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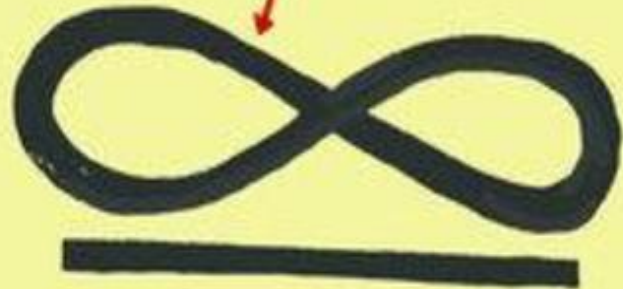
Big Question

How have events in the
Middle East changed U.S.
foreign policies?

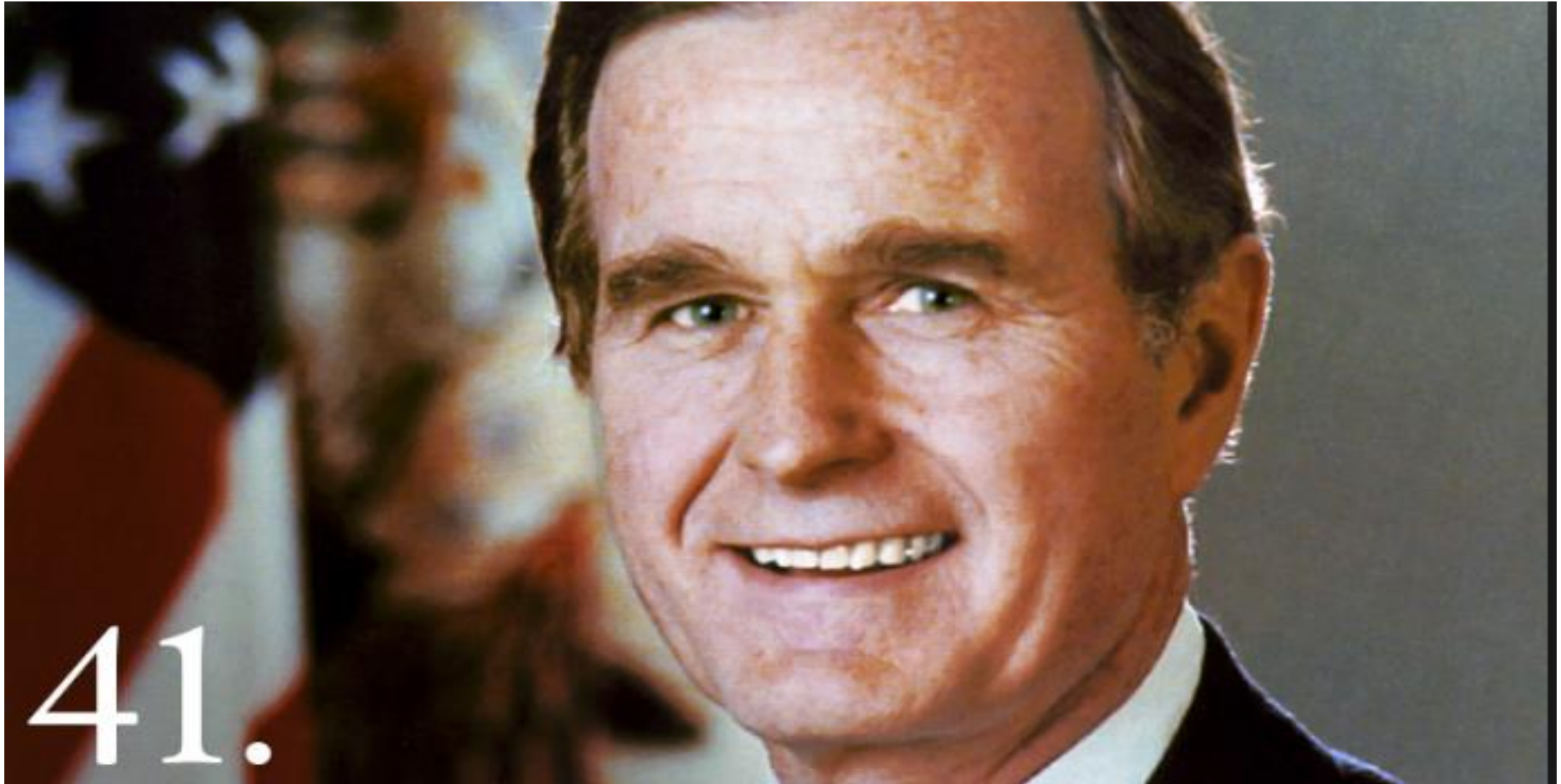
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WAR ON TERROR

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George H. W. Bush (1989-1993)



Persian Gulf War (1990-1991)

War waged coalition forces from 35 nations led by US against Iraq (Saddam Hussein) invasion and annexation of Kuwait.

