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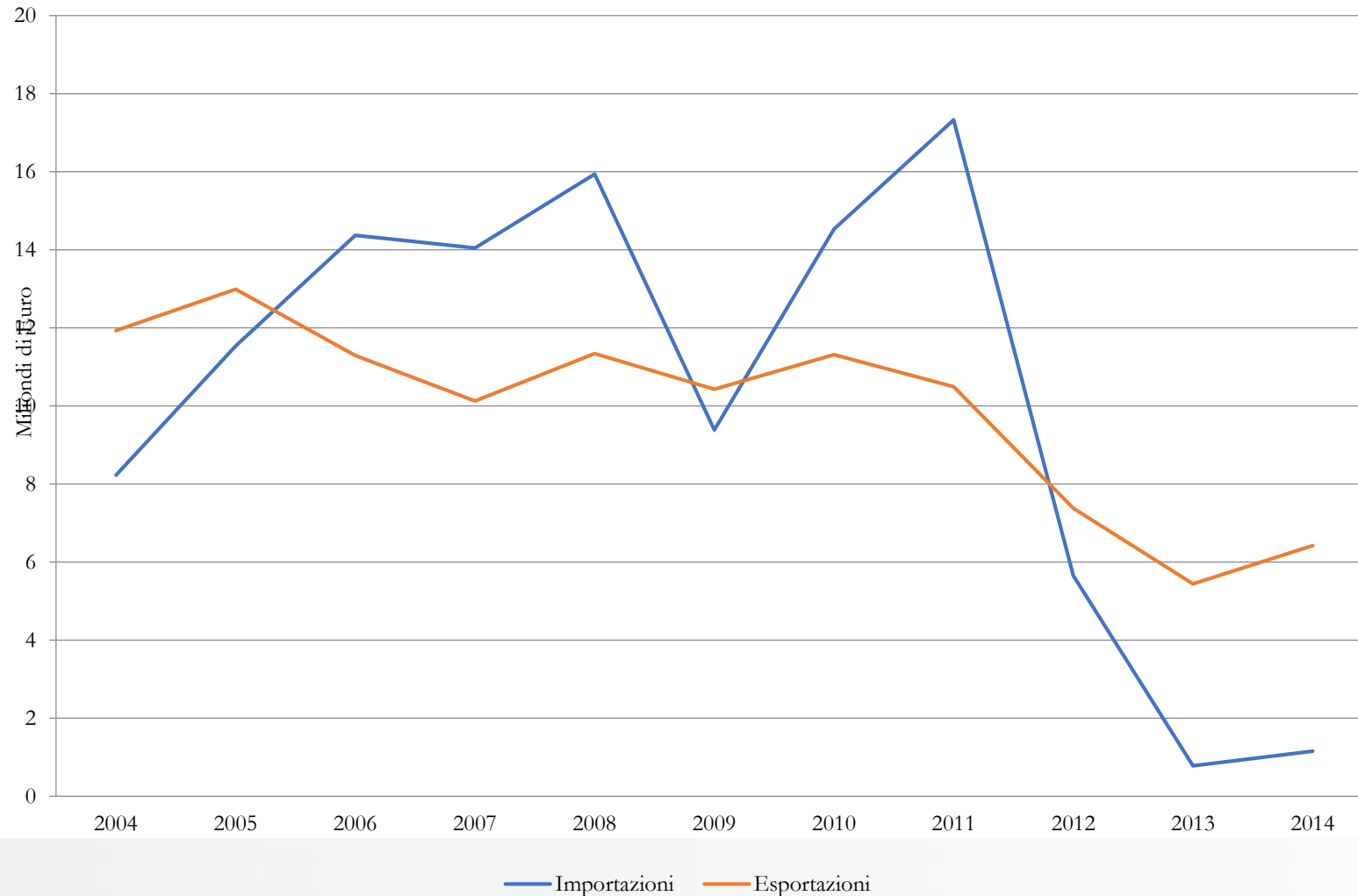
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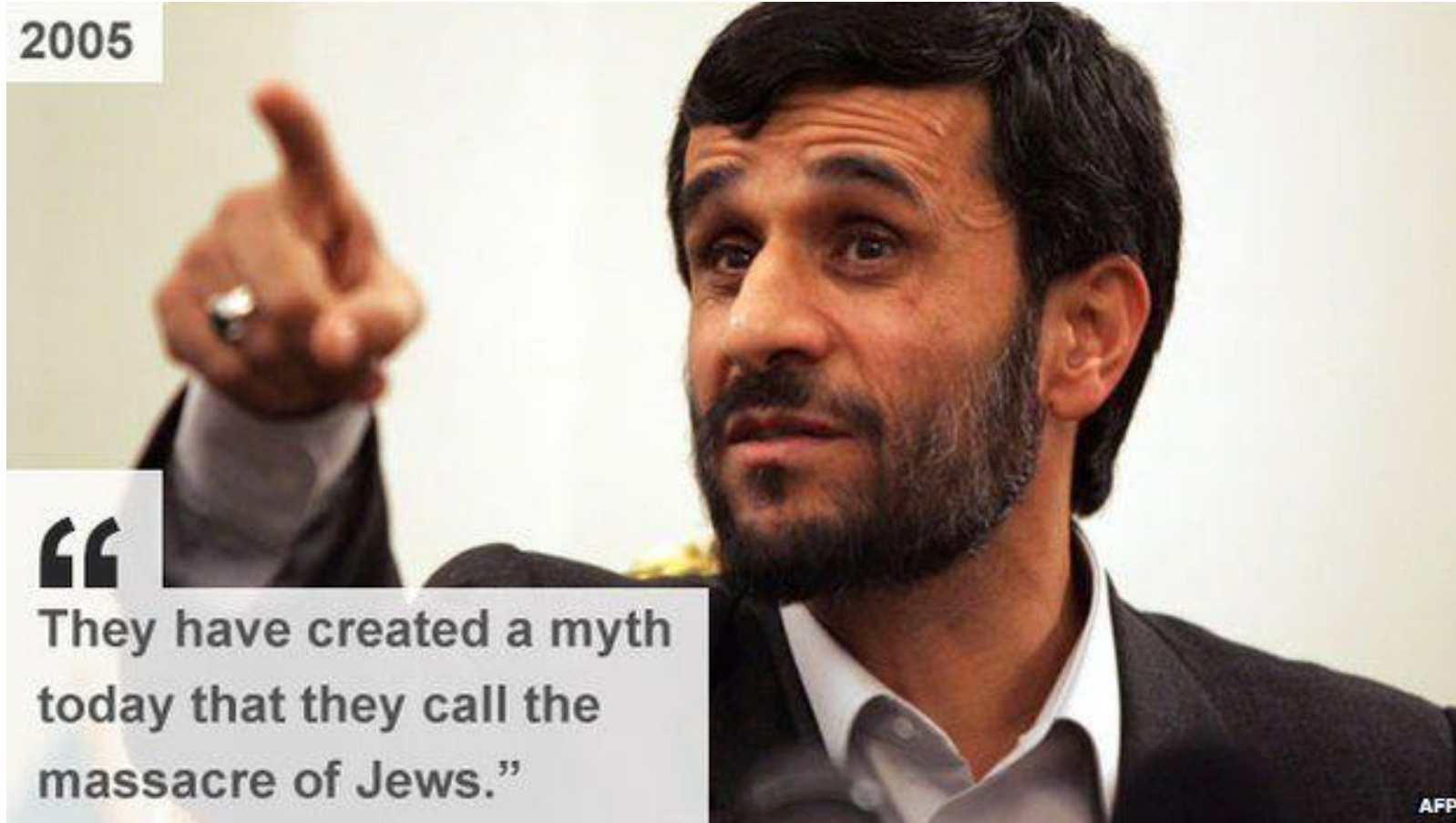


