

GETTING TO KNOW YOUR COUNTRY

Government

Official country name:

Governmental system:

Head of state:

Official languages:

Region:

Allies or blocs:

People

Population and growth rate:

Major religions or cultures:

Standard of living:

Development

Development status:

Climate:

Environment (problems, innovations, etc.):

Has this nation met the Millennium Development Goal targets?

Economy

Economic system:

GDP and growth rate:

Major cities:

Infrastructure status (good, poor, etc.):

Trade blocs/associations:

Balance of payments/trade: Major exports/imports:

Major trade partners:

International Monetary Fund, World Bank positions (debtor nation? donor nation?):

Natural resources:

Energy sources:

Military

Military organization:

Percent of GDP spent on defense: Major weapons, nuclear capability, etc.:

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Date admitted to UN: UN dues payment status:

Has the UN ever intervened in a conflict involving this nation? If so, where and how?

How does the country contribute to UN peacekeeping?

Has the UN cited this nation for human rights violations? If so, why?

What do you think this nation's position on the topic of debate will be? Why?

Try to find at least one recent article that is about or makes reference to this nation (preferably from the past two weeks).

Conflicts/Issues

What are four problems that affect this nation?

Ethnic/cultural issues, if any:

Refugee problems:

Major conflicts both past and present: