

United Nations

Name of general secretaries

- Trygve Lie (Norvegia: 1946-1952)
- Dag Hammarskjold (Svezia: 1953-1961)
- U Thant (Birmania: 1961-1971)
- Kurt Waldheim (Austria: 1972-1981)
- Javier Perez de Cuellar (Perù: 1982-1991)
- Boutros Boutros-Ghali (Egitto: 1992-1996)
- Kofi Annan (Ghana: 1997-2006)
- Ban Ki-Moon (Corea del Sud: 2007-2016)

Number of member States:

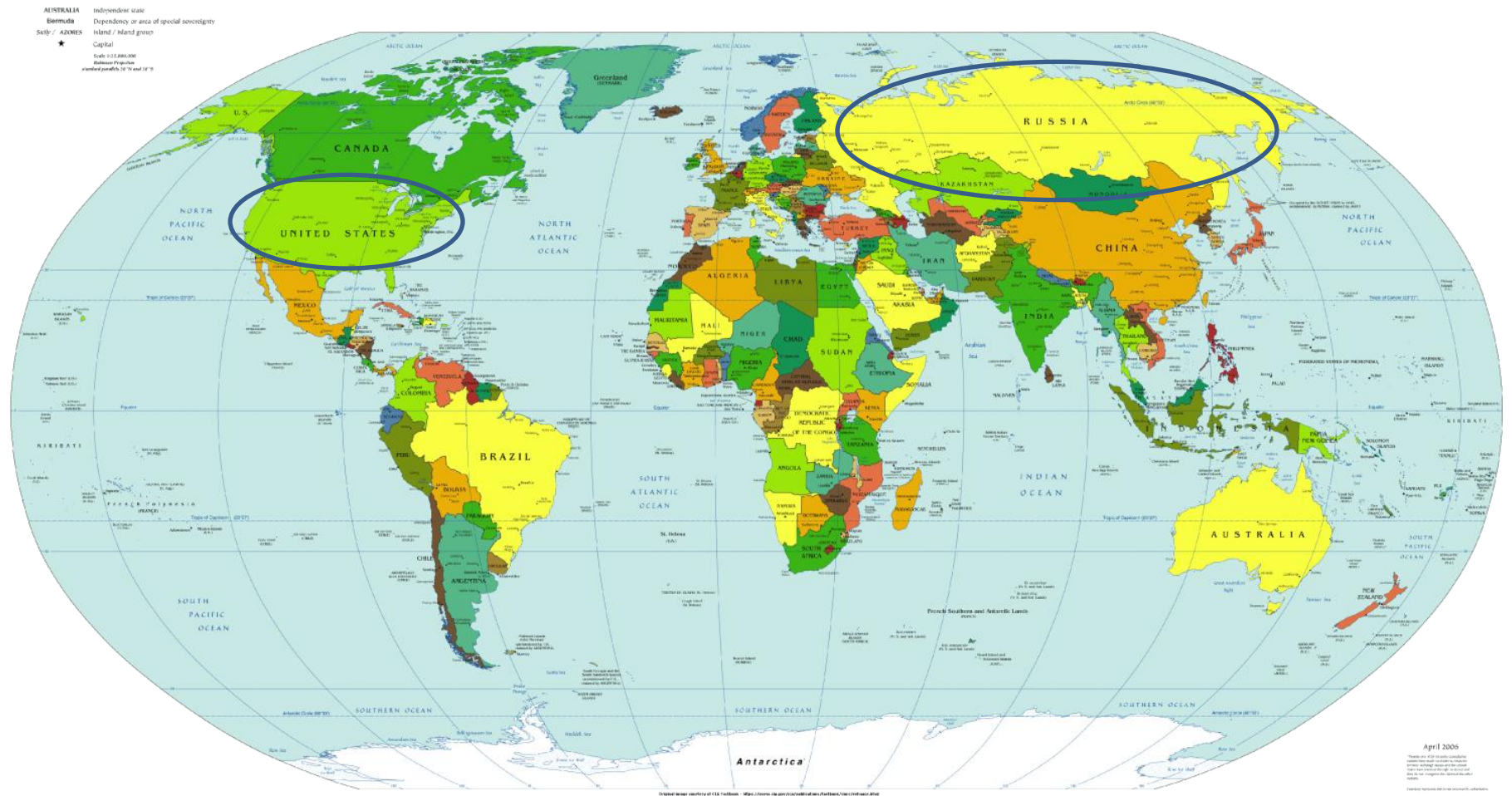
- 1945-1955: 51
- 1955-1965: 76
- 1965-1975: 117
- 1975-1985: 144
- 1985-1995: 159
- 1995-2005: 185
- 2005-2013: 193

