Basic Information Package: Syria

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1. Map of Syria

- Perry-Castañeda Library Map Collection, University of Texas. URL of this map and other Syria maps: http://www.lib.utexas.edu/maps/syria.html

2. BBC’s Country Profile – Syria: http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/middle_east/country_profiles/801669.stm


6. UK Home Office Reports: http://www.ukba.homeoffice.gov.uk/policyandlaw/guidance/coi/


9. Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade’s *Fact Sheet* (June 2011):