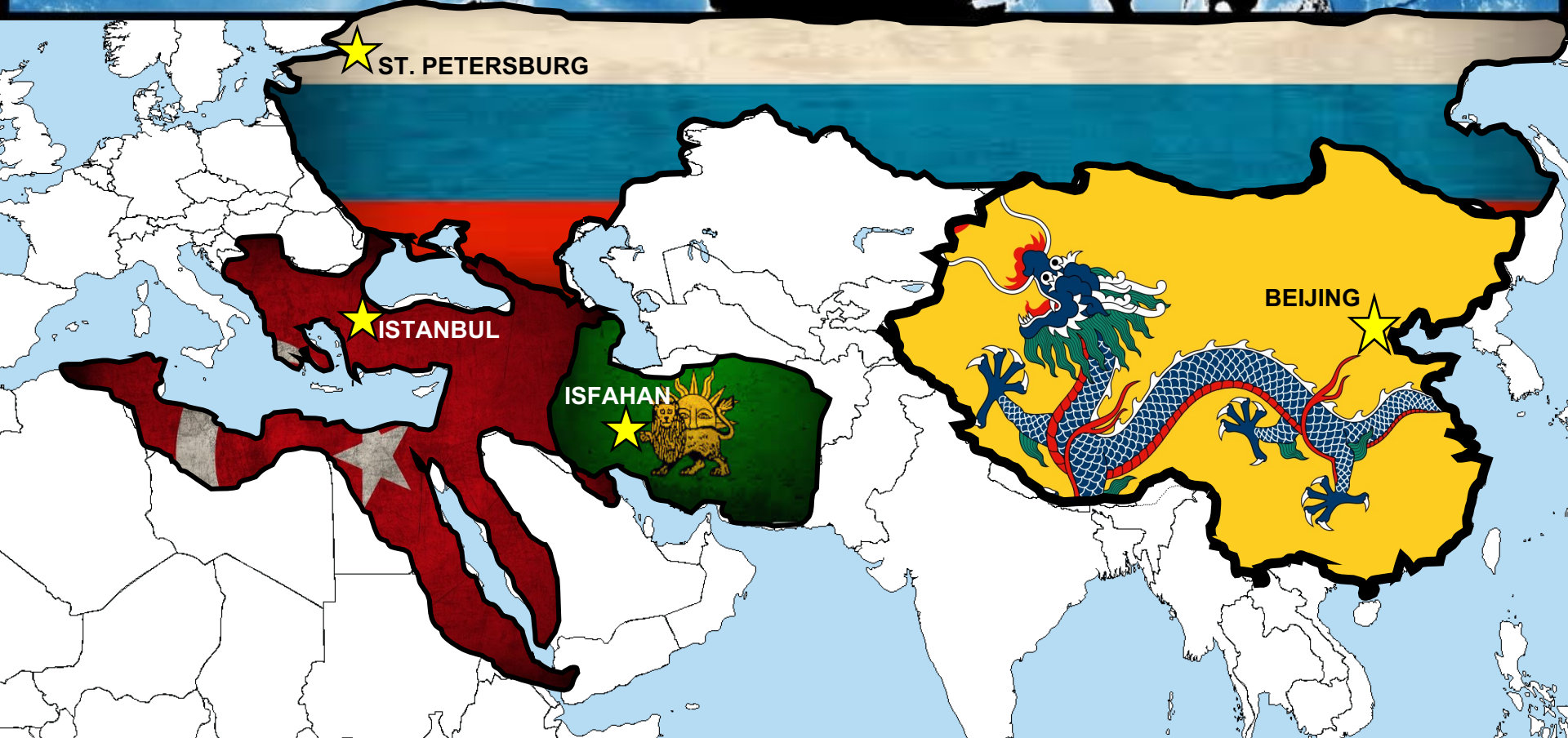


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EMPIRE**



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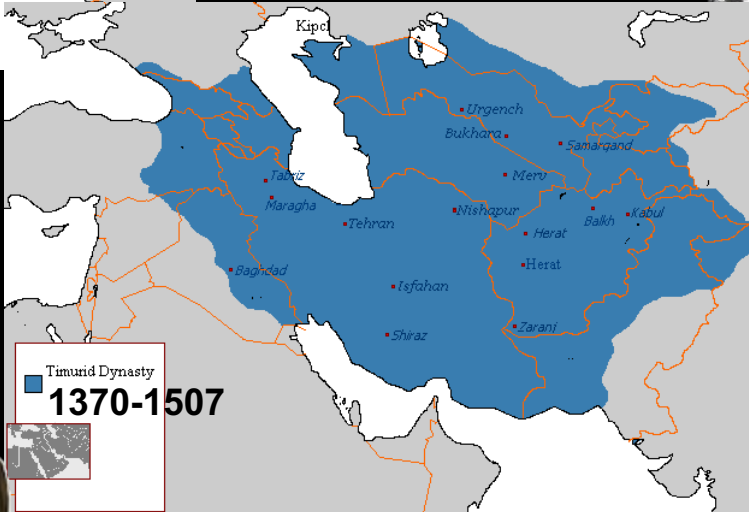
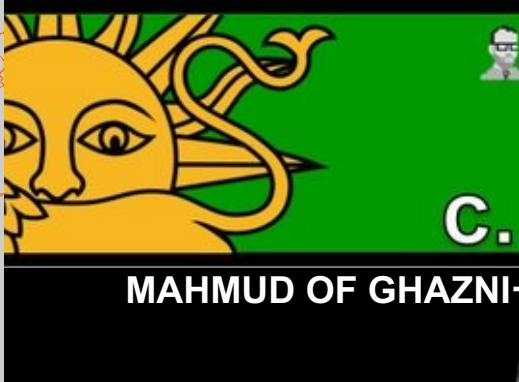
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