The main point of this paper is to cover the Syrian civil war. When it comes to the subjects on the civil war, I will cover the cause of the conflict, the major players on the ground in the area talked about and where the war is five years later.

In the second part of the paper I will make the argument that out of all the groups listed in the current conflict the victory of any of those groups listed would cause a no win scenario. It will be an even larger step in destabilizing the region and will have negative consequences for all the major powers in the region.

The third part of my paper will lay out an idea for an alternative government in Syria, as well as the steps that would be required to bring peace to the country within that new government movement. Before the conclusion of my paper I will discuss how the new government proposed in this paper in the best option for the world community. In this area I will talk about the major advantages of this idea to the major powers influencing the region.

**Why was this topic important to investigate?**

I believe that the subject of creating a winning strategy in Syria is important to investigate for many reasons. The first reason I believe this is that the conflict in Syria in not just a conflict for a country but a conflict of ideals. With a conflict of ideals the way this war ends will have a great impact on not only the citizens of Syria but all of the people of the Middle East as well as the international community. The second reason I believe that this is an important
subject to study, is if any of the groups currently involved in the conflict win, the entire region will have the potential to become unstable and can quickly grow out of control. The third and final reason that I believe that this should be studied is the fact that the international community, the major powers involved in the area, and the people of the Middle East can still turn this conflict around and make something great be born out of it. If we were to take this amazingly awful conflict of the current Syrian Civil war and turn it around into something that will make the world and its citizens a better place it may in some way bring meaning to the large spectrum of dead which sources estimate to be between 152,893 and 470,000 people.\textsuperscript{1234}

My hope is that this study will advance new knowledge or new ways of understanding. My hope for writing this paper is to help the many groups involved in the conflict understand that there is an alternative plan of action available

I believe that the Syrian Civil War with the current groups involved in the conflict is a no win scenario for all parties. With that I propose in this paper a federalist constitutional government that should take the place of the Assad regime in Syria. I believe that the plan laid out in this paper and the continuing operations of the new Syrian Government will be in the best interest of powers in the world. Those powers not only include the many local Middle Eastern countries, but also the United States, Israel, European Union, Russia and China.

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About Syria

Syria is a country located in the Middle East region. The country borders the Mediterranean Sea, Turkey, Lebanon, Israel, Jordan and Iraq and is made up of a land area of approximately 185,180 square Kilometers. The country of Syria is made up of mostly desert and has hot summers and wet winters. The capital is Damascus located in the southern part of the country. The ethnic groups that make up the region are 90.3% Arabs with the minority made up of 9.7 percent Kurdish and Armenian populations. At the current time the population of Syria is estimated to be around 16.6 million people.

The administrative part is made up 14 regional divisions with the federal system being made up of an executive, legislative and Judiciary branches. The executive branch is led by a president that serves seven year terms at the current time the president is Basher Al Assad. The Legislative branch is made up of a Unicameral Peoples Assembly with 250 members in the system

The Syrian Civil War

The Syrian Civil War had origins in the Arab Spring of 2011. During the era of political change known in the Middle East as the Arab Spring there was revolts in Egypt, Libya, Yemen, and Tunisia that resulted in the removal of those countries long term dictators and for the first time in many years the people of the Middle East had a voice. The causes of the Arab spring were according to David E Cunningham “dissatisfaction with autocratic rule, high

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7 (CIA World Factbook 2016) Government
unemployment, and economic stagnation." Like wild fire it spread throughout the Middle East and Africa, in some places like Egypt it had good consequences when the leader left and free elections were held. In other places like Libya it broke into an all out rebellion ousting the dictator but leaving the government fragmented from the many war lords that were born out of the rebel Militia that formed to take down the dictator.

In Syria what could have been just another chapter in the Arab Spring movement quickly fell out of control when Pro Democracy Protests were held around the country protesting the arrest of several children for vandalism. Instead of controlling the crowd, the Syrian government forces fired into the crowd. This action inflamed the protest and resulted in the crowd asking for the resignation of President Basher Al Assad. The president refused to leave office and continued to crack down on the protesters. The crackdown of the protests eventfully caused peaceful protests to turn into riots and eventually the situation broke into an all out civil war as several militias were formed to take down the regime.

Unlike the civil war in Libya which lasted only a few months the civil war in Syria is now in its fifth year and has taken the lives of hundreds of thousands of people as well as caused over 4.5 million refugees to have to leave the country. The crisis has also resulted in 7.6 million people still within the country whom are internally displaced. All of these factors have resulted in the Syrian Civil War being one of the greatest humanitarian crises of our time. Five years on in the conflict the current estimate as of right now says the cost to rebuild the country

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could go as high as 180 billion dollars. This number is comparable to a country after the ending of the Second World War.\textsuperscript{15}

**The Main Groups Involved in the Civil War**

Although the conflict started out as a peaceful protest that ended as a brutal five year civil war, this does not explain the all out level of devastation and damage caused by the conflict. In order to understand why the war has been so destructive to both individuals and the country, as a whole, one must realize that Syria is not just a fight between two faction those factions being rebel’s verses the regime.

At this time there are literally five different forces fighting each other in the country for supremacy of who will control the ground in Syria. Those groups involved are the Syrian Rebels, The Assad Regime, The Islamist Groups, Kurds and the western forces on the ground fighting all the groups involved.

**The Rebel Groups**

When one thinks of a rebel movement one usually thinks of a single army or group of people fighting against an established government in the conflict with the major goal being to take out the Assad regime. But in reality the rebel army in Syria sometimes called the Free Syrian Army is actually a very light coalition of over 50 differ rent militias. These groups form alliances with each other or fight against each other depending on what the groups feel.

**The Assad Regime**

The Assad Regime runs the Syrian Security Forces which is the national army of Syria. This force consists of about 80 thousand troops down from a force of around 300 thousand

soldiers. This force includes the Syrian Arab Air force, Syrian Arab Army, Syrian National Defense Forces and Syrian Arab Navy.

The Syrian Arab Air force is the group in charge of running the air war over Syria. The Syrian Arab Army is the regular Army of the country and is the group at the top of the command structure. The Syrian National Defense Force was a militia group called up in 2015. This group is made up of several smaller militias that are loyal to the Syrian Regime government.

**Jihadist Groups Acting in Syria**

**Al-Nusra Front**

The Al-Nusra Front or The Front for the Defense of the Syrian People was founded by Abu Mohammad al-Julani. It is one of the major Islamist groups active in Syria. This group, in late 2012, swore allegiance to Al Qaeda. This is a global jihadist group active in several countries around the world. This group is dedicated to creating a government based on the groups own interpretation of Islamic law. According to a man within Al-Nusra, “We are Syrian mujahideen, back from various jihad fronts to restore God's rule on the Earth and avenge the Syrians' violated honor and spilled blood.” This group has grown since 2011 to become one of the major groups active in Syria.

**Jabhat Ansar al-Din**

Jabhat Ansar al-Din is an Islamist group started by Ibrahim Bin Shakaran. This group was founded in late 2014. Jabhat Ansar al-Din was created with the merging of several Islamism

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militias within Syria that believed in Islamic ideals but did not want to work with Al Nusra or Islamic State. This group has stated that they are willing to ally with Islamic group.\textsuperscript{21}

**Islamic State**

The Islamic State is a Sunni based Jihadist group that is currently at work in the Syrian Civil War. The Islamic State was started during the United States occupation of Iraq; the occupation took place from 2003 to 2011.\textsuperscript{22} The Islamic State or IS was started by a man named Musab al-Zarqawi who got too well known in Iraq due to his brutal actions on the battle field against both the Iraqi Government and American Occupation. Eventually the group that Zarqawi started was assimilated by Al Qaeda in Iraq along with several other militias. Zarqawi was eventually hunted down and killed by western forces. The group left would eventually become ISIS. Upon Zarqawi’s death Abu Omar al Baghdadi become leader of the Islamic resistance cell in Iraq in 2006.\textsuperscript{23} Baghdadi officially changed the name of the umbrella group working in Iraq to the Islamic State of Iraq.

In 2013 the Islamic State merged with the Jihadist Rebel Brigades in Syria to become the Islamic State of Iraq and Al Sham\textsuperscript{24}. The group would go to control almost the entire jihadist resistance in Syria. Eventually the brutal tactics and a change in management within Al Qaeda would result in the Islamic State breaking off from the Al Qaeda Franchise. On July 1\textsuperscript{st} 2014 Baghdadi named himself Caliph and Emir Al Muminin (Commander of the Faithful).\textsuperscript{25} With the fall out between ISIS and Al Qaeda all the rebel groups in Syria declared war on the newly formed Caliphate adding another front to the already brutal civil war. As of April 1\textsuperscript{st} 2016 the

\textsuperscript{24} (Atwan 2015)Pg 56
\textsuperscript{25} (Atwan 2015)Pg 59
Islamic State is still at war with all rebel forces in the region along with the regime and the west. The goal of the Islamic State is still to push out all opposition and create a Caliphate in Iraq and Syria.

