

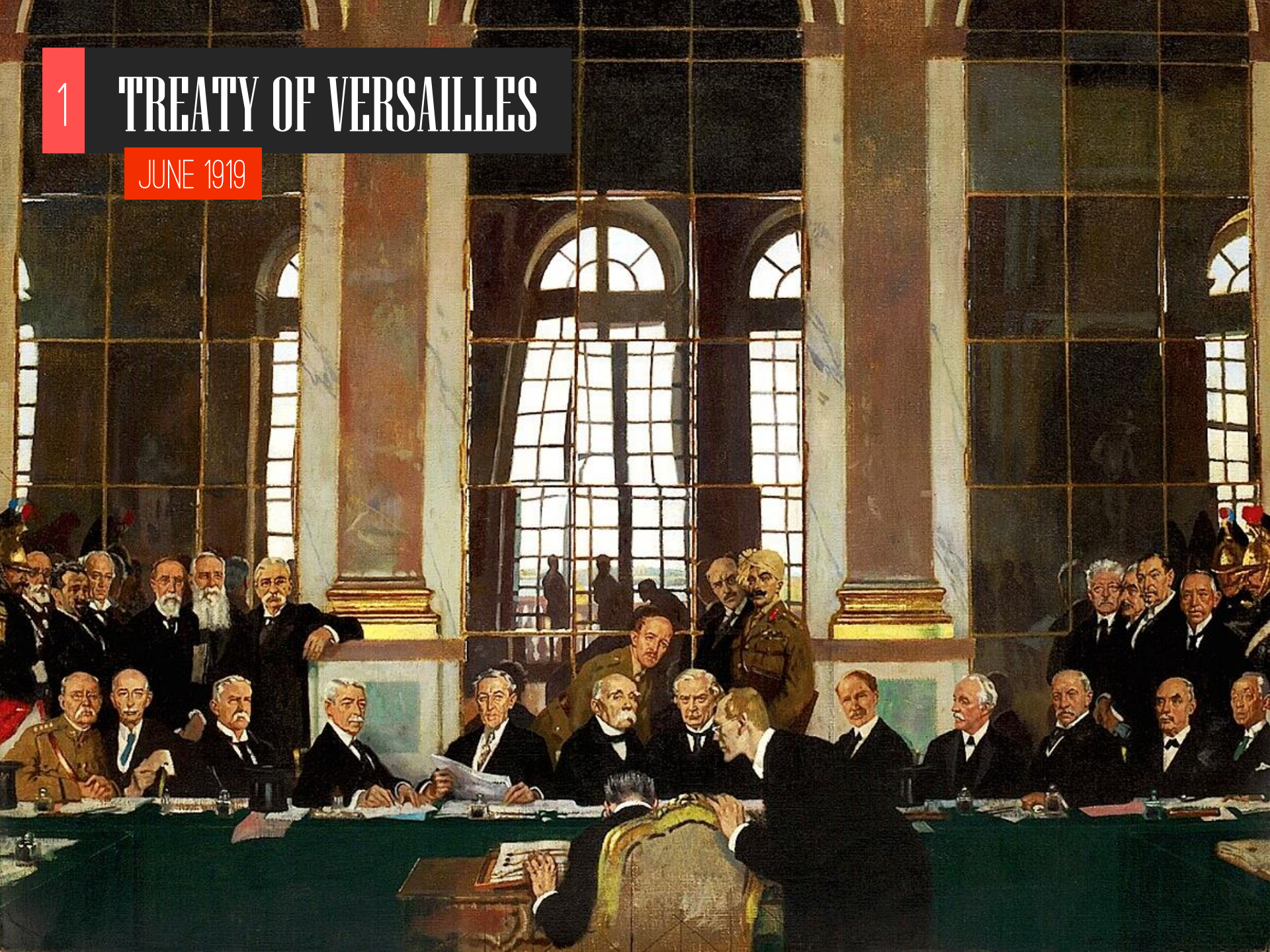
A dark, atmospheric landscape under a stormy sky. In the center, a flag is planted on a small, rocky hill. The overall mood is somber and dramatic.

# KEY CAUSES LEADING TO WAR

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# TREATY OF VERSAILLES

JUNE 1919



# 1914



NORWAY

(to RUSSIAN EMPIRE)

SWEDEN

DENMARK

UNITED KINGDOM

NETHERLANDS

GERMAN EMPIRE

R U S S I A N  
E M P I R E

A T L A N T I C  
O C E A N

BELGIUM

LUX.