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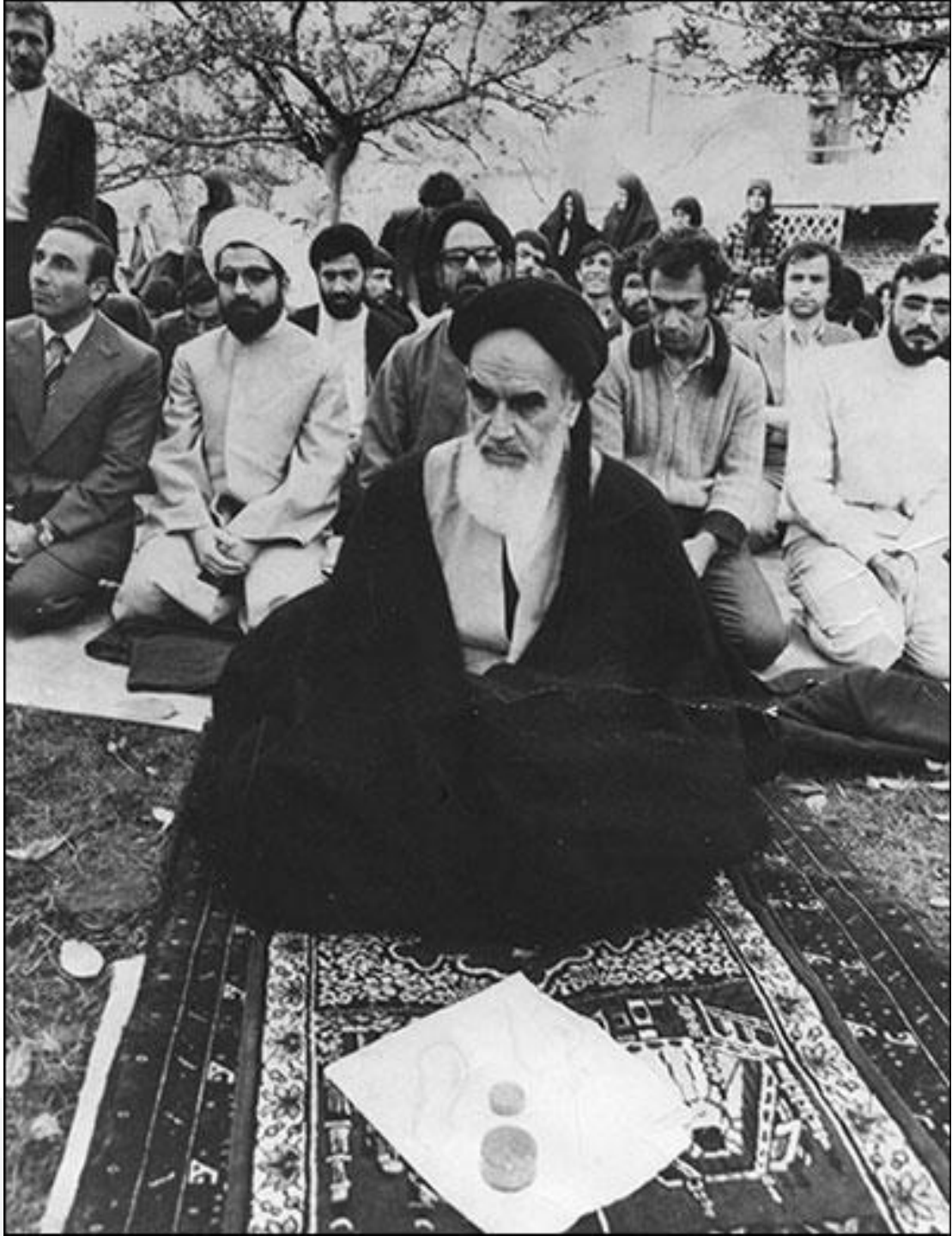


