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BORDER CITY

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Border city does not acknowledge border as a line, but as a territory.

Border city opportunistically looks toward the merging of cultures and the exchange of people and flows.

Border city is both port, souk, caravanserai, city and border crossing.

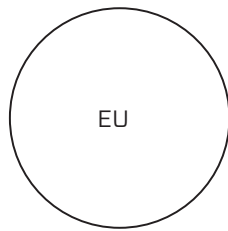
Border city is a framework for a borderless city.



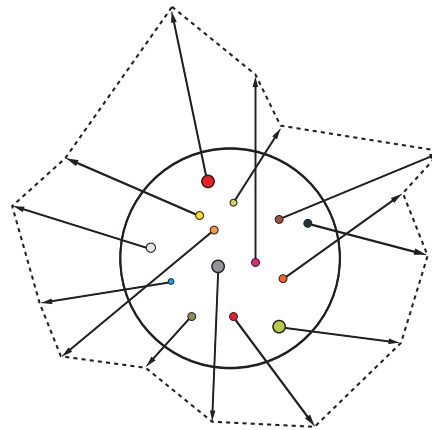
A boundary is not that at which something stops,
but as the Greeks recognized, the boundary is
that from which something begins its presencing.



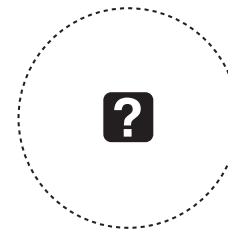
-Martin Heidegger



EU as legally constructed



EU as resultant border



EU Border?



1957

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Germany
France
Italy
United Kingdom
Luxembourg
Netherlands



TREATY OF ROME

The Treaty of Rome established a cooperative trade agreement to allow the “**free flow of goods, services, and peoples,**” within the member state’s **borders.**²¹ The countries under this treaty created an “economic border” that can be read as separate from the traditional notion of nation state territorial boundaries. This border was an economically devised **transnational border,** creating new flows through politically connected territories. The first treaty within Treaty of Rome established the EEC [European Economic Community], which would later become the EU. The border that was created connected **two continents,** as Algeria was still under France’s sovereignty in 1957.



1985

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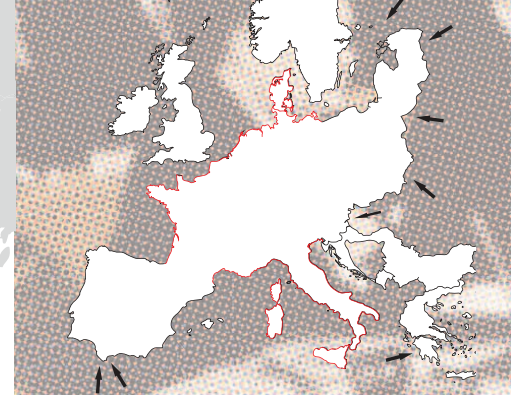
West Germany
France
Italy
United Kingdom
Spain
Netherlands
Luxembourg
Belgium
Greece
Portugal
Austria
Denmark
Ireland



ACT OF ACCESSION (SPAIN) SCHENGEN AGREEMENT

Spain and Portugal joined the EEC in 1985, and with the merger of these countries, the EEC's boundary established a greater presence in the Mediterranean and in Africa. The Single European Act signed in 1986, gradually turned the EEC as a **Customs Union** into a **Common Market** over a seven year period with the formation of the EU in 1993.²²

The **Schengen Agreement** created a **territory** where the **free movement of persons is guaranteed**. The **internal border of countries were "abolished"** in favor of an **external border**. This agreement manifests in the EU motto "Fortress Europe," and simultaneously created a strong desire for migrants to reach the Europe.²³



2007

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GermanyFranceItalyUnited KingdomSpain PolandRomaniaNetherlandsBelgiumCzech RepublicGreeceHungaryPortugalSwedenAustriaBulgariaFinlandDenmarkSlovakiaIrelandLithuaniaLatviaSloveniaCyprusEstoniaLuxembourgMalta

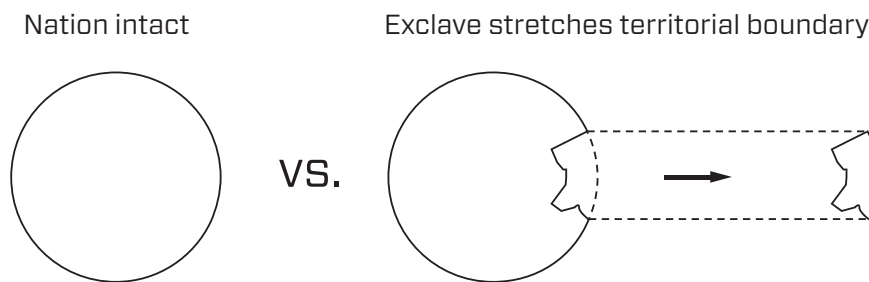


“FORTRESS EUROPE” CURRENT STATE OF EU

The EU IS now a unified body of 27 countries. The Shengen Agreement, critical for the EU to position itself advantageously in the **free world market** has put tremendous strain on the fringes of the **EU** as it has become a **desirable place for immigration**. Immigration has led to militarization and increased surveillance at the border of the EU, in an attempt to maintain it's internal freedom.

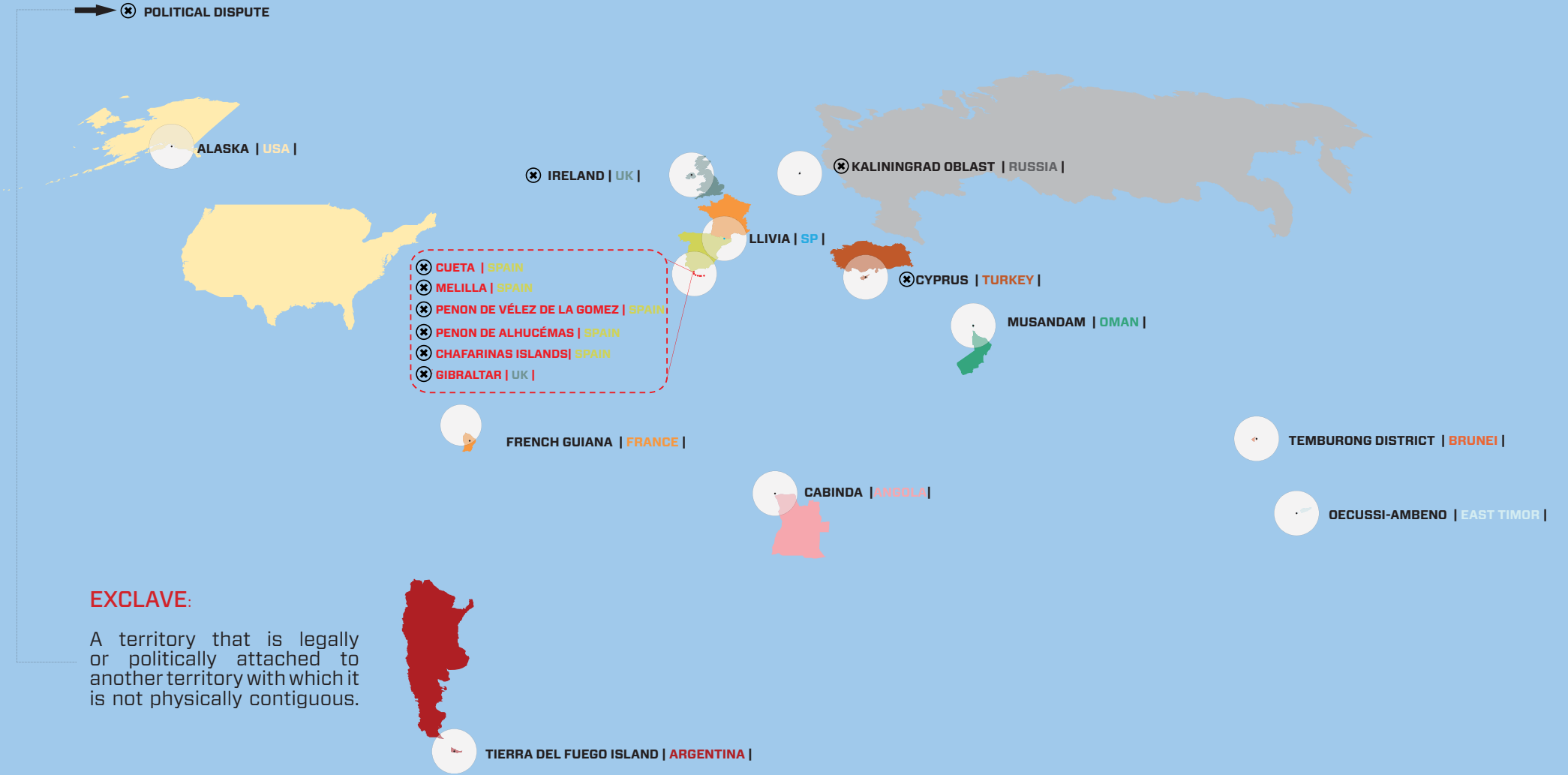
Thus, the moto **“Fortress Europe,”** has manifested most visibly at the border as these spaces are oftentimes radically different **goeconomic** or **geopolitical** situations.

EXCLAVES STRETCH GEOPOLITICAL BOUNDARIES



DISPUTED EXCLAVES

→ ⊗ POLITICAL DISPUTE



EXCLAVE:

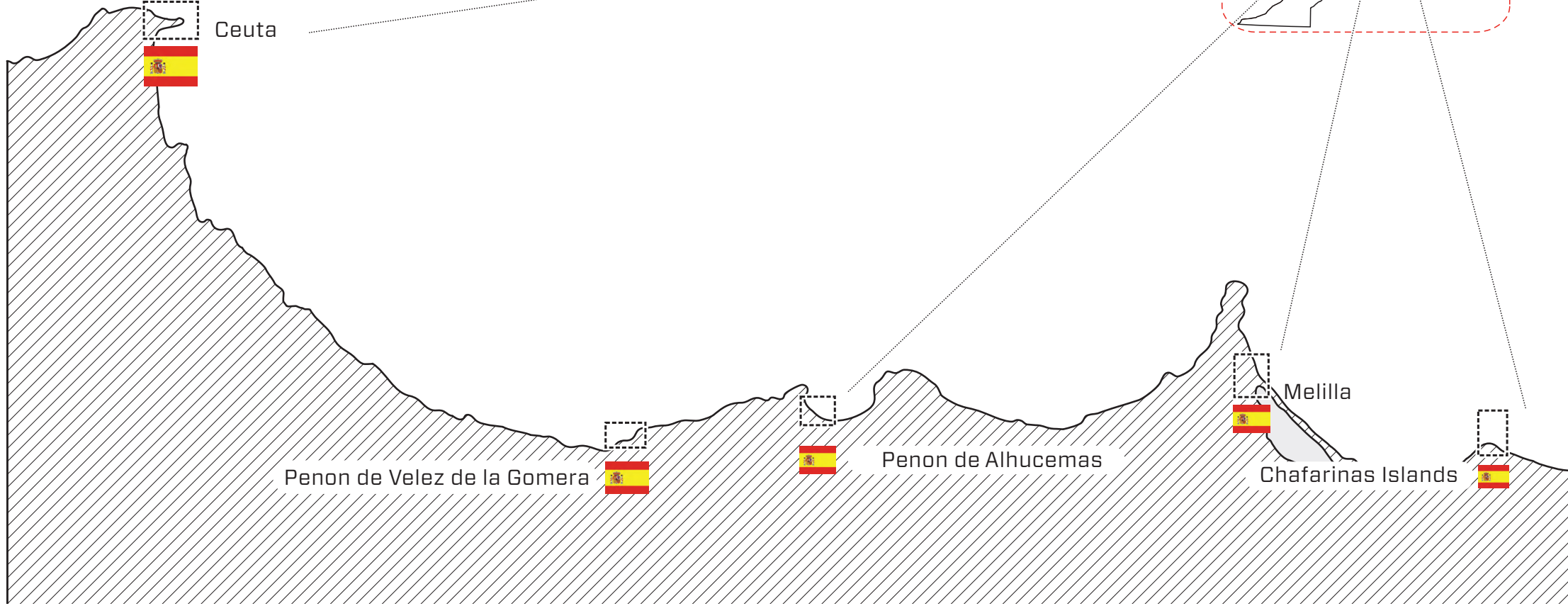
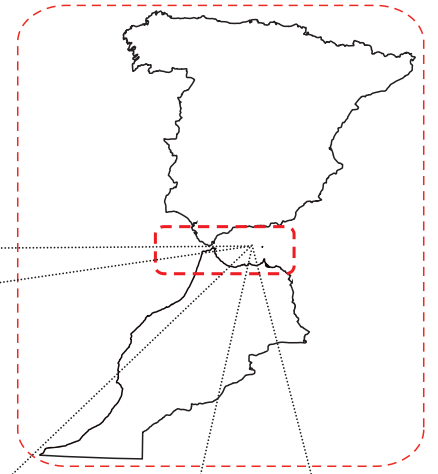
A territory that is legally or politically attached to another territory with which it is not physically contiguous.