- *Combat phase (Operation Desert Storm)
- *Ceasefire 100 hours after ground campaign
- *“Video Game War”
- *Victory for coalition forces

**WHAT ABOUT
KUWAIT'S
GEOGRAPHICAL
LOCATION WOULD
APPEAL TO IRAQ?**

**ITS STRATEGIC
LOCATION ON THE
PERSIAN GULF
WHICH IS THE OIL
"HIGHWAY" OF THE
MIDDLE EAST**



BACKGROUND TO CONFLICT

- **IRAQ NEARLY BANKRUPT:**
 - **IN DEBT TO KUWAIT WHO FINANCED WAR AGAINST IRAN**
- **IRAQ CONSIDERED KUWAIT AN IRAQI PROVINCE**
- **ACCUSED KUWAIT OF “SLANT-DRILLING” INTO IRAQI OIL FIELDS**



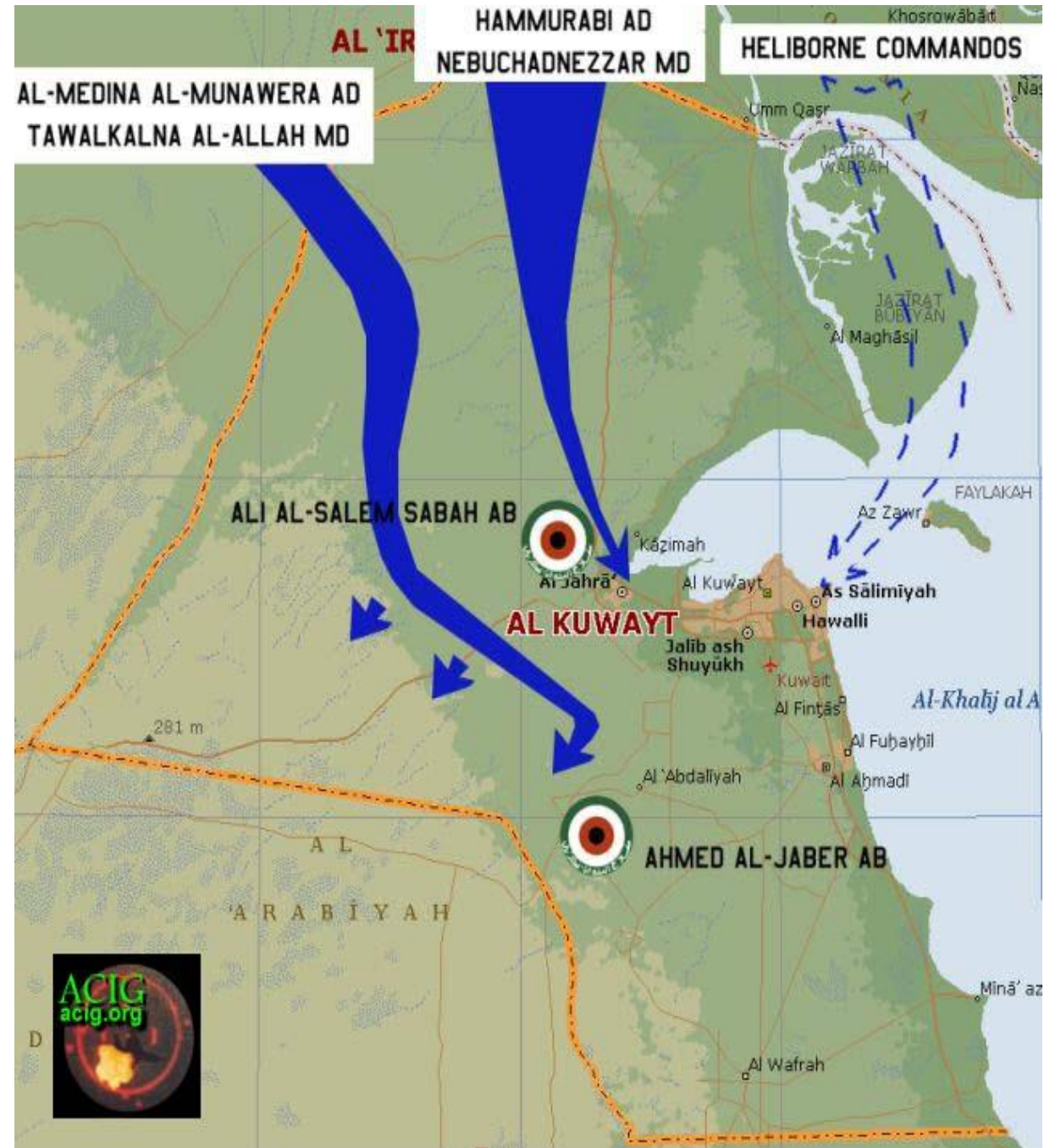
U.S. RELATIONSHIP WITH IRAQ

- **GENERALLY STABLE, BUT U.S. HAD SEVERAL CONCERNS:**
 - **IRAQ WAS AN ALLY OF THE USSR**
 - **IRAQ WAS CRITICAL OF ISRAEL**
 - **IRAQ SUPPORTED SEVERAL ISLAMIC TERRORIST GROUPS**
- **SADDAM BELIEVED THE U.S., SAUDI ARABIA, & KUWAIT WERE CONSPIRING AGAINST IRAQ'S ECONOMY**



THE INVASION

- **AUGUST 2, 1990 – IRAQ ATTACKS & OCCUPIES KUWAIT**
- **IRAQI MILITARY COMMITS ABUSES**
- **IRAQ ANNEXES KUWAIT**
- **IRAQI FORCES MOVE TOWARD THE BORDER OF SAUDI ARABIA, A U.S. ALLY**



ENTER THE UNITED NATIONS

- **U.N. CONDEMNS THE INVASION:**
 - **DEMANDS IRAQ WITHDRAW BY 1-15-91**
 - **PLACES ECONOMIC SANCTIONS ON IRAQ**
 - **AUTHORIZES THE USE OF FORCE**



BUILDING A COALITION



- U.S. ASSEMBLES A COALITION (TEMPORARY ALLIANCE) OF OVER 30 NATIONS TO OPPOSE IRAQ:
 - SOME CONTRIBUTE MILITARY FORCE OTHERS GIVE \$
 - INCLUDES SOME ARAB COUNTRIES

