Genocide

In the Modern Era

Raphael Lemkin

- worked to make 'genocide' a crime under international law, in 1948.
- Lawyer from Poland, lost 40 of his family in Holocaust.

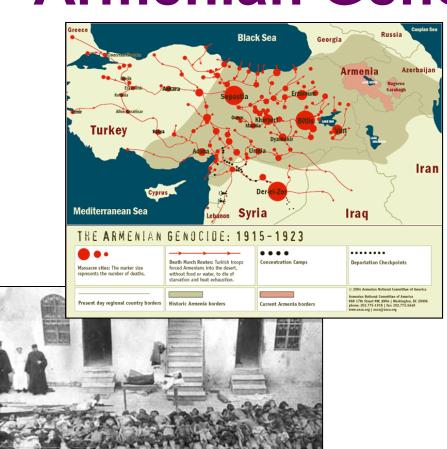


The United Nations



- Successor to League
 Of Nations which
 came after WW 1.
- In 1948, U.N. issued Universal Declaration of Human Rights
- Member nations are required to stop 'genocide', so are resist/avoid using that word.

Examples of Genocide: Armenian Genocide of WW I



 Ottoman Turks killed (Christian)
Armenians (said the Armenians were staging a rebellion)

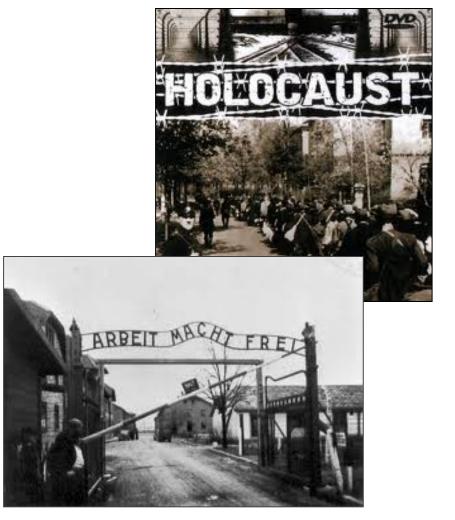


Examples of Genocide: The Holocaust (WW II)

Mainly Jews, but also

- Jehovah's Witnesses
- Gays
- •Roma (a.k.a. Gypsies)
- People with disabilities

(etc.)



Examples of Genocide:Cambodia 1970s



 'Khmer Rouge' killed 'intellectuals'

(if didn't have calluses on hands, if wore glasses, etc.)

Examples of Genocide: Iraq, in 1980s

 Saddam Hussein vs. Kurds of Northern

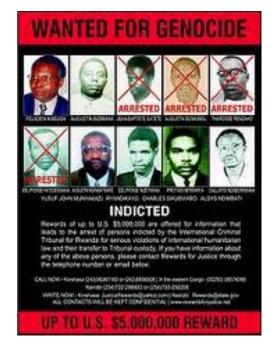
raq (numbers killed were lower, but same patterns)



Examples of Genocide: Rwanda (Africa) 1993



 By Hutus against Tutsis



Examples of Genocide:Bosnia & Herzegovina, 1990s

 Serbians killed (Muslim) Bosnians



