

"I am not a citizen of the world.... I am not even aware that there is a world such that one could be a citizen of it. No one has ever offered me citizenship, or described the naturalization process, or enlisted me in the world's institutional structures, or given me an account of its decision procedures... or provided me with a list of the benefits and obligations of citizenship, or shown me the world's calendar and the common celebrations and commemorations of its citizens."

- Michael Walzer



What are global actors?

• How do we know one when we see it?
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Are these global actors?

- The United States
- Bhutan
- The United Nations
- The European Union
- Pfizer Corporation
- Boeing
- Google
- The Catholic Church
- · Popeye's Chicken
- The Red Cross
- Drug Cartels
- · Amnesty International
- · The Gates Foundation
- WMU
- al-Qaeda
- DTW (Detroit airport)



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Types of Global Actors

- · States.
- · Non-state actors.
 - Intergovernmental organizations
 - e.g., UN, EU, Association of Southeast Asian Nations
 - International Financial Institutions (IFI)
 - World Bank, International Monetary Fund (IMF), Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB)



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- · Other non-state actors
 - Non-governmental organizations (NGOs and INGOs)
 - e.g., Human Rights Watch, Red Cross, Oxfam, Save the Children
 - Transnational social movements
 - e.g., Via Campesina, Jubilee Debt Campaign





Types of Global Actors

• Other non-state actors

- Multinational corporations

• e.g., Exxon, GM, Google, Pfizer, Alcoa, Citibank, Credit Suisse

- International criminal networks

• e.g. the Mafia, Yakuza, various drug cartels

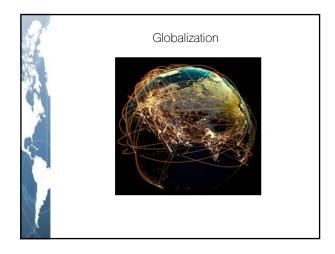
- Terrorist networks

• e.g., al-Qaeda, Boko Haram



Quizzes

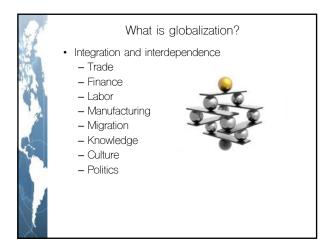
- · Quiz 1 is already activated on elearning.
 - Deadline: Thursday, January 17 at 11:59 pm.
- Quiz 2 will become active this Saturday morning (Jan 12) at 8:00 am.
 - Deadline: Sunday, January 27 at 11:59 pm.
- Quizzes are open-book and taken at your convenience (just don't miss the deadline).
- · Questions are drawn exclusively from the text.

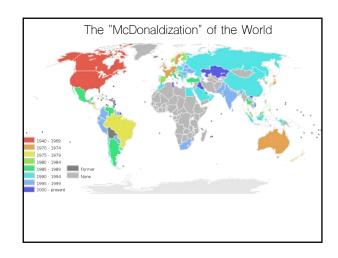




What is globalization?

- · From the text:
 - "The process of increasing interconnectedness among societies such that events in one part of the world more and more have effects on peoples and societies far away."



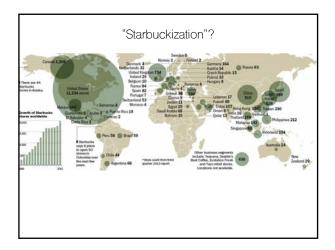














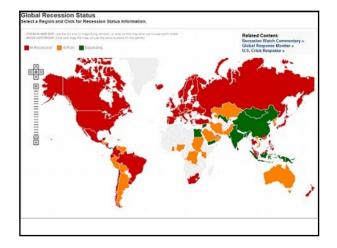
Where do our t-shirts come from?

• Planet Money's T-Shirt Project:

– https://n.pr/2pNXXIH.

– Follow the journalists as they manufacture their own t-shirt.









Made in America Auto Index

- What percentage of each car make and model is produced in the US?
 - Toyota Tundra: 73.5%
 - Chevy Impala: 66%
 - Dodge Charger: 58.5%
 - Honda Civic: 50%
 - Subaru Legacy: 45%
 - Ford Focus: 19.5%
 - Chevy Spark: 13%Mini Cooper: 3.5%

https://www.american.edu/kogod/research/autoindex/



So, we know what globalization is.

Now for the *normative* question: is it good or bad?