Gibraltar



Ceuta



Penon de Velez de la Gomera



Penon de Alhucemas

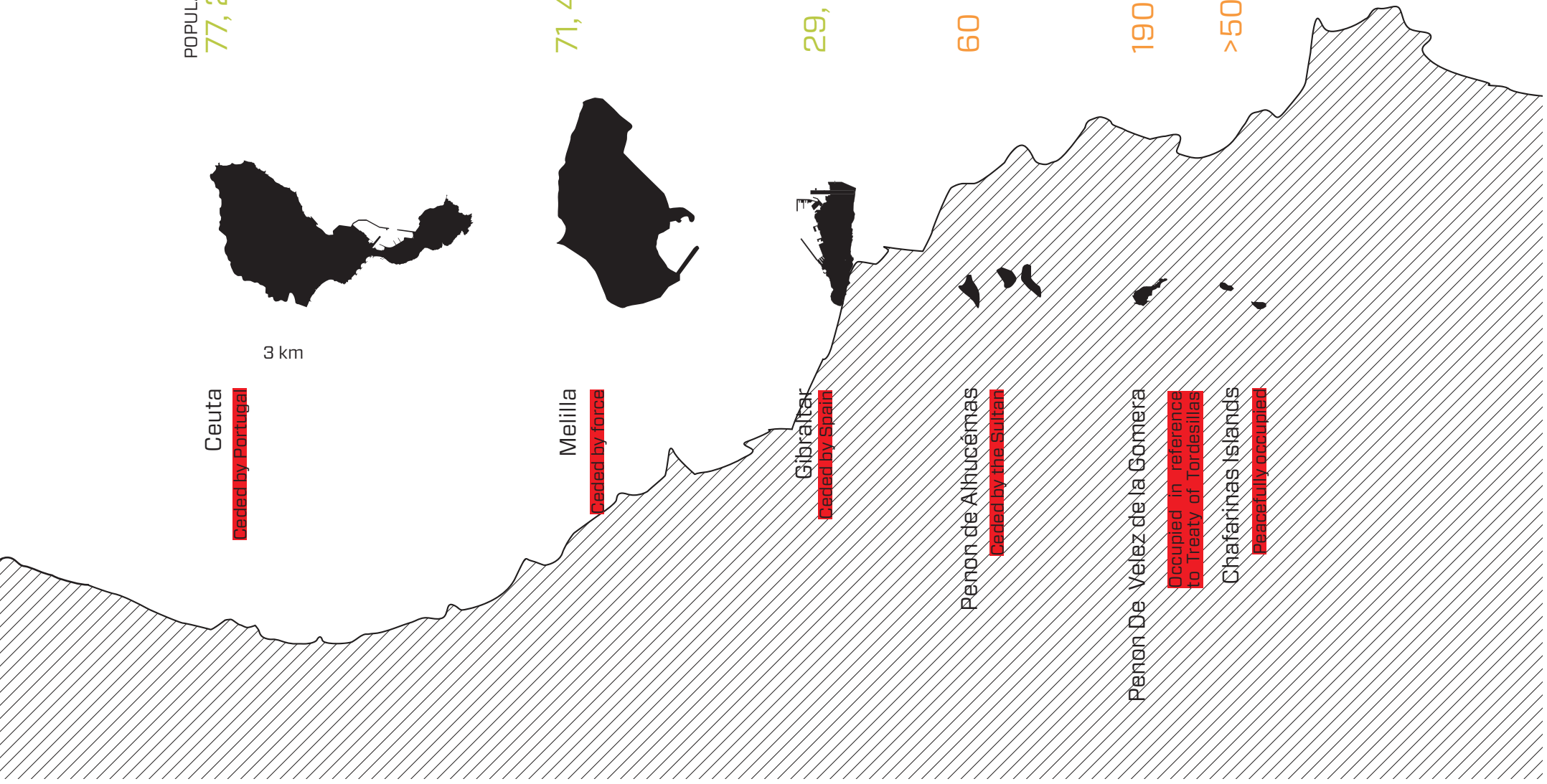


Melilla



Chafarinas Islands





POPULATION
77,289

Ceuta
Ceded by Portugal

3 km

71,448

Meiïlla
Ceded by force

29,431

Gibraltar
Ceded by Spain

60

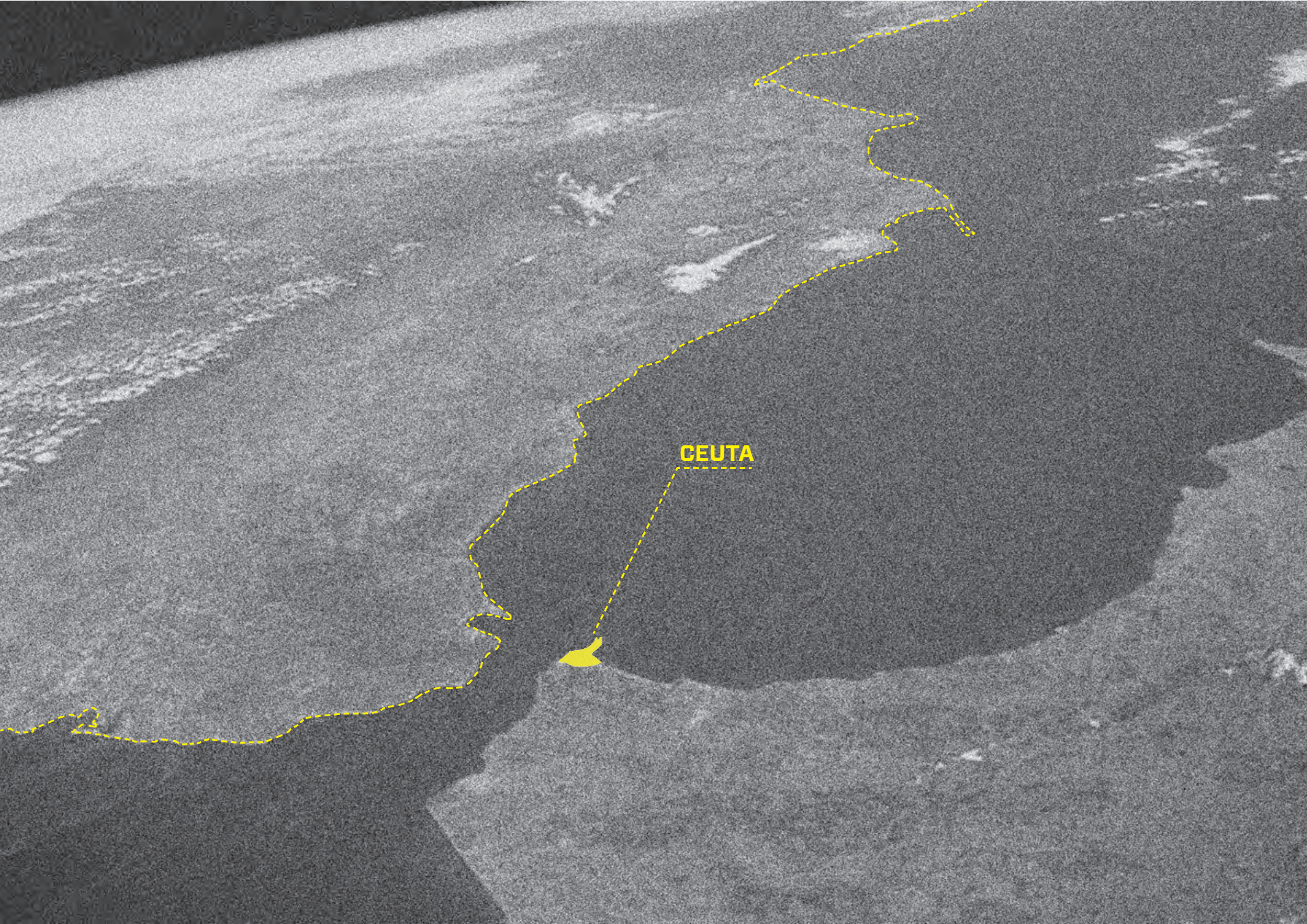
Penon de Alhucemas
Ceded by the Sultan

190

Penon De Velez de la Gomera
Occupied in reference to Treaty of Tordesillas

>50

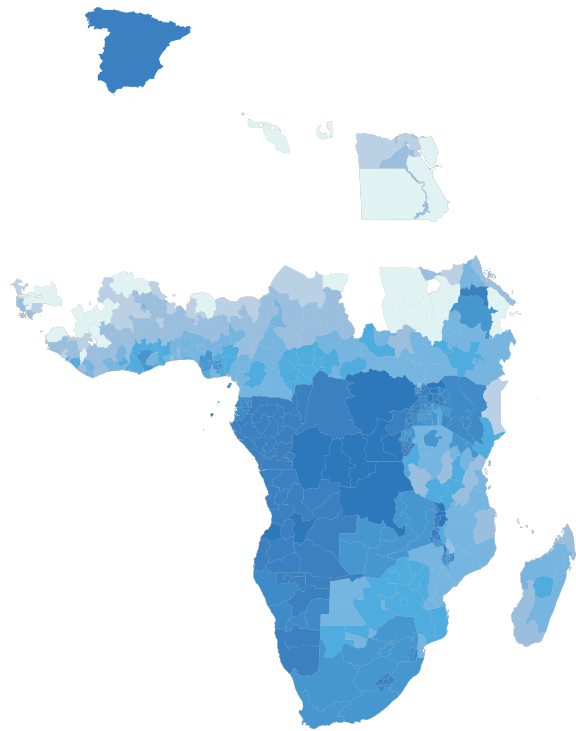
Chafarinas Islands
Peacefully occupied



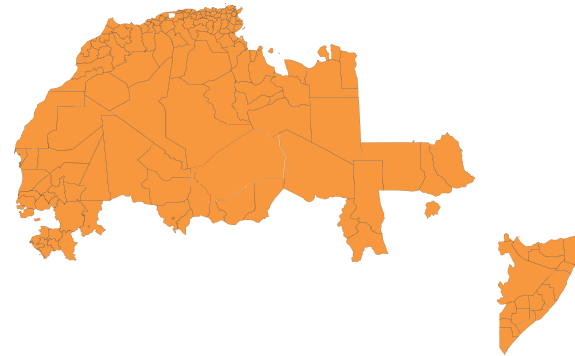
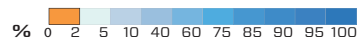
CEUTA



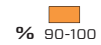
**CEUTA AS SPACE DEFINING TRANSITION
BETWEEN ISLAM AND CHRISTIANITY**

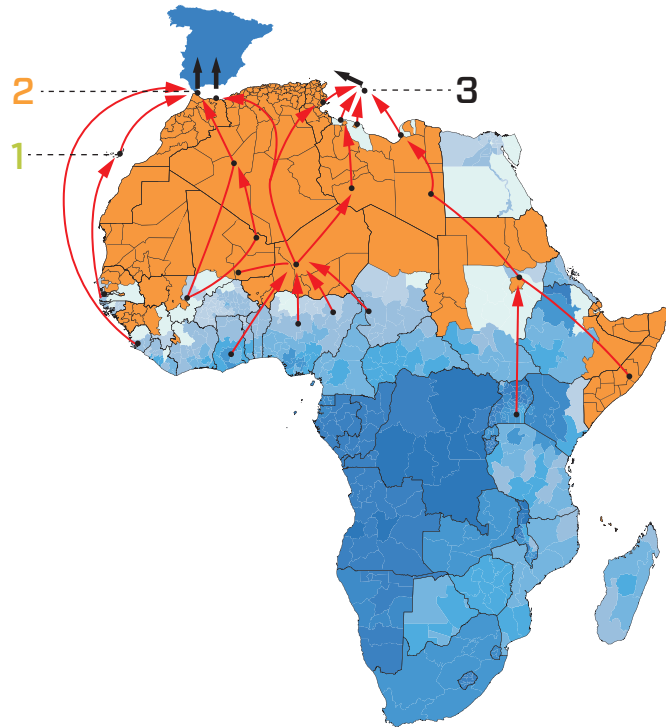


Areas of Christianity



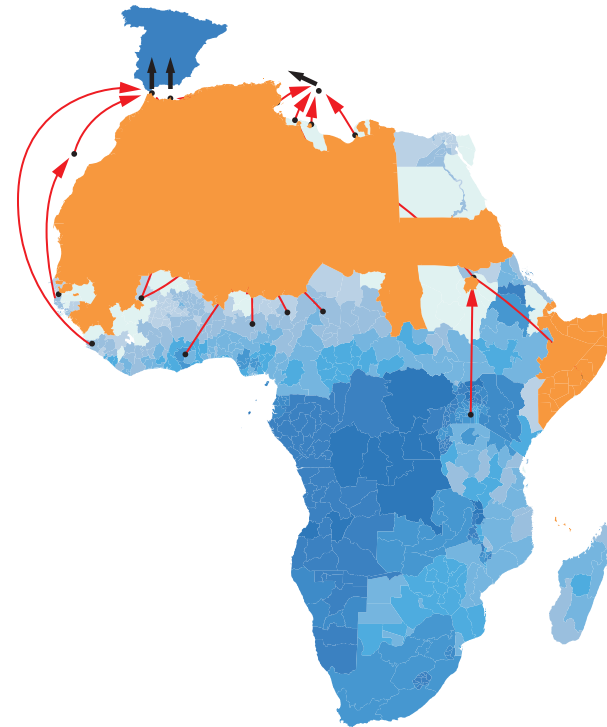
Areas of Islam





Sub-Saharan migrant routes

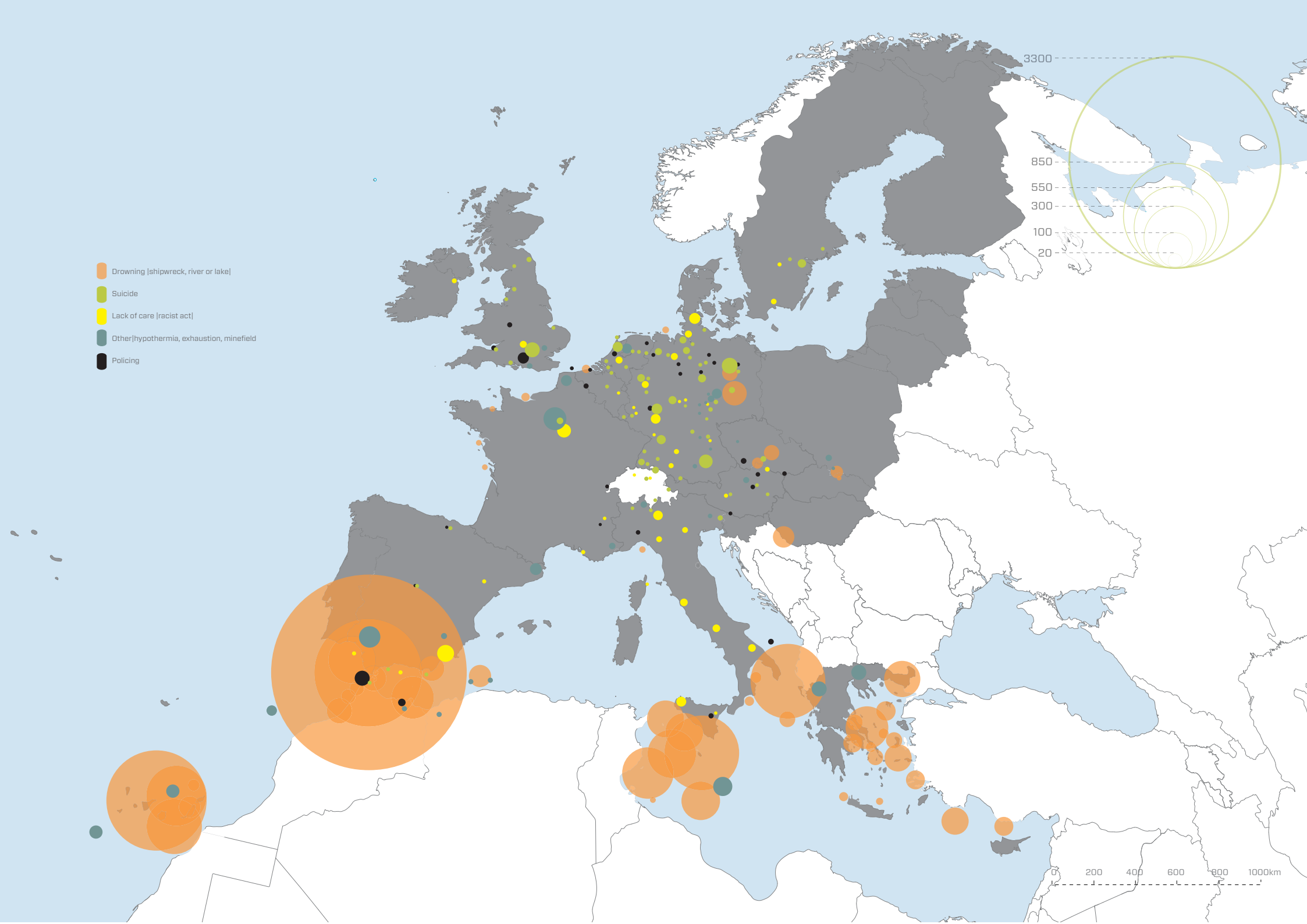
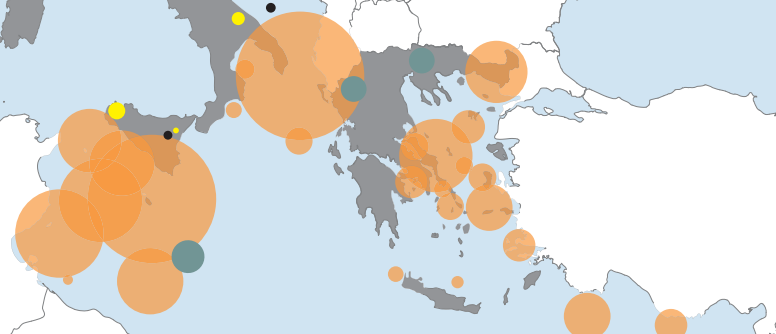
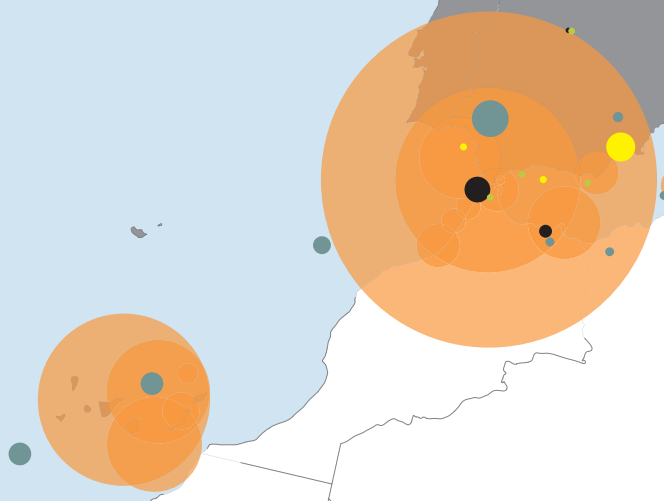
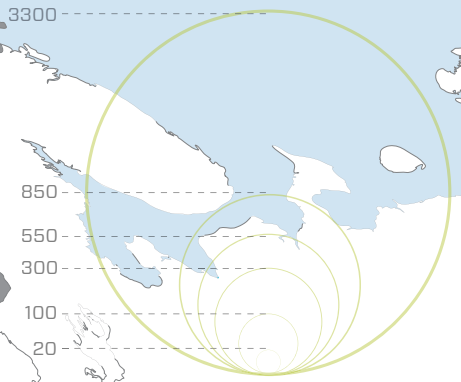
1. The coast of Western Africa where pateras can access the **Canary Islands**.
2. Travel through Libya to reach the coast of **Malta and Italy**.
3. Travel through Saharan dessert, Morocco, and into **Ceuta or Melilla**.



Concentration of routes in relation to Christian-Spain


The extreme dialectic between Christianity and Muslim territories is physically manifested at the borders of Ceuta and Melilla, where literally the Muslim territory of Morocco plays "host" to the Christian exclaves.

- Drowning [shipwreck, river or lake]
- Suicide
- Lack of care [racist act]
- Other [hypothermia, exhaustion, minefield]
- Policing

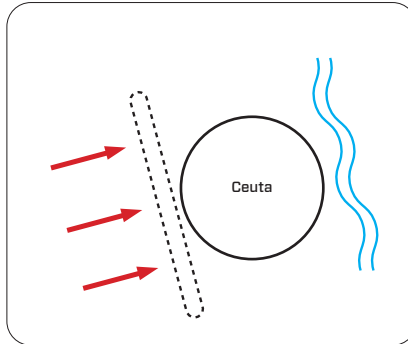


An aerial photograph showing a heavily fortified border area. The terrain is rugged and mountainous. A series of soldiers in dark uniforms are positioned along a line of barbed wire that runs across the landscape. The wire is supported by wooden posts and forms a complex, multi-layered barrier. In the background, there are more soldiers and some structures, possibly part of a military installation or a checkpoint. The overall scene conveys a sense of a high-security, militarized zone.

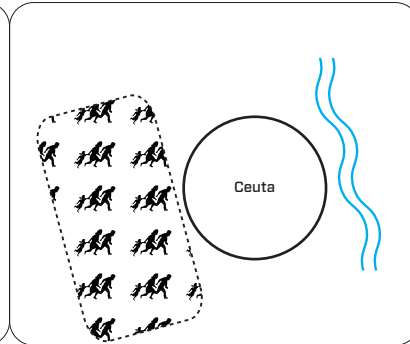
CEUTA AS PHYSICAL EMBODIMENT OF FORTRESS EUROPE



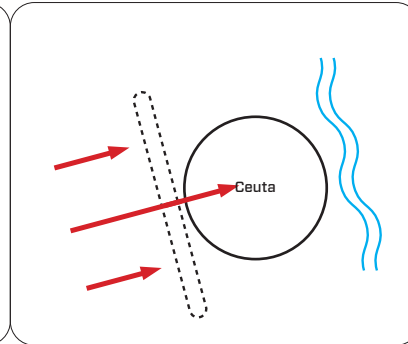
I entered Ceuta
in my 8th attempt.



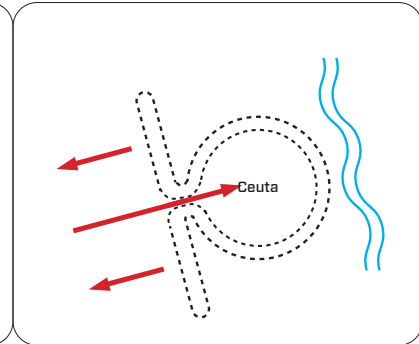
Migrants reach Ceuta



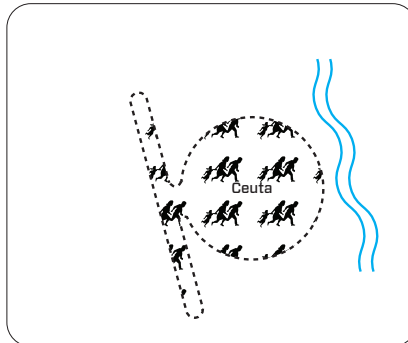
Migrants wait outside border for 1-2 yrs.