Kurdish Groups

The Kurdish people that live in the northern part of Syria are one of the largest national groups in the Middle East. The group lives in the area they claim to be their ancient homeland. That land is broken up between the countries of Iraq, Syria, Iran, Turkey and small parts of Russia. In Syria the Kurds make up about ten percent of the population of the country and have their own language, Culture, and ethnic identity different than the other populations of Syria. Because the group is a minority the Kurdish people have been suppressed, marginalized, and persecuted throughout the history of modern Syria this has resulted in countless human rights charges against the Syrian government. Strategies towards the Kurds have included force as well as divide and rule policies26.

One of the main problems of the Kurds in the region has been the Arab national movement that went through the Middle East in the 1970s and before. These policies resulted in many Kurdish families and citizens in Syria being thrown off of their land and that land being given to Arab settlers. The actions of taking land from one group already on the land can also be seen in Palestine where the Jewish government is setting up settlements on the West Bank.

The Kurds have many political groups which are active in many countries in the region. Some of these groups include the Partiya Karkeren Kurdistan or (PKK) and their allies the Democratic Unity Party or the (PYD). The main political goal among the Kurds is to create a Kurdish state or autonomous areas in the countries were they exist around the region.

26 (Yildiz 2005), Pg 91
As the Syrian civil war broke out the Kurdish people in the northern part of the country used the opportunity to carve out a self proclaimed autonomous region in northern Syria called Rojava. On this front of the war Kurdish militia forces such as the Women’s Protection Units or (YPJ) and Peoples Protection Units (YPG) fight both the regime and Islamic extremists to protect the Kurdish people in the new Rojava region. This has caused the conflict to have bad political relations with Turkey because the success in creating an autonomous region in Syria would motivate the Kurds in their country to do the same.

**Western Nations**

One cannot look at the situation in Syria without looking at the involvement of the west. Russia has become one of Basher Al-Assad’s greatest allies in the Syrian civil war. Russia has helped the Assad Regime by giving the regime soldiers’ air support, providing material support for the troops on the ground, and more importantly standing up and blocking actions in the United Nations Security Council in favor of the war in Syria. One of the main goals of Russia is to protect the Russian naval base located in the Latakia region in Syria. This base is Russia’s only Mediterranean port in the region. Even though this nation has done attacks against rebels the Russian Government believes that the only way to fix the situation in Syria is come up with a political solution.

The United States is on the other side of the civil war. The United States believes in removing Basher Al-Assad From power, but believes that it should come within a political

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solution. United States forces are also leading the fight in the air against the Islamic State and other jihadist groups in the area by forming a coalition against ISIS in the Middle East.

**Countries Surrounding Syria**

Many other countries in the Middle East region are also involved in the Syrian civil war. Saudi Arabia has called for the removal of Assad from power and says that this must happen with or without military force. Saudi Arabia is also providing funding for several militias active in Syria including Islamic forces.

Turkey in the north is a firm believer that Assad must go but has had mixed issues on the subject on the ground. In the beginning of the conflict Turkey would allow rebel fighters and weapons shipments to cross the border going into Syria. Later Turkey shut down the border when Islamic State fighters and other Islamic militias started using the same route. Turkey has also assisted the western nations in bombing ISIS targets. Turkey has also in the last part of the war started bombing Kurdish targets in the Rojave region of Syria.\(^\text{30}\)

Iran has also had a large influence on the conflict going on in Syria. Since the war began Iran has inserted billions of dollars into the Assad Regime in an attempt to keep them in power. Iran has also provided weapons training and arms to the regime.

Iran also has a political influence over the Syrian civil war. There have been several complaints from many other groups in the region such as Saudi Arabia. One of the major arguments between Iran and Saudi Arabia is that Saudi Arabia says that Iran should not be included in the peace talks that were held in Europe. The countries in the west have disagreed on

this subject due to the fact that Iran has such a large influence over what happens in Syria.\textsuperscript{31}

**Why with current players this is a no win scenario**

Now that we have explained the conflict (briefly) and talked about the many players on the ground in Syria we can now go into the more important issue of solving the conflict and creating a better more functional government to take its place. A government model that can be picked up by the other countries in the Middle East that are struggling to fix all the social problems that the Arab Spring movement attempted to fix. To do this first we need to realize that none of the current players on the ground or the strategies that they are implementing are the way to get to that goal. With the current players on the ground Syria is a no win scenario.

**Basher Al-Assad’s forces win the war**

The first ending scenario we should go into is Basher Al-Assad’s forces win the war in Syria. This situation would be bad for several reasons. The first reason it would be bad for everyone is the fact that the situation would just lead to more of the same kind of authoritarian dictatorship that started the war in the first place. It would again result in a dictatorship filled with corruption\textsuperscript{32}, torture\textsuperscript{33}, and human rights violations.

The second reason I believe it would be bad for everyone in Syria if Assad wins the war is that hundreds of thousands of people will have fought and died for nothing. Many people throughout the Middle East and North African region are looking for hope in the mostly failed Arab Spring revolutions and want the protests to mean something. People want to look back with


\textsuperscript{33} Motaparthy, Priyanka. "If the dead could speak: mass deaths and torture in Syria’s detention facilities." Human Rights Watch, 2015.
pride and say that the Arab Spring meant something, and the actions of the movement made the lives of the people they care about better.

The people of this war did not rebel because they were happy about how the current administration was running the government. The Arab Spring was about creating an environment that functions better economically as well as creating opportunity for their citizens\textsuperscript{34}.

The third reason I believe it would be bad if Assad’s forces win the war is the first thing he will do when the war is over is hunt down every citizen that rebelled against his regime whether that be career army officers, rebel leaders or any other person they can link as a traitor. Assad’s Regime is then going to have them executed painfully. These actions will be used as an example of what happens to traitors. This would be yet another round of human rights violations.

The final reason Assad’s Regime should not be the one in power in Syria at the end of this war is that the winner is going to have to rebuild the country. This will require hundreds of billions of dollars to complete. Assad’s regime like many countries in the Arab world is very corrupt. When that money comes in from whatever group will help the country the money will be forced to filter through a corrupt nation causing billions of dollars to be filtered into corrupt government institutions and hangers on to the regime. This means that at the end of the war that caused so much bloodshed somebody will be making Assad’s Regime richer once again.

The conclusion to the Syrian civil war will be the turning point in the Arab Spring that everyone remembers. People will look back and see meaning in the movement by saying one of two things about the Arab Spring, and the Syrian civil war. On the good side, they will say yes lots of people died but although the loss of their lives is tragic at least it led to a better functioning government in Syria. On the other side of the coin if Assad wins the war people will

think about the Arab Spring, remember with pride how they sat in the streets protesting for a better country, and then they will remember the long bloody failed Syrian civil war. They will remember how making a stand led to one of the greatest destructive movements of a generation and the horrible crack down that Assad put in place after the conflict. The people will remember how great Syria was before the war and the post apocalyptic view of the city after all the years of fighting. The people will lower their heads in shame with a shiver of failure and never think of rising up again because it could be another Syria.

The current Syrian Government winning this war would be a crime against all humanity but even more of a crime to the people that this war affected.

**The Rebel Groups Win the War**

Next we look at solutions of what could happen if the rebel groups win the war and why this would be a very bad scenario for the people on the ground in Syria. Unfortunately this solution would not be much better than if Assad’s regime one the war. The Syrian revolutionary forces are not one unified group of people with a solid focus and collected chain of command. The rebel forces are made up of several smaller militias that all happen to have the same goal and vision right now. The goal that all the rebel groups share being to take out Assad’s government. Once that is done the rebel groups will turn on each other just like the rebel militias in Libya did.\(^{35}\) In Libya this turning on each other resulted in some areas to be controlled by different militias and all the groups fighting with each other.

Like in Libya this will make life unbearable for those citizens living in the country due to the fact that nothing will be able to be rebuilt until there is a unified government. The international community has shown one thing to be true and that is it does not form agreements with non legitimate governments like in Libya. Deals cannot be made to fix the regime until the

government is whole again. Also like in Libya the power vacuum that forms in the country will be filled with Islamic Extremist movements such as ISIS\textsuperscript{36} or Al Nusra to gain a foot hold.

The rebels winning the war will lead to a great amount of human rights violations. The first thing that the rebel groups will do is hunt down every person that was loyal to Assad’s government and then the groups will execute them and their closest supporters to make an example for all those that remain.

**If the Jihadists win the War**

In the case that the Islamic groups win the war life will resemble the city of Raqqa. A city where every person within the city lives in a prison of strict Islamic law where harsh punishments such as stoning or beheading is passed out to those that dare to break the law. Woman will be forced to cover from head to toe to protect their modesty and with the sanctions placed on Islamic groups by the international committee trade will slow down to almost nothing. The Entire country of Syria will fall under a strict dictatorship ruled by a very select few.

If the Islamic countries win the war there will be great increase in revenue gain through taxing the people this has the possibility to be used to increase terrorist attacks on western countries. That money could also be used to bring in and train even more foreign fighters to their cause allowing the groups to grow even further into the Arab world.

The greatest problem with ISIS and other Islamic groups winning in Syria is the fact that the west would never allow it to happen. In the case that one of the Islamic groups was to have a chance to take over the country the west would land troops in the country and take the group out. At the time that western troops land the Islamic groups would, like in Iraq, call on Jihadists from

all over the region to come and help fight off the west. This would lead Syria into another brutal war. In conclusion the Islamist winning the war in Syria will in no way bring peace to Syria.

**Kurds win the war**

Meanwhile the only group in the region that would have a positive impact on the country if they won the war is the Kurdish groups in the north. The only problem with this scenario is that controlling the country of Syria is not their goal. The Kurds only want to protect and gain the area they consider their own country. In the case that the Kurds did win the war they would turn the northern lands of Syria into their own country and they would leave the rest of Syria to take care of themselves.

**If the West was to win**

In the case that the west was forced to land troops on the ground and occupy the country this has been proven several times in the Middle East region that the area will not tolerate Western occupation occupying ground in any way. The two main examples of this view are the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan\(^\text{37}\) and the US invasion of Iraq\(^\text{38}\). Even if the West was to come into the region for humanitarian reasons the Islamists would use the presence of the West to gain momentum for their cause attracting money recruits and the help of the locals. The longer the West stayed the worse things would get for the Western occupiers and the citizens of Syria. Any local government that the west attempts to build in Syria will be corrupt and dysfunctional because the west does not understand the Middle East or its people.

The information above helps us to realize none of the current players on the ground in Syria or the strategies that these groups are implementing have any chance of ending the civil


war and creating a better government in Syria. With the current players on the ground Syria is a no win scenario.

All groups not good for Syrian Citizens

What all these groups do have in common is that not one of these groups care about the core issue of what Syria is actually made of. That issue being the people on the ground living in Syria through the war and those that will live there after the war. All countries are made up of people, not political parties, not factions or corporations, but people. People in their core do not care about international treaties or governments or religious sects. People for the most part care about themselves and their own lives as well as the lives of their friends and family that are closest to them.

Families in countries all over the world look at the news and see tragedies in far off places around the world being bombed or dealing with some other form of natural disaster and say that is terrible. From these actions people get upset for a moment process the information on the crisis and then get upset for a moment then flip the channel to a more gratifying entertaining show. The same is true in Syria the people on the ground just want to live their lives.

Now that we spent so much time talking about why the current players are not the solution to the problem and how things would be worse under their care it is very important to discuss three important issues in the remainders of this paper. We need to discuss what the actual solution to the problem is. What the important issues to consider in creating a government are. Finally we need to discuss why it is so important that the world puts this solution into place.

The first question that needs to be answered is why the rest of the world should care what happens in Syria and why it is so critical to the world to put its energy into solving the conflict. When we look at the current civil wars and conflicts going on around the globe we see that Syria
is not the only civil war going on in the world at the current time. At the current time there are 25 other civil wars going on around the world.\textsuperscript{39}

The reason we should care about the conflict in Syria is that there is a lot more at stake than just who gets to control the territory. The battle in Syria will be the shifting point of the Arab Spring. However terrible the conflict is the war is also an opportunity. The war is an opportunity to take a bad regime and build a new national republic that fixes all the problems of the current countries in the Middle East. If the new government can win in Syria the new government will have effects on a majority of countries.

The country we create can be an example to the rest of the Middle East and Africa. Once the nation is setup and functioning normal we can franchise the model by working in a hands on fashion with those nations that wish to change the way that their countries are run to create a better world out of the Middle East.

What are the important issues that we need to consider when creating this new government. One of the greatest tools that history gives us is the ability to go back and analysis situations from the past and learn from them. We do this so that we do not make the same mistakes that other countries make. The conflict in the Middle East is no different.

The new government needs to function better than the governments of the past. One of the issue the new government has to address is a functional competent military. That military needs to counter any threat whether it be foreign or domestic.

One of the great things Arab governments lack is an efficient military. If the Middle East is ever to survive on its own it must be able to bring to the field a functional competent military. Throughout the last one hundred years the countries of the Middle East have shown one very important lesson: it is best to be able to take care of yourself.

important factor they must overcome if they are ever going to truly create peace for their people. And gain the military respect of the rest of the western world. They must work to create a functional and competent army.

But in order to create a functional and competent army the new government body must have the ability to fix the current problems with Middle Eastern Armies. In one hundred years of almost constant warfare not one Middle Eastern army has ever won a western army in a war.

One of the problems that the Arab world must overcome with its military is training. Ever since the time of Rome and before that one factor has always been clear an army should train hard, so that the skills trained for can be functional on the battlefield. Armies in the Middle East fail to act in this category. The training brought on through all levels of the military is weak. Most of the average Arab armies are made up of conscripts with little want to be in the military. Once in the military the soldiers are given very little training beyond the small job that they are taught to do. This leads to very bad performance on the battlefield where it has been proven many times that the average unit in the Middle East falls apart in heated conflict.

The next problem that the Middle Eastern army must get over is the free sharing of information among units. In Arab armies information is seen as power if you have information that someone else does not have than you are more valuable. This goes against the whole function of modern armies. The western armies work by the trickling down of information in training.

The way the army works is the higher ranking non commissioned officers train the new recruits to the job. The new recruits practice and work in their profession until they gain experience in the skill they then go up in rank and pass the skills down those beneath you. In Arab military this is not the case the person with the knowledge will not train or pass the
knowledge learned to the servicemen under them and if they do pass on the knowledge they train it badly or incompletely so that the lower ranking person is less efficient. This means that even if a professional Middle Eastern army was to get trained by a western army within a couple of years the army is back to it inefficient army status where the soldier holding the weapon is good for nothing better than pulling a trigger.

The last big thing that the Middle Eastern army needs to work on is leadership. No matter how trained and well equipped a military is in the field the military unit must have good leadership by their non commission officers as well as commissioned officers. If a soldier knows that the officer will back them up, look out for there well being and stand with them in the field against any hardship the lowest ranked soldier will face the low ranking soldier will perform better as a soldier by showing loyalty to the leader as well as giving their best and then some in every aspect of his service. The Middle Eastern Armies severely lack this effect. The Military officers in these countries with very few exceptions show no respect for the enlisted personal under them. The officers have no problem putting their own needs in front of the needs of their soldiers. This makes enlisted personal unwilling to give a full effort for someone who cares little for them.

The Final item that needs to be fixed is the loyalty of the officer corps in command of the country since the fall of the Ottoman Empire in 1920 there has been at least one military coup in every country in the Middle East except two. The main use of the army should be to protect the government and the people not to take power.

In conclusion one of the most important things that Syria needs to fix and incorporate into their new government is efficient functional armed forces that can compete in the field with any western army. It does not matter how much you build up the country if your own army or an
outside army comes in and destroys everything that you have built. The new government must take care of the three core groups of society allowing for maximum productivity by the three groups. As was said about the priority of armies one should look no further than Nicola Machiavelli

A prince ought to have no other aim or thought, nor select anything else for his study, than war and its rules and discipline; for this is the sole art that belongs to him who rules, and it is of such force that it not only upholds those who are born princes, but it often enables men to rise from a private station to that rank. And, on the contrary, it is seen that when princes have thought more of ease than of arms they have lost their states. 40

Another important factor the new government must include is a fair republic where every citizen has equal rights no matter what their age, gender, religious or ethnic group or sexual orientation. Many countries in the Middle East are currently not living under that philosophy. Many people are excluded or marginalized from government because they are not the same race ethnic group or religion as the ruling party in government.

If Syria is to work better in the category of equal rights in the region than the country must grow in its thinking. The country must learn from the mistakes of the other nations in the region. It has been proven many times from Iraq’s treatment of the Sunni Shea Split to the Jewish Treatment of the Palestinians in Israel to other groups in the Middle East

Any time one group has unequal amounts of power in government over another groups of society unrest will follow. With the movements of the Arab Spring and the rise of religious extremism groups a government can no longer work in an unequal undemocratic manner and get away with it without social problems such as unrest and rebellion to come to their country 41. A fair republic where every citizen has equal rights and equal say in the affairs that goes on in the

40 Machiavelli, Nicolo. The Prince. FLorance, 1527.
41 TOENSING, CHRIS. "Why Exiting Iraq Won't Be Easy;." the Middle East Research and Information Project, 2006: 25.
government will create a much better country that will allow the new government needs to have a fair and just legal system. A fair and just legal system will takes care of the issues of false imprisonment, disallows torture of any kind, and has a fair trial by a jury of their peers.