FRANCE

SWITZ.

A U S T R O -  
H U N G A R I A N  
E M P I R E

ROMANIA

BULGARIA

SERBIA

MONT.

ITALY

ALBANIA

GREECE

O T T O M A N  
E M P I R E

P O R T U G A L

S P A I N

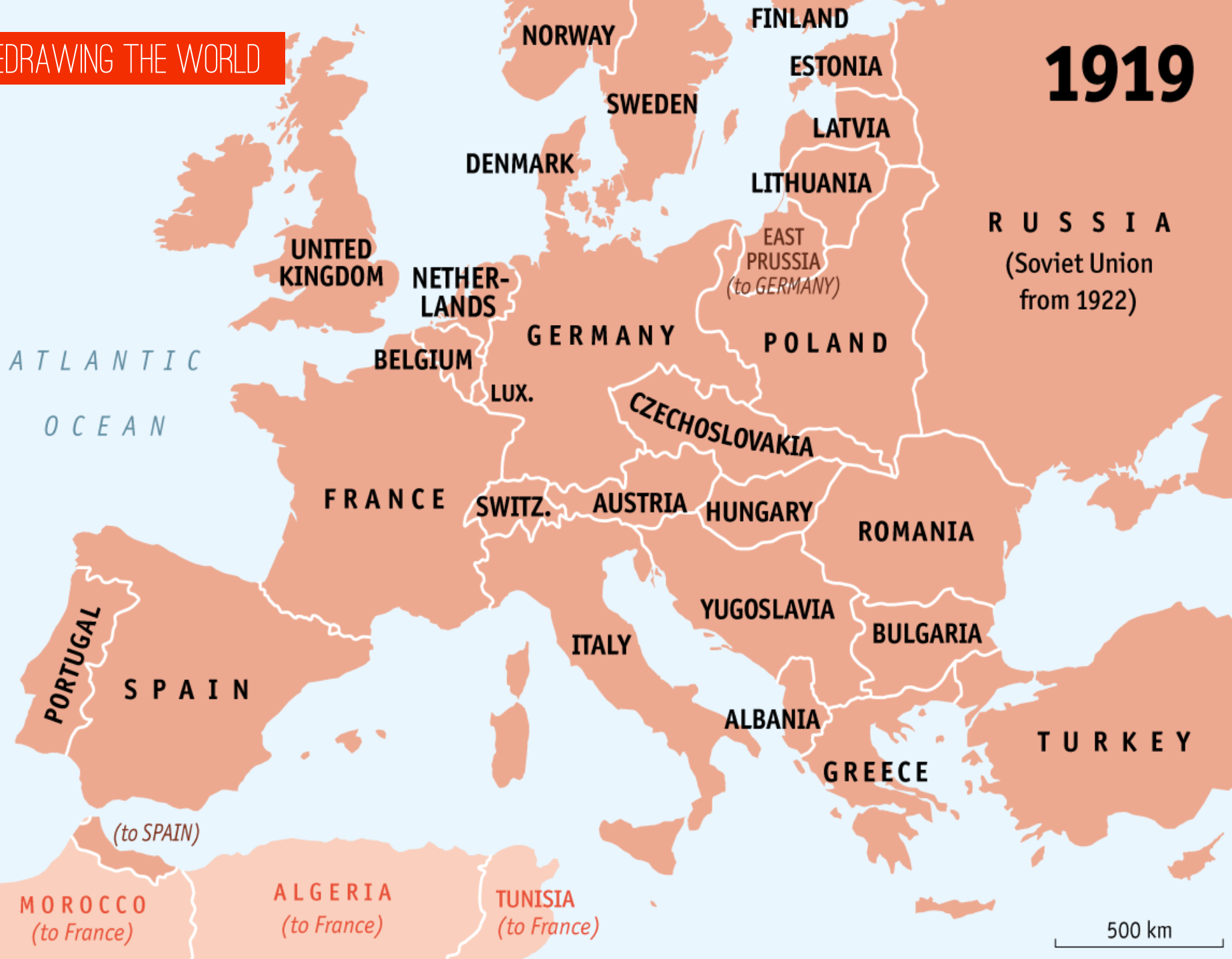
(to SPAIN)

M O R O C C O  
(to France)

A L G E R I A  
(to France)

T U N I S I A  
(to France)

