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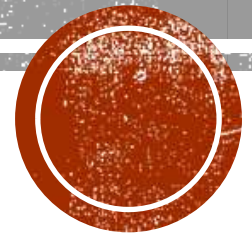
Provided notes SWBAT evaluate the effectiveness of Bill Clinton's foreign policy & explain how Clinton's political provisions affected the United State's economy and foreign affairs

Agenda:

Do Now

Notes

Video



DO NOW:

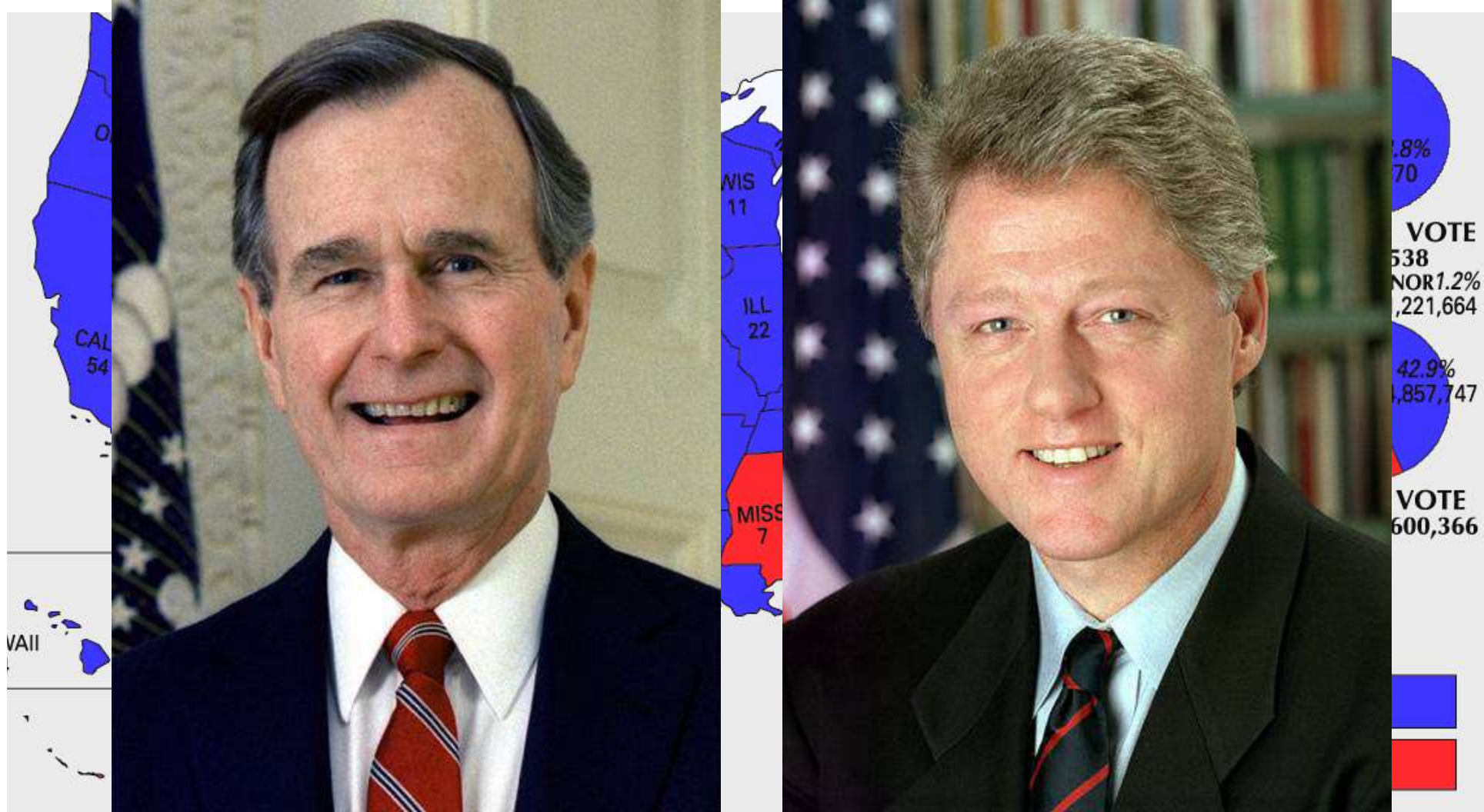
Below are five people interested in being President of the United States. Determine whether or not the below candidates meet the basic requirements, and who you would vote based on the information below.

