



Transnational Terrorism

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DEFINITION:

“Transnational” - *Implications for victims and & audience in two or more countries*

“Terrorism” - *a threat or use of violence to obtain political or social objectives through intimidation of a large audience.*

Outline of Presentation

- History
- Environmental & Psychological factors
- Recruitment
- Violations



United States



Nigeria



Middle East

Timeline of attacks

2001
9/11
USA attacks

2001
New Delhi
attacks (Indian
Parliament)

2004
Madrid train
bombings

2008
Mumbai
attacks

2016
Pakistan
attacks

2016
Brussels
attacks
in Belgium

1968
PFLP
hijacks
Israeli plane

2002
Bali car
bomb attack

2005
London
Subway
bombings

2015
Nigeria-
Baga
Massacre

2015
Paris attacks



United Nations



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- 1990s-Security Council addresses terrorism
- 2006 - Global Counter-Terrorism strategy





“...one man’s terrorist is another man’s freedom fighter.”

-Efehi Okoro



What are the root causes of terrorism?

Krieger & Meierrieks

Local Environmental Factors

- Family Structure and Tradition
- Poverty and Oppression
- Social Inequality
- Government
- Religion

Zionist Extremist (Wagnor & Sasson), KKK, Boko Haram

External Environmental Factors

- Globalization
- Colonization



www.alamy.com - BJW5Y5

“Terrorism in the context of the reactions is sided with genocide, culturocide and ecocide that preceded and conditioned it and served as the legitimation basis for rationalizing its ways.”

- Matic, Dremel, Sakic

Rational Terrorism?

- Mental Health Issues
- Survival
- Radicalization
 - Religion
 - Politics
 - Martyrdom



Functioning Terrorist Groups

Leaders

Soldiers

Supporters



What does this mean for you?

Considering the other side of the story

Understanding that not everyone who has same beliefs as a terrorist group is a terrorist

Being inclusive to those in your life who you know are lonely or are searching for purpose in their lives

Recruitment

1000+

Number of **westerners** believed to have traveled to Syria to fight with extremist groups, according to National Counterterrorism Center Director Matthew Olsen.



Recruiting Terrorists

1. Religion
 - False Narrative
2. Social Media
 - Propaganda and Tactics
3. Force
 - Brainwashing and Indoctrination
4. Counterterrorism Measures



(Dado Ruvic, Reuters, 2015)

Religion and False Narrative

- Religion is a historical cause of violence
 - Passed down through socialization
 - Converts adopt radical beliefs
- False narrative
 - Promises of money, wives, and fame
- Jihad

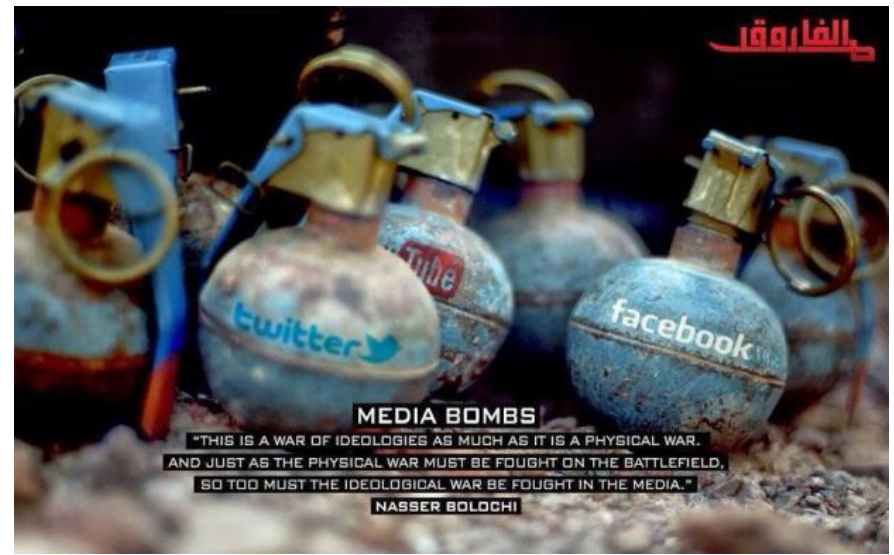


(Kabbani, Islamic Supreme Council of America, 2016)