REASONS FOR U.N. & U.S. INTERVENTION

- **VIOLATION OF KUWAIT SOVEREIGNTY**
- **SUPPORT FOR SAUDI ARABIA (U.S. ALLY & KEY SUPPLIER OF OIL**)**
- **HUMAN RIGHTS ABUSES**
- **IRAQ HAD:**
 - **BIOLOGICAL AND CHEMICAL WEAPONS**
 - **A NUCLEAR WEAPONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM**

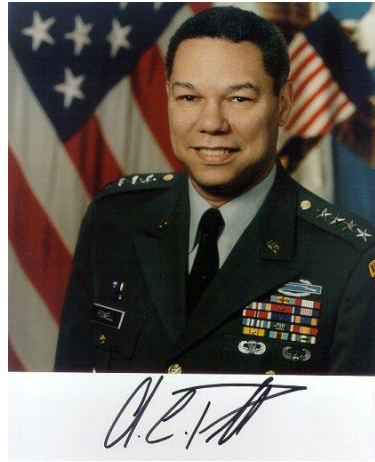
U.S. LEADERS



PRESIDENT GEORGE H. W. BUSH



SEC. OF DEF. CHENEY



**CHAIRMAN OF THE JOINT
CHIEFS COLIN POWELL**



**GENERAL "STORMIN'"
NORMAN SCHWARZKOPF**

THE COALITION STRIKES BACK

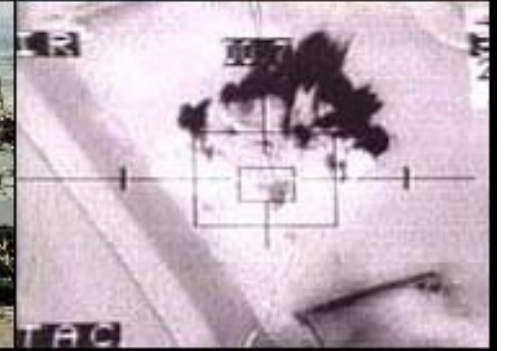
- IRAQ DOES NOT WITHDRAW BY THE ULTIMATUM DATE OF 1-15-91
- ON 1-17-91 THE COALITION BEGAN MASSIVE OFFENSIVE OPERATIONS AGAINST IRAQ:
 - CODE NAMED
*OPERATION
DESERT STORM*



Operation Desert Storm



U.S. FORCES IN ACTION



STRIKE FROM THE SKY!

- **COALITION LAUNCHED MASSIVE AIR CAMPAIGN AGAINST IRAQ:**
 - **DESTROYED IRAQI RADAR & AIRFIELDS**
 - **BOMBED IRAQI CAPITAL OF BAGHDAD**
 - **DESTROYED DAMS AND ELECTRICAL PLANTS**
 - **MANY CIVILIAN CASUALTIES**



BAGHDAD



U.S. NAVY JOINED THE AIR ATTACKS



- **RADAR GUIDED CRUISE MISSILES**



CARRIER AIR STRIKES

STEALTH ATTACKS



**BAGHDAD UNDER NIGHT
STEALTH ATTACK**

**STEALTH TECHNOLOGY
AIRCRAFT
WERE USED FOR THE
FIRST TIME IN COMBAT**

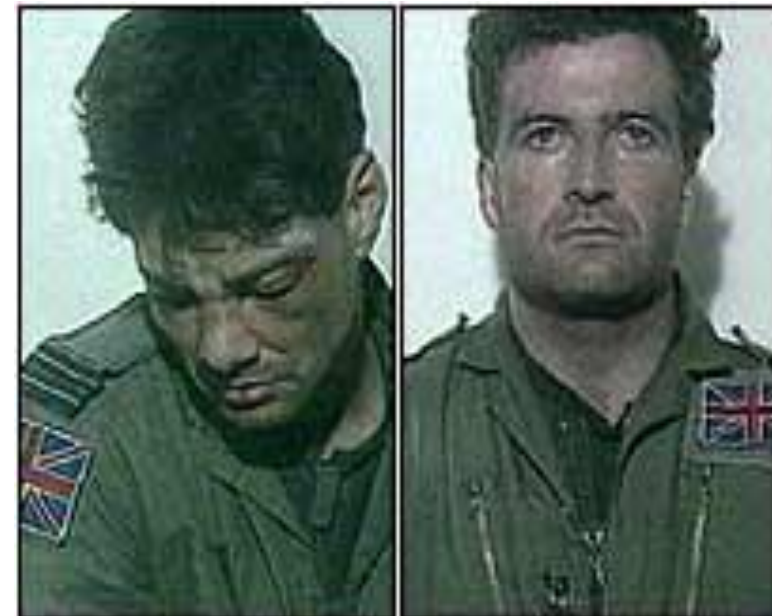


PATRIOT AIR DEFENSE MISSILES



POWs

- IRAQIS SHOT DOWN MANY COALITION AIRCRAFT
- POWs WERE OFTEN MISTREATED
- SOME WERE SHOWN ON IRAQI TELEVISION & FORCED TO READ STATEMENTS CRITICAL OF THE WAR