- 36 year-old from New Jersey who has been a Senator for 4 years already
- ❖ 76 year-old former House of Representatives member
- ❖ 47- year-old Governor of Arkansas
- ❖ 35 year old business woman from North Carolina



THE ELECTION OF 1992

In the 1992 election, George Bush lost to Arkansas governor Bill Clinton



The Presidency of Bill Clinton

Clinton defined himself a “new Democrat” by embracing both liberal & conservative policies

Clinton worked with Republicans to reform the welfare system

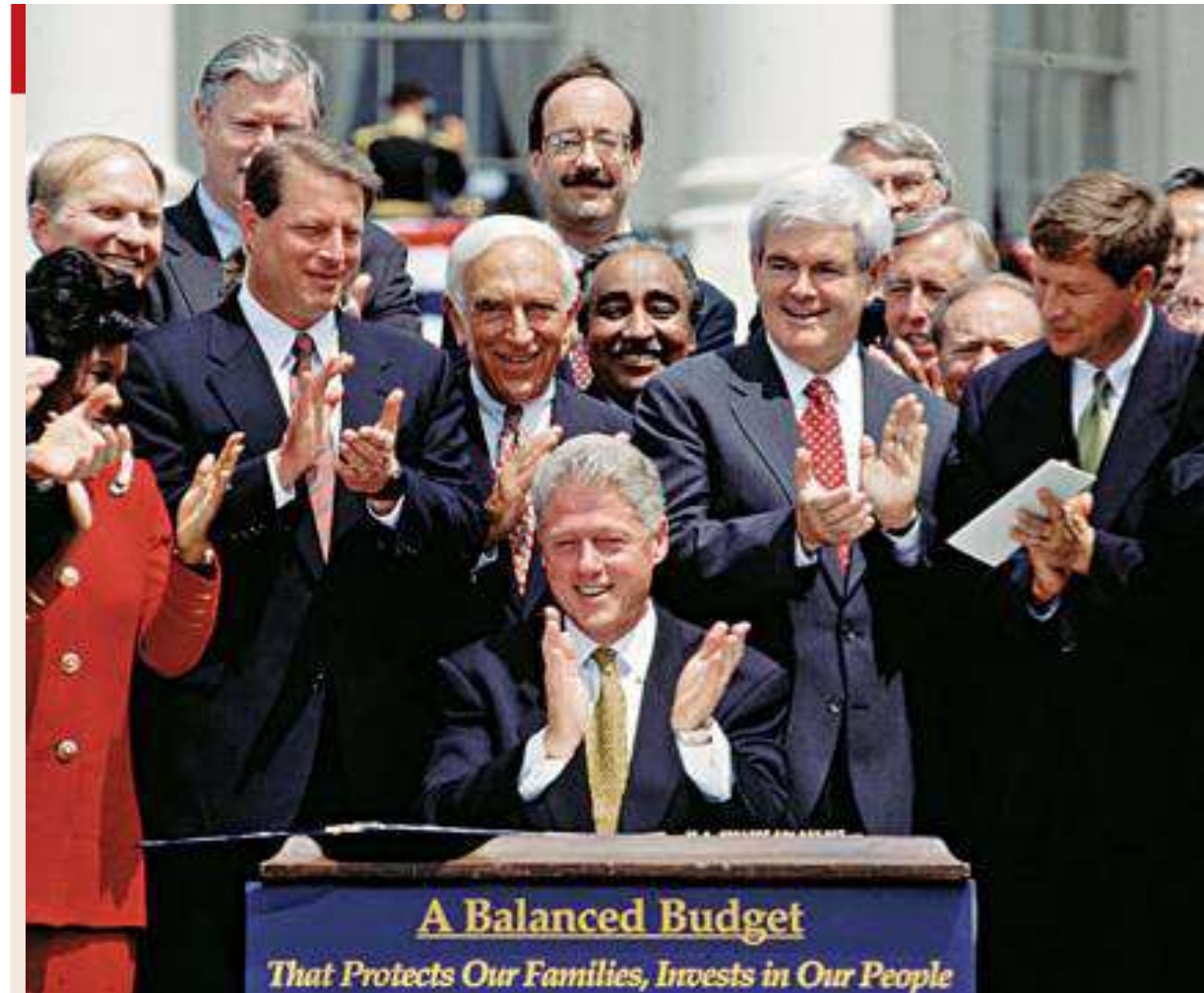
The law put limits on how long people could receive benefits & allowed states to decide how welfare money would be spent