Any government that is going to work in the Middle East has to give its citizens the parameters to practice Islam with no restrictions. This includes for example allowing a man to have up to four wives legally assuming he can treat them equally and afford to support them. The System should allow slavery. The new government should allow for Islamic banking as well as the system will allow a banking system to be in place without the use of interest a system that Muslims call usury. The United States may have the separation of church and state but in Islam that system will not work. If the government does not work to make the government Islamic friendly than somebody else will and that group may be an extremist group.

The new government has to have measures in it to eliminate and fight corruption at every level of government. Corruption is a huge problem in most Middle Eastern Governments. If the new nation is to function at the best efficiency that it can it must get rid of corruption on all levels of government from the police on the ground to the politicians and bureaucrats that are getting rich off of their position.

The country has to have a functional ministry system that runs the government efficiently and on budget. A government bureaucracy must be broad enough to handle any need that the people have but at the same time be lean enough to use money well without waste. At the current time very few countries in the Middle East have this.

Finally the government has to be economic friendly to allow maximum gross domestic product growth. During the Arab Spring one of the greatest complaints was the argument that the economy was not very friendly for economic gain. This has caused the majority of people to do
business on the black market because the people and businesses cannot function in the current markets.

**How are we going to win the War?**

Now that we have discussed all the groups involved in the conflict and why none of them are the answer to the current problem. The answer needs to come of what is the current solution to the problem. But before we can discuss the new government and rebuilding the country we must first win the war and bring peace to the future republic in Syria.

To win the war in Syria will come in four main parts. Part one will use diplomatic channels to form alliances and treaties with the powerful western nations. This must happen because war and country building both require money and weapons. The western nations have both of these.

Part two of the plan to win the war in Syria is to get the support of the people. At this time the people have been hurt by all groups involved in the conflict they are scared and tired. The new government must show that they have the people’s best interest in mind. Once we have the peoples trust and support it will be easier to maneuver and help them to rebuild their country.

The third phase of the plan is building a functional world class army that has the ability to gain victory over all the enemies on the ground. Due to the number of fronts this war will incur it is important that the army is very well trained to avoid great losses in the war.

The final part of the strategy to win the war in Syria although obvious is to fight the war. This will be the phase where the army and new government take the country back from all the negative influences that exist in it.

**Phase 1 Western Backing**

**United States**
The war will not end without western backing on the ground. The group that wants to build the new government must negotiate deals with powerful western countries in order to gain victory.

One of the countries we will attempt to have negotiations with is the United States of America. America will be a key ally in our struggle for several reasons. The first reason is that they have the money available to help us to not only win the war on the ground but to rebuild the country from the effects of five years of world warfare. Another reason that the United States would be a good ally for our cause is the fact that they lead the world in weapons manufacturing and military training. By asking for their help now it could be a good stepping stone for good diplomatic negotiations later on in the founding of the country.

I believe that the new Syrian republic has much to offer the United States in exchange for their assistance. The first order of business once the army is combat ready is to use that army to remove all Islamic jihadist armies currently having control of Syria this includes ISIS and Al-Nusra. We offer to capture their leaders whenever possible and hand them over to the United States.

We agree to ally ourselves with the Iraqi Government in assisting in the removal from Islamic Groups from Iraq once the war in Syria is complete. Finally we sign a treaty saying that the new country of Syria will use the United States for all arms sales now and in the future when it comes to equipping the army. All arms sales and training provided to our army will be in the form of loans that will be paid back when and of course if the new republic wins the war. In conclusion I believe that the United States would be an excellent ally to help us in the fight to gain independence in Syria.

Russia.
We will sign a non aggression pact with Russia. Ask them to withdraw their military and army forces from Syria and enforce a no fly zone over Syria. By signing a non aggression pact with the new republic withdrawing its military forces from the region and supporting a no fly zone it will allow the new republic to deal with all enemies with equal footing when it comes to tactics. By making the moves listed above and still supporting arms to the Assad Regime they do not have to break their alliance with Assad.

This means that Russia can in fact play both sides of the conflict. They can back up Assad by giving him weapons and money while also supporting our forces by agreeing not to attack us and declaring a no fly zone over the country. This causes a win win situation with Russia. If the Rebels lose, they still have good relations with the current government in Syria. The rebels win and Russia loses nothing.

The main question one asks, is if Russia is already backing the Syrian regime why would it suddenly back out to help the Syrian rebels. At this time there is no reason for Russia to break its alliance on Syria. The Syrian regime is the most powerful group in the region and Russia’s backing of them only makes it more so. Even though at the current time there is no reason for Russia to make the deal if the United States and Israel were to give backing as laid out in this paper to the rebels it would shift the balance of power in the region in favor of or even to the Assad Regime. The chance of backing the wrong player and losing their relationship with the Syrian government will help to motivate them.

The second power that would be a valuable ally to the new republic in Syria is Russia. I believe that this would be a good idea for several reasons. The first reason I believe this to be a good idea is the fact that the signing of a non aggression pact with Russia would make the war against the Jihadists and the war against the current regime much easier. The second reason that I
believe Russia would be a valuable ally is the fact that they have a great amount of resources that can help the country to rebuild its economy.

I believe that the new Syrian republic has several things they can offer the Russians in exchange for their support in helping the republic gain victory in the region. The first thing that the new republic can offer Russia in exchange for their support is to not only let them keep their military base in Tartus but the republic in Syria will give them the entire city as long as they are willing to allow free trade and movement in the city for Syrian Residents. Second in exchange for the support of the Russian people we will agree to use Russian contracts and companies in all aspects of rebuilding the country in Syria.

In conclusion I believe that a non aggression pact with Russia stating they will not use their armed forced to engage our territory will go far in balancing Israel.

I believe that an alliance with Israel will go far to help the republic outlined gain victory in the war in Syria for several reasons. The first reason is in order to build an army of strategic value and capability it will require a safe place to recruit, train and equip the army before they enter the military theatre in Syria. The Golan Heights in Israel is the perfect place to do this. The Golan Heights would be the perfect place for several options. The first reason being that it is developed and has access to ports in both Lebanon and Israel therefore the area can be easily supplied for the building and training of the army.

The second reason that the Golan Heights would be the perfect place to build the army is the fact that it is safe. If an army was to be built up in Syria Russian and Syrian Soldiers would very quickly attack it before the army gained strength enough to be a threat. In Israel that is not a
concern. Under none of the current circumstances would the Assad Regime or Russia bomb or engage in an assault on the Golan Heights.

To do this would be immediate war with Israel. With the current state of the Syrian regime and no support from other Arab allies a war with Israel would crush the current Syrian Government. The same would be true for Russia. If Russia was to attack Israel war would break out between the two. With no chance of victory for Israel over Russia they would call in their western allies to aid them this means the situation could quickly turn into a world war or worse. So with their being very little chance of an army attacking the Golan Heights it would be the perfect place to train and equip the army.

The third reason that I believe Israel would be an excellent ally for the new Syrian Government is the fact that they will be able to greatly assist the new government in the rebuilding of the economy in Syria. In the short time the Jewish people have been back in Israel the country has mastered the art of agriculture and economy building in the Levant. Those skills could be of great value to Syria in the rebuilding of the country from the war.42

Any Arab country gaining an alliance with Israel will not be an easy task. Seventy years of warfare has caused a great amount of animosity between both Israel and Arab countries. But I truly believe that an alliance with Israel and the new government in Syria has many advantages for both parties involved.

I believe that there are several factors that would allow the new Syrian republic to ally with Israel those factors first being that a third of the new Syrian Republic will be used to create a free Palestinian State within the new federal system. This area will be developed with the state of Israel to make the land very appealing to the Palestinian people than Syria will help pay the

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costs of moving Palestinian families with all their belongings from the occupied territories to the new country.

The idea of this move is that millions if not all of the Palestinians living within the Occupied territories will voluntarily leave the area to start lives in a land where they can prosper. Once the Palestinians have a homeland and a free ticket to move to that new homeland this will take the international pressure off of Israel with their treatment of the Palestinians due to the fact that the Palestinians will now have a home where they may prosper staying in Israel is their choice not their life sentence. With the exodus of Palestinians from the occupied territories Israel can continue development of the west bank and Golan Heights.

The rebels would approach Israel and ask for an alliance with the Syrian rebels. In the alliance they would ask for permission to recruit and train a Syrian Army in the Golan Heights as well as technical help in the rebuilding of the economy of Syria. As well as allowing the Palestinians to move out of the Occupied Territories and into the new Palestinian state located within the Federal Republic of Syria.

In return for this assistance once the new Syrian government is in place Syria will sign over the Golan Heights to Israel. The new country will sign a non aggression pact for life with Israel and all banking within the new Syrian Government will be done within Israeli banks.

**Phase 2: Get Support from People**

To do this our government has to be honorable in the face of evil. We have to put as much effort into caring for the citizens of Syria as possible and show them that we are a noble cause. This means making effort to notify civilians of attacks. Other ways to show honor to the people by taking care of all citizens within our controlled areas as well as sending resources and supplies to those citizens that are displaced throughout the country and world. The people of
Syria are tired of war they just want to live in peace and get back to their lives we must show them that the group wants the same thing.

**Phase 3: Build the Army**

Once and if concessions can be made with all the countries listed above The United States should supply enough money weapons and heavy equipment to build an army of 120,000 men. The new federation will be made up of three regions or states. Those states will be Kurdistan in the north Palestine in the south and Syria in the middle of the country. Because the federation is made up of three states then the army will be made up of 40,000 Palestinians, 40,000 Syrians, and 40,000 kurds.

From these groups those with the most military experience will be given officer and Non Commission officer ranks. In order to attract those people with the greatest amount of military experience as well as promote loyalty to the army and country the yearly wages of soldiers will be 10,000 US Dollars per Year. This is almost double the GDP per capita in Syria of 4578 US Dollars per year\(^43\).

The training of the army will, if possible shall take place in the Golan Heights in Israel. The army shall be trained by US instructors. The army will not leave the Golan Heights until it is fully trained and conditioned to the standard of any of the best armies in the world. Although the army will be greatly inexperienced as a whole I believe that the great number of fighters within the three regions have created many competent soldiers from other conflicts in the area.

**Phase 4: Battle for Syria**

Once the army is fully trained it will leave the Golan Heights and move to Northern Syria. From Aleppo 40,000 soldiers will set up very thick Defenses and hold back the regime as

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they advance north. The remainder of the army will work to take back all territory taken by Islamic extremists. The officers and officials of those armies will be handed over to the United States for interrogation. When all the extremist group lands our held under the control of the rebel army the rebel groups can put its full strength into removing the Syrian regime from power.

All military prisoners captured should be help in accordance with international law. Any government officials captured within the Assad Government will be help until a fair trial can be set up either within the country or in international court. Convicted members of the government will be dealt with according to the law of the country.

Every city that the rebel army takes in the war will be put under a temporary government until elections can be help to decide permanent government. Money will be sent from the rebel forces to help the displaced Syrian citizen throughout the world. Upon the completion of the war the temporary government will hold control until elections can be created to build a constitutional convention. After the constitutional congress there will be another election to decide on leaders.

The army will keep order in the country until the new government is put into place. After the army is put in place the army will (if permission is granted from the Iraqi government) move into Iraq and attack the Islamic militants. All lands taken by and held by our army will quickly be given back to the relevant Iraqi government body. Upon the completion of the campaign to help Iraq remove Islamic extremist groups from the region the army mill move back into base.

Now that we have discussed why the current players are not the solution and what the solution should include we need to lay out the parameters of the new government and what they should be.

**Federal Republic of Syria**
The new government in Syria should be formed to be a federation. I believe this for many reasons. The first reason I think that Syria should be founded as a republic is the reason that this would allow the individual ethnicities and groups to enjoy their own autonomy in their own states while at the same time allowing the individual ethnic groups to enjoy the benefits that come from being a Federation. Another reason that I believe that a federation is a good idea for Syria as well as the Middle East is that it would allow the countries to more easily protect themselves from attack.

Finally a Federalist System would be better for the economy on the grounds that like in America and the European Union there would now be no borders for interstate trade. This would allow companies to increase the number of customers available for their products while eliminating logistic problems caused by border crossings. A federalist system will also cause the company to pay fewer taxes.

The way the federalist system would work in Syria would be broken down into a federal government with three internal states which will be called regions. The three states that make up the land in Syria should be the Region of Kurdistan in the North, the Region of Syria in the middle of the country and the Region of Palestine in the south of the country.

Region of Kurdistan

The reason that Kurdistan should be a state within Syria is that I believe without the Kurdish forces fighting against Islamic Countries in the north the Islamic State and other militia groups would have been a lot more successful in taking over the lands of Syria and Iraq. This group has earned the right to have their own independent state within the federation. Also the citizens of Kurdistan have financial resource in Turkey, Iran, Iraq, and Syria. By giving this minority their own state and allowing any citizen of the Kurdish Minority to immigrate to the
country it would attract a great amount of financial capital. The new influx of people into the country would bring important skills back into the country. This would help get professionals back to Syria to make up for the losses in the war.

The third reason even though it would upset the border countries of the Federal Republic of Syria the influx of Kurdish migrants and the nationalism they bring with them will help legitimize the federal system in Syria. The final reason is that the Kurdish homeland on the Northern Border will add security to the country among there northern border states due to the fact that a military incursion from the north would not only be met by a seasoned army fighting for their homeland but it will also cause unrest among the Kurds in their own lands by attacking the Kurdish given homeland. In conclusion there are several great reasons to give the Kurds their own state in Syria.

**Region of Syria**

The middle state of the republic will be called Syria and will be where the majority of Syrian people will live. Although this area will be the only state within Syria in the name any person being a citizen can live in any state but the citizen only gets voting rights at the state level in their home state. The Syrian People will have voting rights only within the middle state but will have the right to live in any state within the federation.

**The Region of Palestine**

The third state created will be the State of Palestine. The question that people will ask is why we should give a third of the country to the Palestinian people. The Palestinians have put very little into the Syrian conflict and it is not their home country. There are several reasons why creating a free state of Palestine among the federation makes sense. The first reason is that it is the right thing to do. Israel will never give equal rights to the Palestinians.
To the Jewish government the west bank is the land given to them by god they will never give it up without force. With that the amount of force that will be required to take the West Bank from Israel is not worth it. In order to get their own country the Palestinian people would have to first remove the Palestinian Authority from power. Once this is gone they would have to remove the State of Israel from power whether that be by non violent or violent means. Both the Palestinian Authority and the Israeli Government will fight back with everything they have this would cause the many losses on the part of the Palestinians at the same time no matter how much the Palestinians resist there is no guarantee that they would be successful against the power of the state of Israel.

**Reasons**

Palestine does not have their own country the best way to help the people of Palestine is give them their own state.

Israel wants the west bank and Palestinians are in the way. By giving Israel a better option of getting they more space on the west bank Israel would be an excellent ally. Syria will also sign over the Golan Heights to Israel allowing them control of the territory as well as one less international headache to deal with. When the war is over and the new Syrian Government will have to have resources and skills to rebuild their destroyed country into a world economic power. Israel has all the tools that Syria needs to rebuild their county. Such as a banking sector to help with financing to rebuild the country, Israel also leads the world in variety of industries that would be beneficial to our country. In conclusion in alliance with Israel will be mutually beneficial to both countries.
Latifundium\textsuperscript{44}

All land within the country will be given to the worker. All land will be broke up into 6000 acres parcels. All lands will be broke into latifundium. The latifundium will be a piece of land made up 4000 acres set up under a corporation. The corporation will be owned by the workers that are hired to work the property. The remaining 2000 acres of land will be given to the workers of the latifundium. Each piece of land distributed among the workers of the land will be given 5 acres with a family size home on it. If the worker completes five years of work on the latifundium the land and home belongs to the worker. At which time they can continue to work from their home or they may sell the property if they wish.

In order to implement this plan of land redistribution by the government the land owner will be compensated for their loss of lands at market rates and will be given first opportunity to join a latifundium if they wish. There will also be barracks available on the land for the citizens to live in if they wish.

The latifundium will be managed by a professional staff of farming experts who eventually be highly trained in all things agriculture. This group will work hard to gain maximum revenue from every square inch of space on the latifundium. Each latifundium will be ran in a diplomatic function. Each employee owner of the latifundium will have one vote in a yearly meeting of the Lafundium where they will vote for board members from among their group. The board of Directors will be the governing body of the farm.

Business zoning within the urban areas

The urban areas within the cities and Villages will be zoned like every other city with a specific emphasis on commerce. All commercial zones within the city will be zoned to create maximum revenue potential for the business owner.

By keeping the creation of spaces within the country in balance every group will be able to maximize their potential in society.

**Layout of Republic**

The republic will be laid out into four main kinds of land: The Federal Government will be the largest piece of land and will include the many states or region within the country. The Federal Government will be broke down to states. Each state will be representing a large ethnic Group Such as Kurds and Palestinians and will be made up of areas broken up into city states instead of counties like in the United States. The city will be the central hub of commerce and industry within the region. Each city area will be broke up into smaller districts called villages. Each village will be made up of many latifundiums. The village’s main point will be to support the families and surrounding agricultural regions. Including small businesses, schools, and other regional operational organizations.