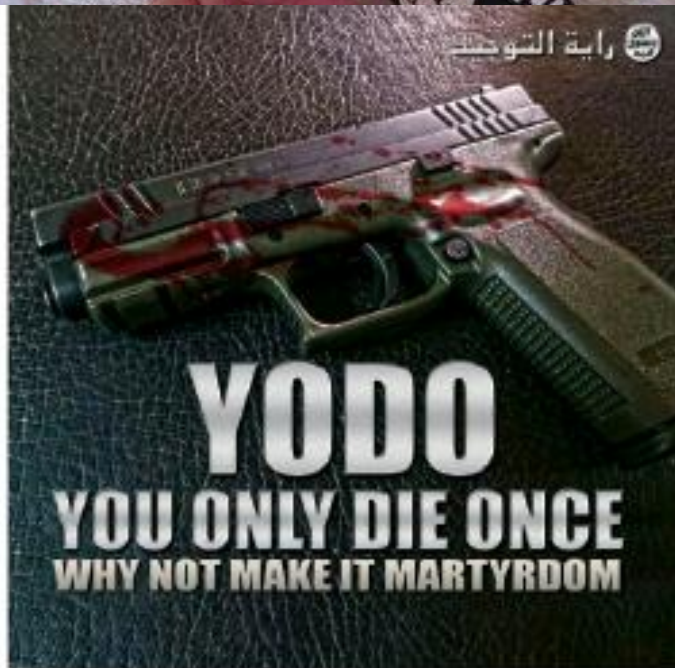
"...people who become involved with militant extremism lack a strong sense of identity and find comfort in an organization's totalitarian dogma." Arena & Arrigo, 2016

Social Media

- Online Campaigns
 - Twitter, Facebook, YouTube, etc.
 - Targets young people, recent converts
- Internet Publications
 - al Battar Media: bimonthly magazine
 - Cell organization, weapons training, how to kidnap and negotiate hostages
- Networking and Communication
 - Coordinate attacks, plan action
 - Provide information about explosives and chemical weapons
- Raise Funds



(Weimann, *Terror on the Internet*, 2006)
(The Islamic State of Iraq and Sham, 2014)



لما العرب مرتعب من وجود و لاية
لأن الخلف فتح روما يصبح العرب
بين يدونه و يبروما بحر فقط
ولوامنكت الدولة صاروخ مطور

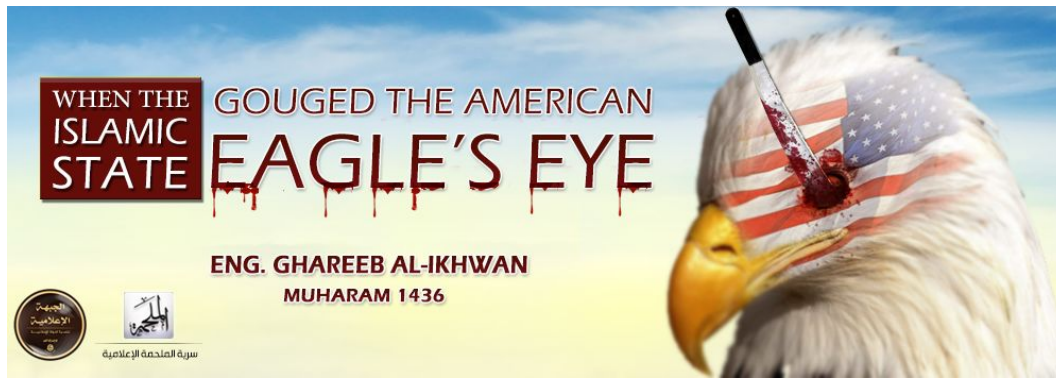
Islamic State of

Islamic State of Iraq and ash-Sham Media Hub

838 likes · 14 talking about this

Like Follow Message

(Al Battar, 2014), (ISIS Media Hub, 2015), Islamic State, 2015)