500 km

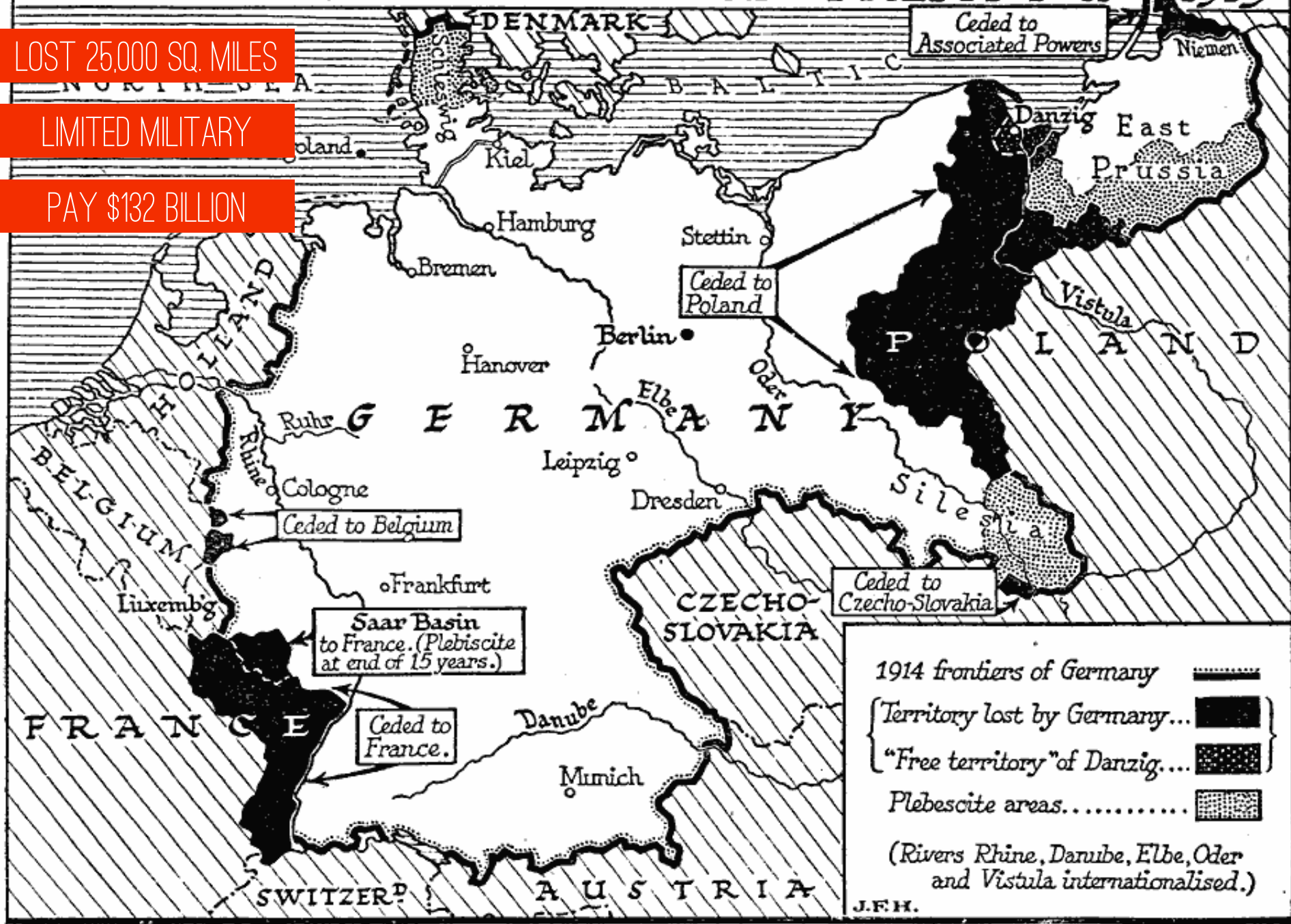


# GERMANY after the PEACE TREATY of 1919

LOST 25,000 SQ. MILES

LIMITED MILITARY

PAY \$132 BILLION



1914 frontiers of Germany

{ Territory lost by Germany... }

{ "Free territory" of Danzig... }

Plebescite areas...

