



The Arab Spring

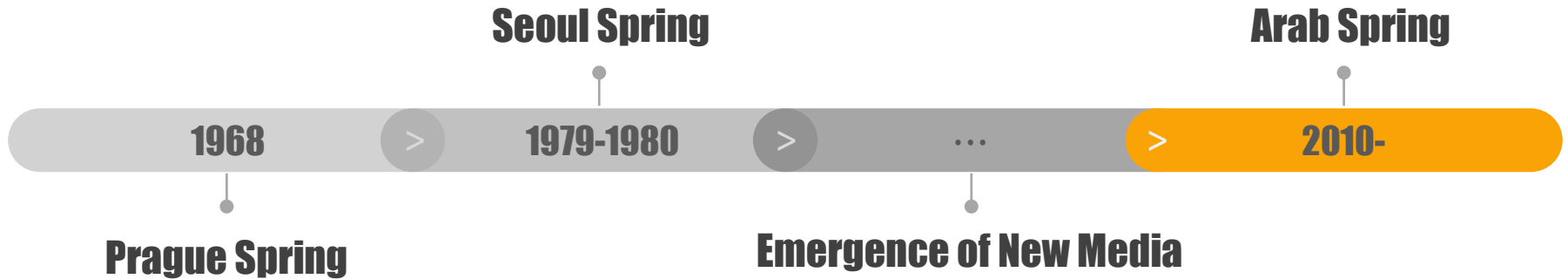
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The Arab Spring

What is '**Spring**' = Democracy Movement



Development of 'Arab Spring'

Beginning of 'Arab Spring' Tunisia Revolution(Jasmin Revolution)

- * Failed economic policy → High unemployment / Inflation
- * Government riddled with corruption
- * Revelation of Wikileaks spread quickly on the Internet and SNS
 - Revealed the extent of corruption among the ruling Ben Ali family
 - Criticism and accusations of US diplomats
- * Self-immolation of street vendor Mohamed Bouazizi

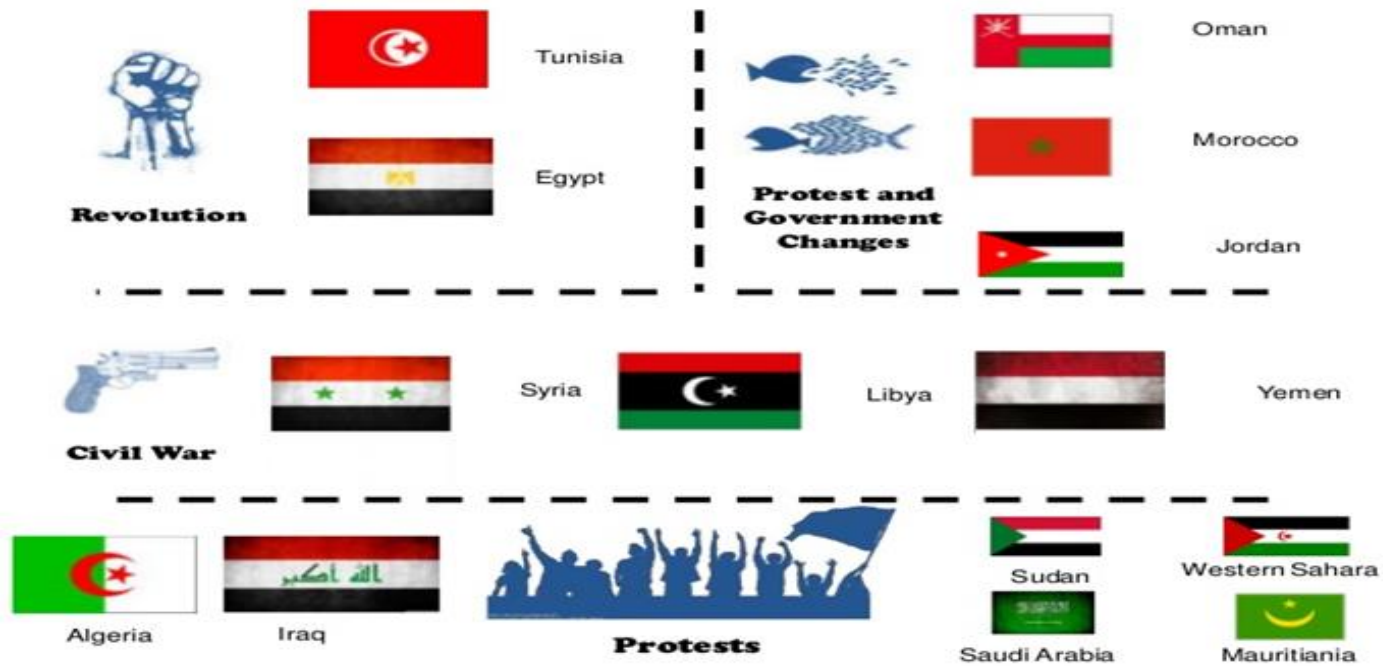
Development of 'Arab Spring'

Tunisia Revolution(Jasmin Revolution)

- * Extended street protests and the growing unwillingness of the army to fire on protests
- * As a result, Ben Ali family were forced to flee Tunisia for Saudi Arabia

These successful Tunisian revolutions triggered flame of resistance throughout the Arab region.

Development of 'Arab Spring'



Role of Media in 'Arab Spring'

National media outlets in each country disregarded the events.
(excepting Al Jazeera)

* But, New media technology enabled real-time circulation of images, videos and messages through the internet and social media (facebook, twitter, youtube).

- Demonstrators recorded the events with their mobile phones, and shared their videos with people in the country at large and around the world via YouTube and Facebook, often with live streaming.

- Organizing demonstration, disseminating or discussing news of the events locally and globally

Limitation of Media

Rigged Election in Iran



On June 12, 2009, he succeeded in re-electing the prime minister.



People raised suspicions



He suppressed freedom of speech

Limitation of Media

Narendra Modi's SNS strategy



Narendra Modi, who won the election through SNS.



SNS repression
after becoming prime minister

Counter-arguments

There is no SNS Revolution!



The important thing is the courage of the people.

68 Revolution, Popular Movement Without Facebook

The importance of human life and social structure

Soaring youth unemployment, exploding social conflicts

The resistance of young people changes the world.

Conclusion

'The Arab Spring' is still in progress