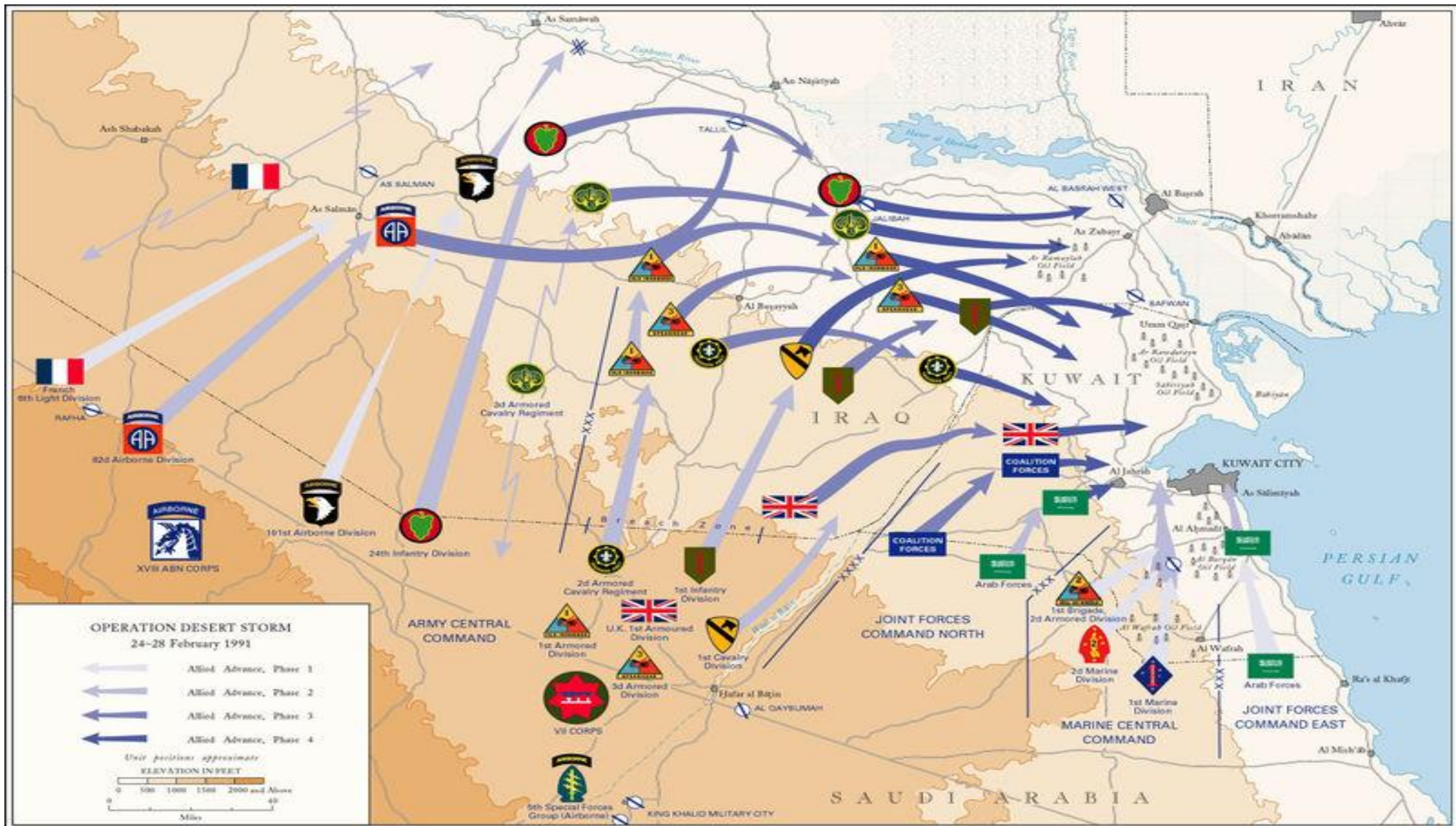


GROUND ASSAULT!

- **COALITION LAUNCHES MASSIVE ATTACK INTO IRAQ ON 2-24-91**
- **IRAQI TANKS & TROOPS NO MATCH FOR COALITION**
- **IRAQIS SUFFER HUGE LOSSES**
- **COALITION FORCES MOVE TO SURROUND IRAQI FORCES IN KUWAIT**







HIGHWAY OF DEATH

**IRAQI FORCES TRYING TO ESCAPE FROM KUWAIT
WERE SLAUGHTERED BY COALITION AIRPOWER**





"EVEN IN VIETNAM I DIDN'T SEE ANYTHING LIKE THIS. IT'S PATHETIC."
— MAJOR BOB NUGENT
ARMY INTELLIGENCE OFFICER



IRAQI VENGEANCE

- **RETREATING IRAQIS LEFT BEHIND AN ENVIRONMENTAL NIGHTMARE:**
 - **SET OIL WELLS ON FIRE**
 - **DUMPED OIL INTO THE PERSIAN GULF**



THE FIGHTING ENDS

- **100 HOURS AFTER THE GROUND ATTACK BEGAN PRESIDENT BUSH DECLARED A CEASE-FIRE**
- **LESS THAN 300 AMERICANS KILLED**



GULF WAR CONTROVERSIES

- **“HIGHWAY OF DEATH” ATTACKS TOO HARSH?**
- **ERROR TO ALLOW SADDAM TO REMAIN IN POWER?**
 - BEYOND SCOPE OF U.N. MANDATE
 - COALITION WOULD HAVE LOST MEMBERS
 - WOULD HAVE REQUIRED LONG-TERM OCCUPATION OF IRAQ
- **FAILURE OF COALITION TO PROTECT IRAQ’ S KURDISH POPULATION FROM SADDAM’ S REVENGE AFTER THE WAR**
- **RETURNING COALITION SOLDIERS REPORTED ILLNESSES AFTER THE WAR:**
 - CALLED **GULF WAR SYNDROME**