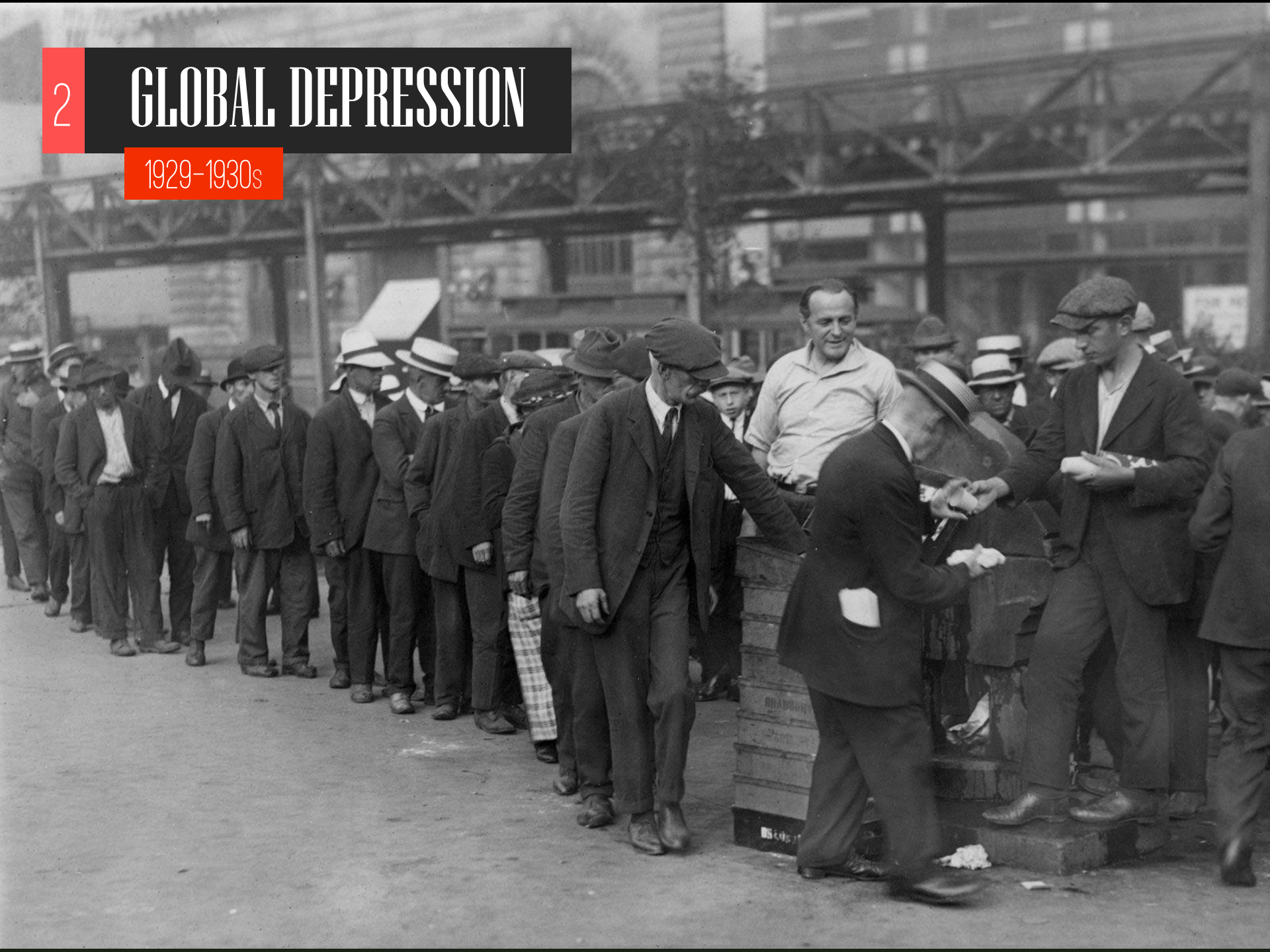
(Rivers Rhine, Danube, Elbe, Oder and Vistula internationalised.)