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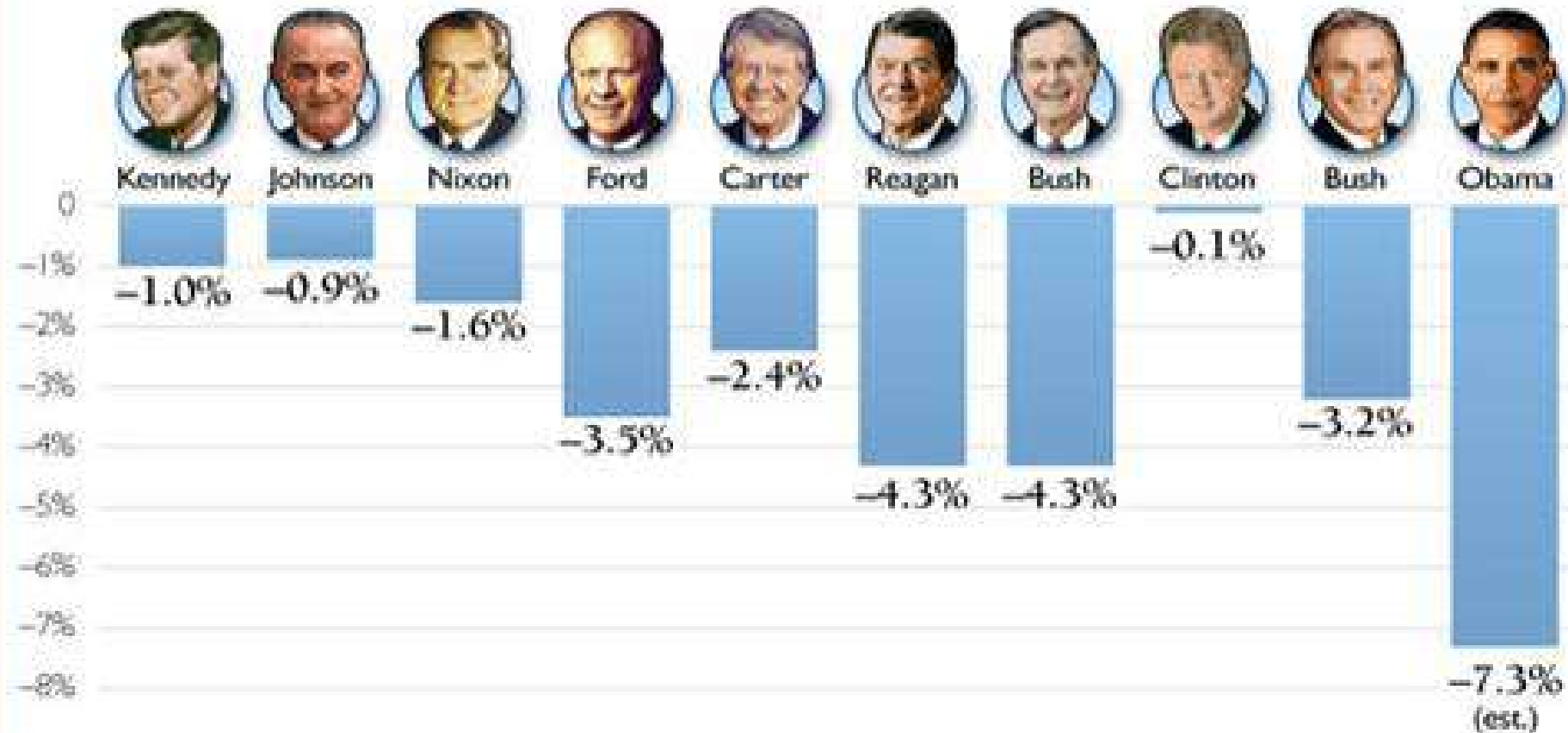
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Clinton worked with Congress to reduce the federal deficit & balance the federal budget
In 1997, Clinton cut gov't spending & lowered taxes



For the 1st time in 30 years, the gov't had a surplus which Clinton used to pay down the nation's debt

