

Hizb ut-Tahrir al-Islami



Agenda

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- Background Information
- Theory
- Typology of Strategy
- Operational Template
- Tactics
- System

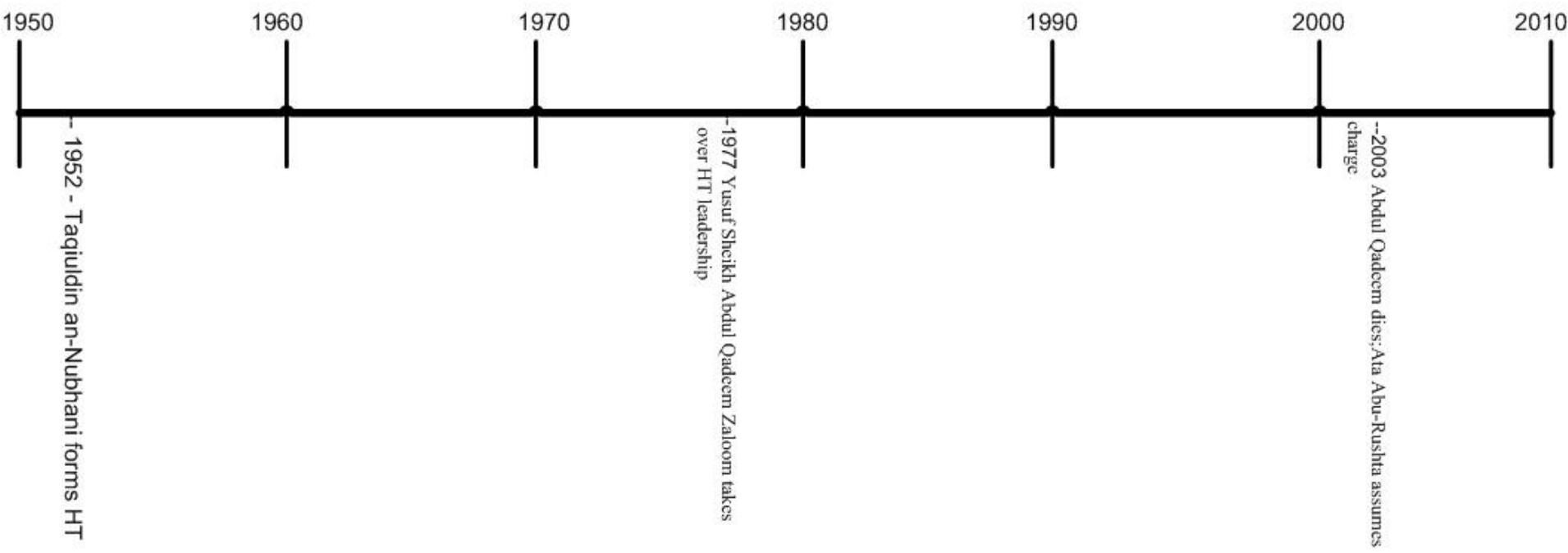
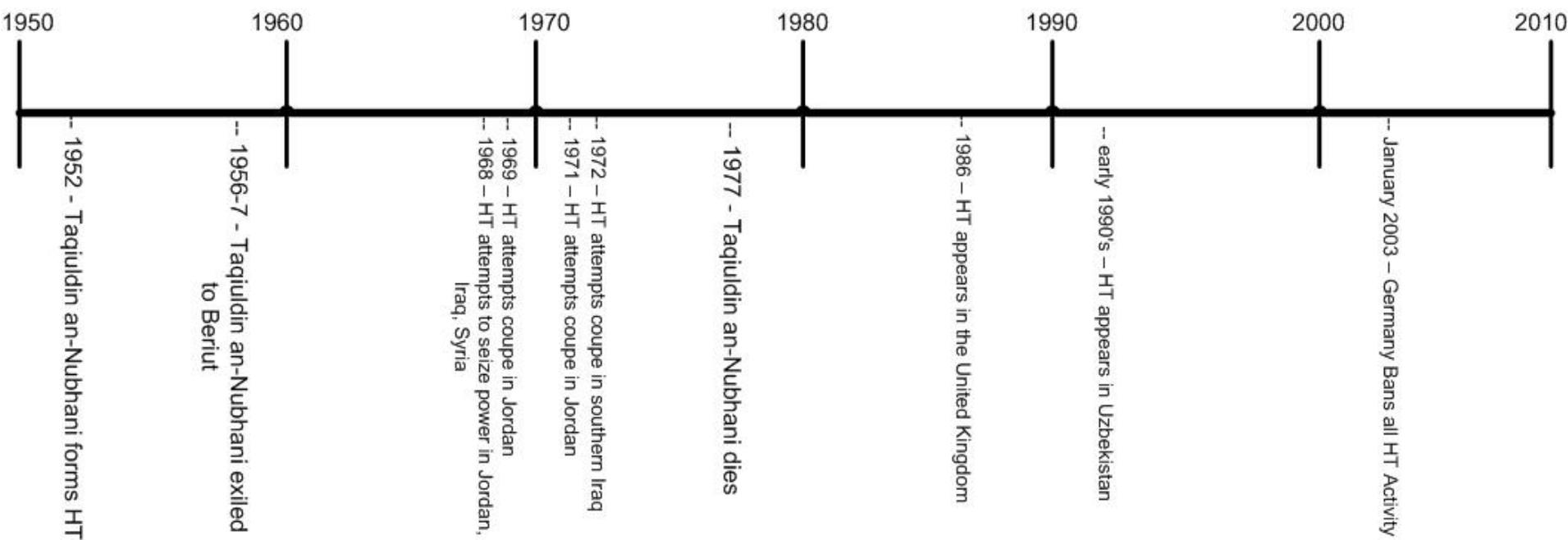
Word of Warning