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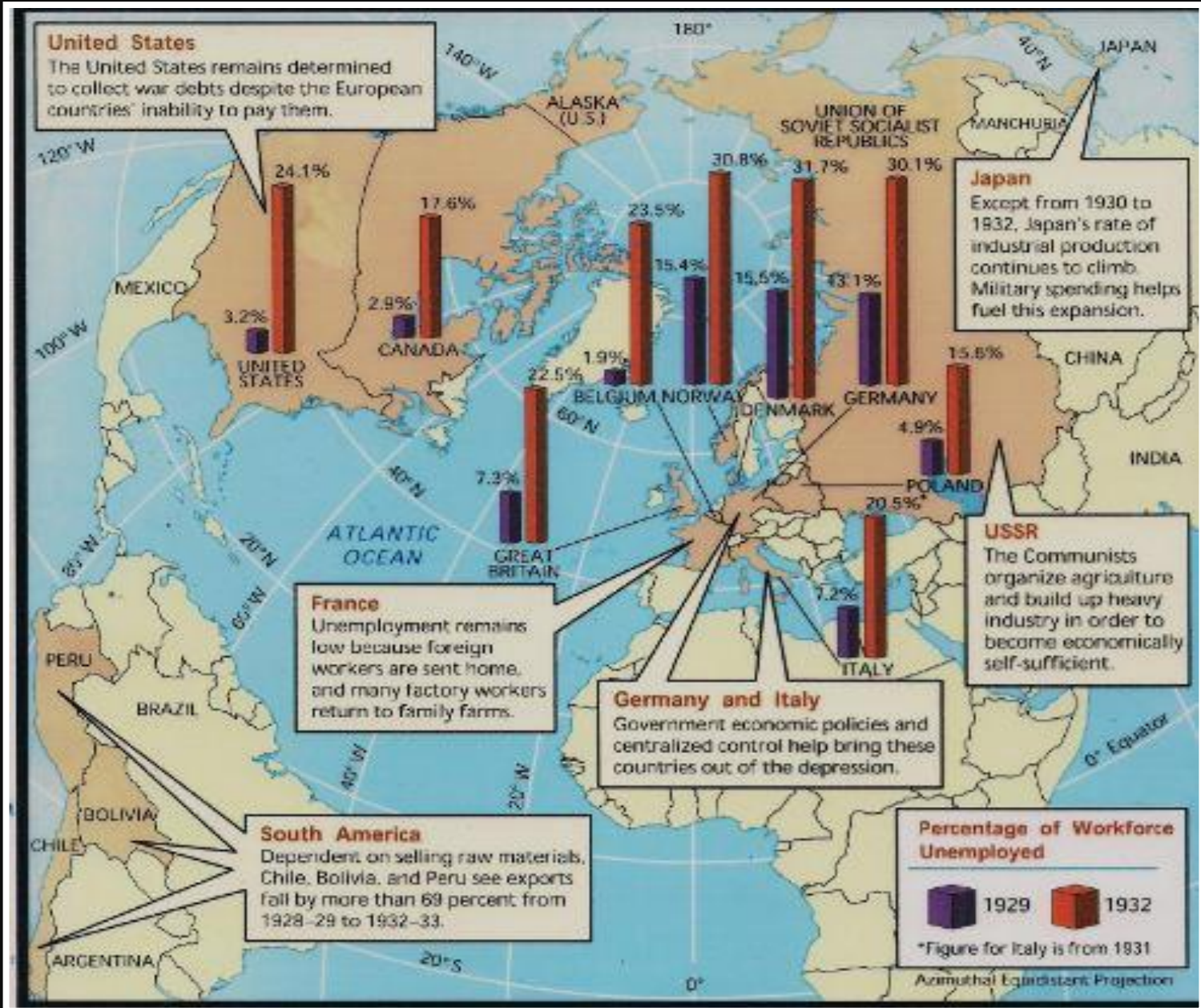
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# GLOBAL DEPRESSION

