Violence

Innocent people

Dynamic

Politicized term

Phenomenon

Political – legal – military

Not only innocent people (civilians, non-combatants)

Double standards in covering terrorism by media/policy community

Targets are **not** necessarily random

Achieve certain goals

Goal = shock audience

Targeting democratic countries

Acts of aggression to intimidate

Terrorism = actions

No one common definition

Actors?

Political tool used by state and non state actors

Terrorism is acts of violence targeted at non-combatant civilians to achieve political goals by generating fear committed by individuals or groups.