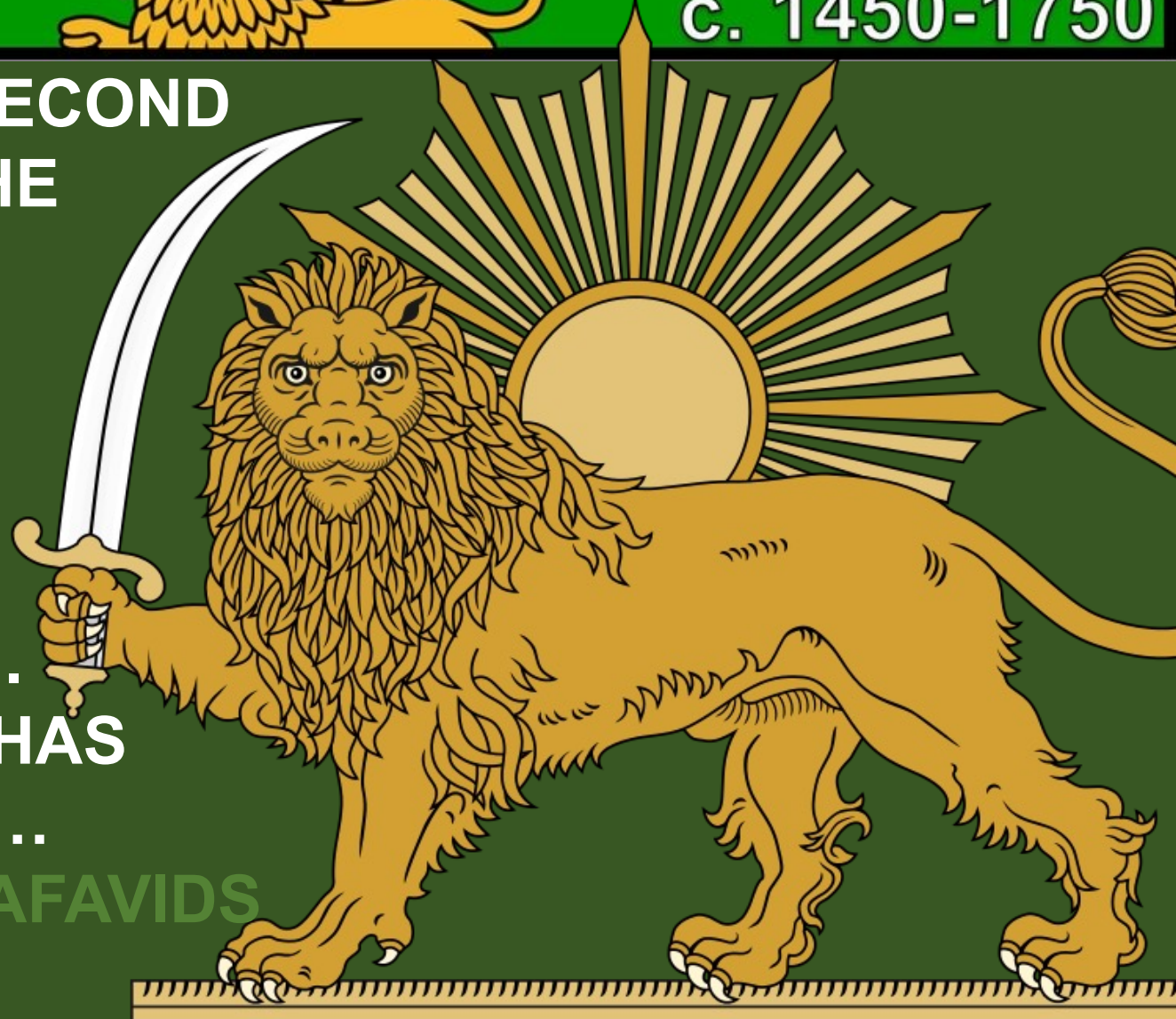
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LET'S TAKE A SECOND  
TO RESPECT THE  
SAFAVID  
EMBLEM OF  
THE "LION  
AND THE SUN"  
THE MANCHUS  
HAD A DRAGON.  
BUT THIS LION HAS  
A SWORD... SO...  
ADVANTAGE=**SAFAVIDS**



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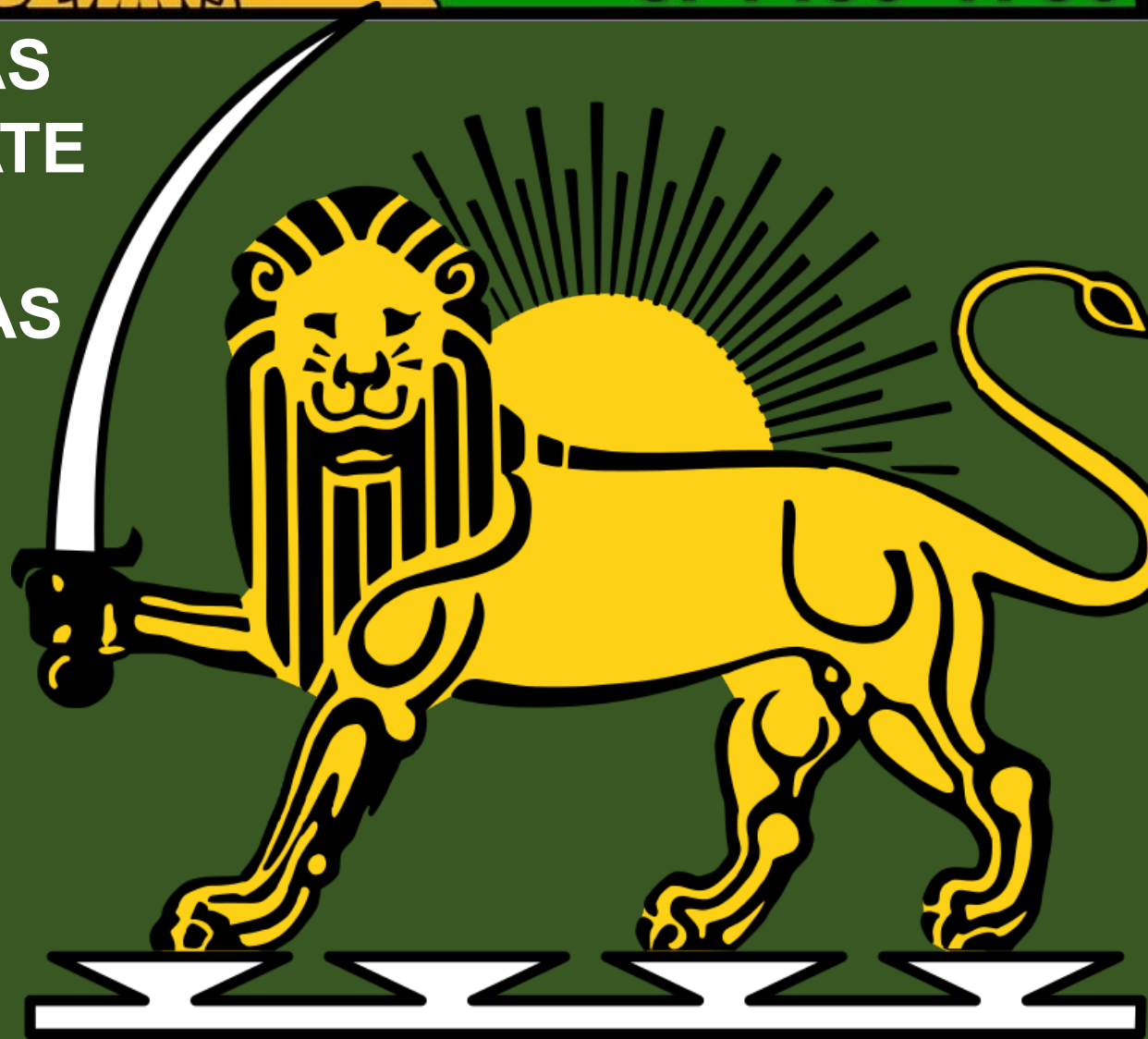
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THIS VERSION WAS  
USED BY THE STATE  
OF IRAN FROM  
1973-1979 AND WAS  
REMOVED  
FOLLOWING THE  
1979 ISLAMIC  
REVOLUTION.