1929-1930s



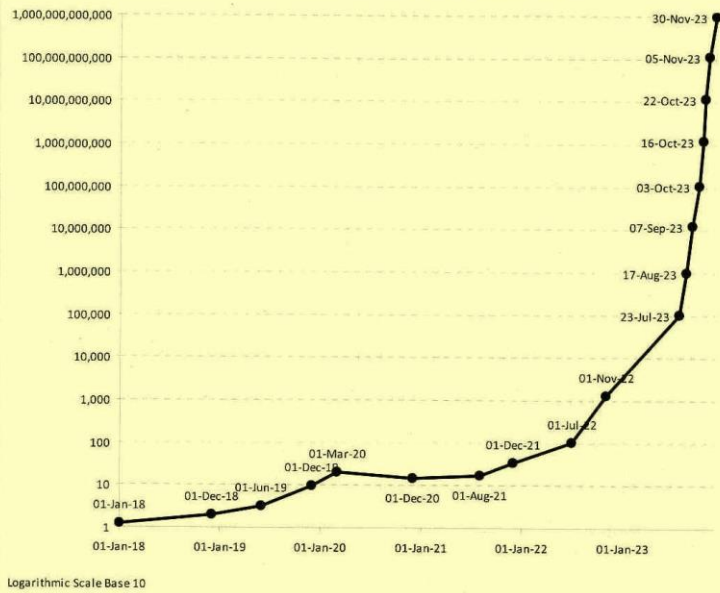
# UNEMPLOYMENT



# INFLATION



1 "Gold" Mark = "Reichs" Mark 1918-1924



Logarithmic Scale Base 10

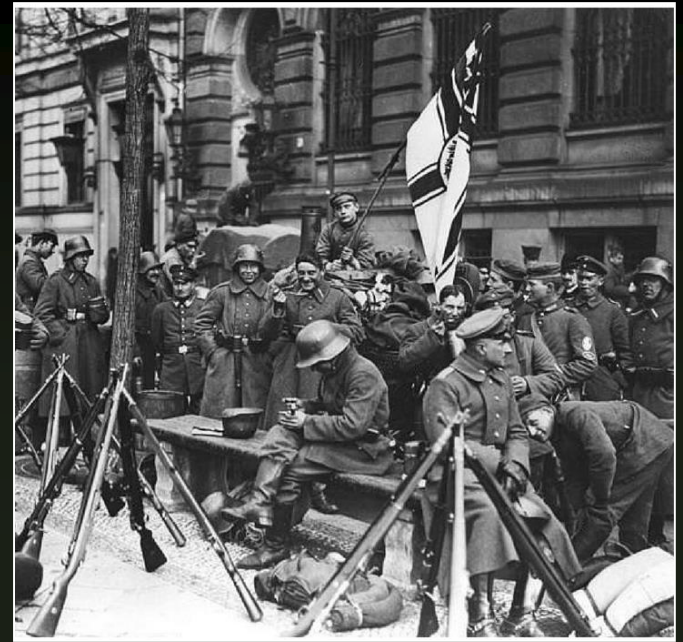
Note: 1 "Gold" Mark value in grammes of fine gold (1913) = 0.35842g;  
"Reichs" Mark = Currency not tied to the goldstandard in 1918 to 1924.

Source: Law about the Revaluation of Mortgages and other Claims (Revaluation Act 1925), issued the 16<sup>th</sup> of July, 1925 (*Anwertungsgesetz, Reichsgesetzblatt, Teil I, 1925, p.133-135*) and Author's calculations.





DOMESTIC VIOLENCE



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# TOTALITARIAN AGRESSION

1920s - 1930s



# The Rise of Totalitarianism

STATE CONTROL - DICTATOR - TERROR - PRIDE  
PROPAGANDA MACHINES - IDEOLOGY



**ADOLF HITLER**

R. 1932-1945



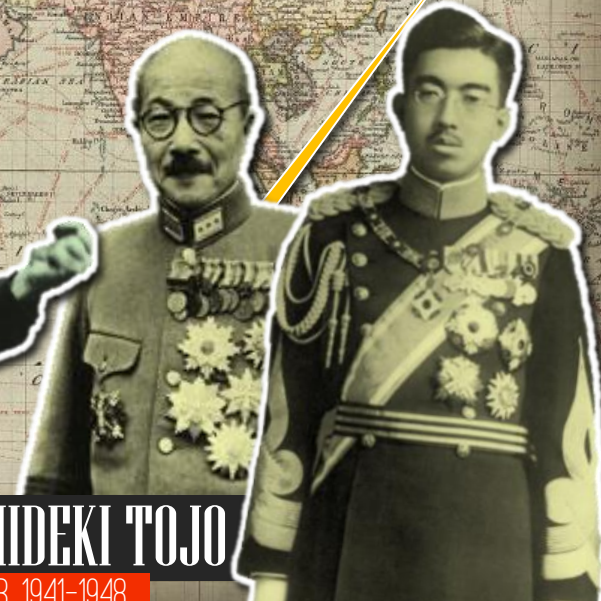
**JOSEPH STALIN**

R. 1924-1953



**BENITO MUSSOLINI**

R. 1922-1945



**HIDEKI TOJO**

R. 1941-1948

**HIROHITO**


R. 1926-1989

STANFORD'S  
GENERAL MAP  
OF  
THE WORLD

ON MERCATOR'S PROJECTION

# FASCISM

Political philosophy that **exalts national/racial interests above individual interests** and stands for a **centralized authoritarian government** headed by a dictatorial leader, severe **economic and social regimentation**, and forcible **suppression of opposition**

A black and white photograph of Benito Mussolini standing on a balcony, smiling and looking towards a vast, dense crowd of people below. He is wearing a military-style uniform and a cap. A flag is visible behind him. The crowd is composed of many individuals, some with their arms raised, creating a sea of heads.

*Everything within the state,  
nothing outside the state,  
nothing against the state.*

**– Benito Mussolini –**