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FUTURE SCENARIOS FOR IRAN



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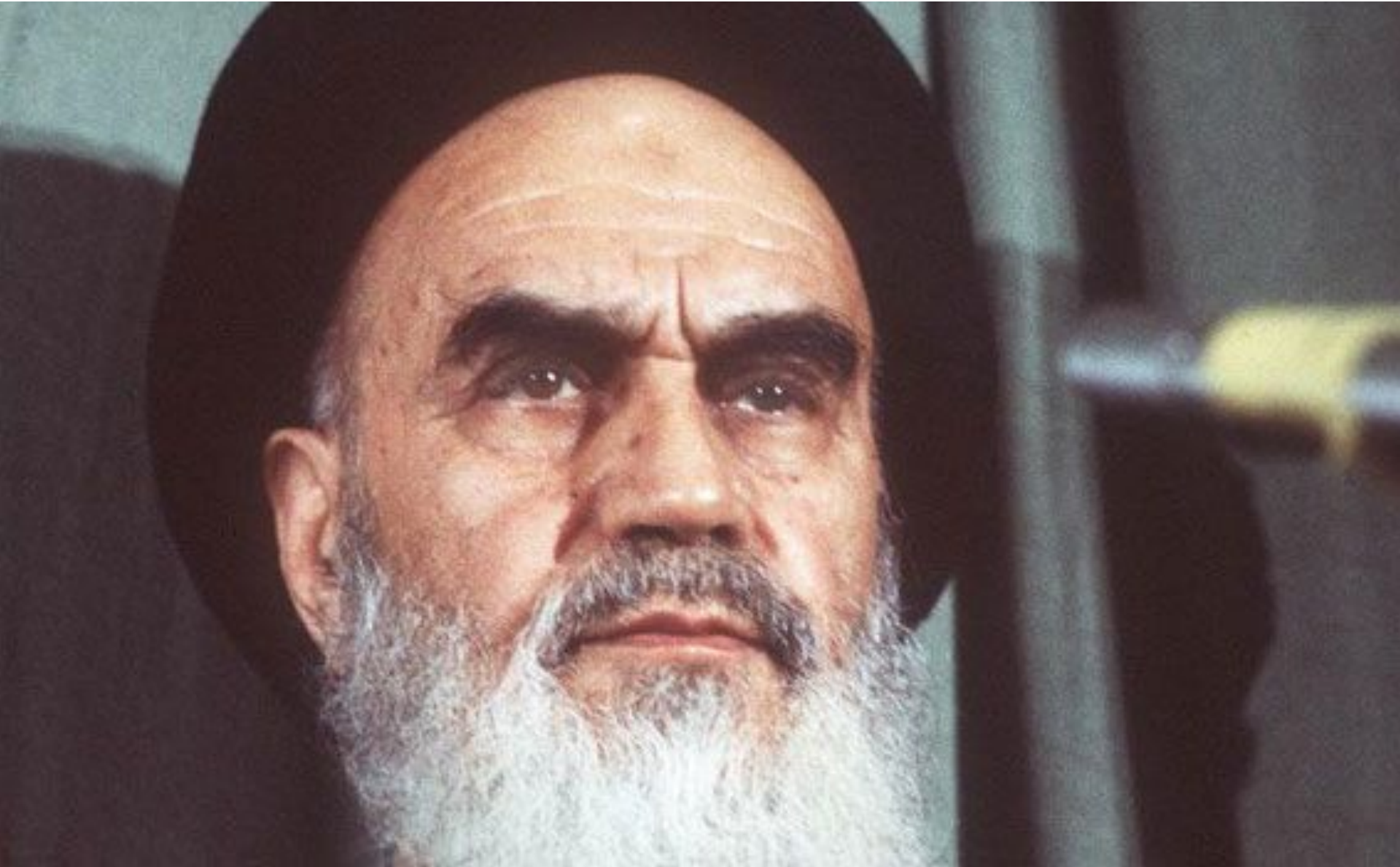