The iron curtain

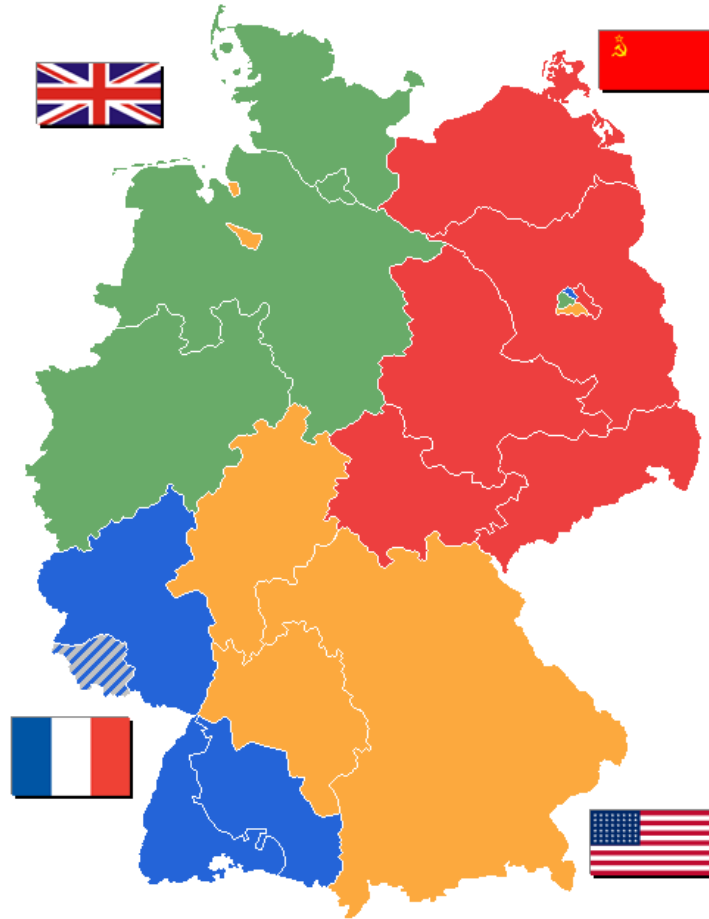


Cold war bipolar system

Political Map of the World, April 2006



The postwar situation of occupied Germany



International wars or crisis over the Cold war period