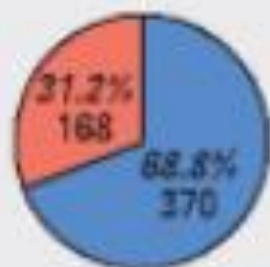
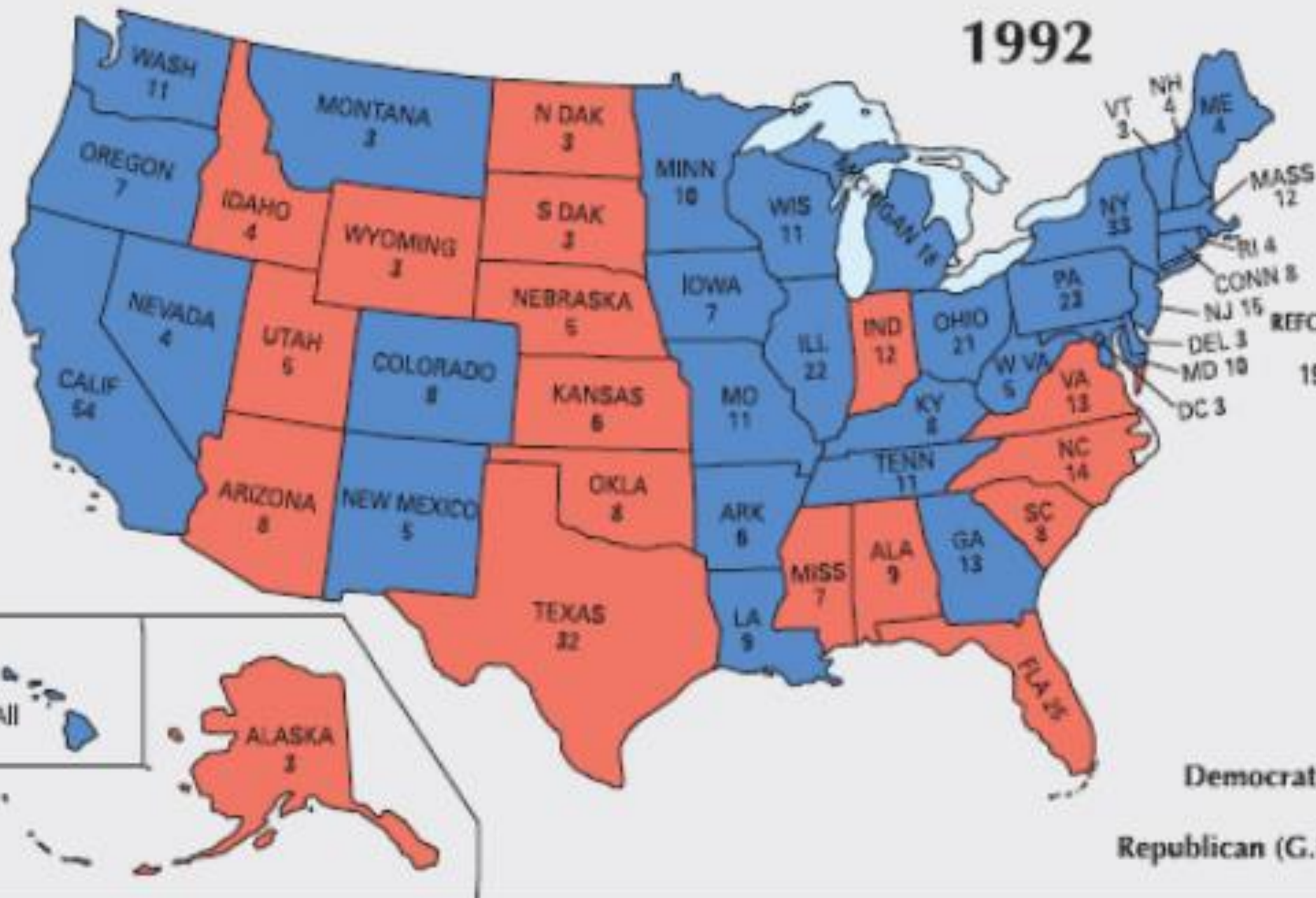
RESULTS

- **KUWAIT LIBERATED**
- **RETURNING SOLDIERS GREETED POSITIVELY (UNLIKE VIETNAM)**
- **“FEEL GOOD” WAR FOR AMERICANS:**
 - **TO SOME EXTENT ERASED THE GHOSTS OF VIETNAM**
 - **AMERICAN TECHNOLOGY WORKED (MOSTLY)**
 - **WAS QUICK AND COST FEW U.S. LIVES**
- **CONSEQUENCES FOR IRAQ:**
 - **IRAQI NO-FLY ZONES ESTABLISHED**
 - **GREAT PHYSICAL DAMAGE**
 - **ECONOMIC SANCTIONS IMPOSED**
 - **U.N. SPONSERED WEAPONS INSPECTIONS**
- **INCREASED ISLAMIC EXTREMISM:**
 - **ESPECIALLY AGAINST SAUDI ARABIA (VIEWED AS BEING ON SAME SIDE AS ISRAEL AND TOO CLOSE TO U.S.)**

Bill Clinton (1993-2001)



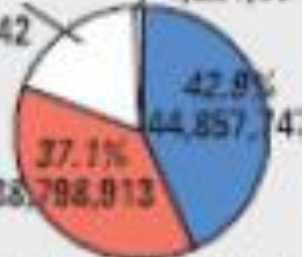
1992



ELECTORAL VOTE
TOTAL: 538

REFORM (PEROT) 18.8%
19,722,042

MINORITY 1.2%



POPULAR VOTE
TOTAL: 104,600,364

Democratic (Clinton)



Republican (G.H.W. Bush)





Bill Clinton (1993-2001)

- *Democrat (defeated Rep. George H.W. Bush)**
- *Longest period of peacetime economic expansion in US history (budget surplus)**
- *Signed into law NAFTA**
- *Impeached by House of Rep. for perjury and obstruction of justice/acquitted by the Senate in 1999 and allowed to complete his term in office.**



