arafat, carefully avoiding the required executive committee vote he knew he could not get, announced that it is against terrorism ^{to get} President Reagan and Secretary of State Schultz to ~~trust~~ trust themselves on their own petard, as they rushed to do. No sooner had he done this than his word was given its true meaning by this despicable, cowardly, subhuman act ^{to us}. ^{was known, as} The world ^{and} Israel ^{already know;} just how much Arafat's word means. Who ^{the} besides (Roy Meachum) and those who deceive themselves ^{can} possibly take his word for anything now?

One of his histrionics is, however, appropriate: "Enough is enough!"

For us and for Roy Meachum's columns, it is past time for it to be recognized that enough is much too much. ^{frightful} This (Christmas massacre by those he loves and praises and always defends gives his many columns the characterization they deserve.

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