1. Regime Survival, if not expansion
2. War – 3 possibilities
3. Regime change – 5 possibilities



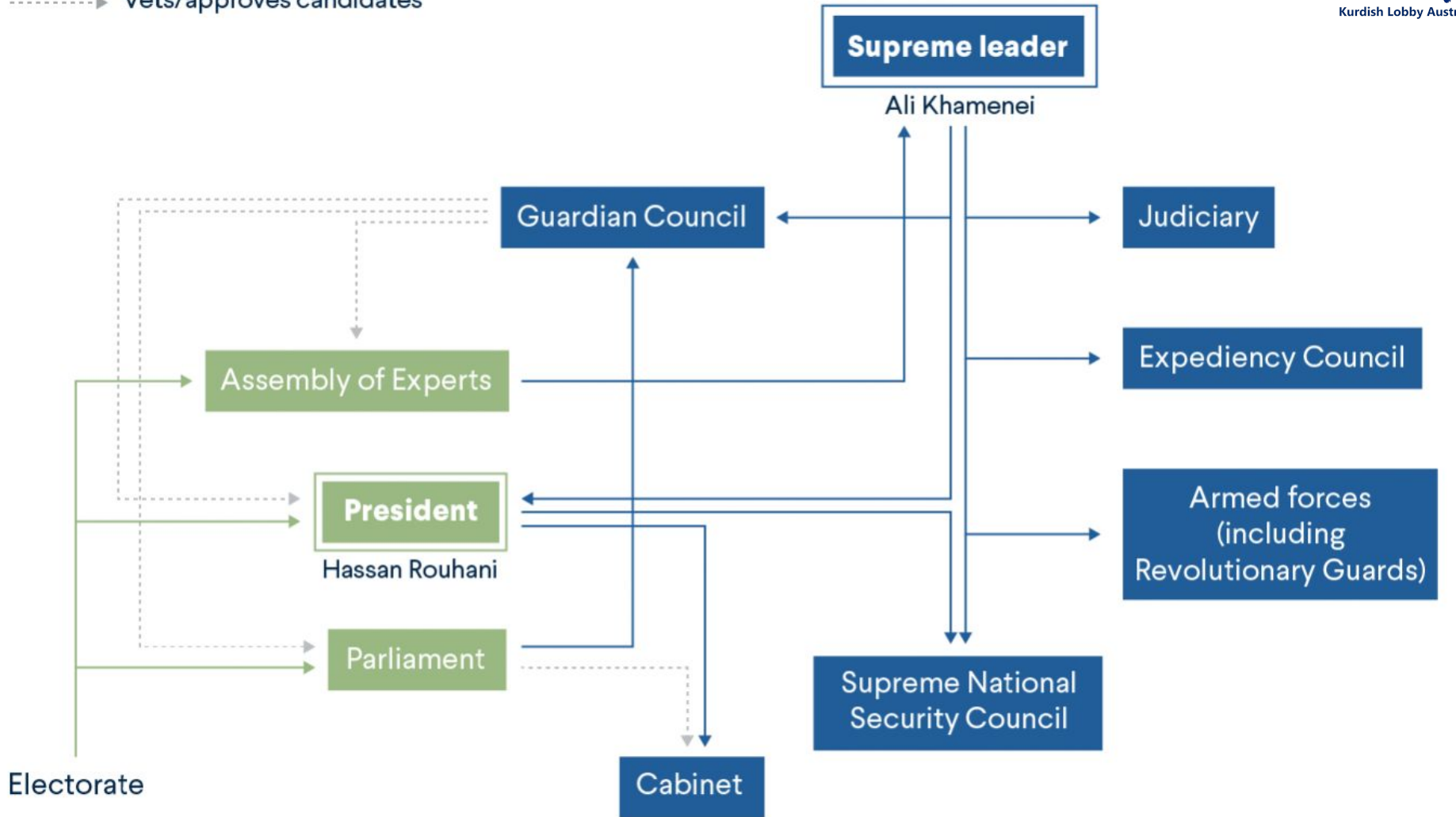


Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini



Iran's Regime Structure

■ Appointed ■ Elected
-----▶ Vets/approves candidates



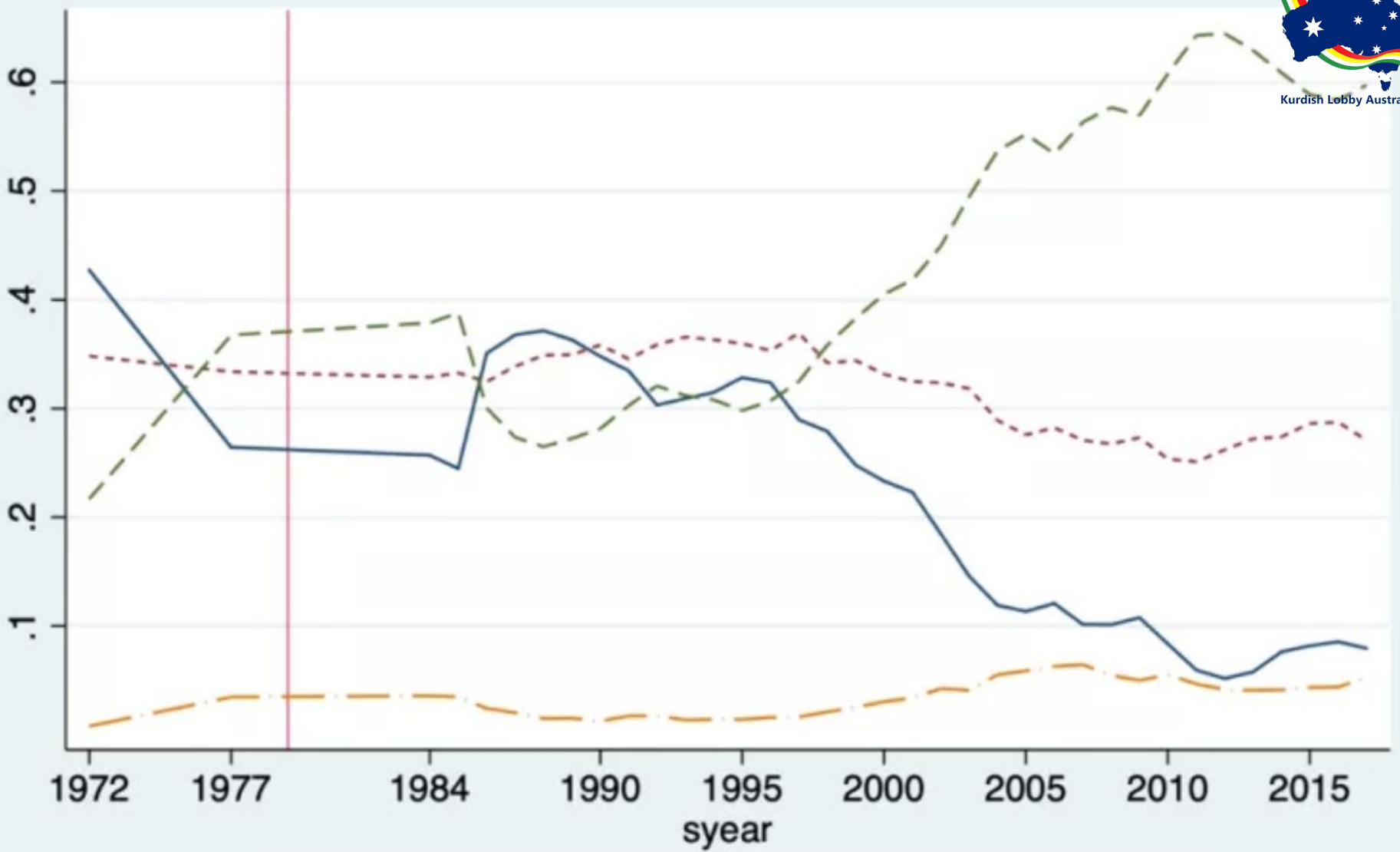
Sources: Fatemeh Aman; Alex Vatanka.

