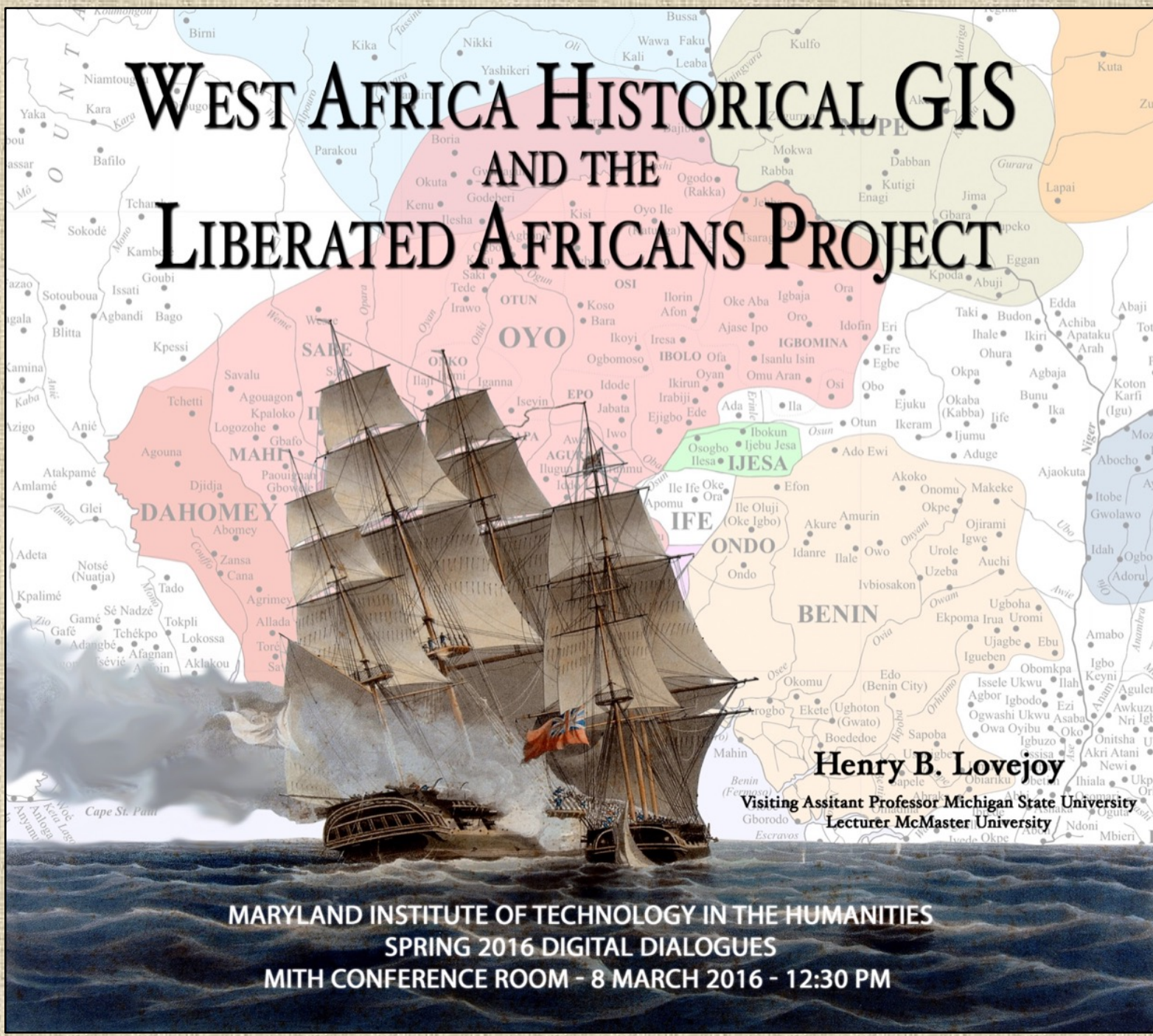


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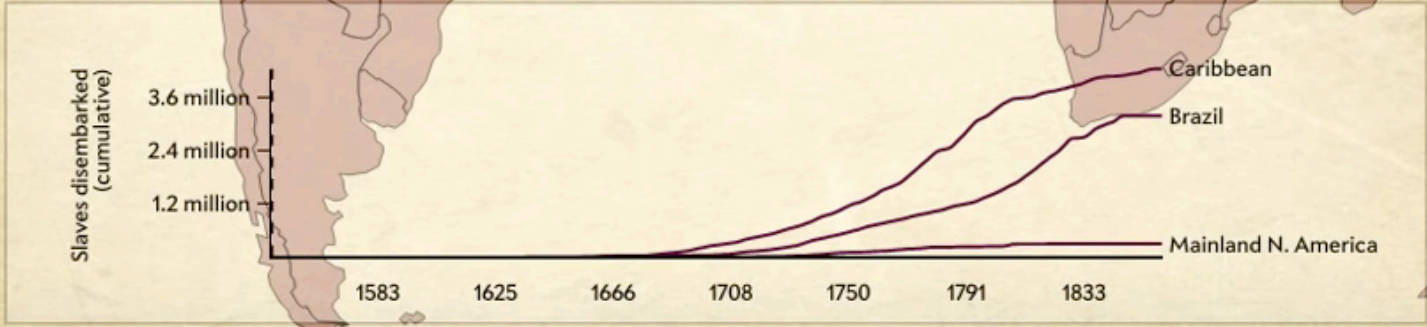