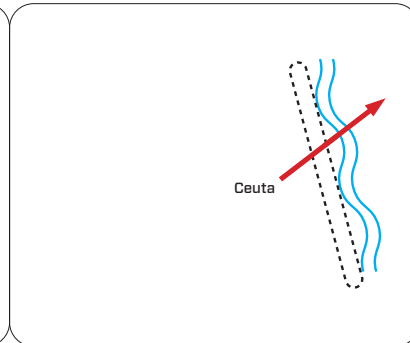
Migrants breach boundary, filters through



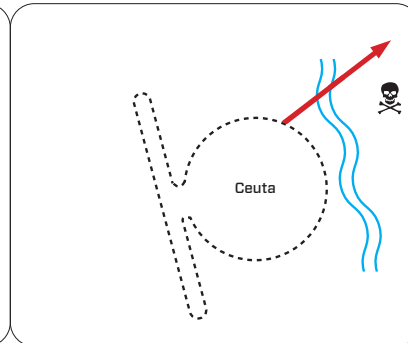
Boundary "accepts difference"



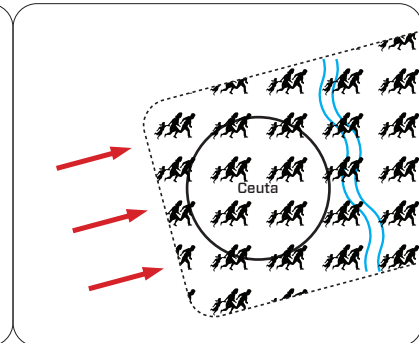
Migrants held in Ceuta for avg. 2-4 yrs.



New "border" established at Strait of Gibraltar



Migrant passes away in Strait or reaches EU



Boundary extends, cycle repeats



MOROCCO AS DEVELOPING NATION

CAT

938G

Tractor
CAT

D4 1064

2010

1 in 5 container ships **in the world** pass through the **Strait of Gibraltar**

- | 240 Vessels a day
- | 150 vessels a day >1,000 gross tonnage
- | 73,000 vessels a year

2015

The Tanger-Med port is on course to reach 8 million containers, 7 million passengers, 700,000 trucks, 2 million vehicles, and 10 million MT of oil products by 2015. This will make the Tanger-Med region a economic force in the Mediterranean and in the world.

+150,000 JOBS

Tanger-Med Port

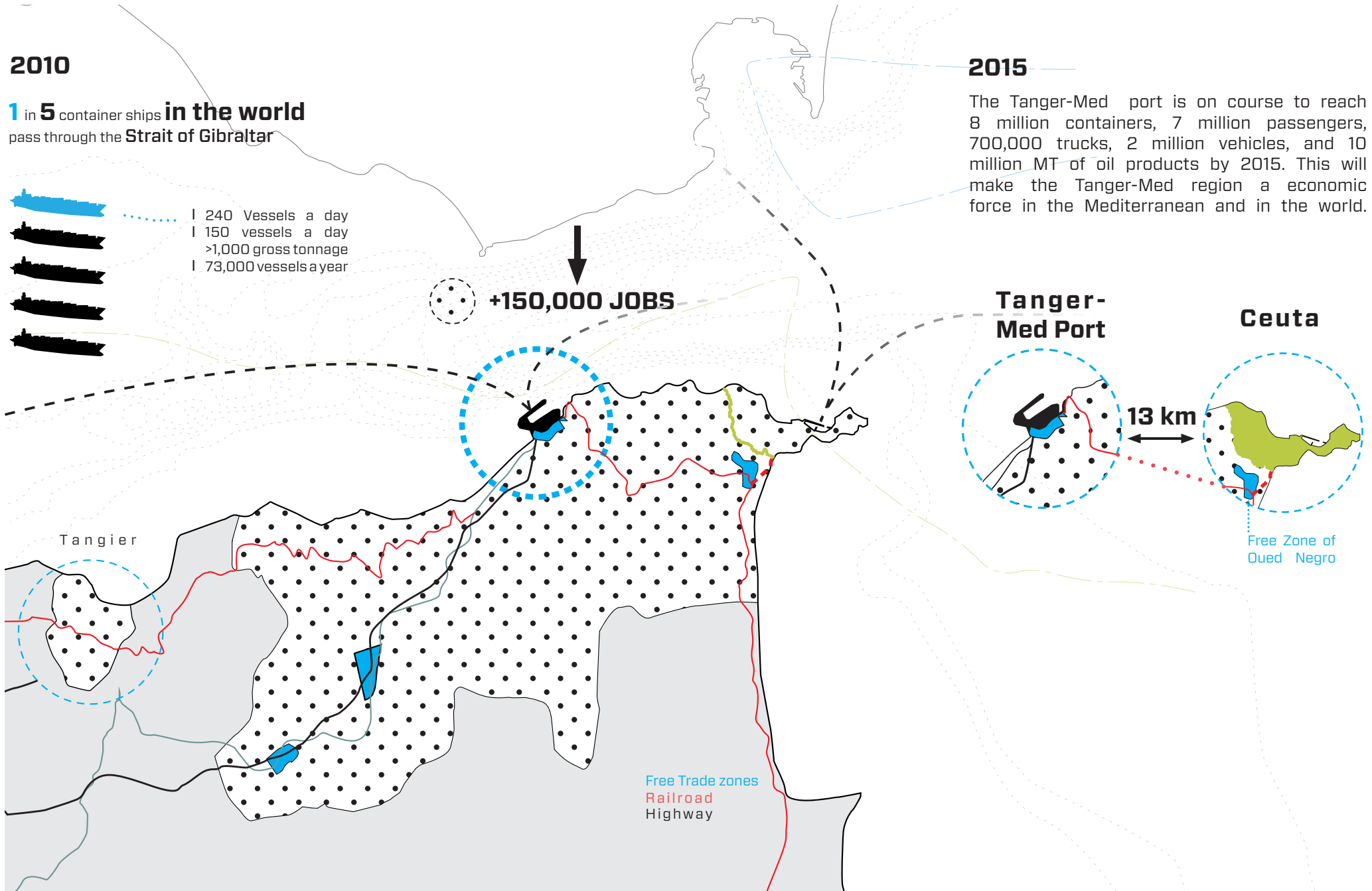
Ceuta

13 km

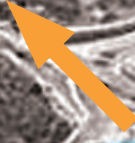
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Free Trade zones
Railroad
Highway

Free Zone of Oued Negro



To Ceuta



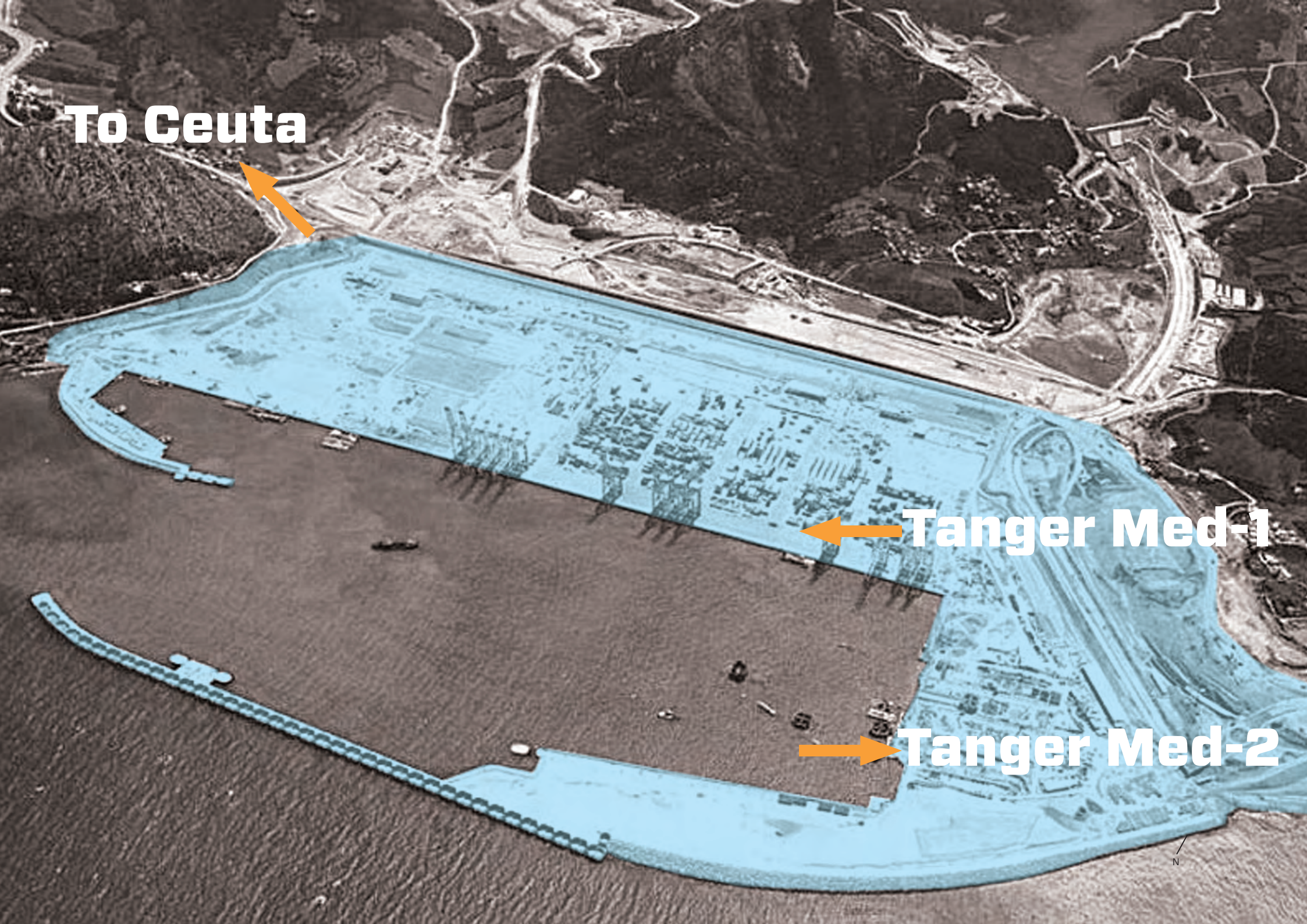
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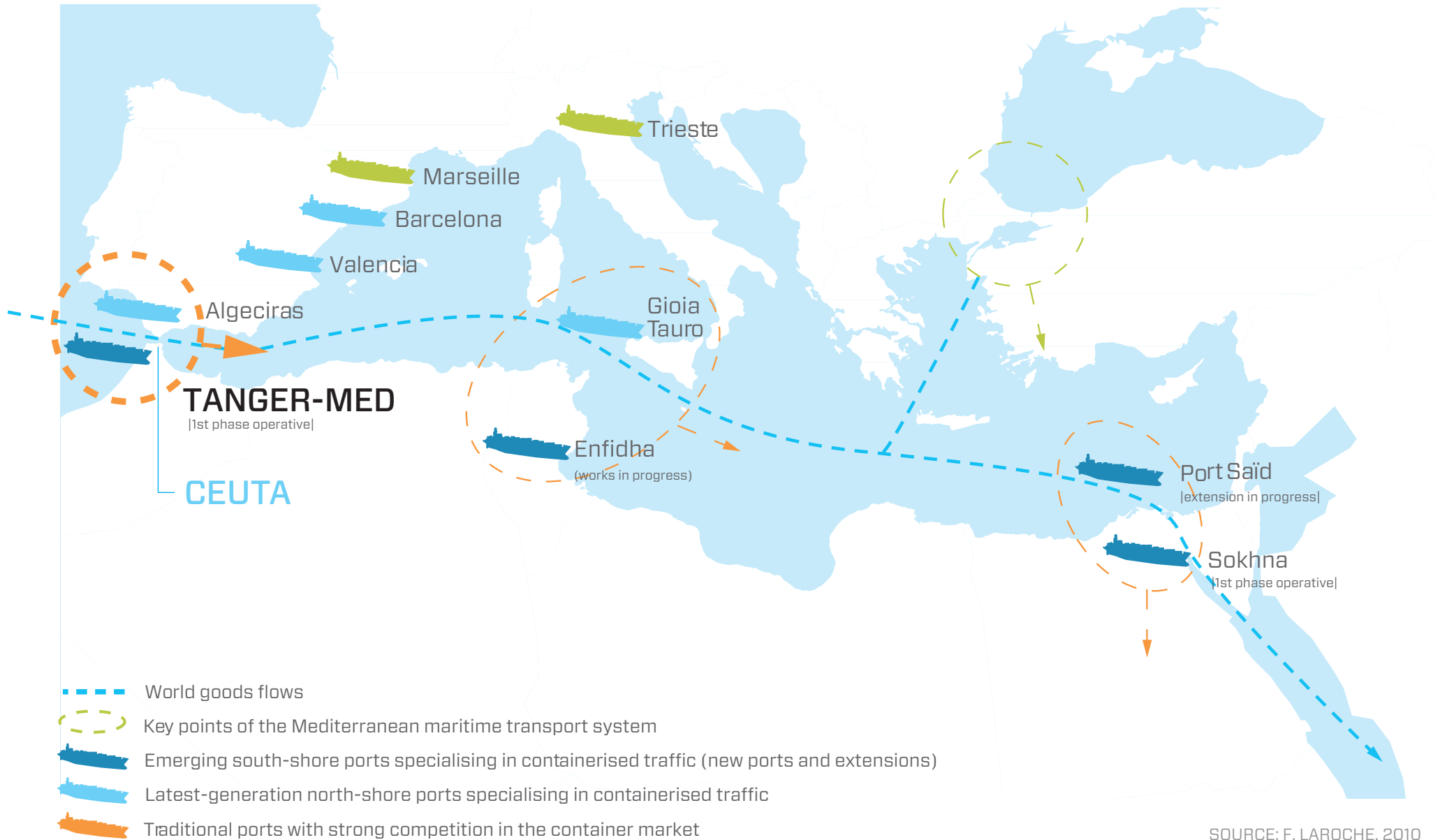
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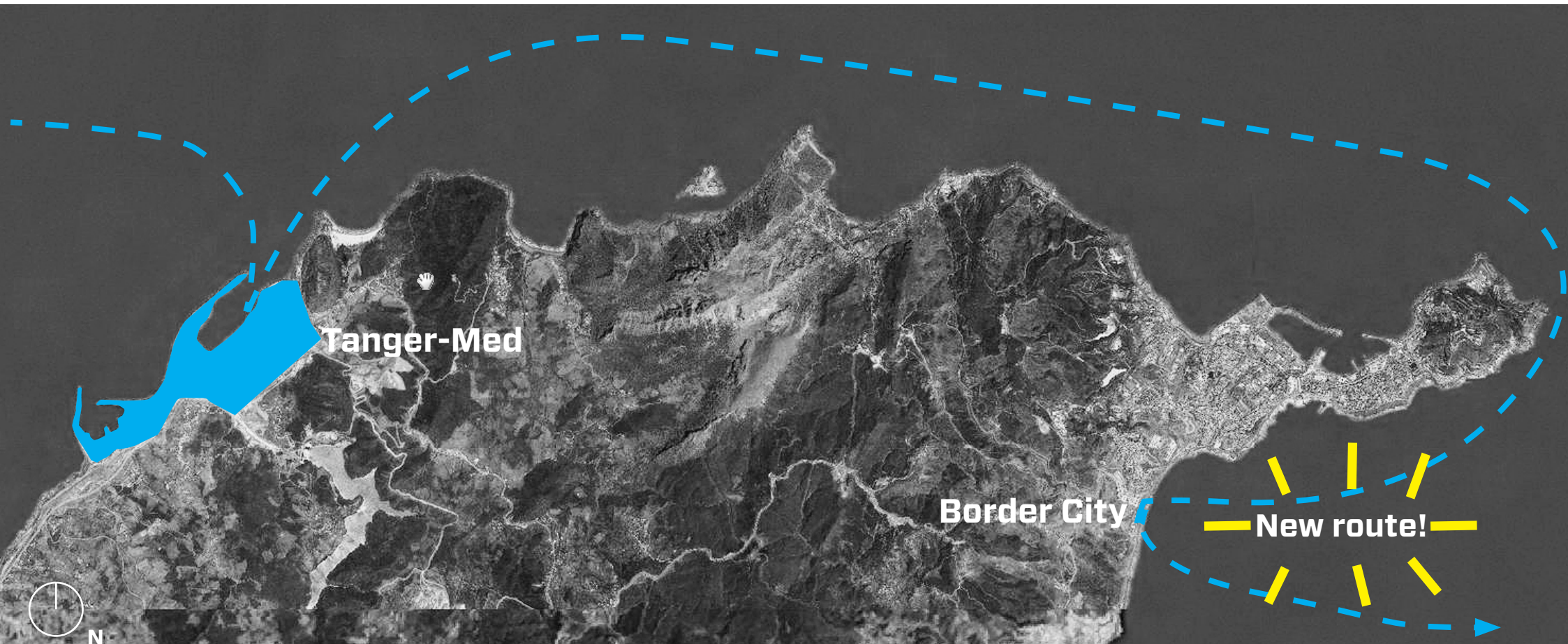
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EMMERGENT SHIPPING PATTERNS IN THE MEDITERRANEAN



