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American worries about WMDs were not confined to Iraq. North Korea had an open program to build nuclear weapons, and Iran was suspected of having a covert plan based in part on technological aid secretly transmitted by the head of Pakistan's successful nuclear program. Iran's outspokenly

anti-American and anti-Israeli president, Mahmoud Ahmadinejad, elected in 2005, and North Korea's dictators Kim Jong-il (**kim jong-il**) and after 2011 his son Kim Jong-un Presented the United States with difficult challenges. But the invasion option chosen for Iraq, albeit favored by some Bush advisers for Iran, was held in abeyance in favor of diplomatic initiatives. As for North Korea, containment of nuclear threats was a concern for China, South Korea, and Japan as for the United States.

AP® Exam Tip

Explain how conceptualization of society and culture have changed throughout the twentieth and twenty-first centuries.

Arab Spring Demonstrators

Part of the enormous crowds that unseated the rulers of Egypt, Tunisia, Libya, and Yemen, these women in Cairo's Tahrir Square wear the colorful head scarves that are commonplace in Egypt, sometimes to demonstrate allegiance to Islam and sometimes because they are stylish.

A photo shows many women protestors. The women are wearing the Muslim attire of Hijab.

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