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- PRIOR TO THE SAFAVIDS, IRAN WAS PREDOMINANTLY A SUNNI REGION
  - THE **OTTOMANS** EVEN SENT THEIR ISLAMIC SCHOLARS (**ULAMA**) TO TRAIN IN IRAN AT THEIR MADRASAS
    - *(REMEMBER THE SUFI MADRASA NETWORK THAT IBN BATTUTA MENTIONED IN W.A.W.T.W.)*
- IN THE DECADE IT TOOK ISMAIL TO CONSOLIDATE POWER, HE WORKED TIRELESSLY TO REPLACE SUNNI ISLAM WITH TWELVER SHI'A ISLAM

## REASONS:

- IDEOLOGICAL UNIFORMITY
- CONTRAST WITH RIVAL **OTTOMANS**
- CONVERSION WAS PART OF FORCED RECOGNITION OF SAFAVID LEGITIMACY & RULE (POWER)



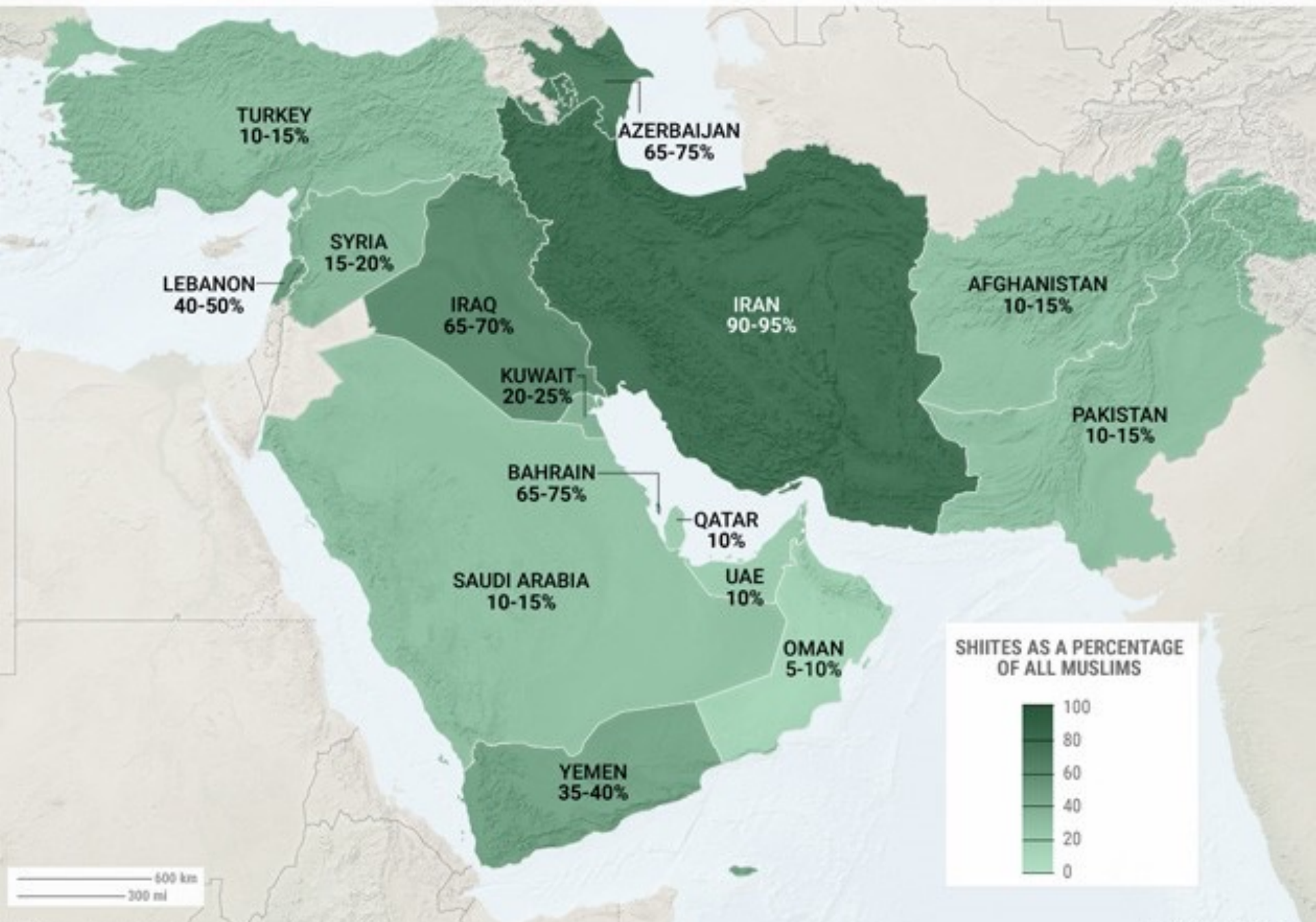
## METHODS:

