A forbidden **method of warfare** [1] whose primary purpose is to spread terror among the **civilian population** [2].

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