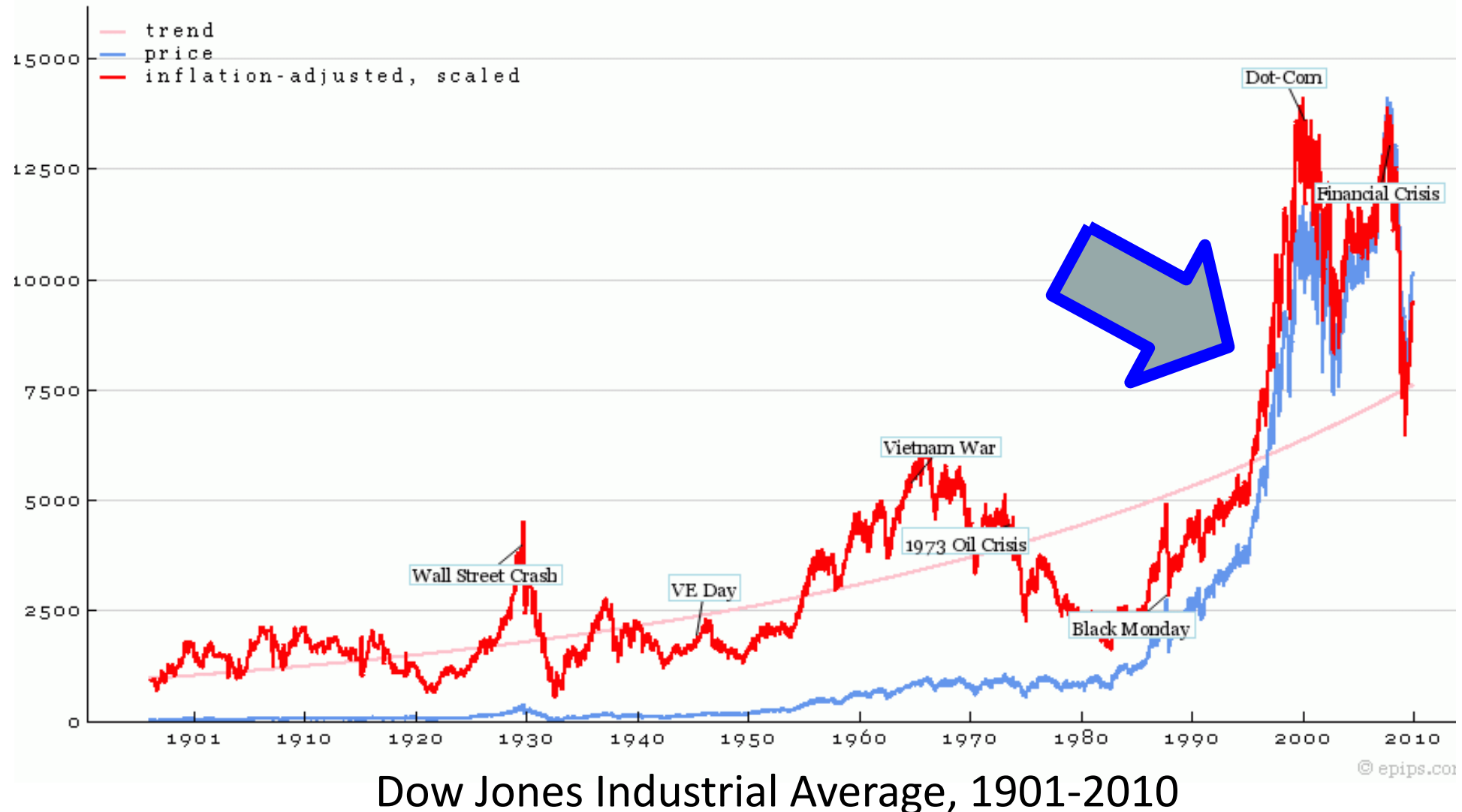
Average Federal Deficit as a Percentage of GDP by Administration



Source: Congressional Budget Office and White House Office of Management and Budget.