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Revolutionary Guard with Khamenei



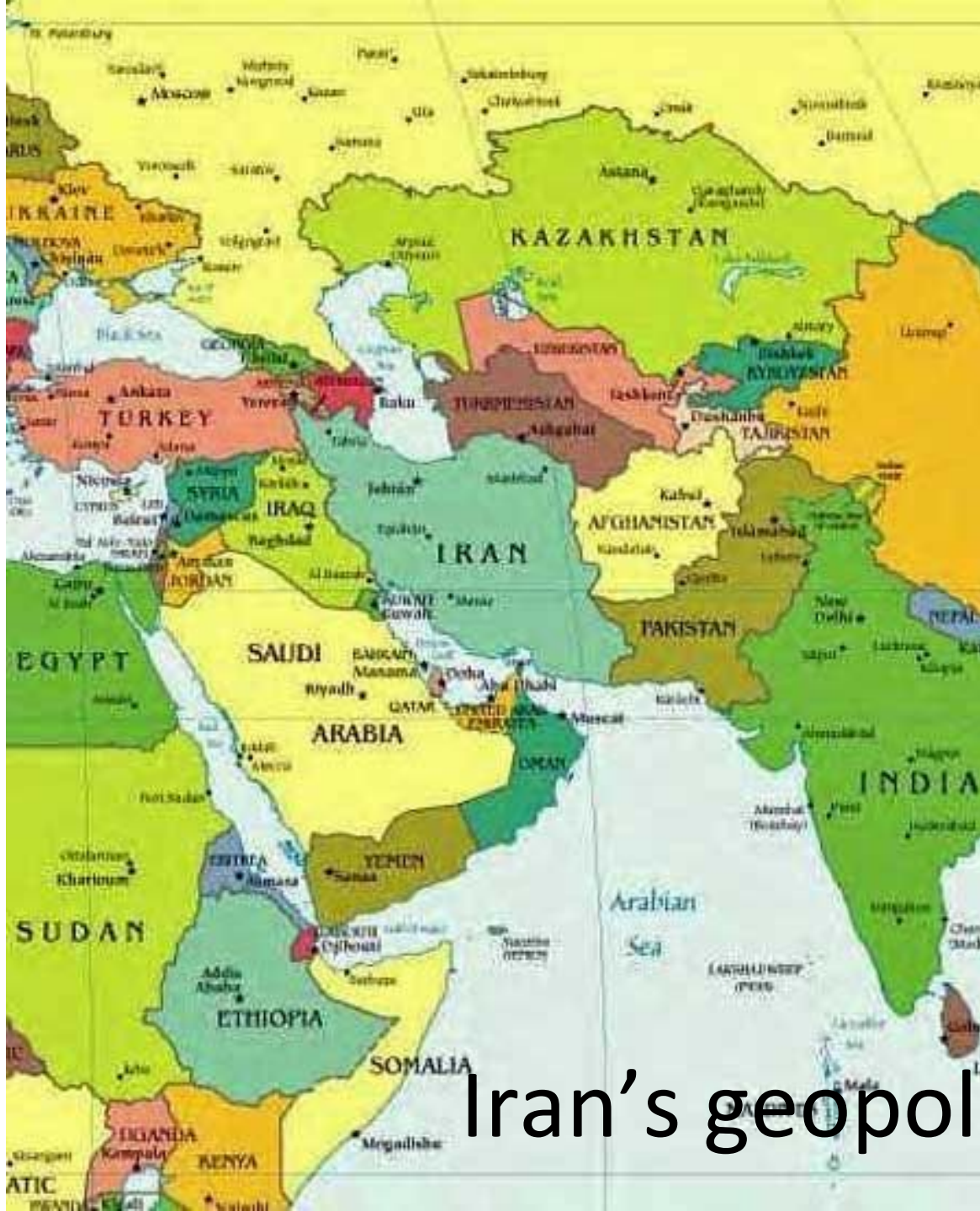


Iran's proposed superhighways



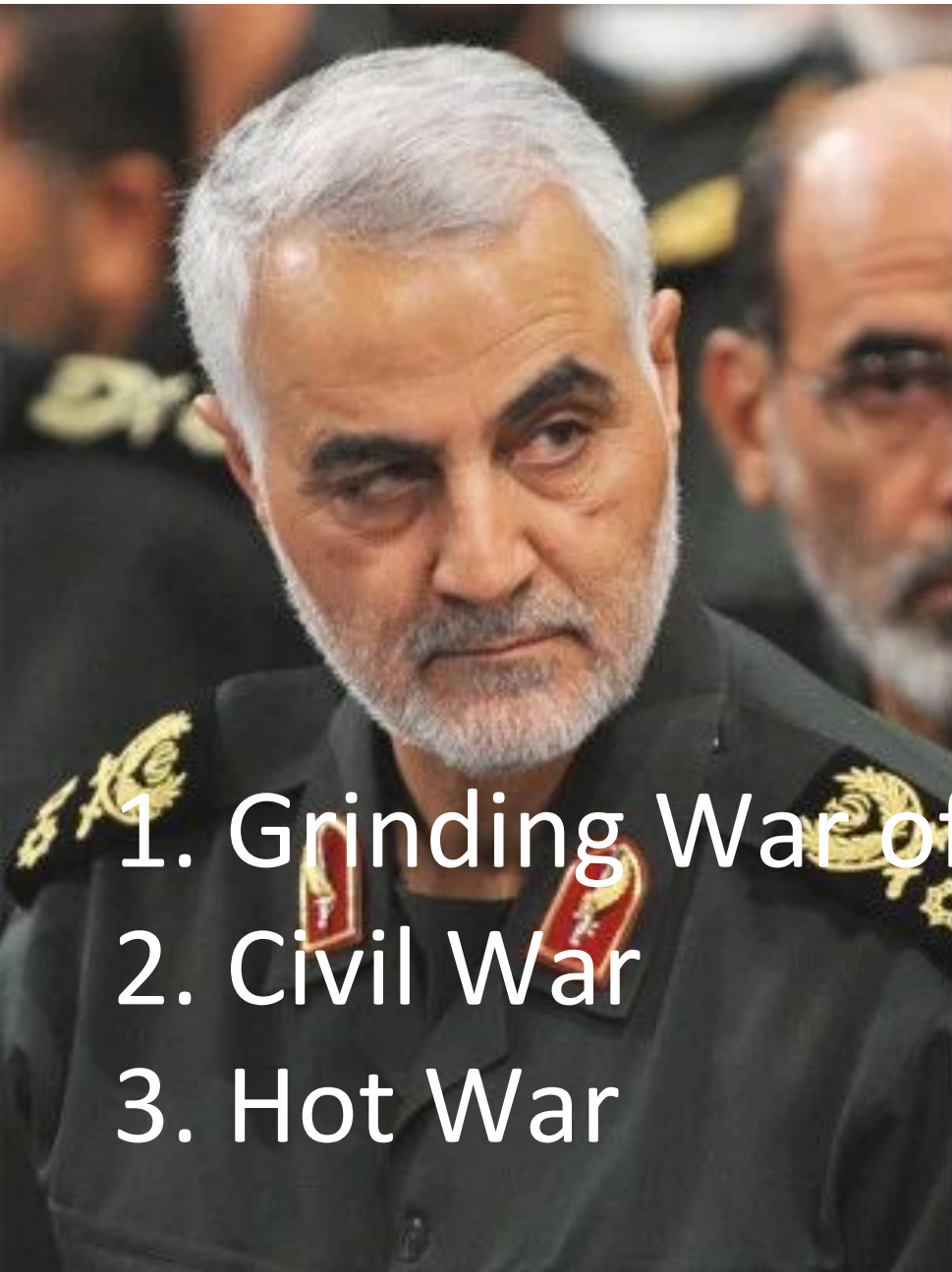


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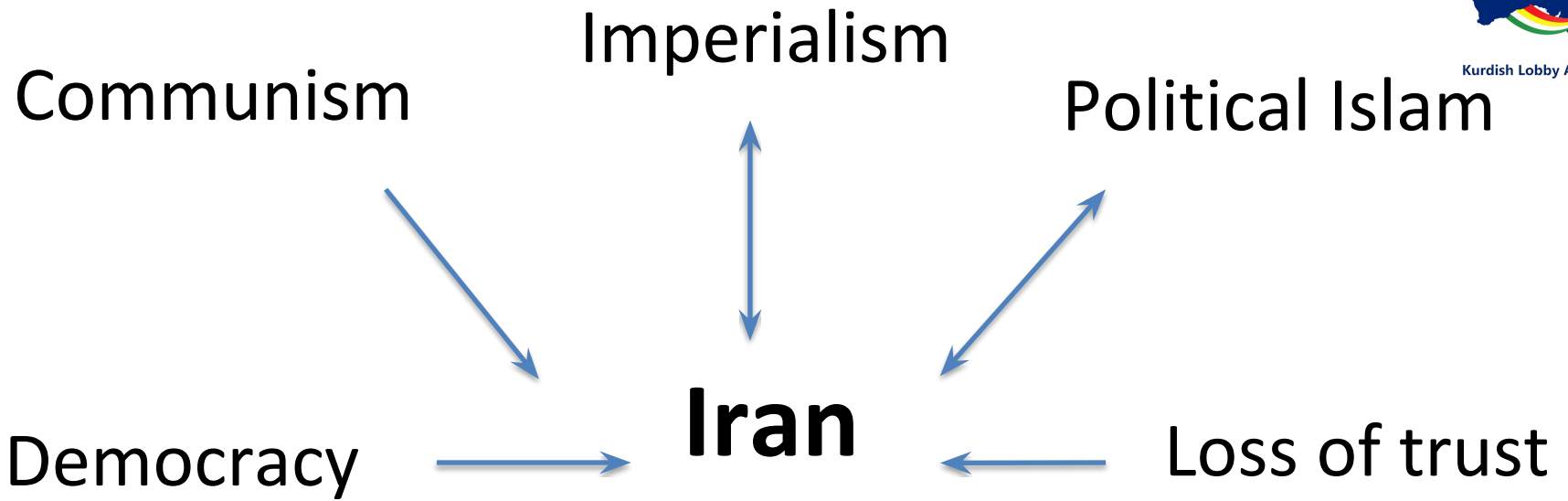
Iran's geopolitical position

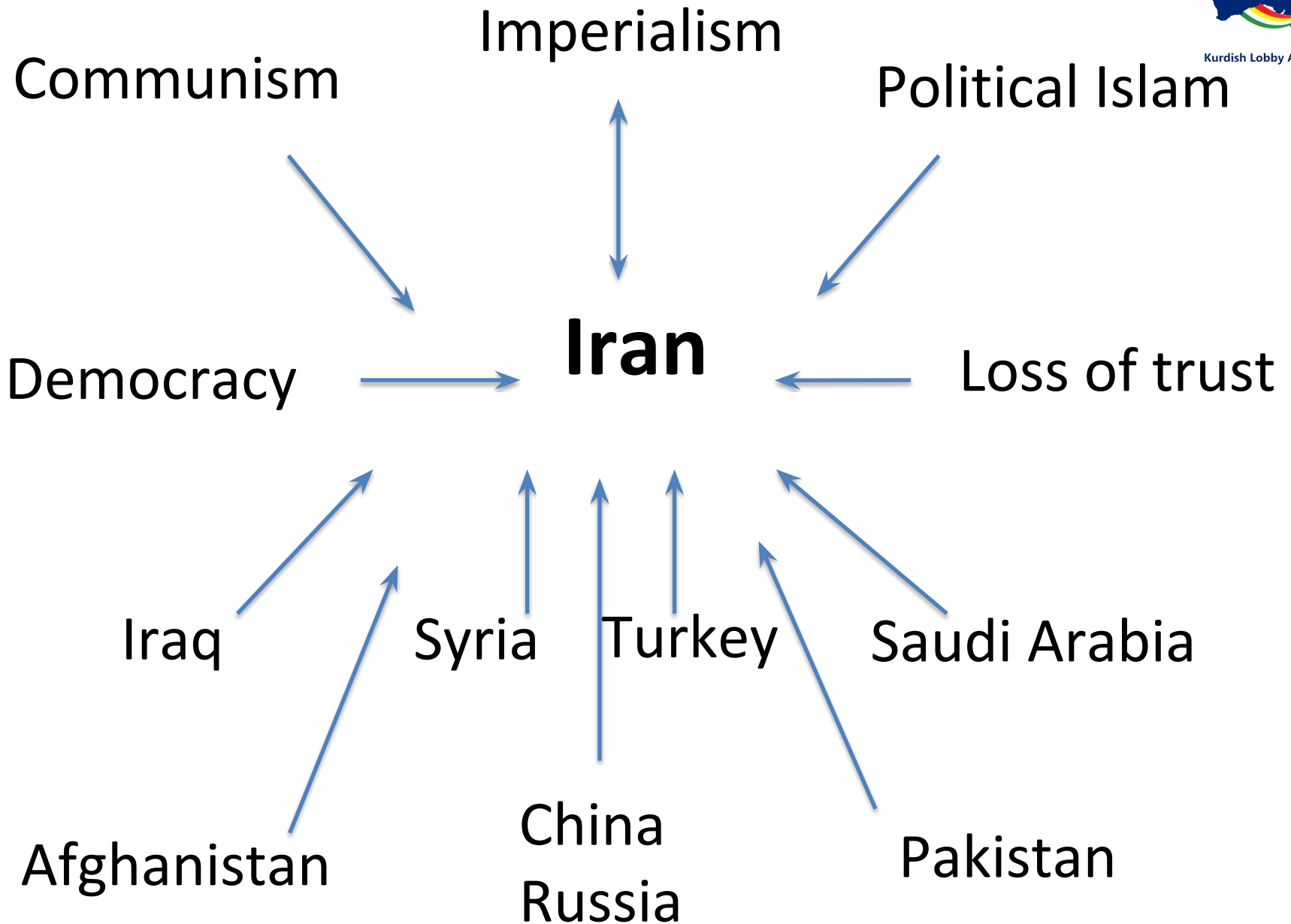




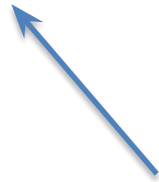
Regime Change







**Military
Coup**

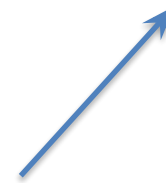
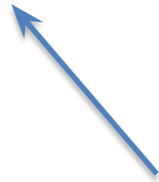


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Voluntary reform



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Oligarchy



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Monarchy



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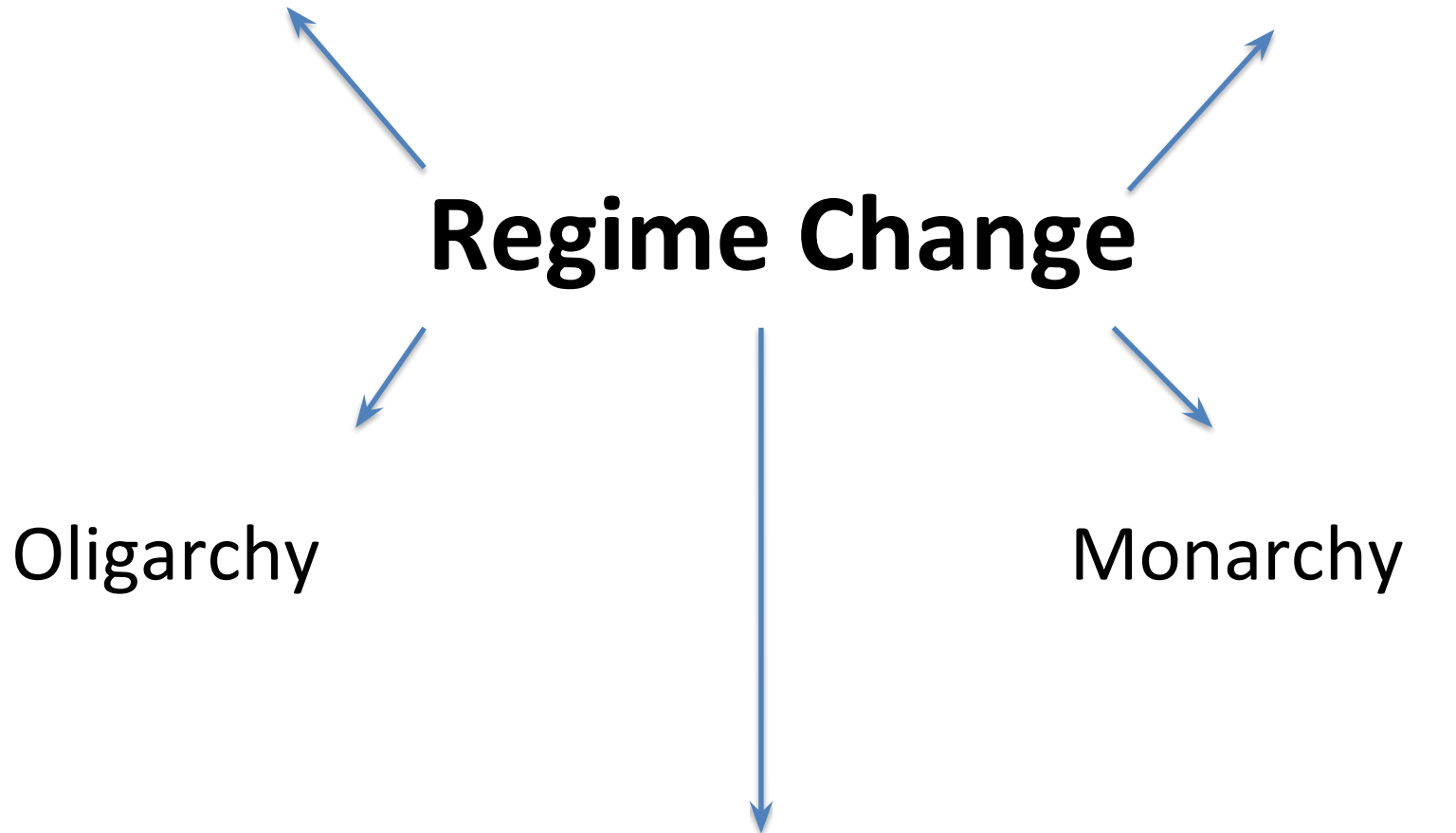
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Some form of democracy



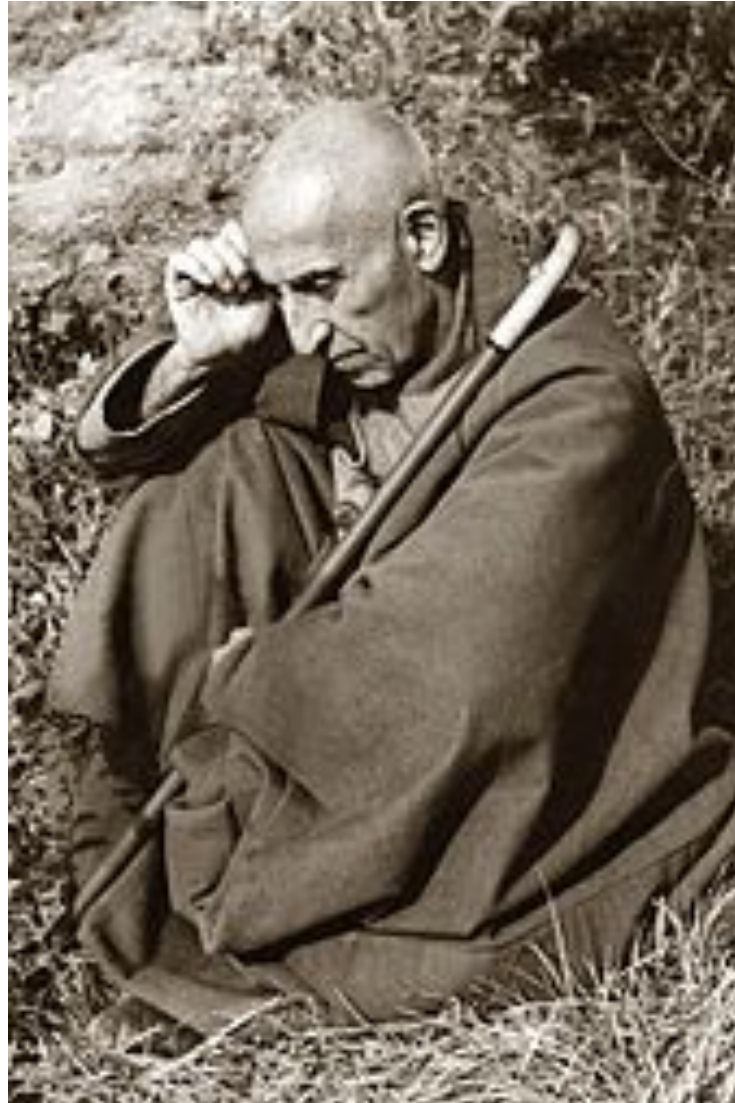
12 December 1905, a preacher called Jamal al-Din Isfahani spoke at Tehran's main mosque about the need for state and Sharia Law to comply with THE LAW (a Constitution)



Sabzi Meidan - Téhéran.