SOURCE: F. LAROCHE, 2010



Can Border City become an alternative hub for the flow of goods on the Mediterranean?

BEFORE



AFTER





 **Black Market**

 **Border Crossing**

 **Border**



FNIDEQ

NEW FNIDEQ

N-352 HIGHWAY

BORDER CROSSING

BORDER

BLACK MARKET

CEUTA

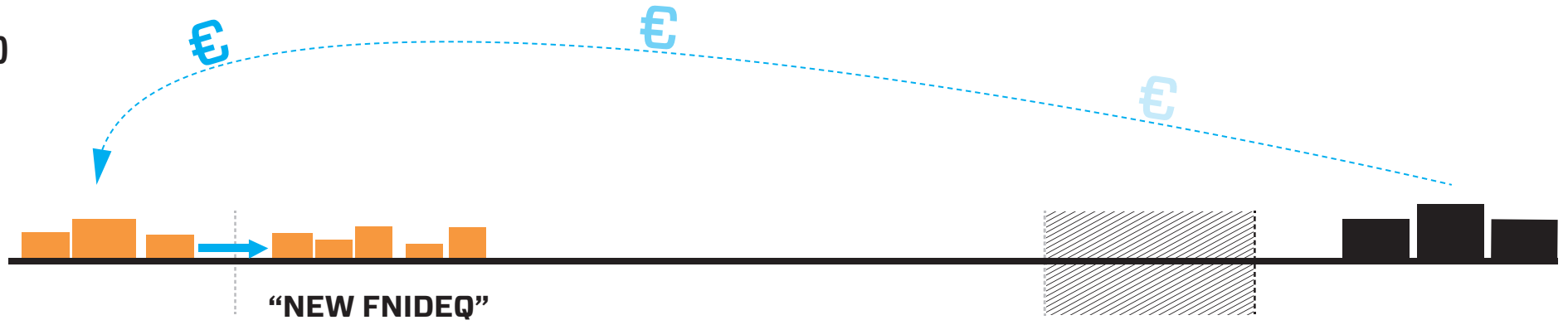
1970



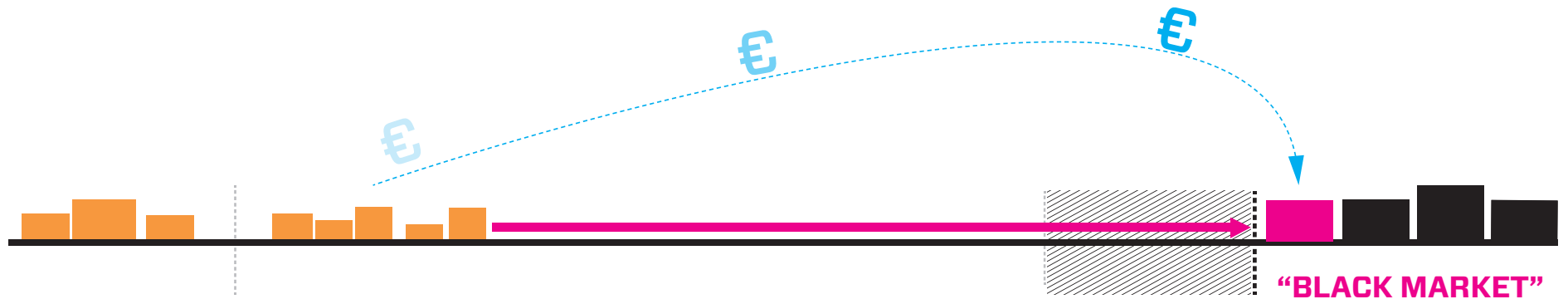
