Unit III. Culture - Ethnic Conflict

Ethnicity stirs human emotions that, under certain circumstances, can erupt into public display, civil disturbances, even open political conflict. The countries listed below have a history of tension or conflict rooted in issues of ethnic difference. Use the sources suggested below to investigate the cause, nature, and extent of tension in your assigned location.

Places experiencing ethnic tension to varying degrees:

Armenia/Azerbaijan Burundi Caucasus (Ossetians & Inguish) Chechnya Cyprus Democratic Rep of Congo Ethiopia/Eritrea Indonesia (Ache, Timor) Kosovo	Macedonia Madagascar Nigeria (Modakeke & Ife) Philippines (Mindanao) Quebec Rwanda Sri Lanka Sudan/South Sudan
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Sites to begin your investigation:

Note: For these sites, use the site search tool, beginning with the phrase: ethnic conflict in

http://www.washingtonpost.com	[click on "world" in the sidebar]
http://www.cnn.com	
http://www.bbc.co.uk	
http://www.state.gov/countries	[click on Background Notes; Country Reports]
CountryWatch.com	
** Search engine Google [Use only if the above sites are inadequate. Be careful about the sources found this way. Evaluate the reliability of the site before using it.]	

Fill in the chart on the back of this page.

LIST YOUR SOURCES

ADVANCED PLACEMENT HUMAN GEOGRAPHY

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Country: _____

What lies at the root of this conflict?	
What form does this conflict	
take (i.e., tension, discrimination, open	
violence)?	
What is the enstial extent of	
What is the spatial extent of the conflict?	
How long has there been tension or conflict?	
In what ways has this conflict	
been manifested?	
How many people have been affected? In what ways?	

SOURCES: