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Keeping the Peace

- An international peacekeeping organization, the *United Nations (UN)*, came into existence in 1945 with 51 original members.

United Nations
New York City, NY

Original 51 Members of the United Nations

Argentina, Australia, Belgium, Bolivia, Brazil, Belarus, Canada, Chile, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Czechoslovakia, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Ethiopia, France, Greece, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, India, Iran, Iraq, Lebanon, Liberia, Luxembourg, Mexico, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Norway, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, Syrian Arab Republic, Turkey, Ukraine, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America, Uruguay, Venezuela, Yugoslavia

- Member nations are a part of the General Assembly.

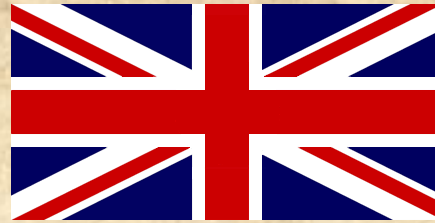


United Nations General Assembly

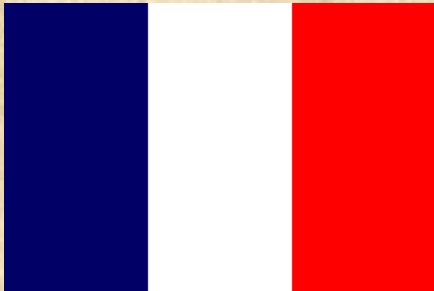
The Security Council has 15 members-- five permanent members and 10 elected by the General Assembly for two-year terms. The permanent members are:



China



Great Britain



France



United States



Russia



Flag of the United Nations



Indian soldiers, Lebanon, 2006



*Chinese soldier, Haiti,
2006*



UN soldiers from Ghana patrol in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, 2006



United Nations Secretary General Ban Ki-moon

Opposing Alliances

· In 1949, the U.S. formed an alliance with friendly European countries called the *North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO)*.

· The members of NATO would defend each other against any Soviet aggression.





- In 1955, the Soviet Union formed its own military alliance called the *Warsaw Pact*.

- The Warsaw Pact was made up of Eastern European countries dominated by Soviet control.

NATO COUNTRIES

BEL. BELGIUM

BGR. BULGARIA

CAN. CANADA

CZE. CZECH REP.

DNK. DENMARK

EST. ESTONIA

FRA. FRANCE

DEU. GERMANY

GRC. GREECE

HUN. HUNGARY

ISL. ICELAND

ITA. ITALY

LVA. LATVIA

LTU. LITHUANIA

LUX. LUXEMBOURG

NLD. NETHERLANDS

NOR. NORWAY

POL. POLAND

ROU. ROMANIA

PRT. PORTUGAL

SVK. SLOVAKIA

SVN. SLOVENIA

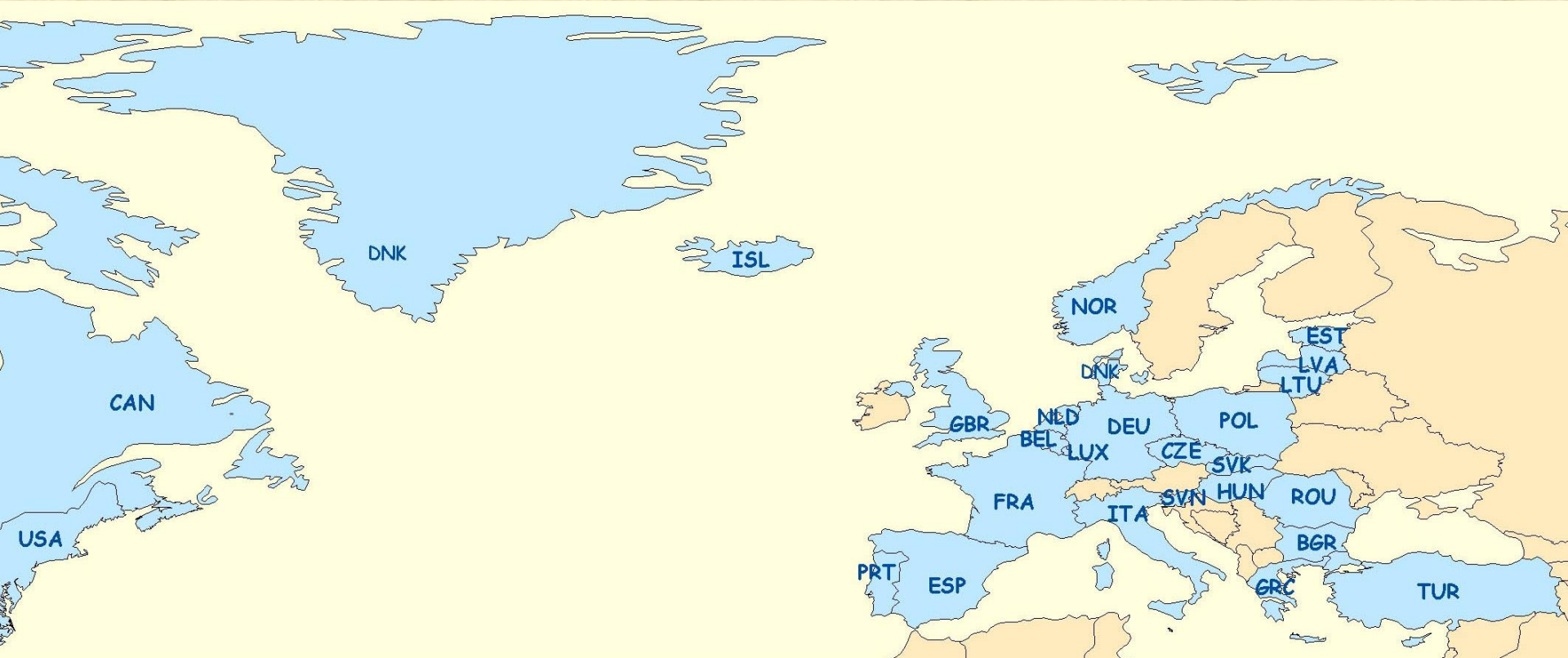
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TUR. TURKEY