**Layout of Legislative Bodies**
Voting

As stated in the name the new country in Syria should be founded as a republic which means all leaders will be put in place by the people electing their own leaders. Once per year every person will be able to vote in elections that will allow the people to vote for there leaders from among candidates among the community.

Federal Government

The federal government will be the overall supreme law of the land in the country. Even though the federal government will be the supreme law of the land The Federal Government will be made up of three legislative bodies and two appointed bodies. The system will be a high breed version of the system within the United States. Listed below will be the federal legislative region

President

The president is the person is head of state. This person is in charge of running the administration. He or she will have veto power over laws coming out of the house and senate.

House of Representatives

The House of Representatives will be made up of 450 members the position will be chosen based on two rounds of elections. The first round of elections will decide who gets the seat. If there are five seats open and five million people are voting. If three million Palestinians check the Palestinian box on the ballet and 2 million people check Syrian than in the next election there will be 3 Palestinian seats on the ballet and 2 seats will go to Syrians. The next election happening 3 months later the candidates running in the elections will be running for the seats decided on in the prior election.
This plan was created to help the country expand as new countries and ethnic groups are added to the mix the balance of power will stay the same with the House of Representatives being proportionate to the number of ethnic groups in the republic.

**Senate**

The senate will be made up of 140 seats with each state within the republic getting equal number of seats. If through growth the republic reaches a greater need for seats than every state will still have two seats in the house.

The senate with each state getting equal number of seats will counter balance the House of Representatives where seats are balanced upon ethnic group’s population.

**The Vorta**

In an attempt to make the Federal Republic of Syria one of the most well ran governments in the world we will put all members wanting to work in government specialists will undergo aptitude tests to make sure that all people working in government are among the smartest and brightest in the country. Each person will than go through four years of college level government training including classes such as law, history, philosophy as well as learning any other government functions that would be required to create the best administrators in the world.

Once the citizens graduate from Vorta training they are assigned to a government administration given a home within the area they work in. The Vorta will start out on the bottom of the ministry and work their way up from there.

**Master Vorta**

The Master Vorta is the prime minister of the republic this person is in charge of running the Government. This person runs the ministries throughout the republic. This person works with the

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other Vorta to interact and enforce laws that are set down from the government branch. The master Vorta is chosen from among the regional Vorta’s within the republic by a majority vote of the senate.

**How the Federal Government Works.**

The house or representatives and the senate will be one of the major governing bodies of the new republic in Syria. Bills will enter the house or representatives and the senate in three ways, the first being that bills or laws can be introduced from the Senate or President or by an initiative by the people to the legislature on the floor. The final way a bill can be introduced to the House of Representatives or the senate through the committees to the main floor.

Once a bill is assigned to the house or the Senate all bills, except those decided by initiative, are sent to the committee related to the bill. Once the bill is assigned to the committee the members of that committee will debate the issue. When and if they decided they like the bill, then the bill will be moved to the main House floor. There it will be debated and voted on the house floor. If the bill passes in the house it will be moved to the other house to go through the same process. Once the bill passes through both houses it will go up to the president.

At that time the president will either approve the law or sent it back to the house it started in. If the president does not like the law as a whole or part of the law the president may do a line veto for a certain part of the bill or they may veto the entire item. At which case the bill will go back to the House it started in and start its way through the process again.

**Committees**

Each of the three federal governing bodies members participate in one of the 30 oversight Committees that exist within the Senate and House of Representatives. Each of the committees represents a ministry. The ministry is the government department that handles certain functions
of government. The committee made up of members of the government body within their house. This group will be informed of all activities and functions going on in the administration then will make decisions and bills to govern the ministry.

**Supreme Court of the republic**

The Supreme Court of the republic is the highest court in the country as well as the supreme law of the land. This group will review all bills passing into law as well as any criminal or civil case being pushed up to the federal Level.

**Regional Government**

**Regional President**

The regional president is the head of state at the state level this person just like at the federal level this person represents the state in all affairs and has veto powers over all bills coming up through the parliament. The regional president is voted in by the citizens of the state.

**Regional Parliament**

The regional or state level of government will be run by a parliament of 100 members elected from citizens of the ethnic group that control the state. Like at the federal level members of the parliament will work on committees that oversee the state level.

**Regional Vorta**

The Regional Vorta is the prime minister at the regional level. This person is appointed by the state parliament by a majority vote. The person is chosen from among the many Vorta in charge of the ministries at the state and regional level.

**Regional Ministries**
At the state level of government once again called the regional level of government will be made of the creation of thirty regional ministries. Each regional Ministry will be led by a Regional Vorta that answers to the Regional Vorta

City Government

Like written above a region is broke up into several city governments each city government will be a commercial and industrial hub for the surrounding villages. Like most cities in the western government the city government is ran by a city council with a Mayer at the head.

Mayor

The mayor is elected from among the city residents. The mayor is the executive in charge of running the city. This person will be the day by day governor of the city. The mayor will run the city council and get their vote on all major policy changes within the city.

City Council

The city council will be made up of 6 members not including the Mayer. This group will meet and work daily to discuss and vote on issues going on within the city. This group governs over the ministries within the city.

City Vorta

The City Vorta is the agent that runs the ministries operating within the city. This person is appointed by the city council and will be chosen from among the Vorta within the area.

Village Government

Each city is made up of several villages. While the cities are the economic and industrial centers of the state the villages exist for the primary purpose of supporting the agricultural districts within the village area. These zones will include schools, small stores and specialists
that help the industry. Like the cities the villages will be ran by a traditional western government consisting of a mayor and a city council.

The Mayor will run the administration as well as govern the everyday actions of the city. Any large decisions should be brought to the city council for voting. Each Village will be voted in by every citizen living within the village as well as the lands within the district of the village. The city council will meet as needed. The city council will be kept up to date on all the functions going on within the city and work with the city ministries to pass laws to help in governing the cities.

The cities themselves will be run by the village Vorta. The Village Vorta will be the person in charge of running the day to day functions of the village government under the governance of the mayor.

**Bureaucracy**

One of the most important parts of creating a better government in Syria is going to have to be the complete retooling and fabrication of the bureaucracy in Syria will have to take place. By doing this the new government the new administration will be able to take away the broken parts of the administrative machine that causes the majority of problems in the country such as corruption, violence, inefficiencies’ and Injustice.

Republic governments are made up of three important parts. The first is the people who vote for their leaders. The second part of government is the elected leaders that make the decisions in the legislative branches. The third part of the government is the ministries that interact and enforce policies that are decided on by the legislative branch. This area of the paper will discuss the ministries within the new government of Syria and how they should function.
Like stated earlier in the paper the new system will be ran by the Vorta. The Vorta will go to school and get extensive training on how to fight all of the problems facing the country such as corruption that are currently ailing the Middle East region as well as how to run things better. I feel that the extensive training is required for government workers so that the people within the ministries actually have the ability to think.

A lot of government bureaucracies around the world hire unskilled labor to do lower bureaucrat functions within government this increases living wage jobs for low skill people while keeping costs down within the government. But by keeping low skill labor in the lower levels of bureaucracy one also cuts the opportunity for innovation and growth within the organization. These people give very little input in making the company or government bureaucracy function with less innovation causing inefficiencies in the operational running of the office.

Another benefit of using well trained personal at all levels of government with knowledge of how the entire system functions is that the state employees have the ability to innovate the system. The well trained workers will be encouraged to speak up on how the government can run better and cheaper to help the people. The workers will be compensated by how much they save the government money or how much more useful they make the government for the citizen on the ground.

**Functionality of the Ministries**

The ministries will function different at every level of operation. Just like in the decision making function of government the ministries our broke down into four levels of operations. Those four levels of operations are Federal level, regional level, city level, village level. Each level has a specific function and job over the rest.
The federal level of government will have only two functions over the entire bureaucracy. Those functions are Auditing to the regional level, and assisting the Regional level government in implementing federal laws passed in the legislature. The federal level will have no interaction with the ministries at the city or village level other than in the overall auditing of the operations. In order to cut down on corruption and other misuse of resources the federal level of the administration will watch all other levels very closely and quickly inform the level of government involved of any corruption or other misdealing so the level of the ministry the behavior is taking place in can quickly fix the problem.

The regional level of the ministry will have much more say in running the operations of the organization. The only requirement that will be put in place in the establishment of the government at the regional level is that they only hire certified Vorta as employees of the ministry and that they follow federal laws passed concerning the bureaucracy. The regional level government will be in charge of creating policy and administering operations within their own region. The regional level of government will be in charge of implementing policy passed at the regional level as well as controlling funds moving down to the city and village levels of the administration and auditing the operations within their ministry at the city and village levels.

The city and village levels of the ministry are where most groups of society will interact with the people. Much effort will be made to make the average persons interaction with the government as care free and easy as possible.

