

WWI MAIN CAUSES

M is for Militarism

- The idea that the major focus of a country should be on building up and maintaining a large military.

A is for Alliance system

- Defense agreements among nations

I is for Imperialism

- Expanding a country's power and influence outside of its borders

N is for Nationalism

- A feeling of intense loyalty to one's country or group



Spark

- Assassination of Archduke Franz Ferdinand



Alliances BEFORE WWI

◉ TRIPLE ALLIANCE

- Austria-Hungary
- Germany
- Italy

◉ TRIPLE ENTENTE

- Russia
- France
- Great Britain

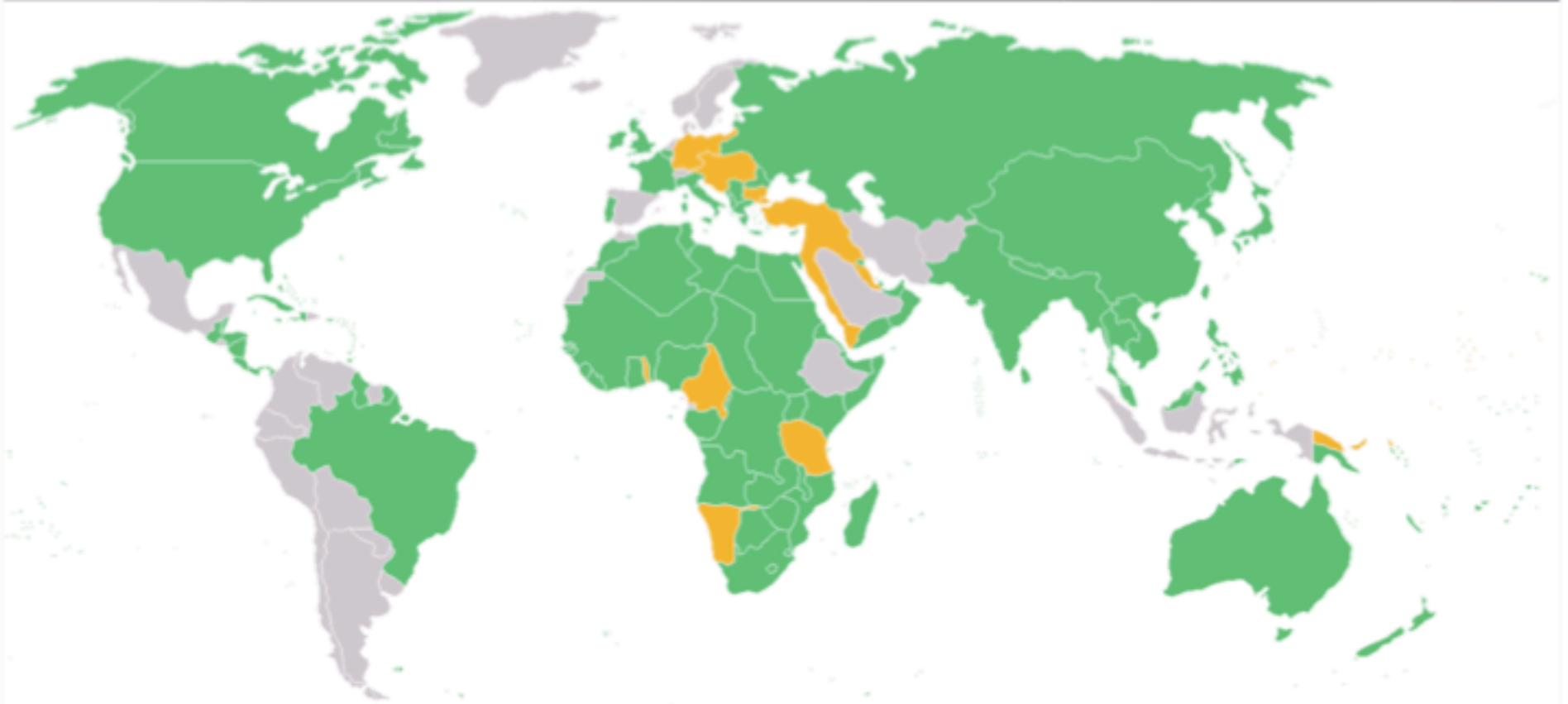
The “sides of Europe” DURING WWI

⦿ CENTRAL POWERS

- Austria-Hungary
- Germany
- Ottoman Empire (Turkey)
- Bulgaria

⦿ ALLIED POWERS

- Serbia
- Russia
- France
- Great Britain
- Italy
- Belgium
- Portugal
- Romania
- Greece
- Montenegro
- USA (1917)



Green = Allied Powers
Orange = Central Powers