GBR. UNITED KINGDOM

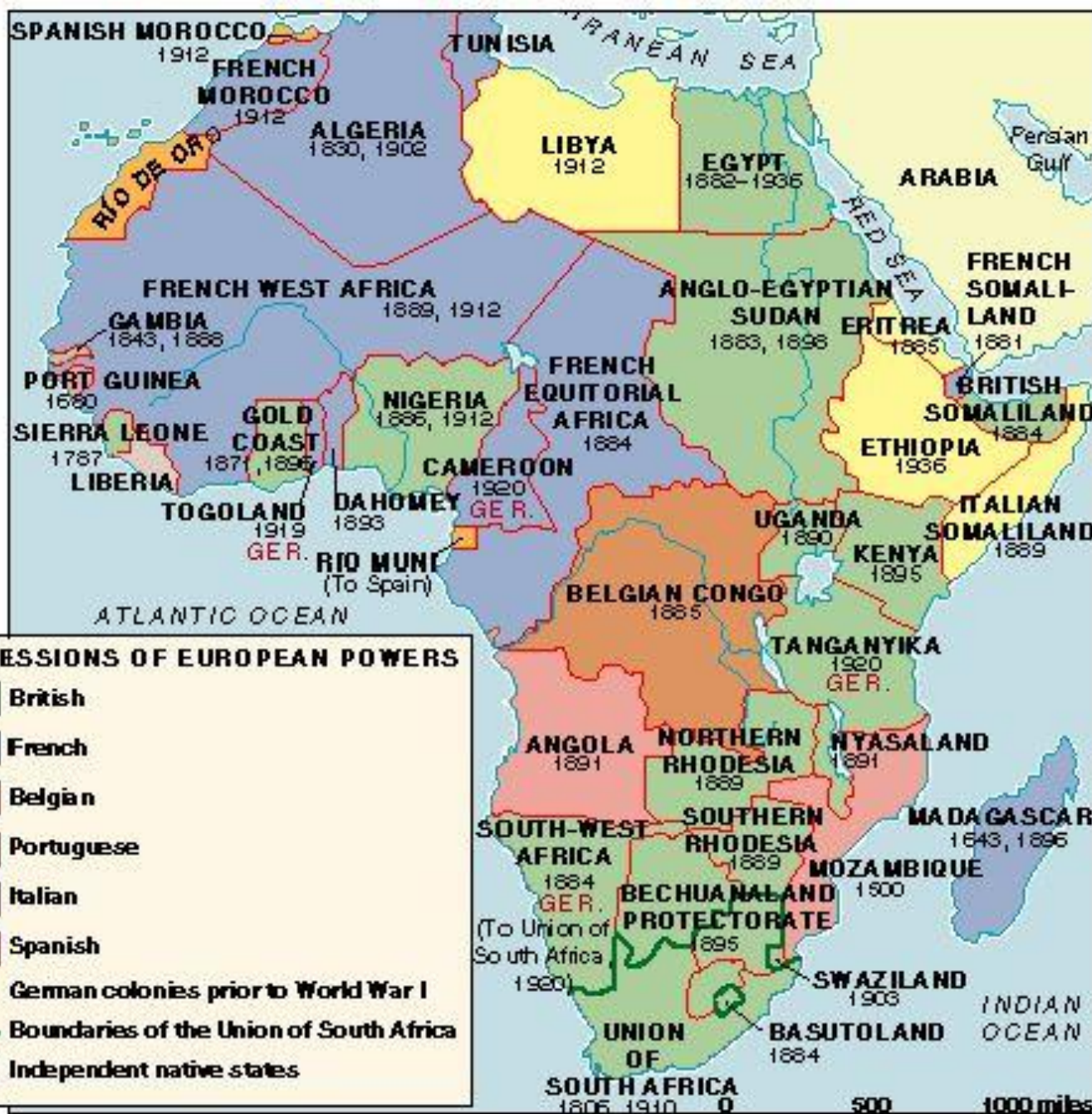
USA. UNITED STATES

Current NATO Members



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