In conclusion the ministries will be in a constant state of flux to always improve them to be run with less expense, easier for the people to deal with and complete transparency. Now I will go through the individual Ministries and explains there functionality.

**Ministry of Education**
How the Education System Works

The education system in the Federal Republic of Syria will require and or allow each child within the federal government a 13 years of education ending in 12th grade. All students will be ranked by grades received on work completed in High School. The top 40% of the students in the graduating class will have the opportunity to attend free of charge a program of their choosing in a Technical School within the country.

The top 20% of the graduating class will receive, if they wish to take it, 4 years of free undergraduate college education in any public college within the government System. The top 10% of graduates from the undergraduate education classes will be given, should they choose to take it 3 years of graduate education at any of schools within the federal Government. In conclusion the top 10% of the graduates from the graduate schools will be given, should they choose to take it they will receive 3 years of doctorate level education. The percentages of students accepted into training depend on the needs of the forces within the government and will be decided on at the legislative levels.

The ministry of education will be the administration in charge of education in the country. Like in the United States and other countries the Education zones will be set up as school districts. In Syria each village will be an independent school district and cities will have multiple school districts depending on the population growth of the area. Each school will be run by a Vorta. School districts will be run by the District Vorta. Each region will be run by the Regional Vorta of Education. This office answers to and receives funding from the regional and Regional Parliament. The federal level of the Ministry of education will be run by Minister of Education. This person is responsible to the Government and Master Vorta at the federal level.
The ministry of education will be made up of five departments within the ministry each department having a different individual function. These departments include the Elementary Education Department this group handles education grades kindergarten to fifth grade. The middle Education department handles education from the sixth grade to the 8th grade. High School Education handles school from 9th grade to 12th grade. The Technical Schools handle training of all non bachelor degree related trade training. The College Department is in charge of

**The Jem‘Hadar Corps**

The Jem‘Hadar⁴⁶ will be the name for the Ministry of Defense within the republic. The defense program will by far be one of the most radical in the modern world. The creation of the Jem‘Hadar Corps will be one of the most important aspects of the new Syrian government. This military force will be created to rid the new government of all the current and past problems with military development in the Middle East Region.

The Syrian Army will be dismantled at all levels and re built from the ground up. Syria will rebuild the army by calling in experts from all over the world together they will study historical armies and training in all aspects of modern and world history. With the information and expertise involved the country will build the best trained, well equipped, and most disciplined army on the planet,

The reason for this great upgrade in military efficiency is because no matter how much we build up the country, and try to build a life for our citizens, if any country can come in at any time and blow up the Syrian people with no consequences then there is no value in building anything at all. The constant attacks in Middle East region has to stop if the area is ever to truly stabilize. For over one hundred years the Middle East has seen a constant stream of war and

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violence from western nations, Aggressive neighbors, and other rebellious groups in the region. This has stopped all the countries in the region from growing to their full potential.

I believe the only way to end this violence and for Syrians to be safe is to have a functional military to stop them. By creating a highly competent and functional military it should be a deterrent from any group in the world that is considering attacking Syria.

Training

The Jem‘Hadar will be unlike any military force in the world at this time. The idea for the corps is based on the Janissary system of training that existed in the old Ottoman Empire. If Syrian society accepts it young boys will be drafted at the end of their 5th grade year of school. From there the drafted children will attend middle and high school in a professional military academy ran by the government. While in school these children will be formed and be forced to master every skill that a soldier must have to be successful in the field.

After graduation the Jem‘Hadar will receive orders placing the soldiers in the Jem‘Hadar Corps. While in the Corps they will serve six years of active service. Once the Jem‘Hadar leave the corps they will receive the right to go to any college or technical school in the country free of charge. The veteran soldiers will also receive a salary for life to make up for their Sacrifice.

Officers in the Jem‘Hader Corps will be chosen in there sophomore year of high school at this time the Jem‘Hadar will move to the officer corps where they will attend officer training for four years and then serve four years in the Jem‘Hadar Corps.

If a Jem‘Hadar serves 25 years in the corps they will receive the right to go to any school in the country salary for life. The veteran will also be considered a noble among the country will be titled as a sir or lady. Finally the Veteran will receive an estate on a latifundium and receive ten percent of the profits from that latifundium.
The estate will be the property of the Veteran until he dies or the last of his wives dies. Then the land and share of the latifundium corporation will fall back to the government. This payment package for veterans will make the military of Syria one of the most well paid in the world. The hope of this is that the great pay package along with years of training in staying loyal to the state should allow Syria to have such a well trained and efficient military without having to fear them turning against the people or the government in rebellion.

The Ministry of defense will be broke into six separate departments. The departments of the department of defense are the Navy, Air force, Support Division, Special Operations and Intelligence, and Veterans Affairs.

The Department of the Navy will be in charge of defense at sea. The Department of the Air Force will handle all military operations in the sky. The special Operations and Intelligence Division will handle all Special operations training and missions as well as work as the Intelligence division for the Military.

The Support department will handle training placement for jobs that are common in all branched of the armed forces such as medical, support, logistics and personal. The department of Veteran Affairs will handle all the requirements of the needs of Jem’Hadar as they exit the Ministry of Religious Affairs

The ministry of religious affairs will be the branch of the government that works with the Islamic faith. The government will run the creation of a religious activities building which will be a building that may be used for religious ceremonies for whichever religious group wishes to use the building. The government will hire one imam for every city and village to administer the religious affairs building within the city of village. From those hired the church will decide who they wish to administer at the regional level and federal level of government. The ministry of
religious affairs will also hire a committee of imams or clerics to work as an advising board for all areas and levels of government.

The idea behind the setup of the ministry of Religious Affairs is to have separation of church and state in our new government. At the same time Islam will have a very large effect on government policy. This is because although they are in all areas of government as advisers and will help government leaders with policy ideas the members of the ministry will have no voting rights in any level of government. The government should keep a very separate relationship with the church if politics will allow. The government will give basic funding for the church and will audit the books nothing else. The church will help the government and help the people but will have no direct authority in the government.

The Ministry of Religious Affairs should also run the welfare system for the government. Those individuals that are sick or out of work as well as those people unable to find a home may move into the barracks free of charge. The barracks will help our government by running a shelter for the homeless and needy with meal distribution and Job placement services.

For those that would give the argument that Islam should have no relationship with the government. I believe that no government in the Middle East including Syria can be completely secular. Islam will always be pushing on politics. It is better that the government has an Islamic concession in the government than open themselves open to religious extremism.

The Ministry of Economic Guilds

For the world to understand how to fix the conflict in the Middle East and make things better for the citizens in Syria or the Middle East for those matters it is of great importance to understand people. In my own studies I have found that all people fall into three main groups of society. These three groups are described below
Those groups being workers, entrepreneurs’ and those that do not want to participate in either of the other two groups.

**Entrepreneurs**

Those people that fall into the entrepreneur category use their personal or credited resources to open businesses in hopes of gaining profit by gaining market share over competitors in the market. The entrepreneur group of people have much greater amount at risk to gain or lose in the market. By opening a business and expanding their reach in the market they can obtain great amounts of wealth and Prestige that can substantially increase their quality of life. On the other hand they take the chances of losing it all and gaining nothing. The entrepreneur is a gambler, and loves it; he takes risks with his personal and credited assets in hope that the business that he starts will make money. If they are right and the business is successful they have the ability to make substantial amounts of money. The bigger the business gets the higher the risks get. A business could risk hundreds of millions of dollars on an idea. That idea could pay off or not. On the other hand that risk could go the other way if the entrepreneur invests resources in a business idea and the idea fails. In this case the Entrepreneurs lose all of that capital invested as you would with a bad bet at a casino.

**Workers**

Workers are different than entrepreneurs on the grounds that they do not want to be like entrepreneurs’ they do not want to put resources at risk to fight for market share and they do not want to take chances with their capital in hopes of greater returns. This group just wants to go to work every day come home and spend time with the people they care about. This group has a set of skills or tasks they are willing to do in return for a salary.
Some workers go to school to increase their skills and then use those new skills to gain a larger salary. That higher salary paid because their skills are higher in demand. Although this group of people may work to increase skills this group really does not care about market share. For the majority of people gaining skills does not include risking all of one’s assets. If the worker loses his job because the business no longer requires their services, or their skills are no longer in demand in the market they do not lose substantial resources or invested capital as an entrepreneur does they just either find another job in the case that the business does not need their services or gain new skills if their skill set is no longer in demand. Whether the company makes millions of dollars or goes broke the worker does not care as long as they receive their paycheck.

A worker if they are happy and well compensated could work the same job for their entire time in the labor market hopefully retiring from the labor force if they get the chance.