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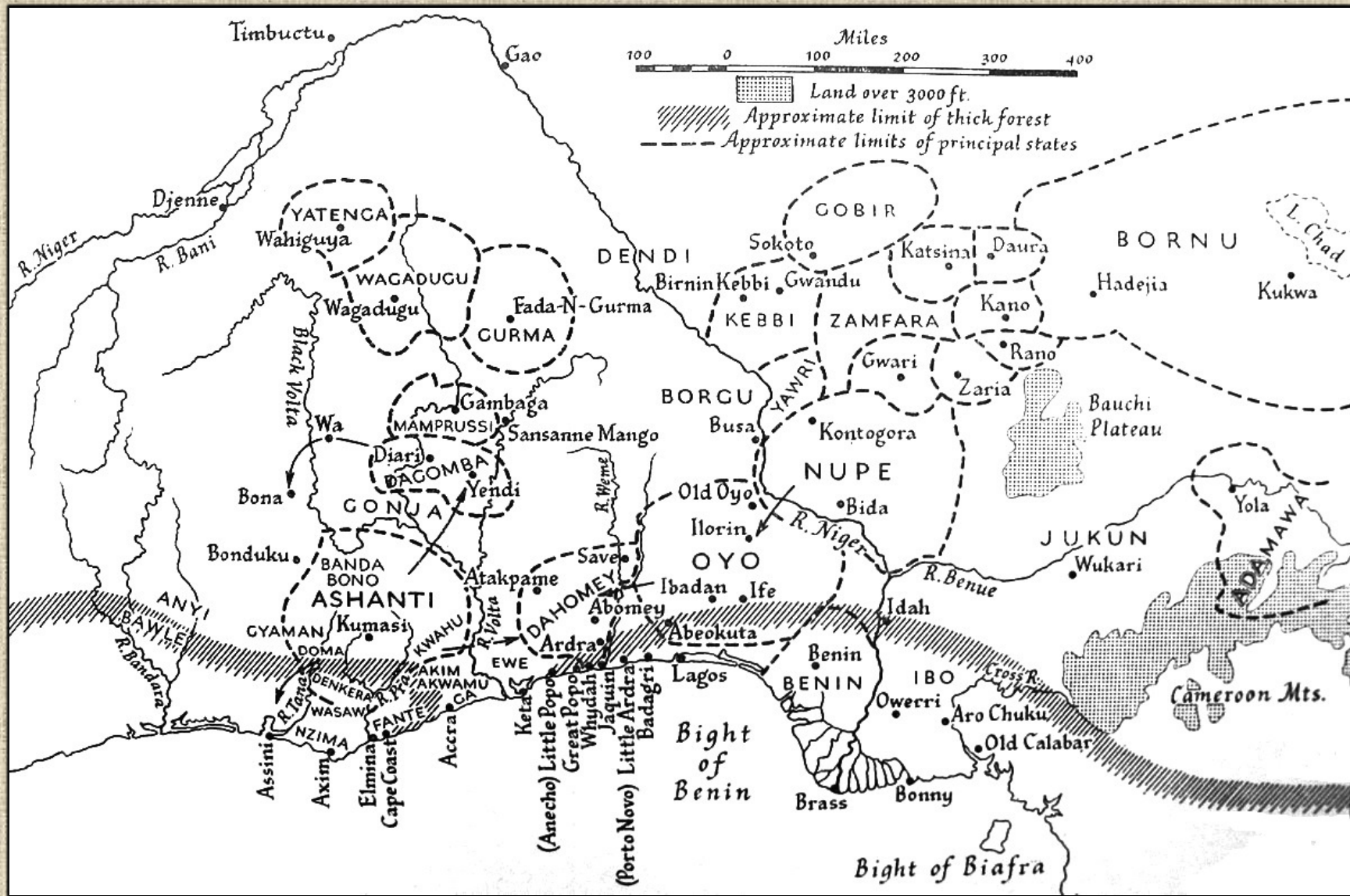
