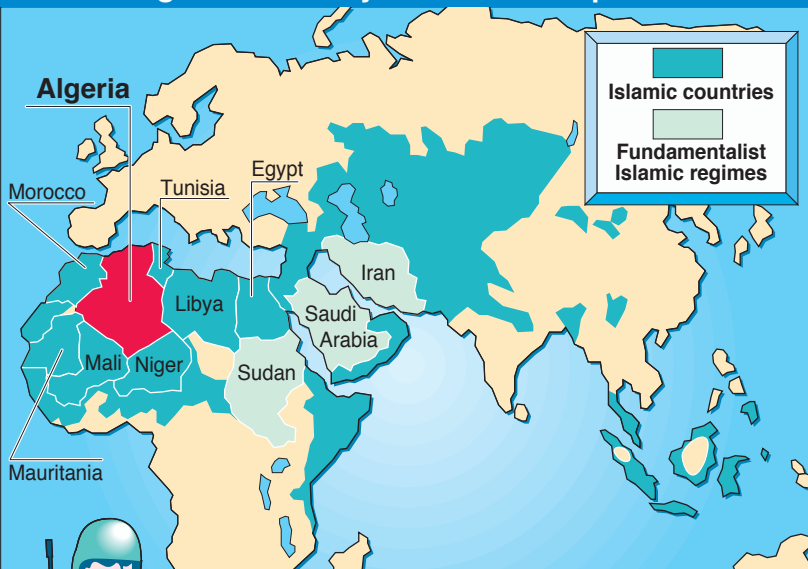


Algerian Security Council takes power



Algeria's Strong-men

The High Security Council:
Prime Minister **Sid Ahmed Ghozali**;
Defence Minister **General Khaled el-Nezzar** controls armed forces;
Interior Minister **General Belkeur** controls Gendarmerie Nationale;
Military Chief of Staff **General Guenaiza**

Armed Forces:

Army – 160,000, includes two commando divisions trained to stamp out civil disorder,
Air Force – 12,000 (346 aircraft),
Navy – 7,000 personnel,
Gendarmerie – 30,000



Political parties

(FLN) National Liberation Front
In power since 1962.
Won 16 seats in last December's election

(FIS) Islamic Salvation Front
Won 188 seats in December.
Intends to create Islamic Republic, introduce Sharia law (rule by laws of Koran), create rival militias to counterbalance army and cut military budget

(FFS) Socialist Forces Front
Won 25 seats in December.
Supports women's rights