1995



2000



2010



2015



2020



2050



BORDER-LESS CITY

Existing border crossing scenarios



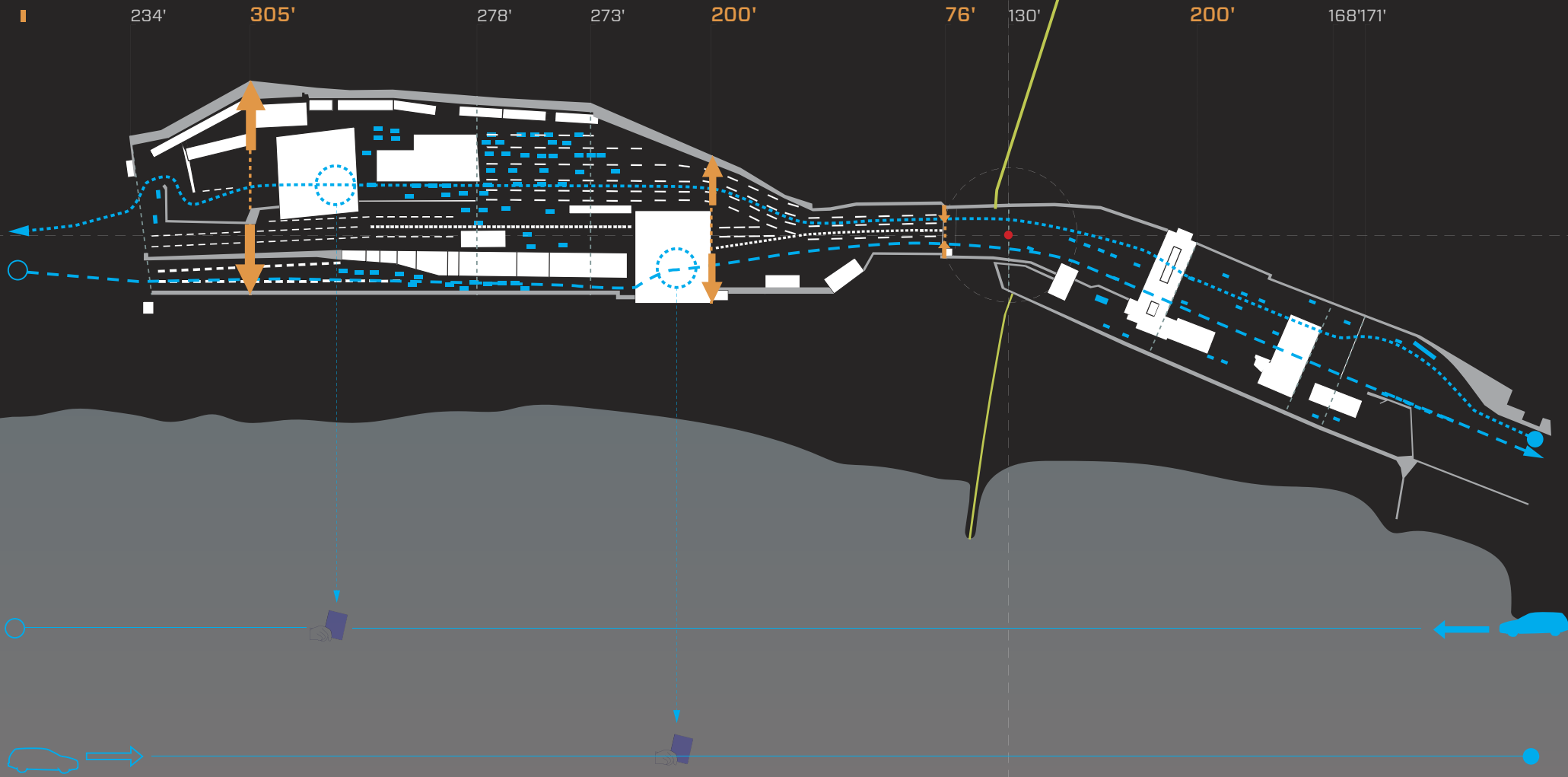






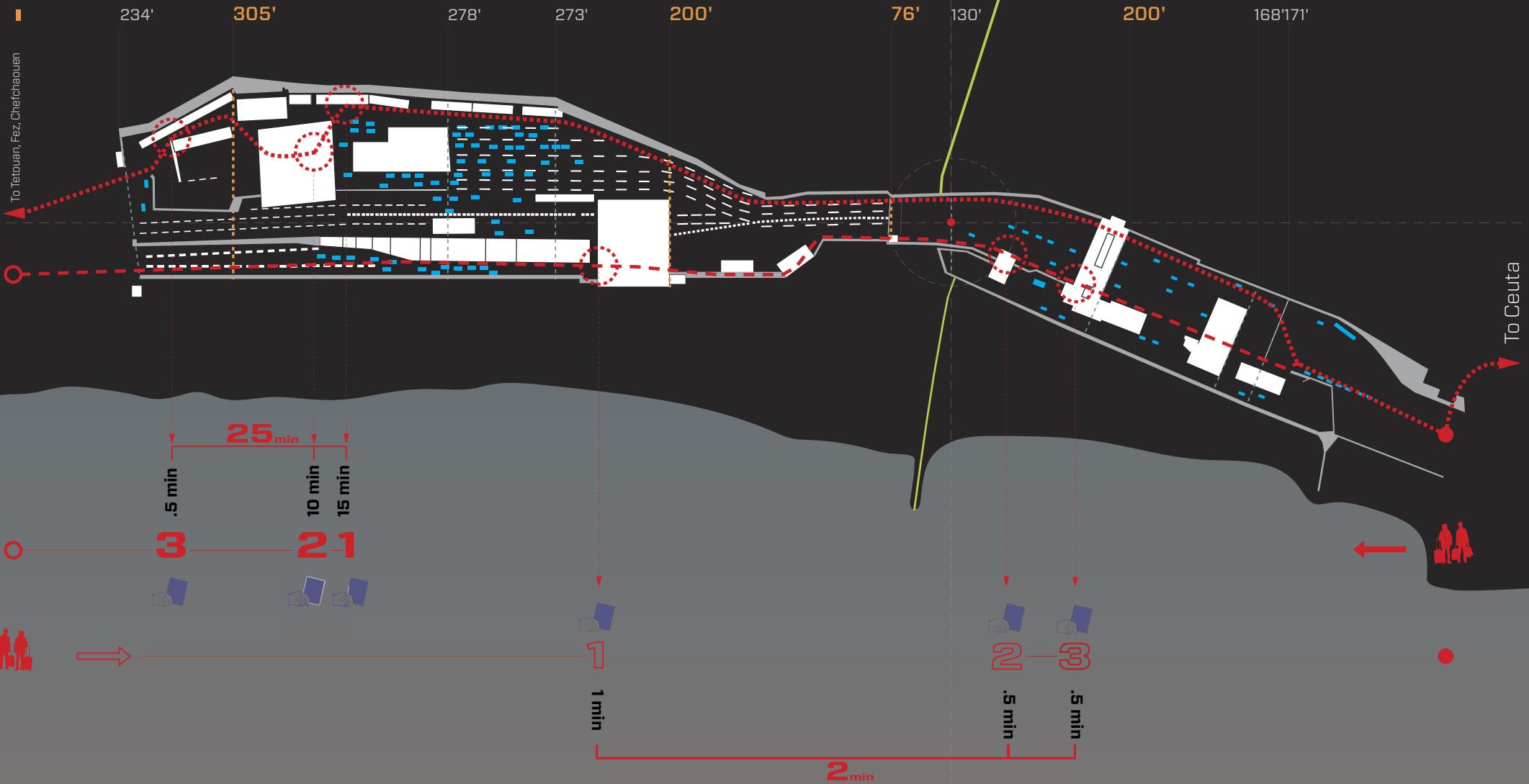


0 VEHICLE FLOW

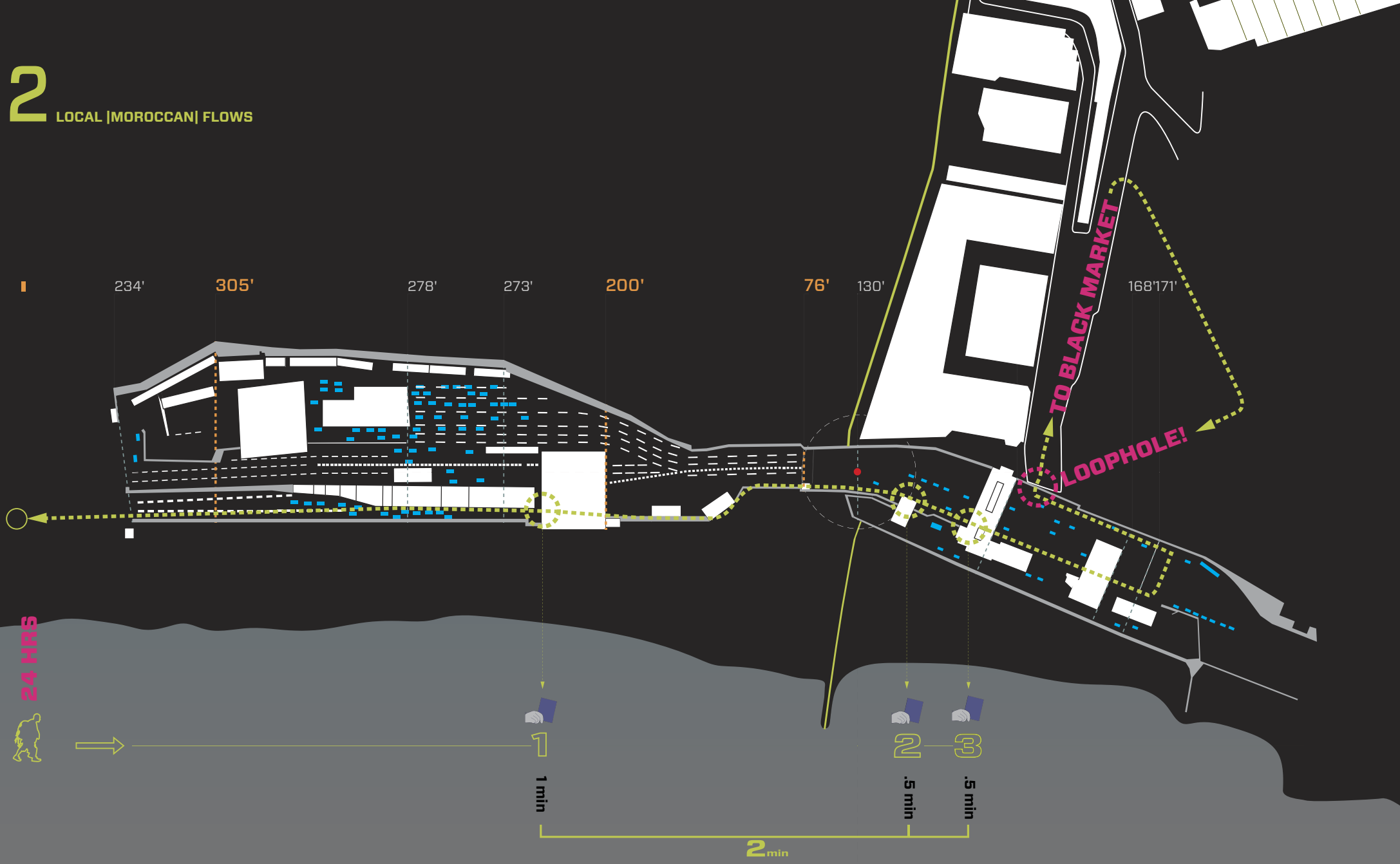


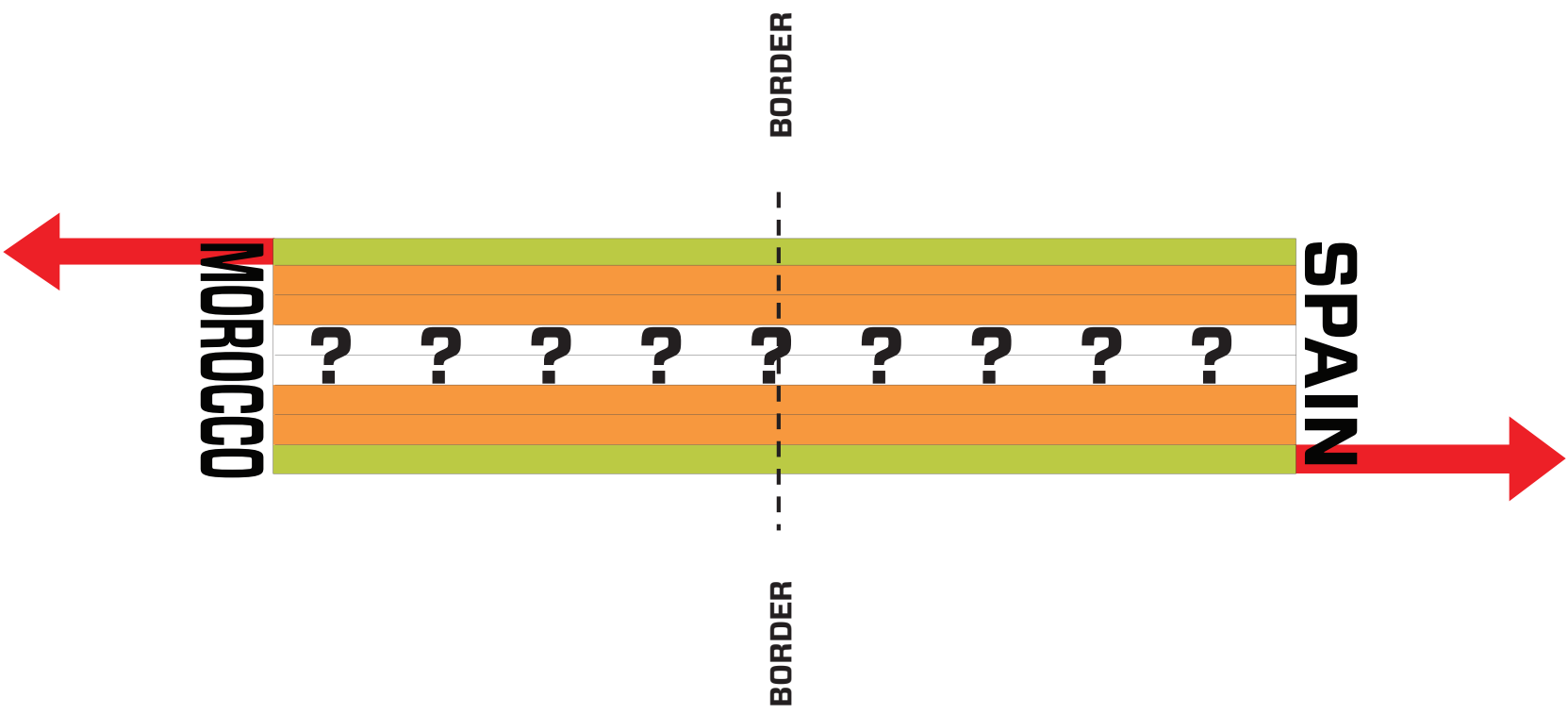
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PEDESTRIAN FLOW