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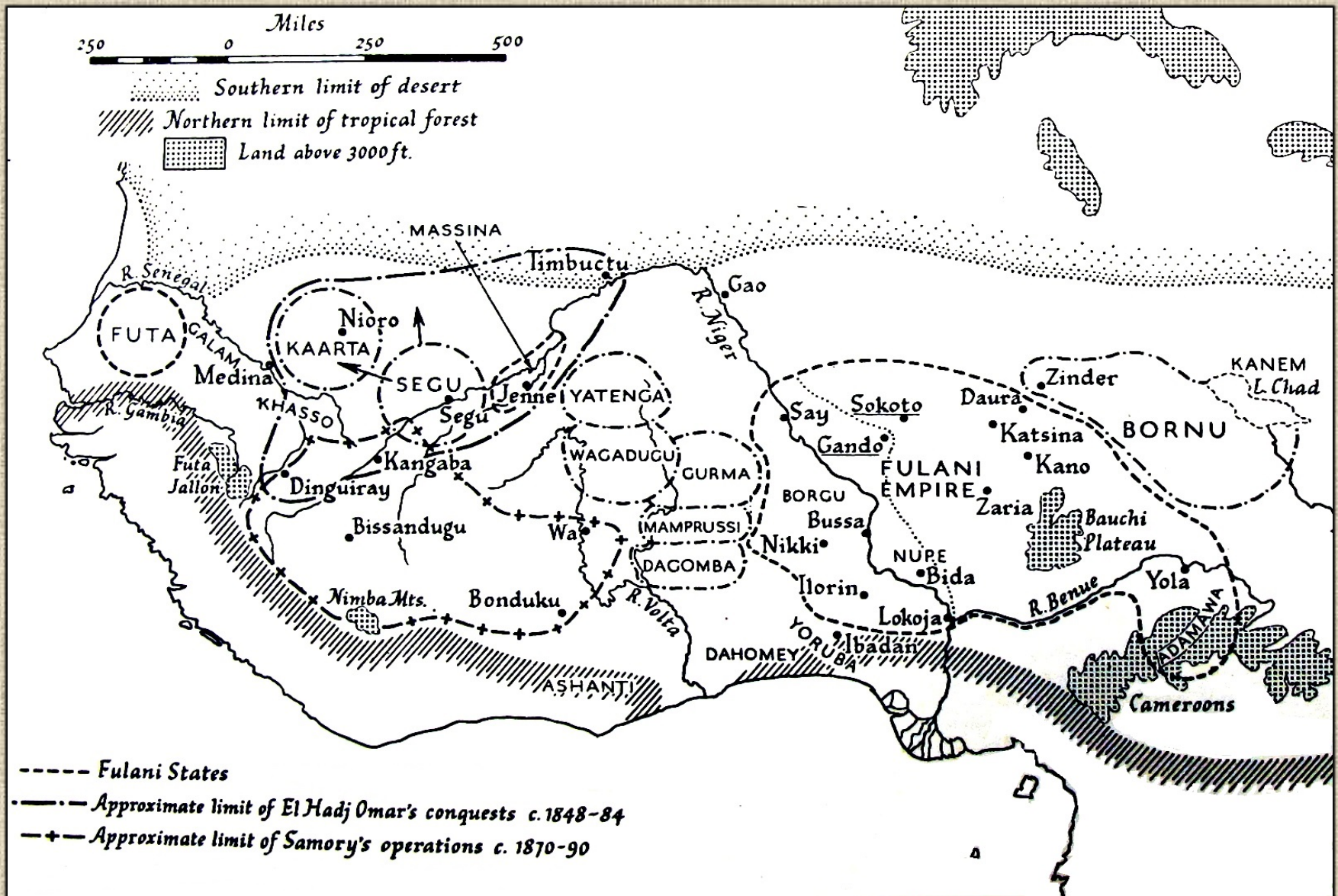
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