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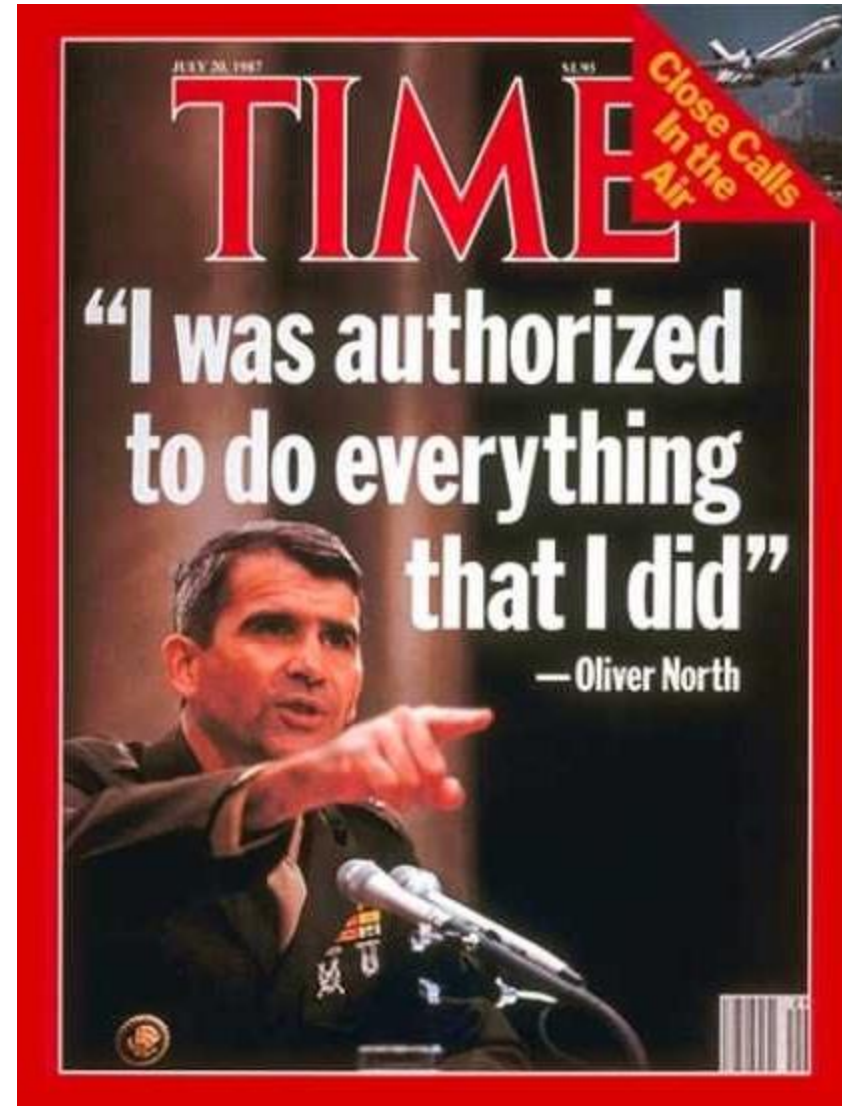
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# Iran-contras Gate