Korean war 1950-1953

Berlin wall 1961-1989

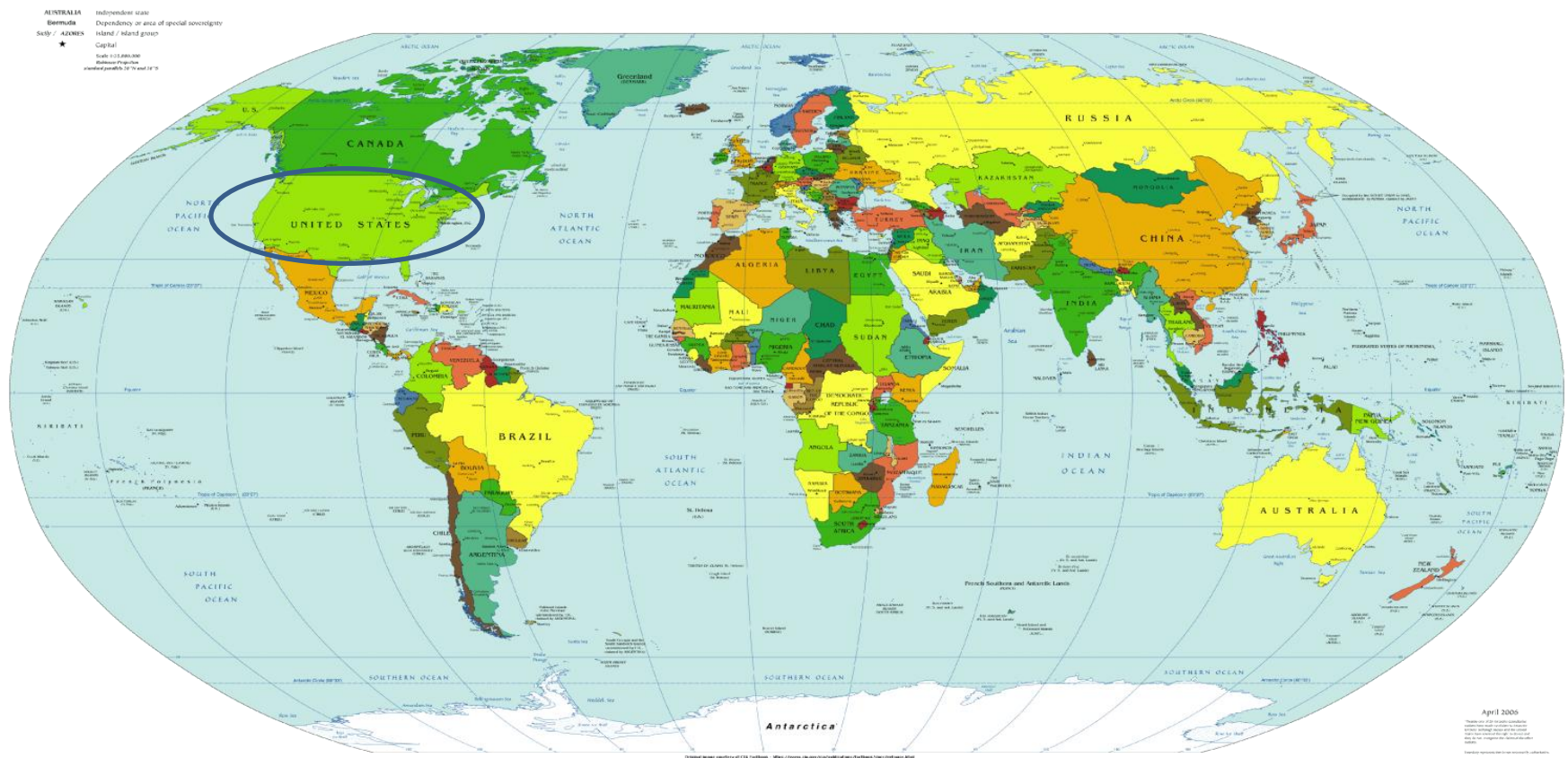
Cuban missiles crisis

Vietnamese war 1965-1972

1991-2001

The western “imperial” globalization?

