

Decreed after [assassination attempts on Vladimir Lenin](#) along with the successful assassinations of Petrograd Cheka leader [Moisei Uritsky](#) and party editor [V. Volodarsky](#)^[7] in alleged retaliation for Bolshevik mass repressions, the Red Terror was [modeled](#) on the [Reign of Terror](#) of the [French Revolution](#),^[8] and the [Paris Commune](#).^[9] The policy sought to eliminate [political dissent](#), opposition, and any other threat to Bolshevik power.^{[10][11]}

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