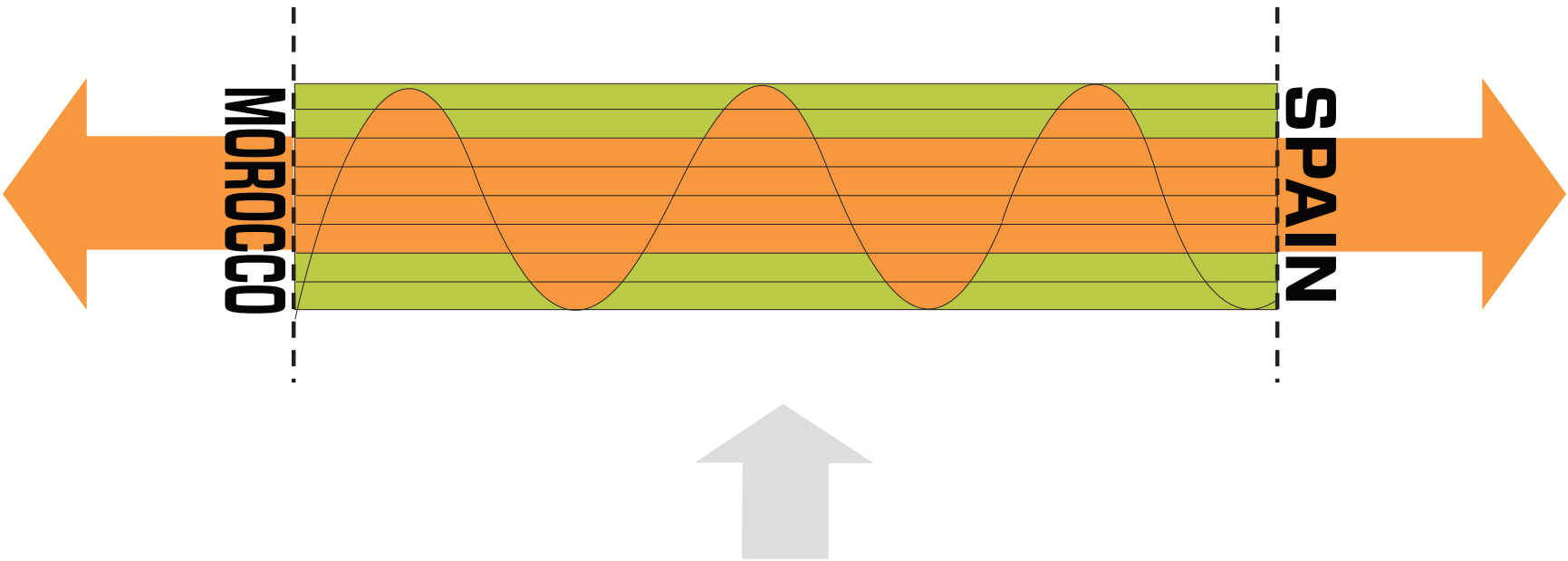


2 LOCAL | MOROCCAN | FLOWS



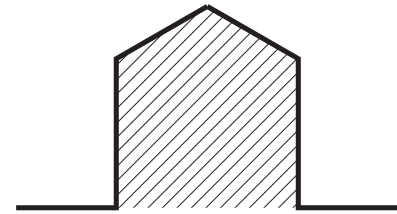






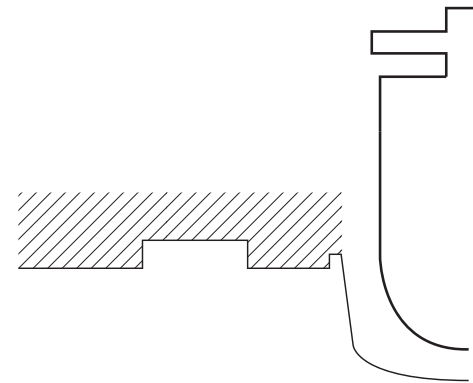


TYPOLOGIES



Generic Space





Global space





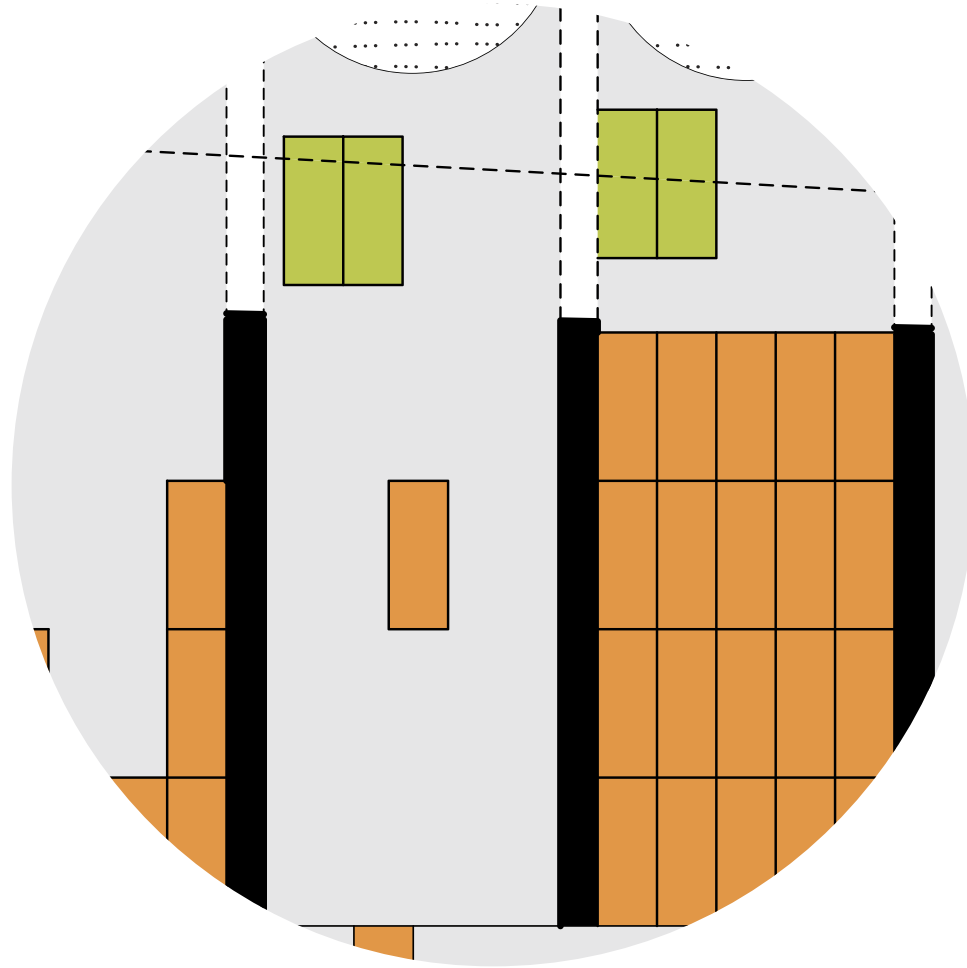
Local space



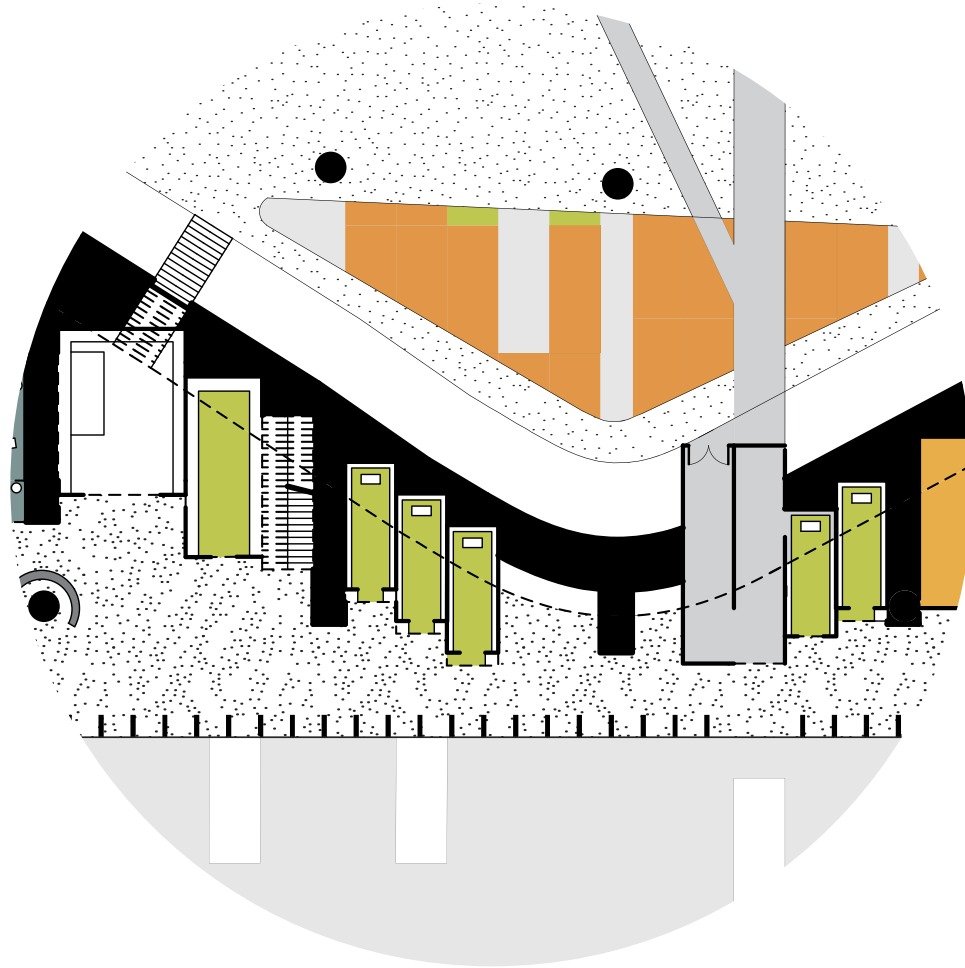
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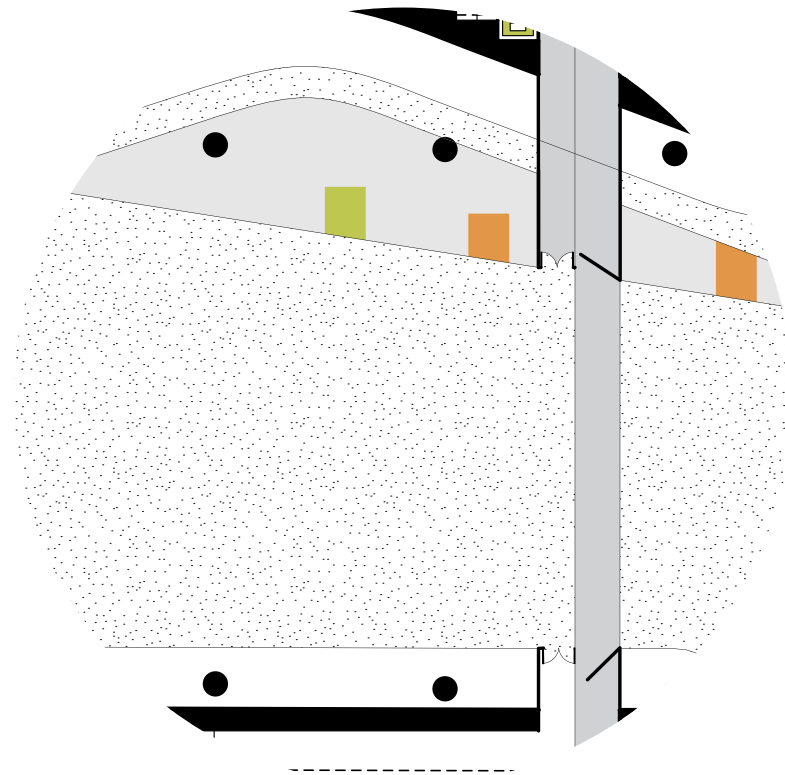
GLOBAL SPACE



LOCAL SPACE

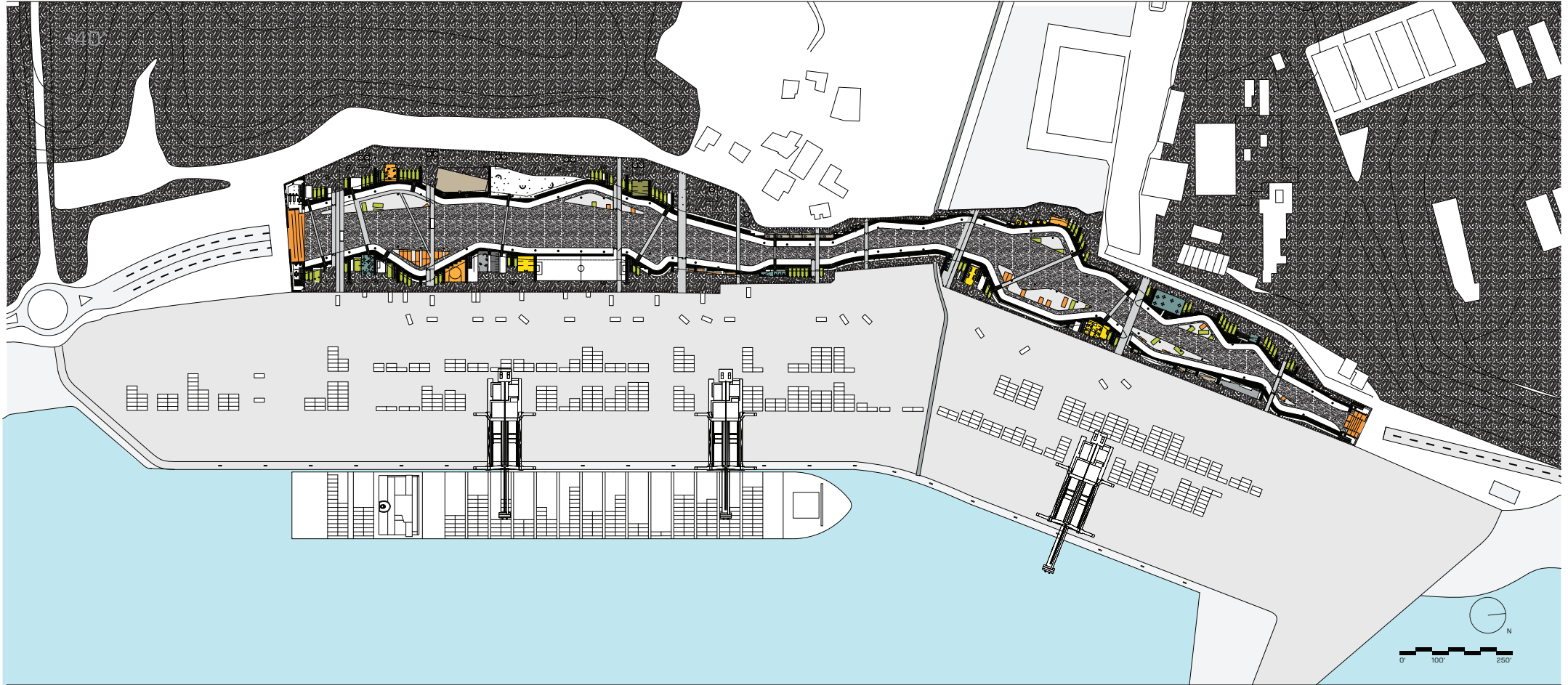


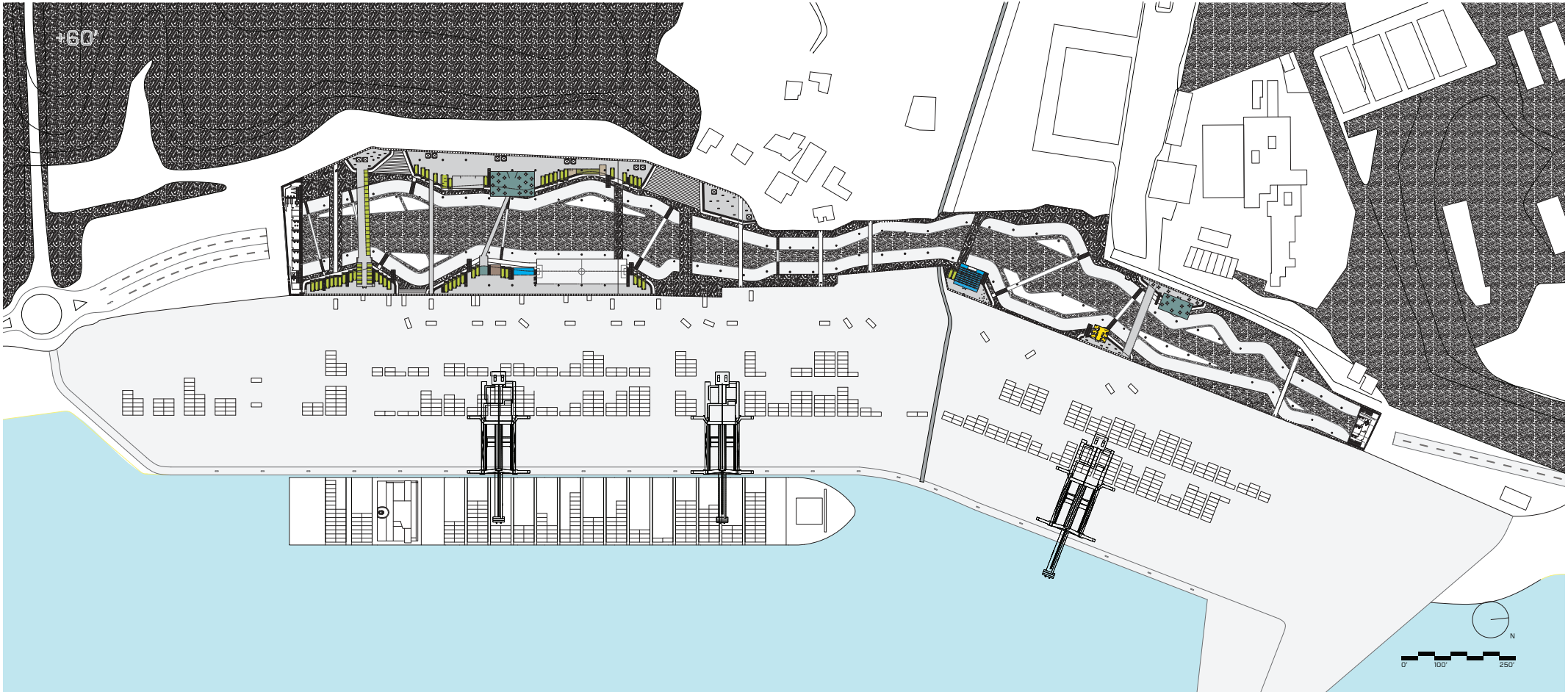
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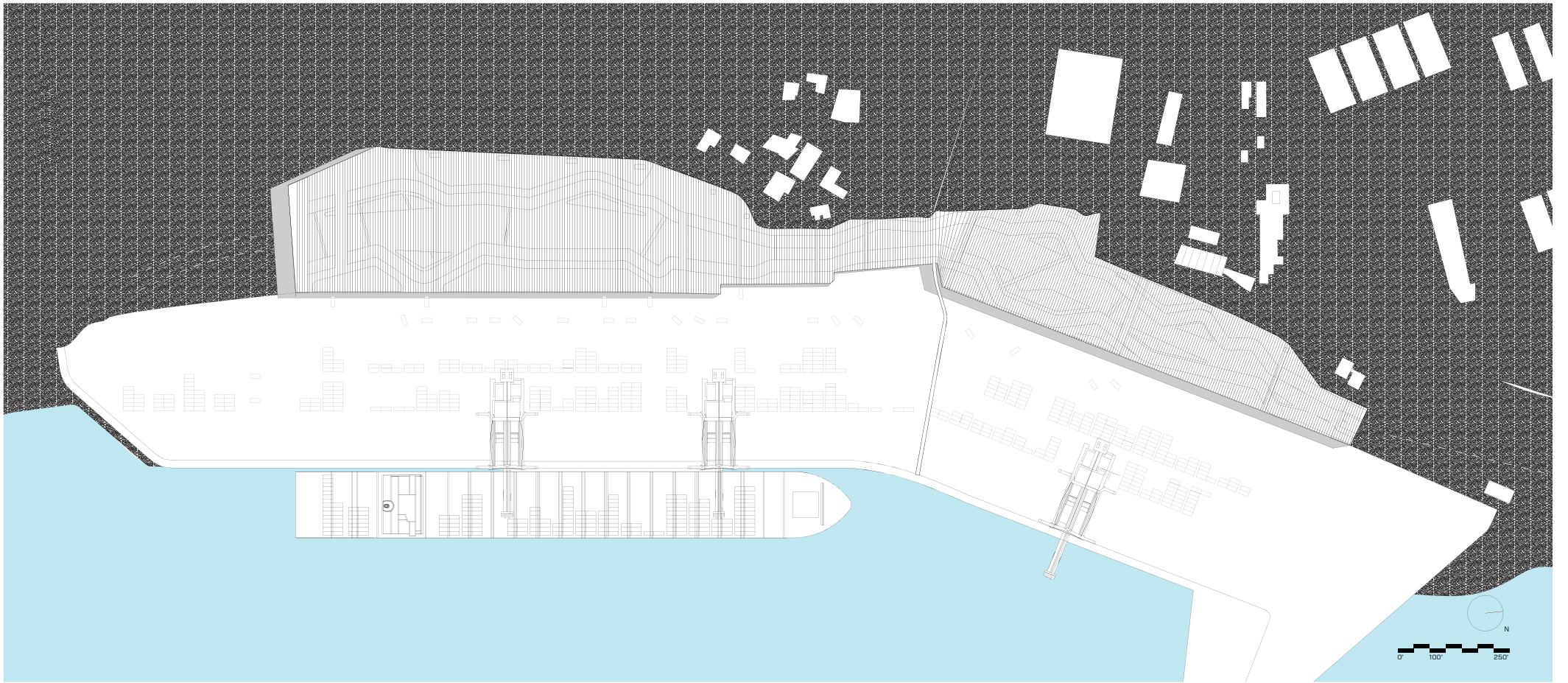


+10'



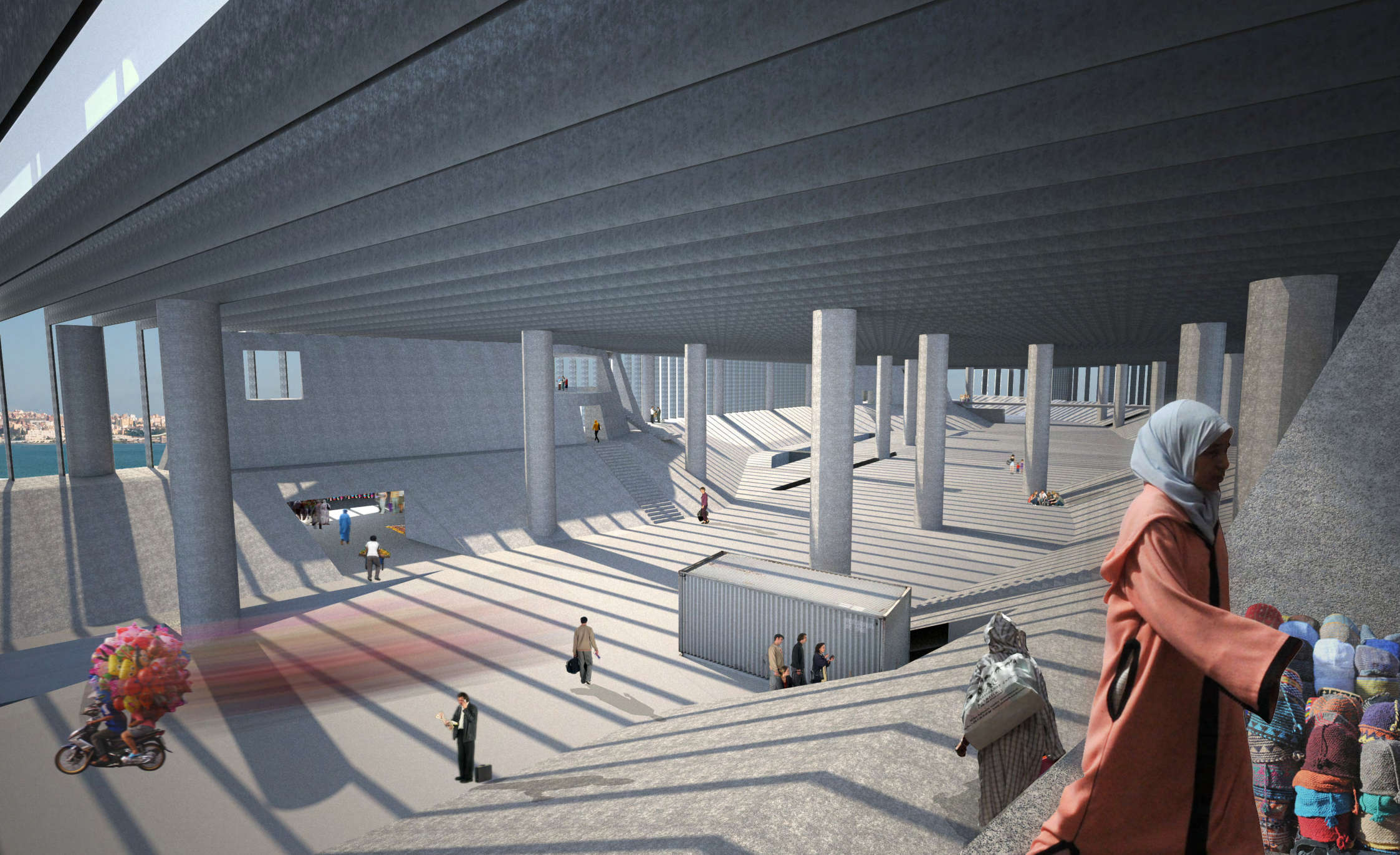












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