# Shias Are **NOT** Muslims!



**SHIAS DO NOT REPRESENT ISLAM.  
SHIAS ARE THE ENEMIES OF ISLAM  
AND MUSLIMS.**

**MAY ALLAH (swt) PUNISH THEM.**

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# Iran and its neighbors

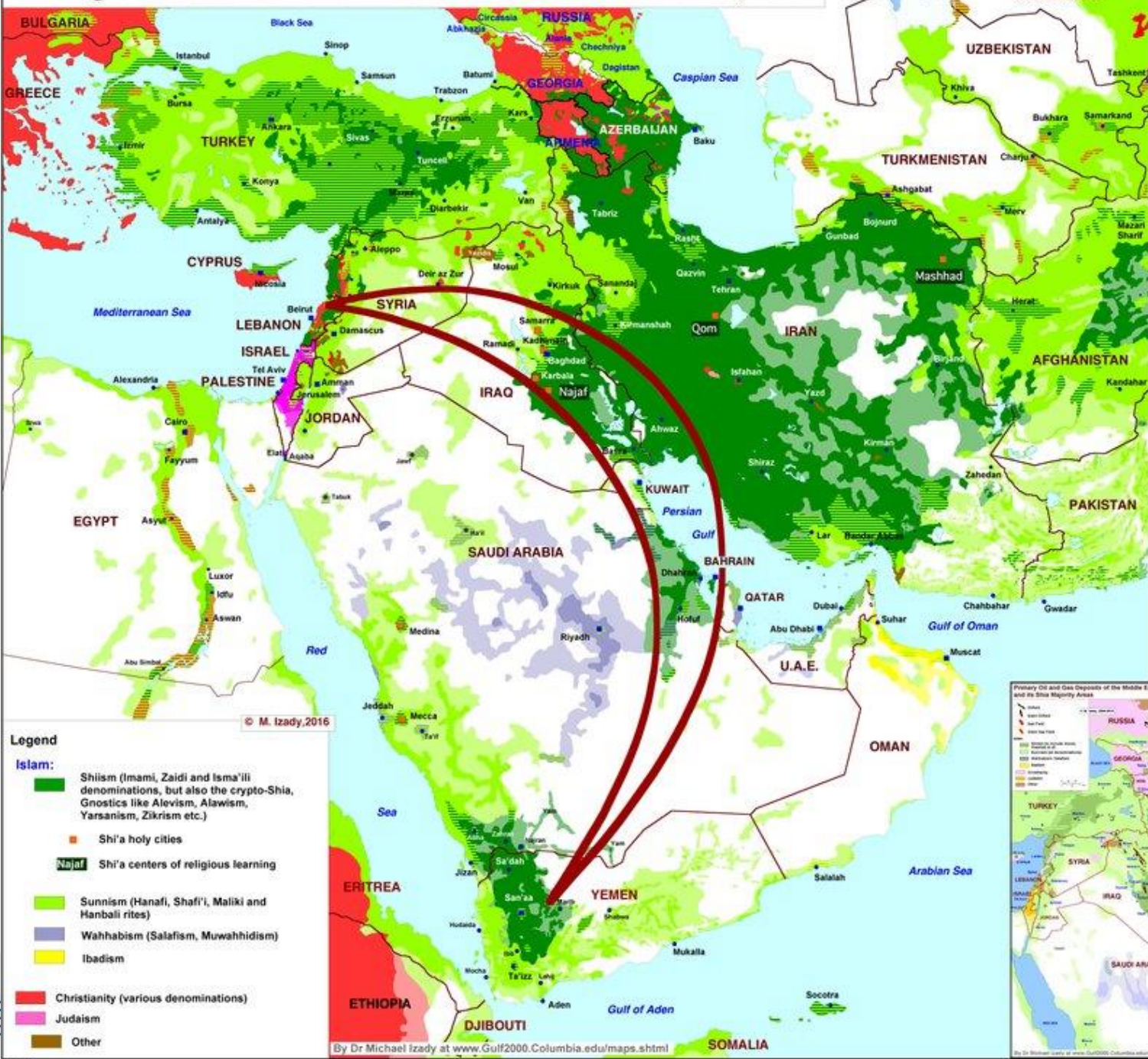


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# Evolving Shia Crescent of Power in the Core Areas of the Middle East, 2015



**Legend**

**Islam:**

- Shiism (Imami, Zaidi and Isma'ili denominations, but also the crypto-Shia, Gnostics like Alevism, Alawism, Yarsanism, Zikrism etc.)
- Shi'a holy cities
- Najaf Shi'a centers of religious learning
- Sunnism (Hanafi, Shafi'i, Maliki and Hanbali rites)
- Wahhabism (Salafism, Muwahhidism)
- Ibadism

**Other:**

- Christianity (various denominations)
- Judaism
- Other

Observations: After some centuries, the Shia fortunes have been on the rise in the past two decades. First came the takeover of one of the three giants of the Middle East-Iran (the other two being Turkey and Egypt) by the Shia religious apparatus. Then came the liberation of the Shia multitudes from their oppressors in Afghanistan and Iraq by the American military intervention. Earlier, the Shia plurality in Lebanon had been receiving fundamental boost in power and prosperity from Iran starting in 1963.

Thus invigorated and under the sustained sponsorship of Iran, the Shia power has increased steadily. The most recent addition to this has been the Yemeni overthrow of the Saudi-backed government in Sana'a and its replacement by a Shia government under the Houthis tribal elite, inviting a decried and disastrous Saudi military intervention.

From Malaysia to Morocco, various Sunni governments have added more cause to the Shia renaissance by imprudently suppressing the local Shiites, or openly "outraging" Shiites altogether. This is as provocative and narrow-minded as a Protestant country outlawing Catholicism on its territory in the day and age.

Other Shia majority areas such as the strategic island country of Bahrain, or the entire coastal Saudi Arabia on the Persian Gulf (the classical "Bahrain" or modern Basra), have seen violent uprisings in response to Sunni (Salafist) or Wahhabi (Saudi Arabia) increased oppression and violence against them. In response, from Pakistan and India, where tens of millions of Shiites call home, an awakening has thus been taken place—the exact opposite of what the Wahhabi or Sunni governments might have wished.