(Al Battar Media Foundation, 2014), (Islamic State of Iraq and Sham, 2015)

Force

- Brainwashing
 - Indoctrination of children
 - 50 children abducted from UK
- Radicalization
 - Extremist ideologies
 - Exposure to violence



“The largest amount of Islamic State media featuring children relates to violence, comprising either of children directly participating in violence, or being exposed and normalised to violence.” Quilliam Foundation, 2016

Results

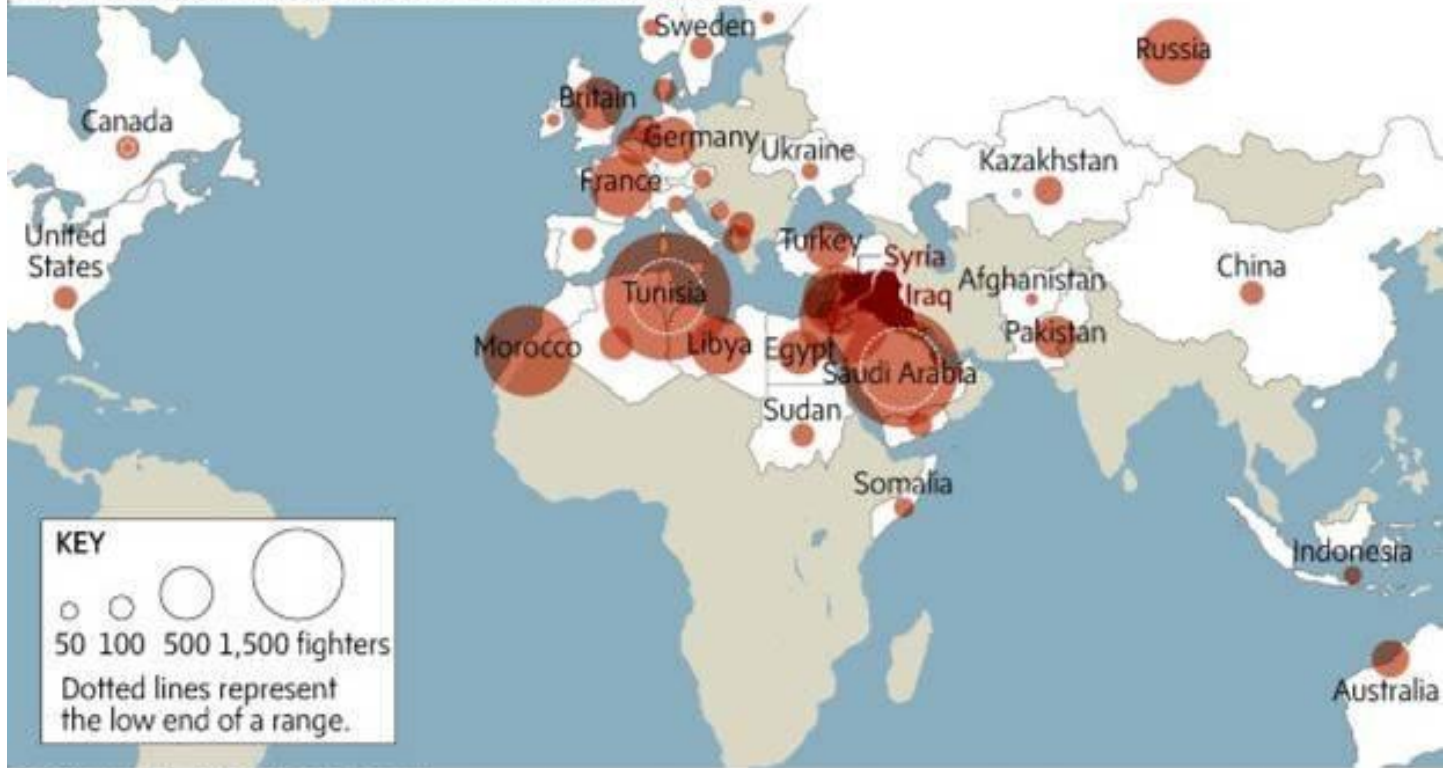
- 30,000 foreign recruits in Syria
- 800 from Britain

- First American Recruit
 - Douglas MacAuthur McCain - 2014



(CNN, 2014)

THE ORIGINS OF THE ISLAMIC STATE'S FOREIGN RECRUITS



THE NEW YORK TIMES / THE GLOBE AND MAIL

SOURCES: PETER NEUMANN, KING'S COLLEGE LONDON; THE INTERNATIONAL CENTRE FOR THE STUDY OF RADICALISATION AND POLITICAL VIOLENCE

(The Globe and Mail, 2014), (John Kehe/Staff, 2015)

Counterterrorism Measures

- US Department of Homeland Security: If You See Something, Say Something
- Quilliam Foundation: #RejectISIS
- Social Workers
 - Working with marginalized, at-risk populations and Muslim communities
- Parents
 - Monitor youth Internet usage and online interactions

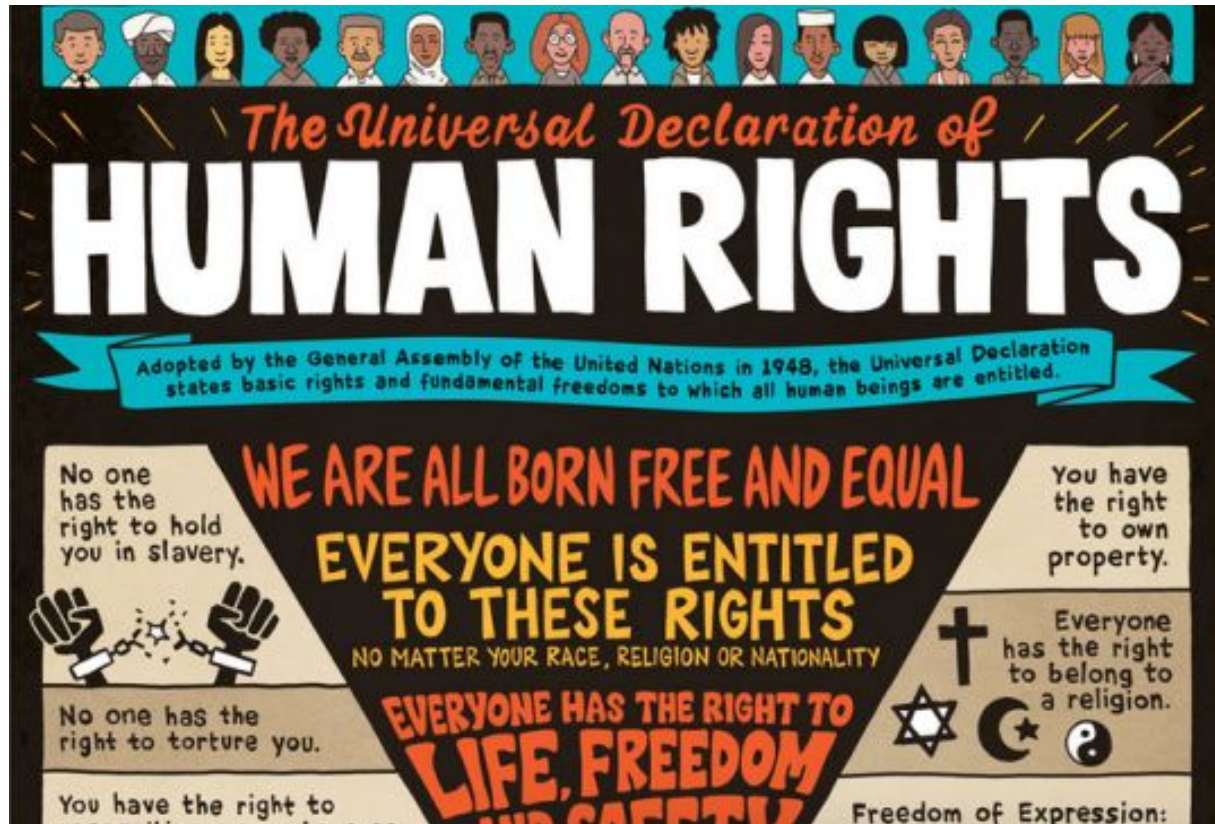
IF YOU SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING™

- Awareness and vigilance
- Reach out to others
- Don't be afraid to report suspicious activity

The Robbery of Human Rights



Universal Declaration of Human Rights



The infographic features a row of 15 diverse human faces at the top. The title 'The Universal Declaration of HUMAN RIGHTS' is prominently displayed in the center. A blue banner below the title provides historical context. The main body of the infographic is divided into sections with various icons and text boxes. The central message is 'WE ARE ALL BORN FREE AND EQUAL' and 'EVERYONE IS ENTITLED TO THESE RIGHTS'. Specific rights listed include the right to hold others in slavery, the right to own property, the right to belong to a religion, and the right to life, freedom, and safety. The text 'NO MATTER YOUR RACE, RELIGION OR NATIONALITY' is also included. Religious symbols like a cross, Star of David, crescent moon, and yin-yang are shown. The phrase 'Freedom of Expression' is partially visible at the bottom right.

The Universal Declaration of
HUMAN RIGHTS

Adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations in 1948, the Universal Declaration states basic rights and fundamental freedoms to which all human beings are entitled.

WE ARE ALL BORN FREE AND EQUAL
EVERYONE IS ENTITLED TO THESE RIGHTS
NO MATTER YOUR RACE, RELIGION OR NATIONALITY

EVERYONE HAS THE RIGHT TO LIFE, FREEDOM AND SAFETY

No one has the right to hold you in slavery.

You have the right to own property.

No one has the right to torture you.

Everyone has the right to belong to a religion.

Freedom of Expression:

United States



Attacks

Threats

In Our Homes

The Middle East

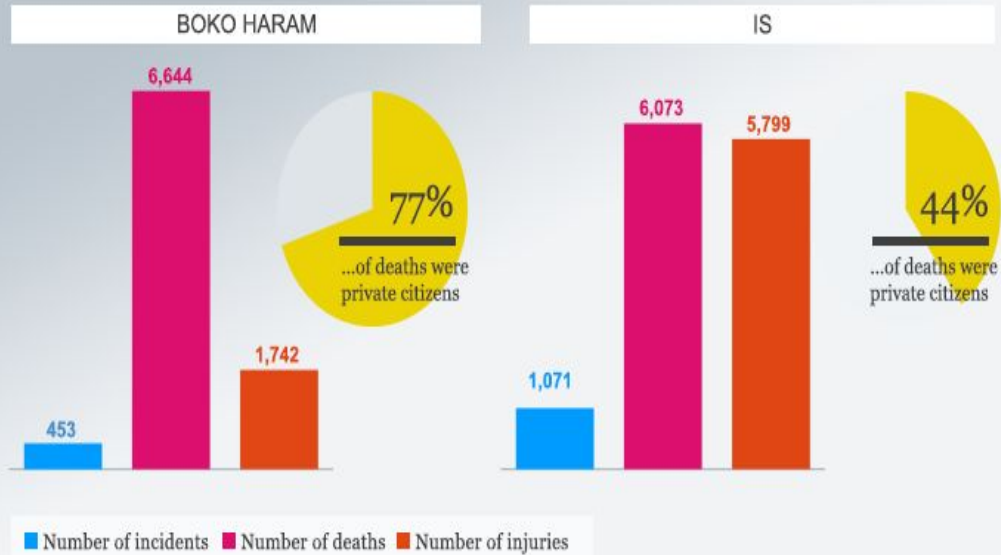
“What separates us from the animals, what separates us from the chaos, is our ability to mourn people we’ve never met.” -

David Levithan



Nigeria

Two groups are responsible for 51% of claimed deaths in 2014



Source: Institute for Economics and Peace, 2015

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“Terrorism will spill over if you don’t speak up.” - Malala Yousafzai



You Can Kill a Person But
You Can't Kill an Ideology



Questions?



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