- Hizb ut-Tahrir is not what we commonly consider an insurgency.
 - They are considered an insurgency by the governments of Central Asia.
 - Non-violent Ideology
- HT has two aspects
 - Global Islamist Political Organization
 - Local / Regional Insurgent Group

Area of Discussion



Hizb ut-Tahrir Timeline



Theory – Social Movement

- Political Opportunity – Following Collapse of Soviet Union; Recent fall of Kyrgyz Government
- Mobilizing Structures – Smuggling printing equipment; Active Recruiting and PSYOP Campaign by HT
- Framing Process – HT uses oppressive government actions to show weakness and need for reform

Typology of Strategy

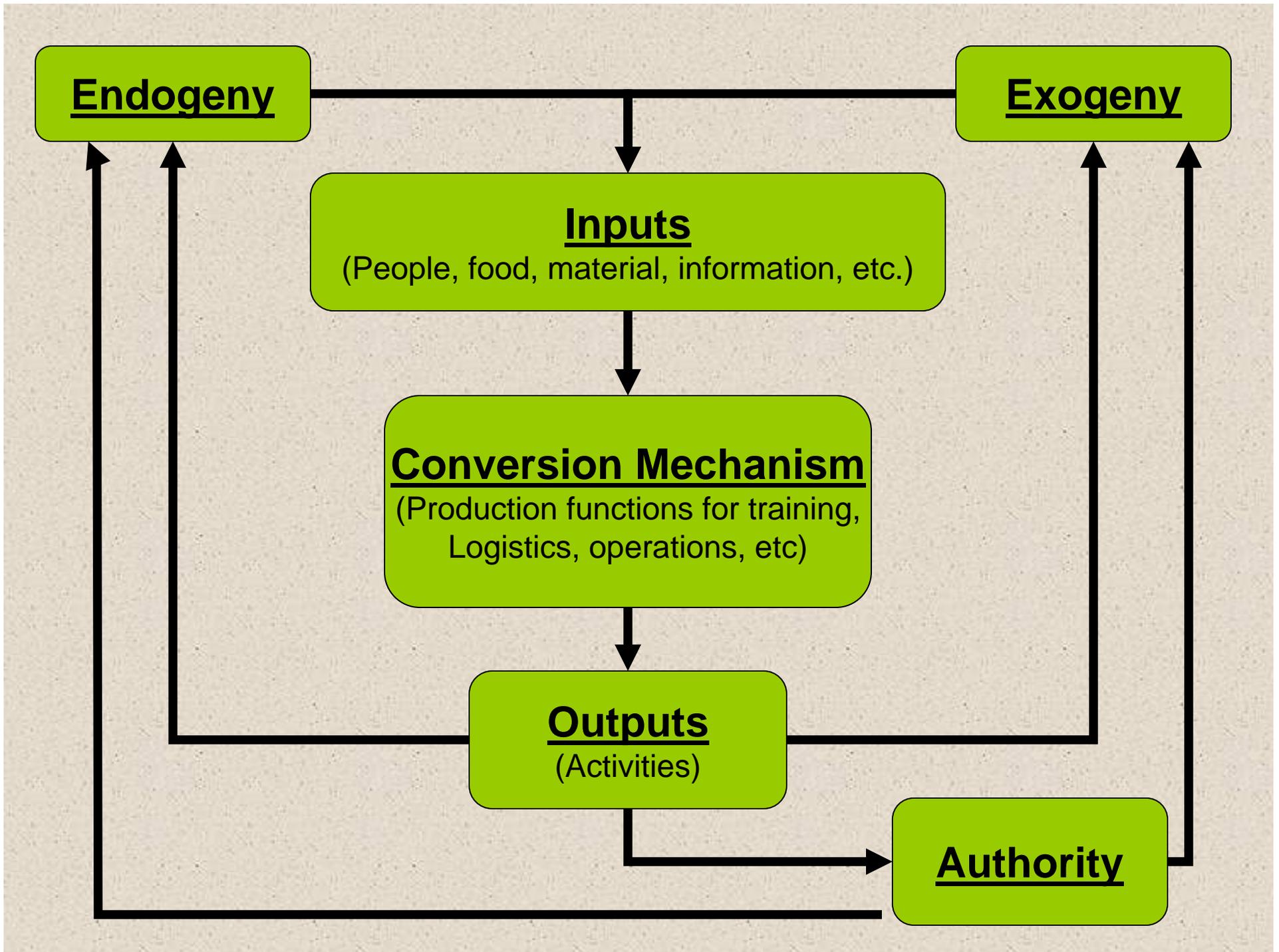
- Inside Out
 - Starts in cities and larger villages
 - HT focuses its efforts on the educated
 - Some locals in very rural areas have not heard of or dealt with HT
- Low
 - Secretive organization
 - No machismo since members don't know leaders two levels up

Operational Template

- External Support
 - International Organization
 - Foreign Funding
 - Smuggled Printing Presses
- Phasing
 - Phase I – Latent + Insipient Insurgency / Strategic Defensive
 - Currently non-violent

Battlefield Operating Systems

- Maneuver
 - Does not occupy any territory (exp Ferghana Valley)
 - Ordinary Man – Ethnically Similar throughout region
- Intelligence
 - Collects instances of government action to justify the movement
 - Collects world news and spins it through PSYOPs to maintain support of members + community



Questions?

Hizb-ut-Tahrir Organizational Chart