Clinton's deficit reduction coincided with a boom in the technology industry; This led to the longest sustained era of economic growth in U.S. history



TECHNOLOGY

- A direct result of modern technology was increasing interdependence among nations
- **The new information age economy include instant global communication, high-tech computer/media businesses, & a decline of traditional occupations**



FOREIGN POLICY



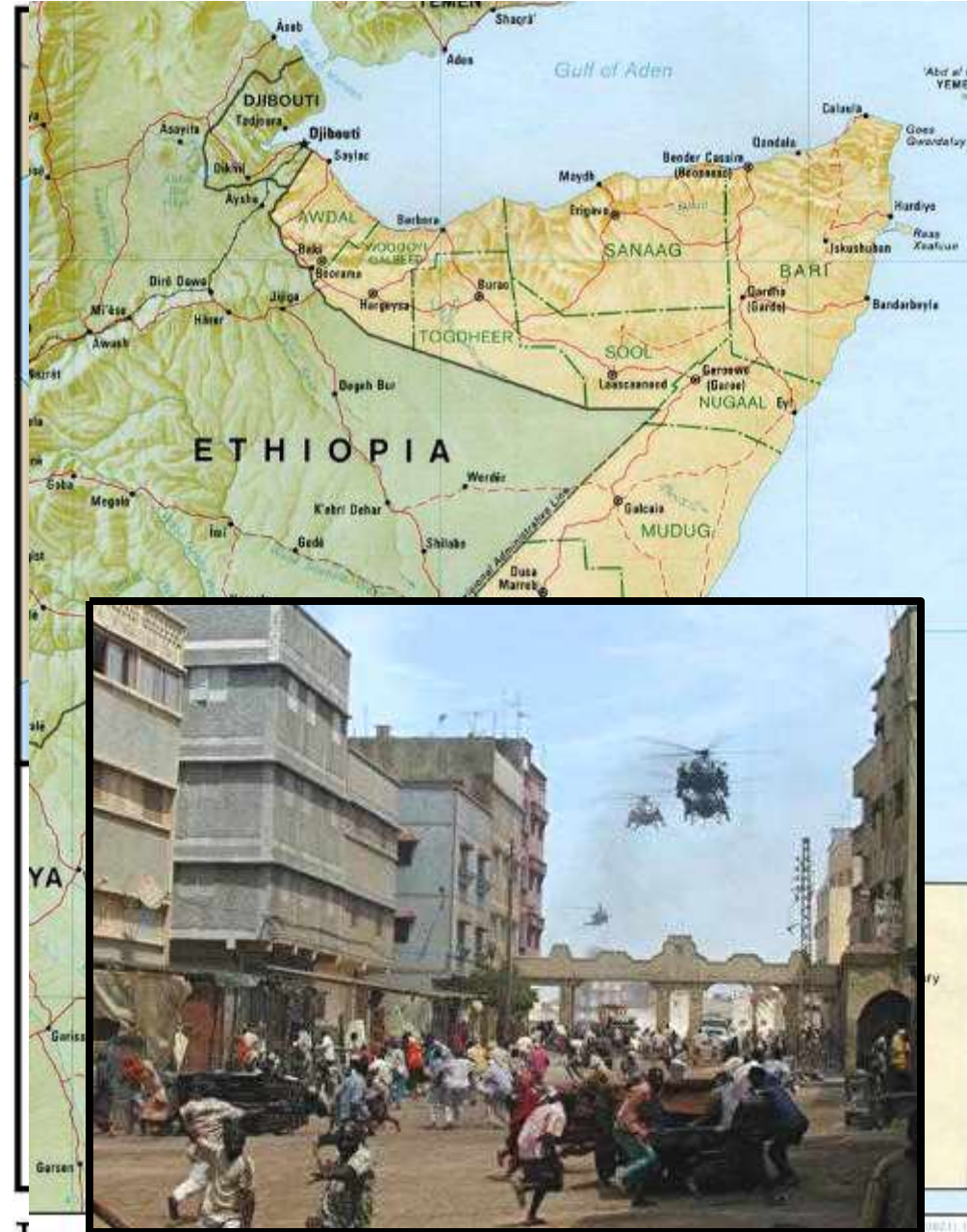
Clinton signed
the North
American
Free Trade
Agreement
(**NAFTA**) which
reduced trade
barriers among
USA, Mexico, &
Canada (**strongest
among big
businesses**)



FOREIGN POLICY

During his presidency,
Clinton committed
U.S. troops to
peacekeeping efforts

From 1993 to 1999,
U.S. troops were sent
to Bosnia to stop
ethnic cleansing by
Serbs & to Kosovo to
stop a civil war



FOREIGN POLICY

- The chief reason that the United States sent troops to Bosnia in 1995 was to try to bring a peaceful end to the Civil War

