



CIVIL WARS IN THE MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA

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DEVELOPING COUNTRIES OF THE GLOBAL SOUTH IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS



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BORDERS OF THE MIDDLE EAST



- **SYKES-PICOT AGREEMENT**
- **1916**
- **ARTIFICIAL BORDERS**
- **DESCOLONIZATION**
- **PROCESS**
- **FAILED STATES**

ARAB SPRING AS A PRECEDENT



- **ARAB SPRING**
- **ARAB WINTER**
- **DEVELOPING OF CIVIL WARS**
- **PROXY WARS**

CIVIL WARS

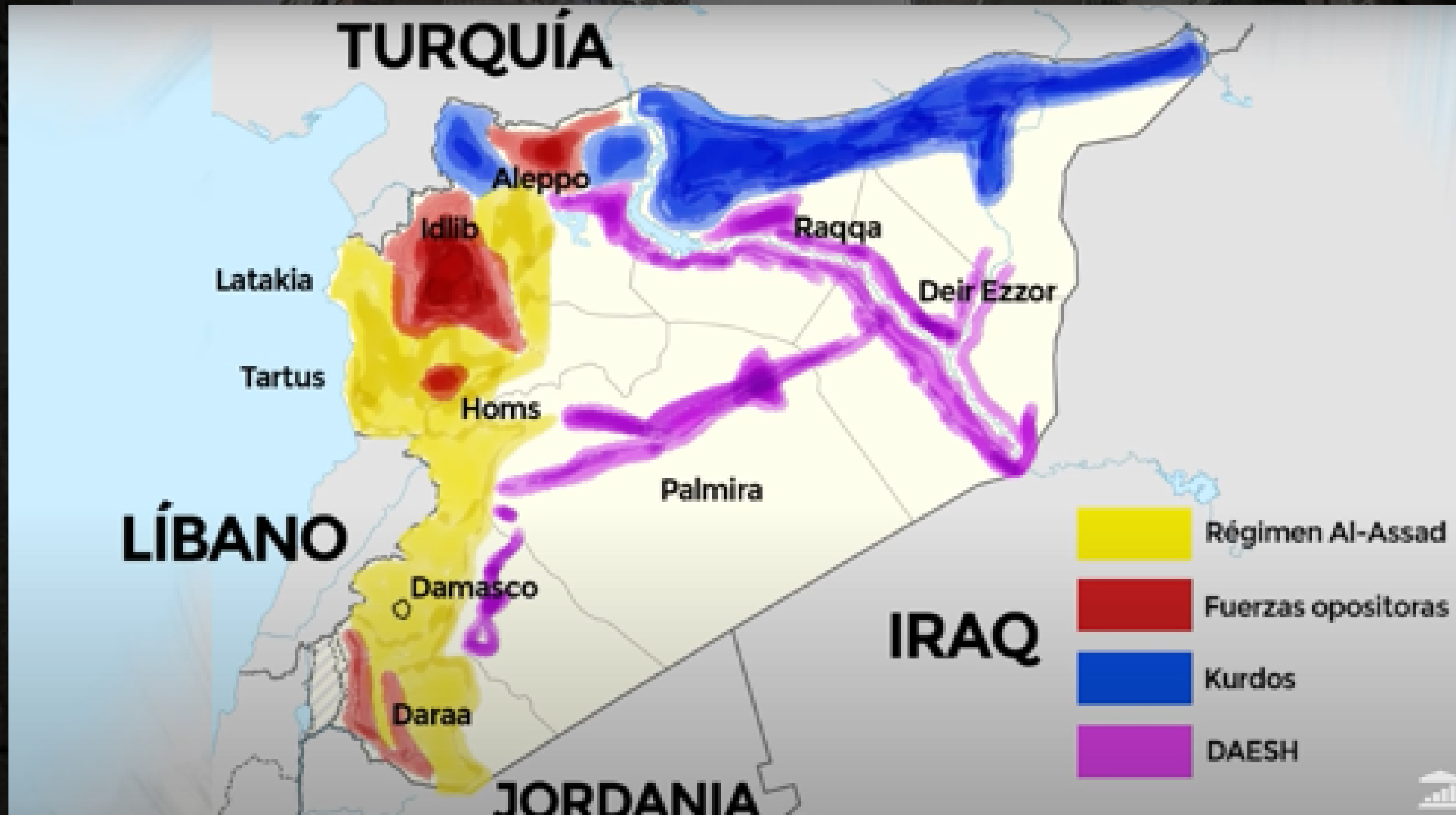


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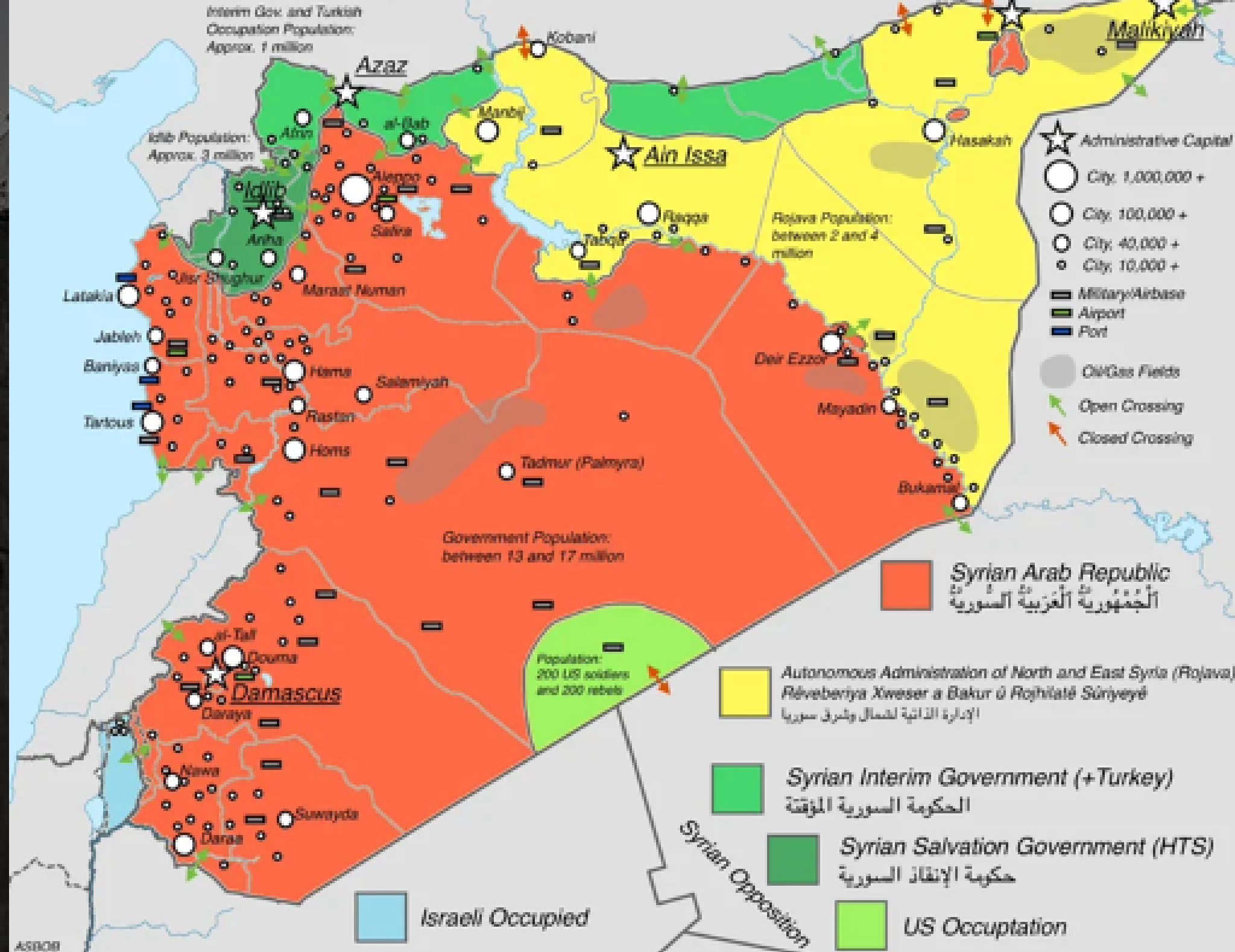
SYRIA

- One of the most ruthless conflicts lately.
- Context of the Arab Spring. Protest the repression.
- Syrian National Coalition began to fight against Assad.
- In 2016 the Assad government was forced to formally ask Russia for help.
- Attempts to cease hostilities, such as the Astana peace conferences.