Mohammad Mosaddegh

1882 - 1967



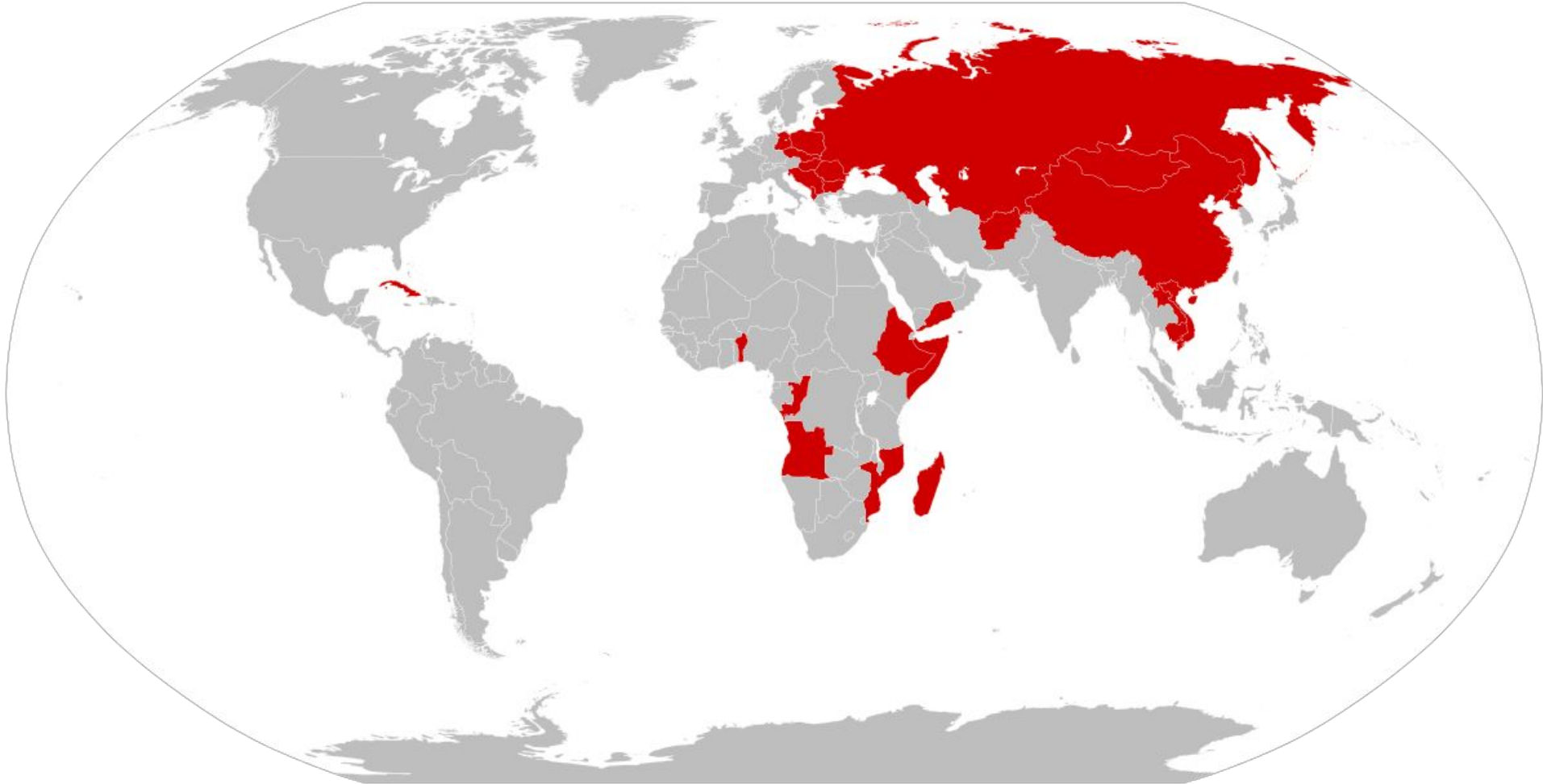
Tehran 1979



Khomeini's Triumphant Return



Communist countries 1979





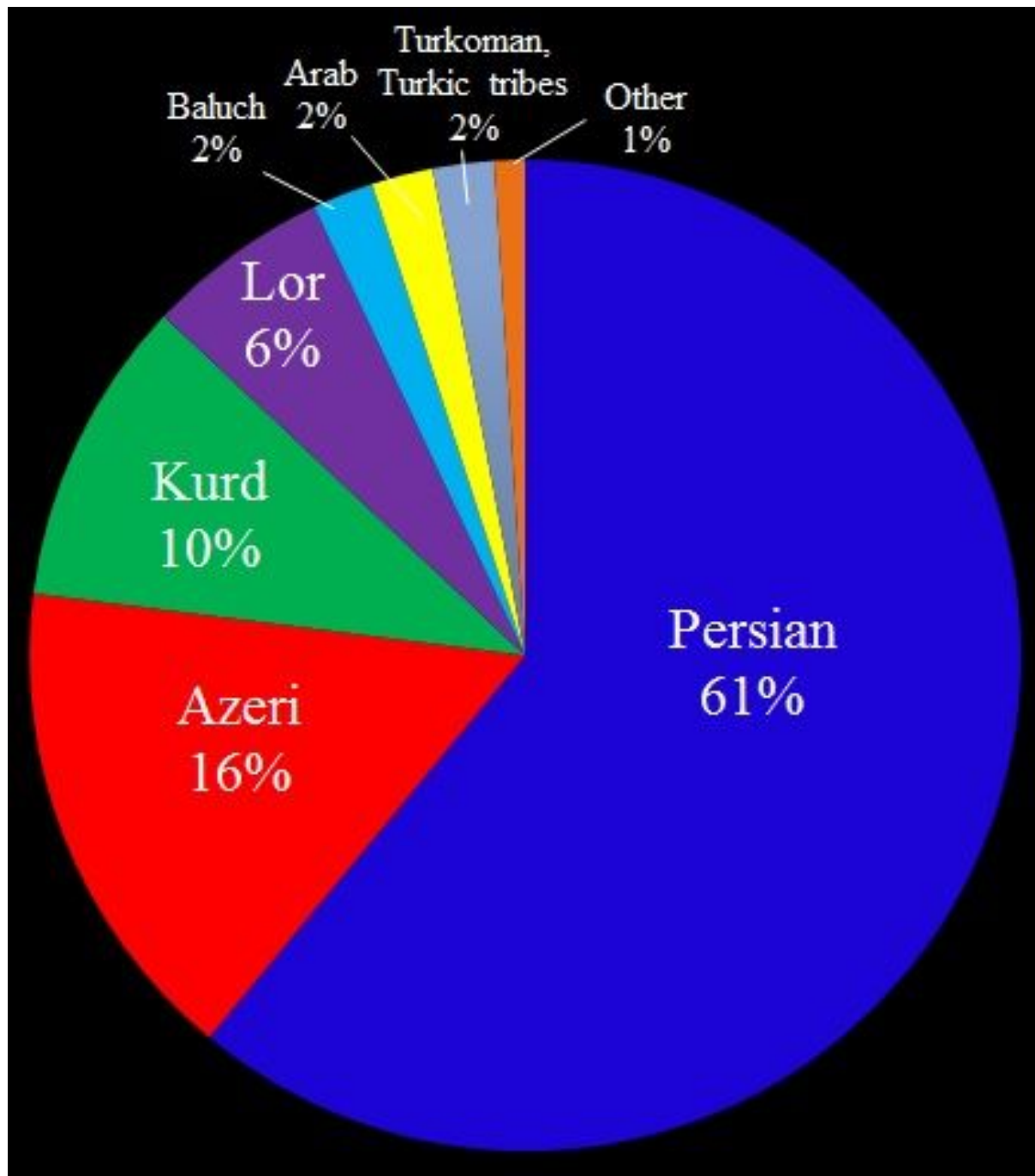
Poverty
in oil
rich Iran



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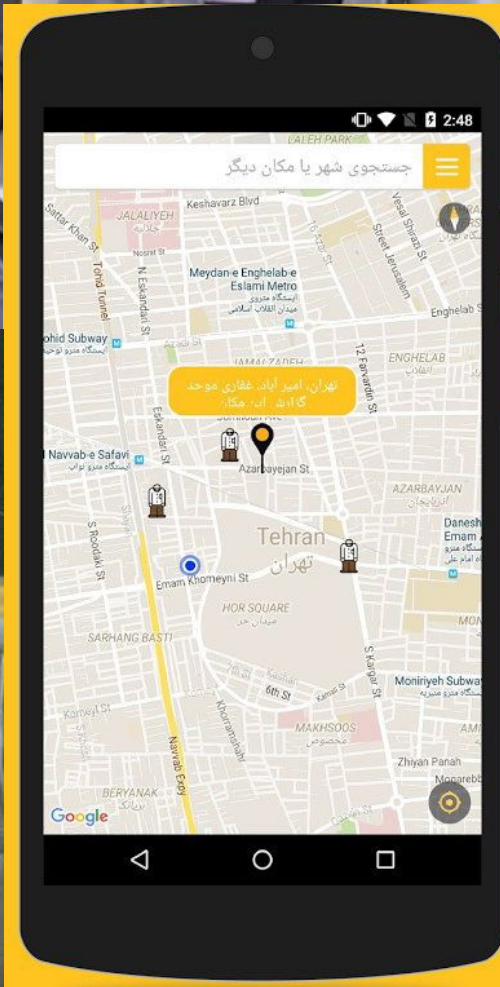






[Susan Maloney](#) says ‘there is no precedent for an externally-driven economic implosion to trigger a successful transition away from a well-entrenched authoritarian regime toward a durable democracy.’

Half of all
Iranians have
smartphones

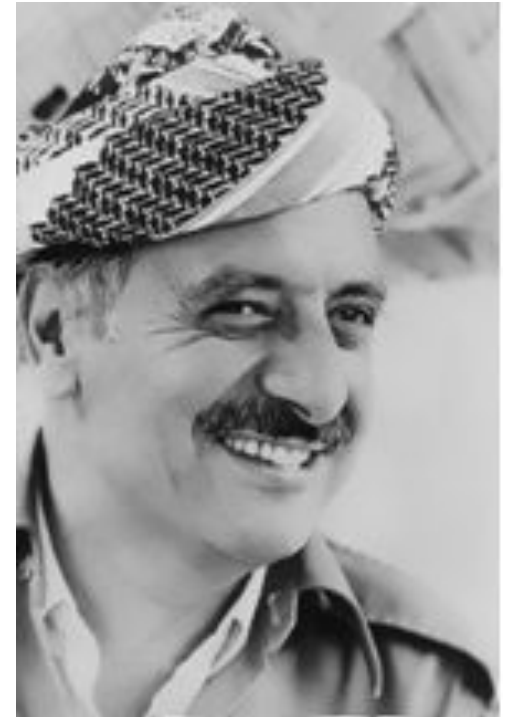


Six ingredients for overthrowing dictatorships



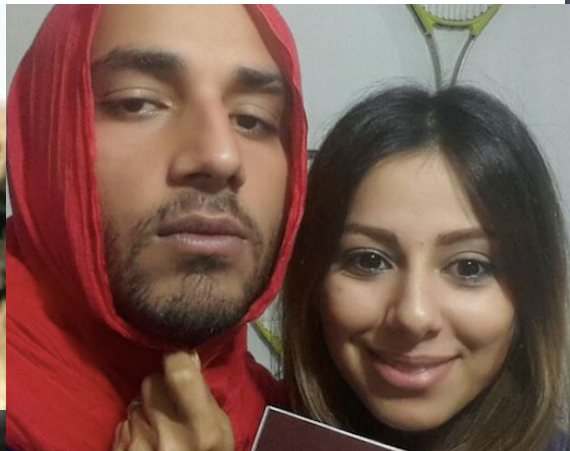
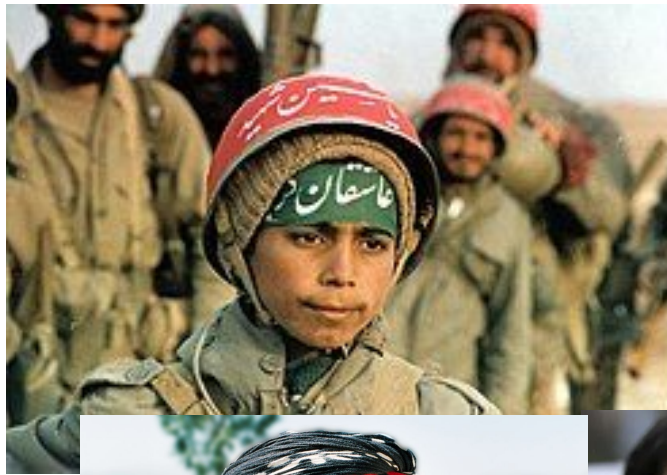
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2. **Ability to Mobilise People: Council of Iranian Democrats**

Kurdish Democratic Party of Iran (KDPI/PDKIO founded in 1945)

Kurdish Democratic Party – Iran (Split from KDPI in 2006)

Komala Parties (both wings)

Democratic Party of Al-Ahvaz (Ahvaz [Arabs](#) having long called for [autonomy](#))

Azerbaijan's Democratic Alliance

[Azerbaijani Cultural and Political Centre](#) (Azeris having long called to be educated in their mother tongue)

Baluchistan People's Party

United Front of Baluchistan

Bakhtiari and Luristan Federation

Turkmen Political Cultural Centre

Democratic Republic of Iran

People's Democratic Union of the People's Republic of Iran

Provisional Council of the Socialist Left of Iran

Joined by trade unions, civil society activists and independents

Notably missing is the [Kurdistan Free Life Party \(PJAK\)](#) and its offshoot, the Organisation of Free and Democratic Society for East Kurdistan ([KODAR](#)) which also advocate democratic (con)-federalism but are ostracised by some parties because of their affiliations with the Kurdistan Workers' Party (PKK).

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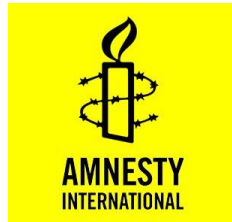
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5. Gain support from regional & international organisations



National Endowment *for* Democracy
Supporting freedom around the world

EUROPEAN
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