

Charting the Political Map of Middle East'

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When we examine the political master plan and landscape of Middle East, we should not undermine the historical roadmap of the region, we should go back to 1915, after the end of the 1st world war, when Arabs revolted siding with the British and the French to **rid** itself from the Ottoman Empire. Afterward, Arabs were betrayed by the great powers into Sykes-Picot fragmentation of their land to colonies, balkanizing the region to mini-states. A new map of Middle East was drawn with artificial political borders, killing the aspiration of the Arab people in the region to meet the vested interest of the imperialists.

Now in 2015, after hundred year of **Sykes-Picot**, a new map of the region is on the drawing table, drafted in the cuisine of the West. The architects are the same, Western powers, lead by the U.S and the Israeli lobby in the white house and congress. The objective is to divide more the already divided states into mini-states, based on sectarian, ethnic, religious, and nationalistic groups.

In Iraq; Kurdistan will be born in the North, Sunnistan in the Middle, Shiastan in the South.

In Syria; Alawistan, Durzistans, Sunnistan will be born, and Syria Kurdistan to be combined later with Iraqi Kurdistan.

In Libya, chaos will lead to two or three states: Tripoli (Tripolistan), Benghazi (Benghazistan), Tobruk (Tobrukistan).

Sudan already divided into two states, will go further to more mini-states of Cordovanistan (cordovan) and Darfuristan (Darfur).

Israel will continue talking peace inviting **Palestinians** for sipping tea on the negotiating table, while at the same time swallowing the rest of the West Bank. **Gaza strip** will expand to **Sinai** desert in the South, to form the only **Palestine** for the home of **Palestinians**, fully decorated with the **Palestinian** flag & red carpet for its president. However, since unemployment and

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poverty of the newly charted Palestine will form a threat to Israel security, therefore the exploration of the vast gas reserve on **Gaza** Mediterranean shores will lead to wealth and full employment of the **Palestinians** which yield economic stabilization guarding Israeli security.

Even **Egypt** with dogmatic religious internal terrorism, may lead to partitioned of Coptistan (Copts) home for the ten million Christians living there.

Saudi Arabia, may not be exempted from charting the new Middle Eastern map, Shiastan in the East, Wahabistan in Riyad and Hijazistan of Madina, Mecca along Red Sea shores as “holy state” as used to be, similar to the Vatican.

Yemen to be partitioned into Zaidistan in Saada, Aden (Adenistan) in the South and probably third state of Hadramout along the Arab sea.

Downsizing Turkey and Iran

Sectarian **Alawistan** in Syria will extend to the North deep in Southern Turkey to accommodate the rest of Alawai sect, in **Iskenderun** and **Antakya**. Sectarian conflict with **Turkey** will rise. Also most of Kurdish inhabitants of Anatolia will rise to unite with Iraqi and Syrian Kurds, another nationalistic conflict of Turkey with Kurdistan will rise. Big chunk of Turkey will vanish. **Turkey** will be downsized to the **Bosphorus**, and then will be qualified and eligible to join the European Union (EU).

Iran will face nationalistic and sectarian wars, Iranian Kurdistan on one side will be lost to unite with **Iraqi - Syrian - Turkish - Kurdistan**, to form the Nation and the state of Kurdistan (the final dream of Kurds has been achieved) another conflict along the **Persian Gulf** where **Arabistan** (rich-oil) will separate from **Persian-Iran** joining the rich-oil **Arab Gulf states**, as used to be history. The Gulf will become in reality an **Arab Gulf** as it will be completely surrounded by Arab states (dream of Gulf states), and the three small islands, will be rejoining the Emirates and Hurmos pass will become freely an Arab passage.

Oman and Emirates because of their wisdom of keeping away from sectarian trouble, and keeping same distance from conflicting fractions, and its sound policy of accommodating differences rather than blowing it up to conflicts, they will survive the new charting of the new political map of Middle East.

As conclusion of all this:

1. Wars and instability along sectarian, ethnic, nationalistic mini-states lines will continue.
2. Good new market for the armament industry to feed conflicts and wars in Middle East, managed by warlords, will be maintained for decades.
3. The petro-dollar cycling and recycling will be ensured.
4. Israel will be maintained as the only regional power in the region among fragmented mini-states fighting among themselves along nationalistic-ethnic sectarian –lines.

How to overcome the political mess and chaos;

1. The Arab Spring which started as youth-revolution against dictatorship, tyranny and marginalization, which led to unemployment and poverty, succeeded in Tunisia in bringing a modern secular constitution of a civil democratic governance, encompassing all political parties and all strata of people. **Morocco** and **Jordan** amended their constitution for freedom of expression and human rights and more toward democratic rule and parliamentary government, but failed in Egypt where ideological Islamic party hijacked the revolution and came to power, to marginalize others, who differ in ideology. Egyptian Military-move blocked the movement towards religious state. In other countries as Libya, Syria, Yemen and others, Arab spring resulted in disaster.
2. The only way to get out of this mess, is to stop the madness of creating wars and conflicts, because of sectarian, ethnicity and nationalistic differences. Democracy should prevail where **full participation of all and by all** in governance and power-sharing.
3. Also, harmony with neighboring countries as **Iran** should prevail in increasing the commons to be partners, rather than enemies, so as to create a peaceful region for economic and social development.
4. An integration, through federation or confederation on the modality of European union, should start where economic integration with open-borders for mobility of people, currency and commodity, to be free without borders, keeping flags and political integrity of every state or nation, but let the inhabitants of the region move and work freely as they used to, throughout their history, before Sykes-Picot partitioned the region according to their colonial interests, and invented political borders to block Arab mobility on their historical land.
5. Full democracy has proven to be the most reliable system of governance to yield stability, continuity, and progress, and can accommodate all differences and fractions.

6. **ISIS** and other groups of terrorists should be eradicated through counteracting ideology and combined regional-military.
7. Reforms of education should be established based on human rights, the respect of being different, with freedom of worship, freedom of belief, diversity of sects, religion, ethnicity, nationals, and others which enrich the mosaic of our society.
8. It is about time, to separate religion from politics, and create civil democracy to encompass all fractions of religion, sectarian, nationalistic fractions, and other fractions with full participation in election, parliament, government and governance, no alienation.