NAFTA (1994)

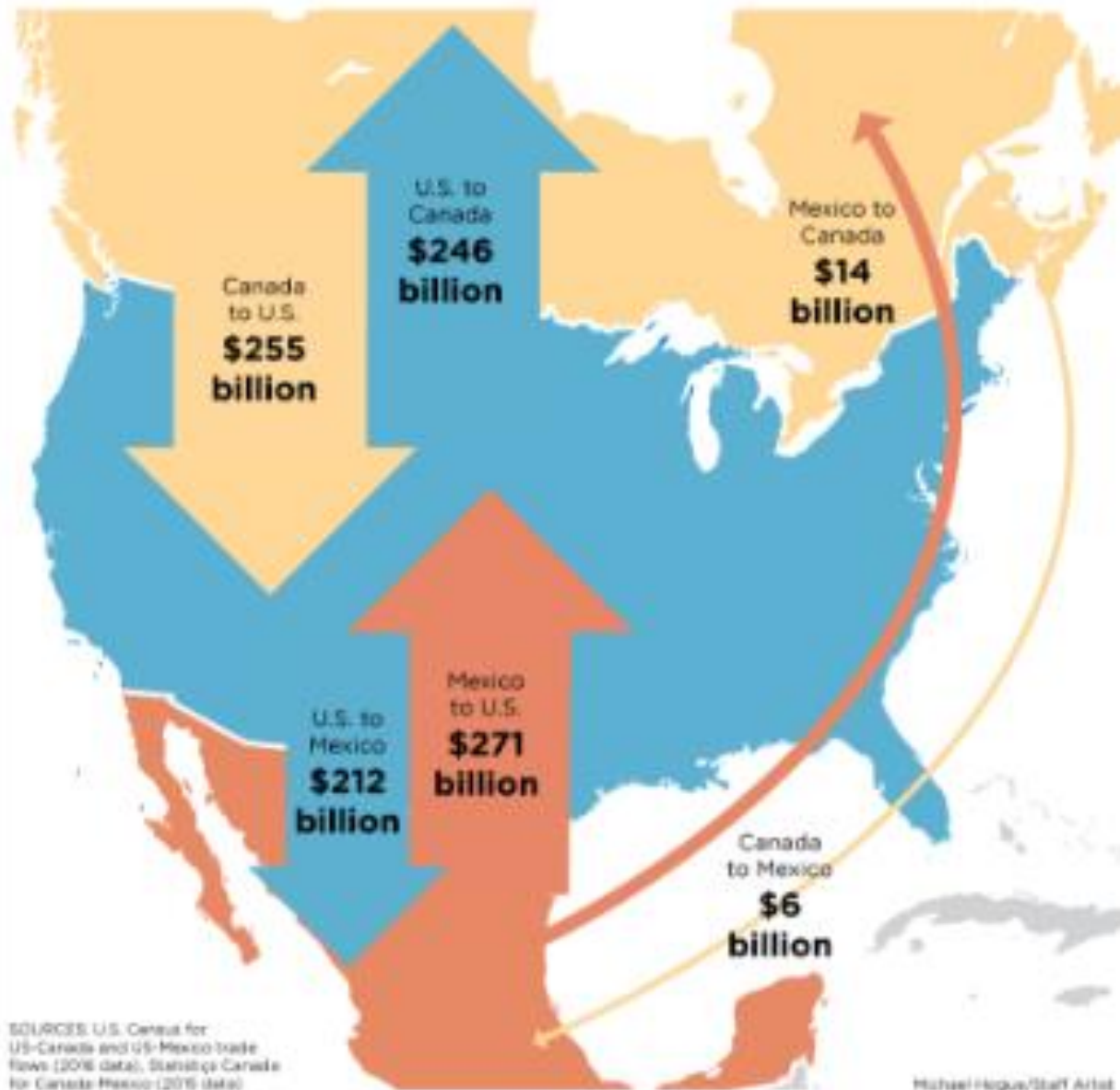
***North American Free Trade Agreement:
Treaty between Canada, Mexico, + US
allowing for free trade (eliminates tariffs and
increases investment opportunities)**





Flow of trade between NAFTA partners

Billions of dollars worth of goods move each day between the United States and its neighbors — far more than when NAFTA went into effect in 1994.



George W. Bush



September 11, 2001 Attacks (9/11)

***Four coordinated terrorist attacks by Islamic terrorist group al-Qaeda (Osama bin Laden)= War on Terror**

***Attacks killed 2,996 people, injured over 6,000.**

***Caused at least \$10 billion in infrastructure and property damages**









USA Patriot Act (2001)

*Signed into law by President George W. Bush in 2001 in response to 9/11 attacks

***Federal legislation to strengthen security and national defense (FBI can search phone, e-mail, and financial records without court order)**

***Constitutional???? 4th Amendment???**

* On May 26, 2011, President [Barack Obama](#) signed the PATRIOT Sunsets Extension Act of 2011, a four-year extension of three key provisions in the Act: [roving wiretaps](#), [searches of business records](#), and conducting surveillance of "lone wolves"—individuals suspected of terrorist-related activities not linked to terrorist groups

1775 PATRIOT ACTS 2006



National Security Letters (NSLs) are issued by FBI agents, without a judge's approval, to obtain personal information...



War on Terror

***International military campaign after 9/11 attacks in 2001 to counter terrorism**

***George W. Bush stated, "Our enemy is a radical network of terrorists and every government that supports them."**





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Iraq War (2003- 2011)

*Invasion of Iraq by a US led coalition that overthrew gov. of Saddam Hussein (WMDs)

*The conflict continued for much of the next decade as an [insurgency](#) emerged to oppose the [occupying forces](#) and the post-invasion Iraqi government.

*An estimated [151,000 to 600,000 or more](#) Iraqis were killed in the first 3–4 years of conflict.

*The [Bush administration](#) based its [rationale for the war](#) principally on the assertion that Iraq, which had been viewed by the U.S. as a [rogue state](#) since the [Persian Gulf War](#), possessed [weapons of mass destruction](#) (WMDs) and that the Iraqi government posed an immediate threat to the United States and its coalition allies. Select U.S. officials accused Saddam of harbouring and supporting [al-Qaeda](#), while others cited the desire to end a repressive dictatorship and bring democracy to the people of Iraq. After the invasion, no substantial evidence was found to verify the initial claims about WMDs, while [claims of Iraqi officials collaborating with al-Qaeda](#) were proven false.



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Late Edition
New York, Today, windy, showers
clearing, high 41. Tonight, clear, low
wind, low 34. Tomorrow, partly sun-
ny, high 45. Yesterday, high 34, low
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ONE DOLLAR

HUSSEIN CAUGHT IN MAKESHIFT HIDE-OUT; BUSH SAYS 'DARK ERA' FOR IRAQIS IS OVER

BETRAYED BY CLAN

Breakthrough Capped
a Renewed Effort to
Ferret Out Leaders

By ERIC SCHMITZ

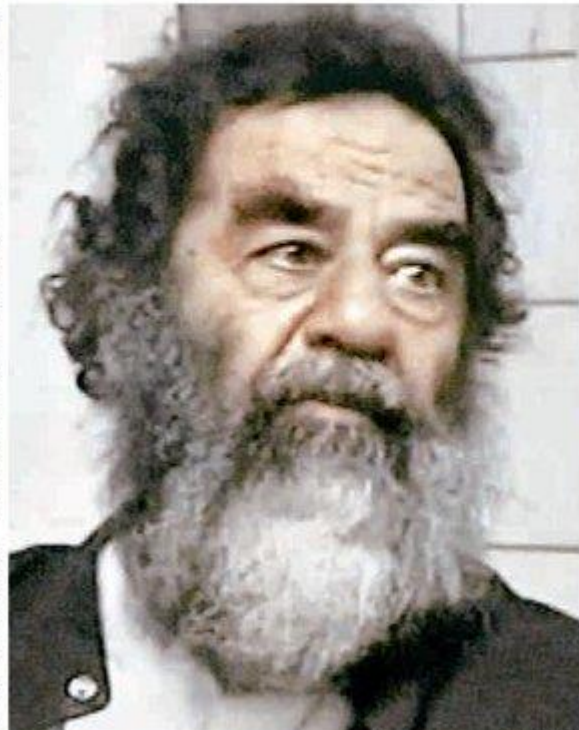
BAGHDAD, Iraq, Dec. 14 — The hunt for Saddam Hussein ended late Saturday with information from a member of his tribal clan.

Sighting Mr. Hussein, a man who one senior general said had 50 to 30 hide-outs and moved as often as every three to four hours, had become a maddening challenge. Fifteen previous times in the last several months, a brigade combat team from the Army's Fourth Infantry Division thought it had a lead on Mr. Hussein and began raids to kill or capture him, only to come up empty, sometimes missing the man by only a matter of hours, military officials here said.

But at 3:26 p.m. Saturday, less than 11 hours after receiving the decisive tip, 600 American soldiers and Special Operations forces backed by tanks, artillery and Apache helicopter gunships surrounded two farmhouses, and near one of them found Mr. Hussein hiding above at the bottom of an eight-foot hole.

He surrendered without a shot. "He was just caught like a rat," Maj. Gen. Raymond T. Odierno, the commander of the Fourth Infantry Division, told reporters at his headquarters in Tikrit on Sunday. "He could have been hiding in a hundred different places, a thousand different places like this all around Iraq. It just takes finding the right person who will give you a good idea who to go after."

In recent weeks, American officials had started a new effort to draw a list of people likely to be helping Mr. Hussein, including bodyguards, former palace functionaries, tribal leaders and others not previously on previous American wanted lists. After a half-dozen raids and arrests,



Saddam Hussein, after his arrest, in a selected image provided yesterday by American officials.

Arrest by U.S. Soldiers — President Still Cautious

By SUSAN SACHS

BAGHDAD, Iraq, Dec. 14 — Saddam Hussein, once the all-powerful leader of Iraq, was arrested without a fight on Saturday night by American soldiers who found him crouching in an eight-foot hole at an isolated farm near Tikrit, haggard, dirty and disoriented after spending a year and a half on the run, according to officials here.

News of Mr. Hussein's arrest, announced Sunday after being kept secret for 16 hours, electrified Iraq and much of the world, sending jitters rippling into the streets with the first real outbursts of jubilation since the invasion toppled him in April.

For the Bush administration, which has been struggling to stabilize Iraq, the capture of Mr. Hussein was the most triumphant moment since American forces ousted him.

"In the history of Iraq, a dark and painful era is over," President Bush said in a televised morning address from Washington. "A hopeful day has arrived. All Iraqis, at one time together and next to one another, held a new Iraq." But Mr. Bush was careful to couch his message with caution, that Iraq remains violent and dangerous.

American officials said Mr. Hussein was being held in Iraq, but they would not disclose the exact location. They said he had been surrounded by medical teams and other guards but was not cooperating with interrogators or intelligence matters.

American-appointed Iraqi leaders said he would eventually face a war-crimes trial, but was unclear when.



President Bush, in a brief television speech yesterday, Page A15.

Maj. Gen. Raymond T. Odierno, commander of the Fourth Infantry Division, which captured Mr. Hussein with a force of 600 soldiers, said he was struck with only a pistol and had surrendered without firing a shot. Two AK-47 rifles and \$750,000 in American cash were found nearby. It was an ignominious ending for Mr. Hussein, 58, who survived American attempts to kill him during the invasion and had eluded capture apparently by moving from one hide-out to another.

Whether his arrest will undermine the insurgency against the American-led forces in Iraq is unclear. Hours after his capture but before it was announced publicly, a car bomb killed at least 17 people in a town west of Baghdad. [Page A15]

Even in hiding, Mr. Hussein had

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In the Streets, a Shadow Lifts

By JOHN F. BURNS

BAGHDAD, Iraq, Dec. 14 — As Iraqis struggled to grasp the impact



George W. Bush's Job Approval Ratings Trend

■ % Approve



War in Afghanistan (2001- 2018)

***2001 coalition (US led) invasion to dismantle al-Qaeda (longest war in US history)**

*Following the [September 11 attacks](#) in 2001 on the U.S., which President [George W. Bush](#) blamed on [Osama bin Laden](#) who was living or hiding in Afghanistan, President Bush demanded that the Taliban hand over Osama bin Laden and expel [al-Qaeda](#); bin Laden had already been wanted by the U.S. since 1998.



Hurricane Katrina (2005)

***Huge failures of the levees and flood walls protecting New Orleans, Louisiana caused flooding in 80% of city**

***Tied with Hurricane Harvey as the costliest tropical cyclone on record.**

*The criticisms of the government's response to Hurricane Katrina primarily consisted of criticism of [mismanagement](#) and lack of [leadership](#) in the relief efforts in response to the storm and its aftermath. More specifically, the criticism focused on the delayed response to the flooding of New Orleans, and the subsequent state of chaos in the city



FEMA

(Federal Emergency Management Agency)



FEMA

New Orleans Levees

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Barack Obama (2009- 2017)



Barack Obama (2009- 2017)

***First African American US President (elected in 2008)- Democrat**

***Support liberal programs such as Affordable Care Act, DACA, climate change policies**

***Foreign Policy- increased US troops in Afghanistan, ended military involvement in Iraq War, ordered military operation that resulted in the death of Osama bin Laden**

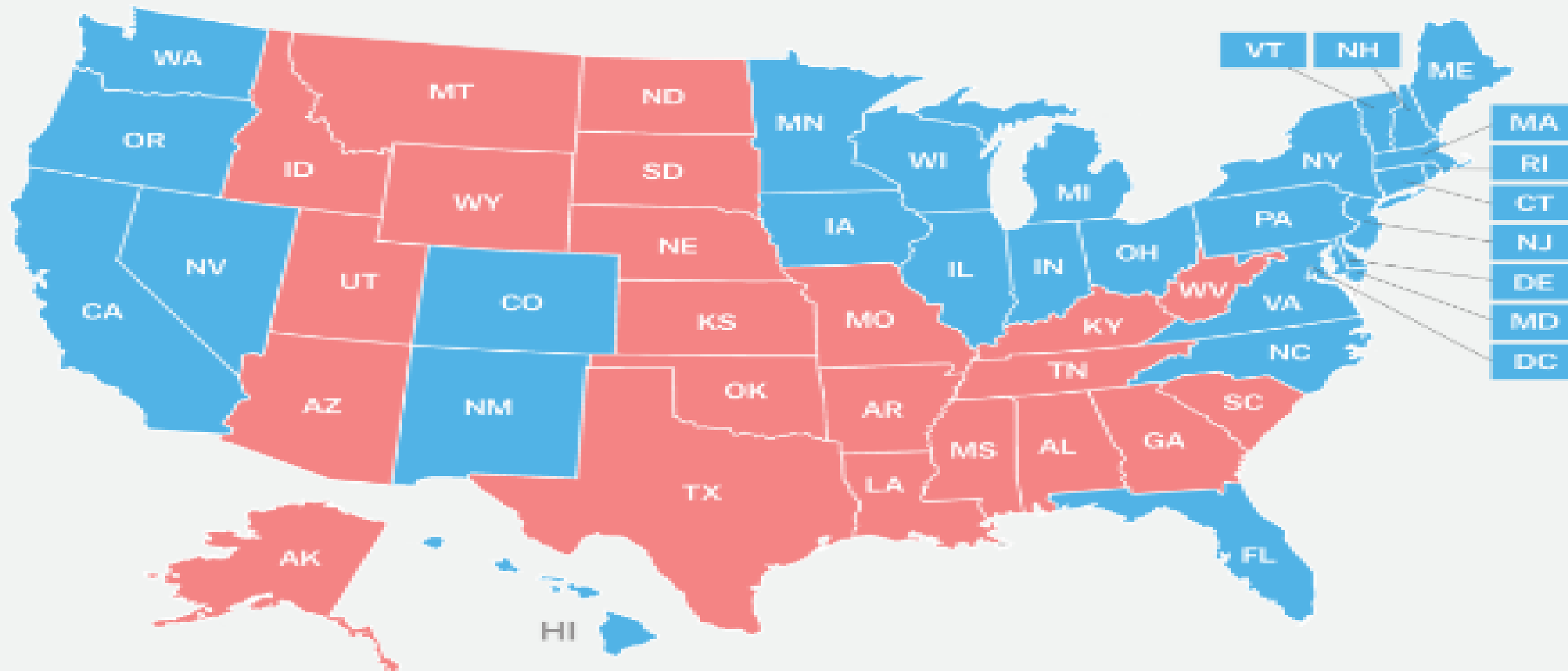
2008 presidential election

 Democrat

Barack Obama

Republican

John McCain



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