Political Map of Syria: the Unofficial Partition

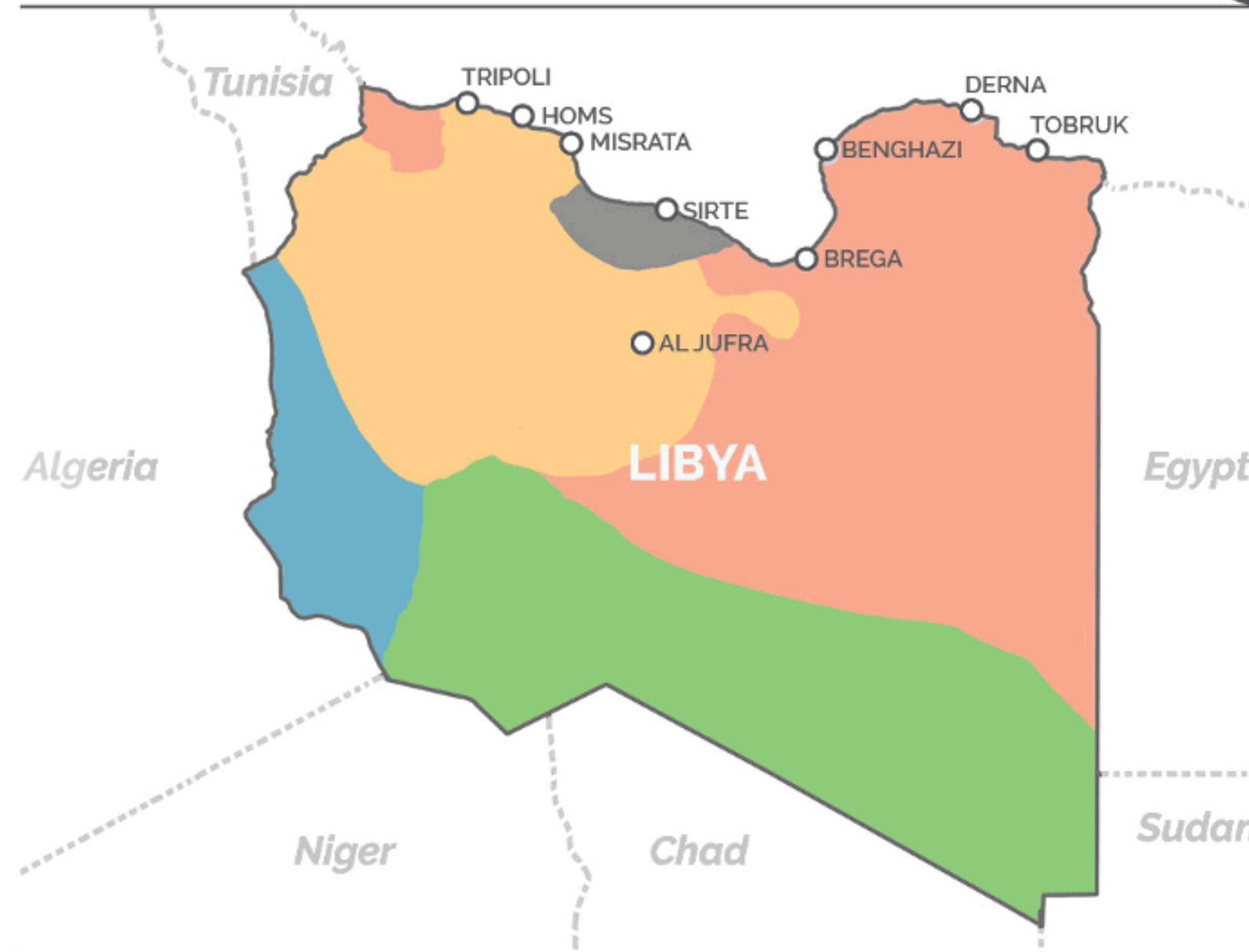


LYBIA

- Libyan citizens begin to protest against the corruption and centralisation of power in the person of Gaddafi.
- No-fly zone over Libya (Chapter VII) and use of any measures necessary.
- The international intervention forces leaves a convulsed country.
- A provisional government is set up.



The second civil war in Libya: a timeline



SOURCES: Live Conflict Map, Risk Intelligence, Economist, Polgeonow, Al Jazeera, Experts

- House of Representatives (HoR), Libyan Arab Armed Forces (LAAF) and allies
- General National Congress (GNC), Libya Dawn and allies
- Other militias
- Tuareg militias
- Islamic State in Libya
- Other jihadist forces



YEMEN

- Arab Spring protests lead to Saleh's resignation and the rule of al-Hadi.
 - Never a real transition process between governments.
 - 2014 the Houthis and Saleh staged a coup d'état
1. Al-Hadi government.
 2. Houthis.
 3. Hirak al-Yanubi.
 4. Jihadist groups



IRAQ

1. Federal government (replaced CPA)
2. Former military of Baathist
3. Islamic State

- Establishment of the Islamic State in Iraq in 2013.
- Hawija conflict.
- Presence of Kurdish people.
- Context of Iraq's invasion in 2003 by EEUU





CONCLUSIONS

INTERNATIONAL DESINTEREST

IMPERIALISM

SUSPICION OF THE WEST

SAKE OF POWER

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