Nearly all the Sunni and/or Wahhabi-dominated states have been busy presenting themselves as a "Shia-free" or reported essentially small numbers bordering on fiction. In fact, unless Shiites are a large and vociferous minority in a given Muslim state, neither the local state government nor Western sources report any numbers for them, short of the customary and rudimentary number of "1-2%". This includes many public-funded Western institutions claiming expertise and piety.

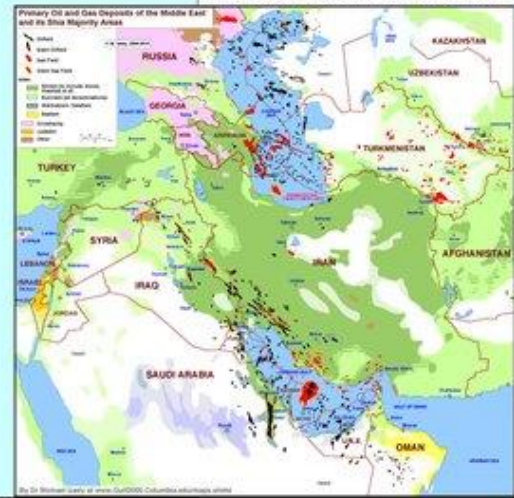
Consequently, when Shiites began a public protest or rebellion, people anywhere across the Islamic World, from Mali and Nigeria, to Malaysia and Indonesia, everyone is taken by an inexplicable euphoria. The resultant soul-searching then leads to revising the old rudimentary small numbers by a set of newer, but equally rudimentary larger numbers. None seem to want to do any original work free of the old, fictitious and tired figures produced by the local repressive Muslim autocrats.

The best example of this is found in Saudi Arabia, where "no Shiites" existed (or could exist under the penalty of death), until 2003 and liberation of Iraq. From 2003 to 2016, the media and academic works have relentlessly increased the "estimated" numbers of the Shiites in that military Wahhabi state from none to 2% to 3%, then 10% and now 15% in response to the Shia resurgence. All the time, none has let anyone know how they have calculated those small or larger numbers, except for the proverbial blind following the blind, and newer rudimentary guesses following an earlier rudimentary guess.

In 2015, Saudi government panicked, realizing the threat of the Shia for independence to be serious. Around 95% of the Saudi oil is found under the Shia territories there. Their departure would simply finish off the Saudi regime, financially and otherwise. A new and awakened "Shia crescent of power" was emerging with backing of other Shiites, financially and by personnel. This lightning has been recruited by tens of thousands by Iran, from Afghanistan to the Indian Subcontinent to fight for the interests of the Shia. In fact, the Lebanese and Iraq Shia militias, known variously as the Hezbollah or others, have been pulling their resources all over the Islamic world, presenting a formidable united facade that has all but given the Saudi and other Shia-hating Muslim governments all but a nervous breakdown. They have overreacted in very non-constructive way. The Saudi government, for example, executed the top Shia leader in Saudi Arabia in January 2016, leading to a massive and sometimes violent protests by the Shiites around the world.

Saudi government's fears are understandable, and in fact justified. Iran, in its ambition for supremacy in the core of the Middle East, is using the "Shia card" everywhere, and most certainly, against the Wahhabi Saudi government whose internal and external policies could have not been any less constructive or professional in handling their own Shia multitude or Iran.

Thanks to these evolving elements, the Shia crescent of power is likewise evolving. Presently in 2016, it stands strongest: stretching from Beirut, Damascus and Baghdad, to Bahrain, Hama and Yemen. While Iran and the Shiites all over are rejoicing in the expansion and enhancement of the crescent of power, the Saudis find themselves increasingly beset by it. The prospect of losing their entire oil resources if the Shiites there managed to gain independence, has driven Riyadh to the proverbial distraction! See the inset map below.