- FORCED CONVERSION OF SUNNIS IN EMPIRE
- FORCED HABITUAL CURSING OF FIRST THREE CALIPHS
- DESTRUCTION OF SUNNI MOSQUES
- INVITE SHI'A OUTSIDE OF IRAN TO MOVE THERE FOR PROTECTION

*TWELVER SHI'ISM (85% OF SHI'A) BELIEVE THAT 12 IMAMS, SUCCESSORS TO MUHAMMAD. ONE OF THEM, THE MAHDI, WILL RETURN WITH JESUS AT THE END OF THE WORLD TO FIGHT THE ANTI-CHRIST*



# SHIITE POPULATION IN THE MIDDLE EAST



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## QIZILBASH:

ANY NUMBER OF SHI'A  
MILITANTS (MOSTLY TURK)  
WHO HELPED FOUND THE  
SAFAVID EMPIRE

- FANATICALLY LOYAL TO SHAH ISMAIL I (*PRACTICALLY WORSHIPPED HIM*)
- DEVELOPED RIVALRY WITH PERSIANS ("MEN OF THE PEN") IN SAF.
- AFTER THE *BATTLE OF CHALDIRON*, THEIR LOYALTY/POWER WANED



COMMANDERS HAVE THE COWBOYS. YANKEES HAVE THE RED SOX. CLEMSON HAS BAMA. FOR THE SAFAVIDS?

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## NAME OF THE WAR

	BATTLE OF CHALDIRAN	WAR OF 1532-1555	WAR OF 1578-1590	WAR OF 1603-1618	WAR OF 1623-1639	WAR OF 1722-1727	WAR OF 1730-1735	WAR OF 1730-1736	WAR OF 1743-1746
<b>LEADERS:</b>	SELIM vs. ISMAIL	SULEIMAN v. TAHMASP	MURAD vs. ABBAS	AHMED vs. ABBAS	MURAD IV vs. ABBAS	AHMED vs. MAHMUD	AHMED vs. TAHMASP	MAHMUD vs. NADER	MAHMUD vs. NADER
<b>CAUSE:</b>	Safavids backed Selim's rivals in his battle for power.	Territorial disputes & Persian-Hapsburg alliance.	Tahmasp's death provided chaos that Ott's & Uzbeks took advantage of	Abbas used modern military to retake lost lands	Ott. Sultan assassinated & Abbas took advantage of rebellion in Ott.	Safavid decline led Ott & Russia to invade for land grab	Afghans struck to take back land from ←. <small>(*SAFAVIDS ARE DONE AT THIS POINT SEE ASTERISK)</small>	Same story as the previous war. Nader took land from Ottomans.	Nader attempted to take Baghdad.
<b>WINNER:</b>	OTTOMAN EMPIRE	OTTOMAN EMPIRE	OTTOMAN EMPIRE	SAFAVID EMPIRE	OTTOMAN EMPIRE	STALEMATE	SAFAVID EMPIRE	SAFAVID EMPIRE	STALEMATE
<b>OUTCOME:</b>	Ott's gain E. Anatolia & Iraq. Shi'a uprisings in Ott Emp. End.	Large territorial gains for the Ottoman Empire	Territory gained by Ott's & Saf ended Sunni persecution	Abbas retook Caucasus, Mesopotamia, & E. Anatolia	Ott's retake Mesop. Set modern border for Iran/Iraq	Ott's fought Afghans & gained some land in Persia	Nader Shah takes control of Persia. He is now the power in Iran.	Nader recognized as leader of Persia.	Afghan-Ottoman diplomacy group.

# OTTOMAN EMPIRE



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ANALYZE THE SIMILARITIES & DIFFERENCES OF THE TWO GREATEST RIVALS OF THIS PERIOD: THE OTTOMAN AND SAFAVID EMPIRES.

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