Class Threes

The group of people that do not want to be entrepreneurs or workers I call class 3’s this group of people does not want to participate in the business markets or the labor markets for a variety of reasons whether that be they choose to stay home and support their children and family or they just do not want to work. Although the spectrum for this group is large one thing stays constant for whatever reason they do not want to be an Entrepreneurs or a worker.

In conclusion the first part of fixing the situation understands the people on the ground. A government that works the most efficiently would give all three groups of society the ability to reach their highest potential. The Entrepreneur should have the ability to easily start a business, have access to capital, and have the ability to grow the business to whatever level the market will allow. The worker should have the ability to enter the labor market increase his skills to
whatever level he wishes within that skill set without incurring unreasonable amount of debt in obtaining that skill. Than the worker should have the ability to work in a safe working environment with reasonable hours and should have access to a living wage.

The classes threes that choose not to work or be entrepreneurs that our not supported by a family such as wives or husbands that choose not to work outside of the home. Those people not in the family should have access to housing, three meals a day and an access to an internet connection so they can find a job if they wish.

One of the greater problems in the Middle Eastern economy is the lack of skills caused by the education system and government bodies producing workers with skills that are not in demand by the economy. Another great problem with the Middle Eastern Economy is government interference by lengthy bureaucracy and corruption. So to counter act these problems the government will put interact a laissez-faire view of economic policy.

In order to make sure that the economy and government bodies all have the skills they require at makeable levels the new Syrian government will create the Ministry of Economic Guilds. The main function of the guilds, other than building skilled members for the economy, is to create a supply and demand environment that quickly reacts to the needs of the economy whether that be through needs by businesses or workers.

Listed below is description of the major guilds that should be created along with establishment of the government. This list does not include all the skills that should have guilds. Also guilds will be added and deleted and changed as the needs of the economy change.

**Business Guild**

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The Business Guild will be the guild within the Ministry of Guilds that handles all functions required to start and run a business. This department will handle licensing for businesses. The Business Guild will also perform data collection and gain information on all sectors of the economy in all cities villages and put the information into a usable data for all businesses. The Business Guild will also conduct Market Research in every city and post market opportunities available for entrepreneurs entering the market.\(^{48}\)

**Labor Guild**

In order to assist the labor market within the economy all job placement should be completed by the labor guild. The labor guild should be a buyer and seller of labor. Business looking for employees should go to the Labor Guild from their workers can meet businesses and vice versa. The labor guild will also handle the payroll and taxing of all employees within the economy. This has the advantage of a very efficient labor market. The labor market can quickly adapt to the needs of the labor market. The Guild will know where everyone works and where skills are needed.

**Specialty Guilds**

Every specialty skill within the economy will have its own guild that will work with colleges and skill centers to make sure that the skills that the guild requires are being trained to laborers.\(^{49}\) The Specialty Guilds also handle career management and job placement. For example if a company needs a Journeyman Iron Worker they will contact the guild and the guild will assign the worker to the company. When the worker is done working on the assignment or they want a job for money, or the journeyman gets master the worker will return to the guild and get reassigned.

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New specialty guilds will be set up when the need arises from either the labor guild or business guild. By creating this system the economy can exist with no interference from the government. The government will interact with the guilds and not the individual company.

**Ministry of Land Management**

The Ministry of land management will exist for the sole purpose of maximizing the productivity of the land. This group will analyze every aspect and market of land produced resources in every aspect and economy in the world and assigns the Lafenenda what to grow and train the Lafenenda staff how to grow it. This group will than handle the distribution of the product from the land to markets all over the world. This ministry will also manage the construction and development of infrastructure on new Lafenenda as land as expanded throughout the growth of the government.

In order to for this group to run efficiently every product produced on land will have its own department within the ministry. For example one group will be assigned to corn. This group will analyze all aspects of the corn market in every market around the world. That group will then work with other ministries to decide how much corn should be grown. The corn department will than assign corn growth to the Lafenendas train the workers on how to maximize growth on the land. The department will also work with the research and development Ministry to create and research new technology in the related subject. The country having efficient land with high production will help in creating maximum jobs in the rural sectors of the country.

**Ministries of Urban Affairs**

The Ministry of Urban Affairs will be the group in charge of construction and planning of cities and villages. This group will plan out cities so that they can meet the demands of all the groups within that city to have maximum happiness. The ministry will also work to maximize
production and revenue gains for businesses in the commercial, retail, and industrial sectors. The ministry will also lay out utility districts as well as parks and recreation.

As the architecture, engineering, and construction industries grow within Syria these industries will be subcontracted to build infrastructure. Until those industries our developed the state will handle construction.

**Ministries of Research and Development**

The Ministry of Research and Development will be the ministry in charge of science research and development within the Syrian government. This group will have departments of all areas of science and development throughout the world and will work to add new science and technology to the Syrian Economy.

This ministry will also work as the research and Development function for all ministries within the government. In order for Syria and the Middle East to compete in the international market they must be able to compete in the market following the cutting edges of science and technology through the ministry will help Syria to do that.

**Ministry of Transportation**

The ministry of transportation will handle the construction and operation of Syria’s transportation and logistics function within the government. The departments within the ministry will handle the development and management of ports, rail transportation, mail and freight delivery functions. These ministries departments will also handle all air transportation in and out of the country. Finally this group eventually with lots of technology and industry development will also have a department to handle all space administration.

**Ministry of Treasury**
The treasury department will be in charge of the management and disbursement of money to the different branches of government. This Ministry is also responsible for the collection of budget reports and submitting budgets to the Federal bodies.

**Ministry of Auditing**

The Ministry of Auditing is going to be one of the most important tools available to the government and the people in fighting corruption within the government. The ministry will be made up of the smartest Vorta in the entire country. The job of this ministry is to meticulously audit every aspect of government from those at the village level all the way to the president themselves. This group will audit all aspects of the government for three factors.

The first factor will be the spending in the government. The entire government will use one accounting style so that the books can easily be tracked and audited by the ministry. The second aspect that the ministry audits for will be for lean spending saving money in the government by keeping their departments running productively. The third item this group audits for is functionally of government operations. The auditors will check the interactions between the ministries and the groups of the population they are made to work with and the easiness of interactions.

The ministry of Audits will be in charge of transparency within the government. Not only will all the non classified information located within the Ministries be made public knowledge. All results of the audits will be made public knowledge. Information from auditors will be passed to decision making groups that can use the information.

In order to allow the ministry of auditing to work efficiently without fear of reprisal from members of government members of the ministry should only be able to hire by the Minister of Auditing. With that the Minister of Audits can be appointed by the president and approved by the
senate. To remove the person from office will require a three quarters majority vote from both houses on the federal level. This will allow the Head of the ministry to only be able to be removed from office for the most gravis of circumstances.

**Ministry of Tax Collection and Revenue**

The Ministry of Tax Collection and Revenue is the group that is in charge of the collection of taxes from every individual and business within the country’s borders. This group will work very close will handle the tax collection function within Syria. This group will work with the Guilds to collect taxes on members of the work force and businesses throughout the government.

**Ministry of Banking**

In the short time until the financial problems our fixed in Syria all banking should be controlled by the federal government. Once the banking sector is rebuild and all corruption is removed from the group than private banks will take over the banking sector in Syria. When this happens the Ministry of banking will be the regulating organization for the financial sector.

**Ministry of Natural Resources**

Ministry of natural resources will be the group in charge of monitoring the national resources within the Syrian Government. This will include the department of Water and Fish. This department will be in charge of protecting all life within the waters of the country including national ocean areas. The department of Land and Wildlife will be in charge of protecting all land resources and wildlife within the country. The third department will be the department of National Parks and Spaces. This will be in charge of administering any land that will be set aside for natural resources. This group will also manage historical sites such as Palmyra in collaboration with the ministry of arts and culture.
Ministry of Arts and culture

The Ministry of Arts and Culture will be the ministry in charge of creating art work and culture within the country. Within the plans for every city and village the city will lay our extensive areas for artists to build works. As these areas are built artists will be commissioned to fill the spaces with arts and culture.

Conclusion

In conclusion the war In Syria is not an easy solution. At the current time none of the current powers working on the ground have the power to end the war in Syria. With that none of the groups on the ground will truly bring peace to the region. Therefore like stated at the beginning of this paper with the current players on the ground in Syria the situation is a no win scenario.

But the situation does not have to be that way if a rebel faction can arise in Syria that has the ability to build good relations with the international community the situation could win. That group of people could build a functional and highly trained army that has the power to conquer all the other factions on the ground and save the people of Syria.

This faction has an excellent opportunity to build a government like none have ever seen before in the Middle East. A government that is just, functional and gives any person within its borders the ability to grow to whichever level they want. All of this in a government where the people are truly free to grow without fears of corrupt governments and institutions. The Information laid out in the paper is just a template that can be picked up by any government group in Africa and the Middle East.
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