Political Map of the World, April 2006



Main military crisis at the end of XXth century

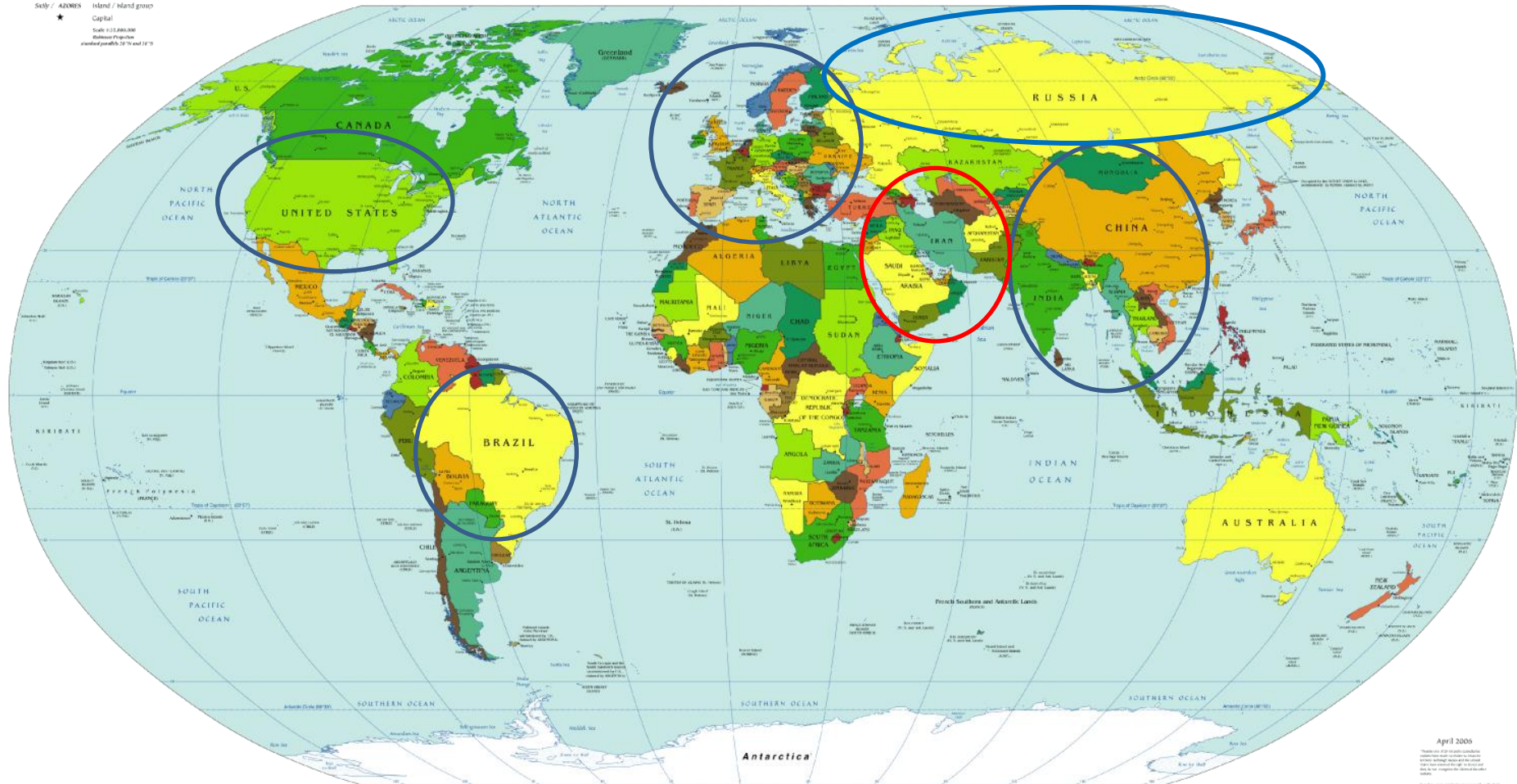


The XXIst century

A new multipolar system

Political Map of the World, April 2006

- INDEPENDENT STATES
- DEPENDENCY OR AREA OF SPECIAL SOVEREIGNTY
- ISLAND / ISLAND GROUP
- CAPITAL
- Scale: 1:125,000,000
- Robinson Projection
- Numbered parallels at 1° and 10°



A political-institutional survey on models of governance and ideologies

- The constitutional path (from english laboratory over XVIIth century to XIXth-XXth century Constitutions)
- The role of Montesquieu's model and of the «Contrat social» by J.J. Rousseau
- People's sovereignty: between direct democracy and representative one
- The role of political parties: Reform act (1832), mass parties, parties and State control
- Institutions, State, ideologies: constitutional bourgeois State and Liberalism, the socialist reaction from Marx to Lenin, fascist State and nazi totalitarian system