

## COLD WAR

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## THE COLD WAR AND THE END OF HISTORY

- The fall of communism was a jolt in the arm for liberalists, with Francis
  Fukuyama going so far as to declare the end of the Cold War as "the
  end of history."
- One of the most popular liberal theories today is democratic peace theory, which argues that "although democracies seem to fight wars as often as other states, they rarely, if ever, fight each other."
- However, states can be more prone to war if they are transitioning into a more democratic government (consider the Arab spring and the Syrian civil war as examples).
- And true democratic states are not necessarily large in number, if the strictest definition of the term is applied.