By Dr Michael Izady at [www.Gulf2000.Columbia.edu/maps.shtml](http://www.Gulf2000.Columbia.edu/maps.shtml)





If pro-Iran parties or politicians dominate the new Iraqi government, **a new "crescent" of dominant Shiite movements or governments stretching from Iran into Iraq, Syria and Lebanon could emerge, alter the traditional balance of power between the two main Islamic sects and pose new challenges to U.S. interests and allies.**

# Abd Allāh bin ‘Abd al-‘Azīz Āl Sa‘ūd

- 10. (S) The King, Foreign Minister, Prince Muqrin, and Prince Nayif all agreed that **the Kingdom needs to cooperate with the US on resisting and rolling back Iranian influence and subversion in Iraq.** The King was particularly adamant on this point, and it was echoed by the senior princes as well. Al-Jubeir recalled **the King's frequent exhortations to the US to attack Iran and so put an end to its nuclear weapons program. "He told you to cut off the head of the snake,"** he recalled to the Charge', adding that working with the US to roll back Iranian influence in Iraq is a strategic priority for the King and his government.

Fonte: *Wikileaks*



# Moḥammad bin Salmān Āl Sa'ūd (MbS)

I believe that the **Iranian supreme leader makes Hitler look good**. Hitler didn't do what the supreme leader is trying to do. Hitler tried to conquer Europe. This is bad. But the supreme leader is trying to conquer the world. He believes he owns the world. They are both evil guys. **He is the Hitler of the Middle East.**







# Andamento del PIL iraniano e tasso di inflazione: 2000-2020

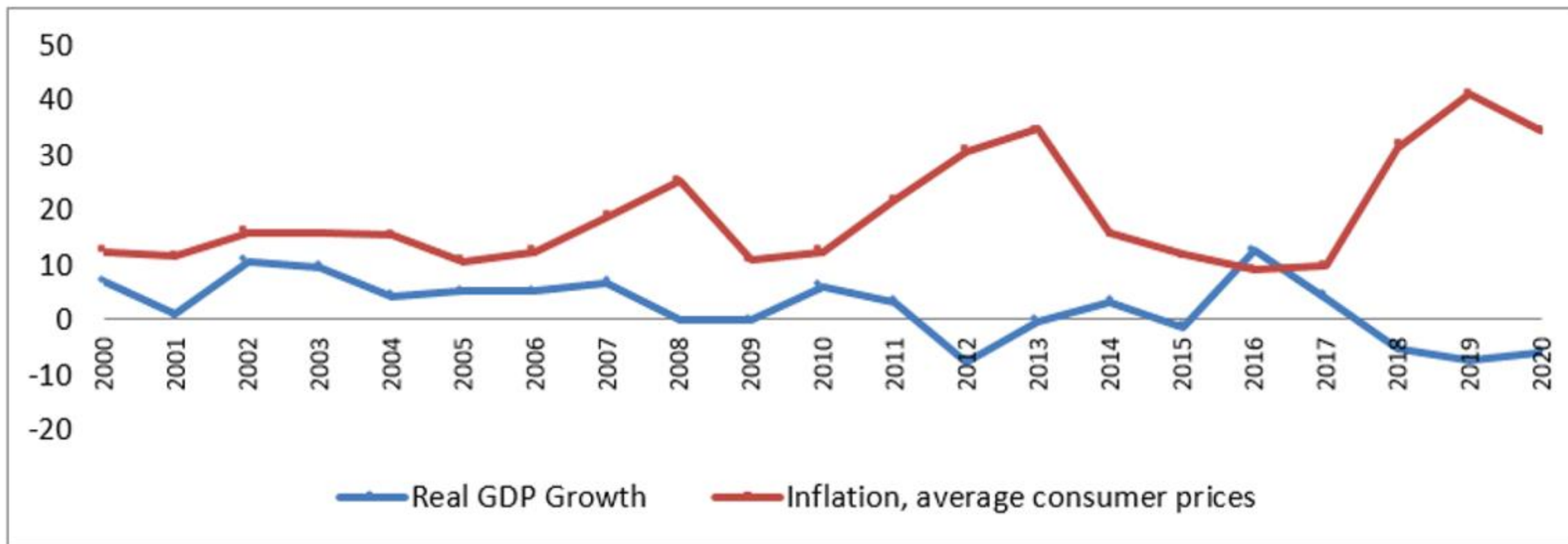


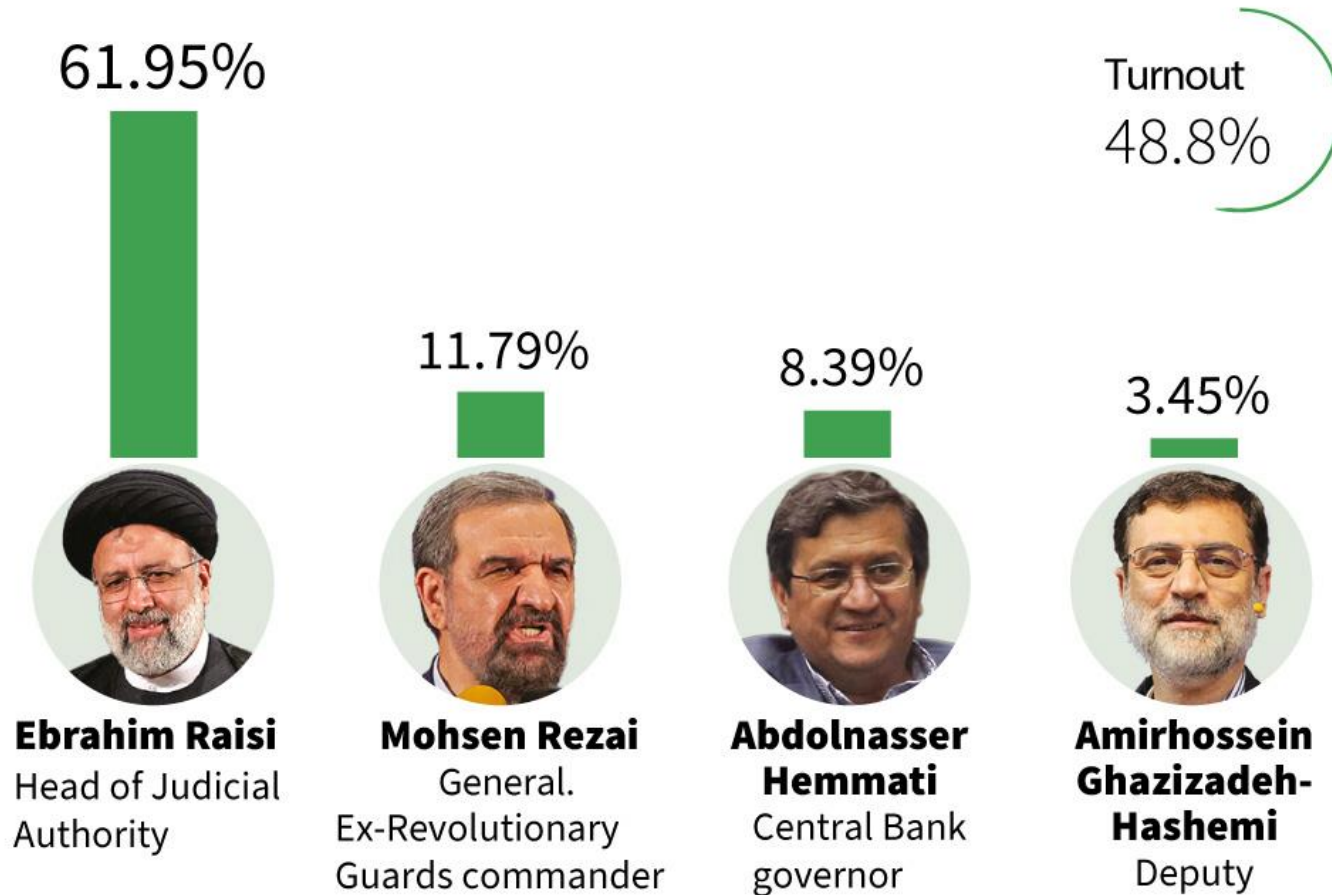
Figure 1: Iran's Real GDP Growth and Inflation (Source: IMF April 2020 World Economic Outlook)

# Sayyid Ebrahim Raisol-Sadati - Raisi



# Iranian presidential election

Final results



Source: Interior Ministry

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# La campagna elettorale del 2005





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# La successione?



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