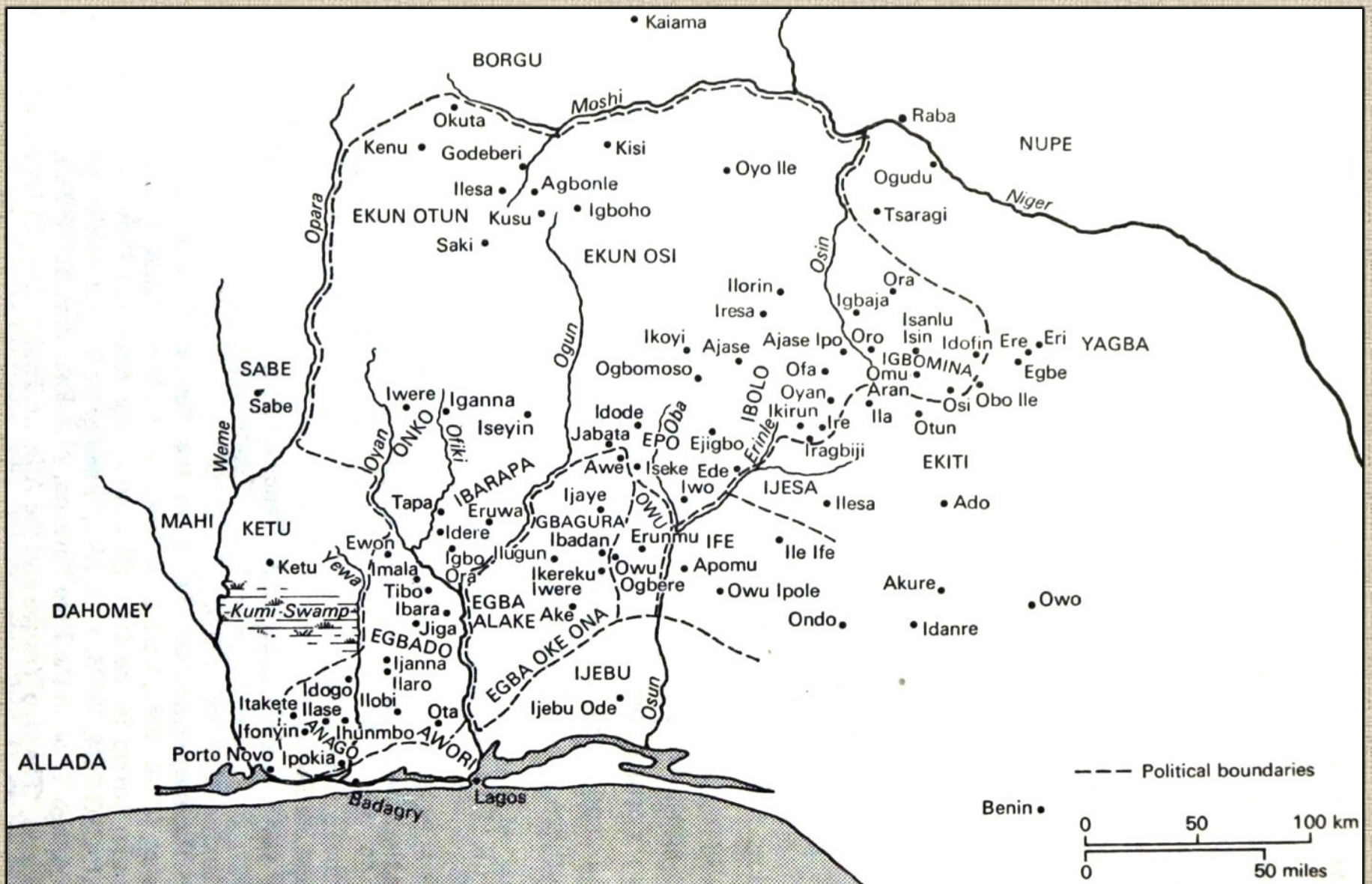
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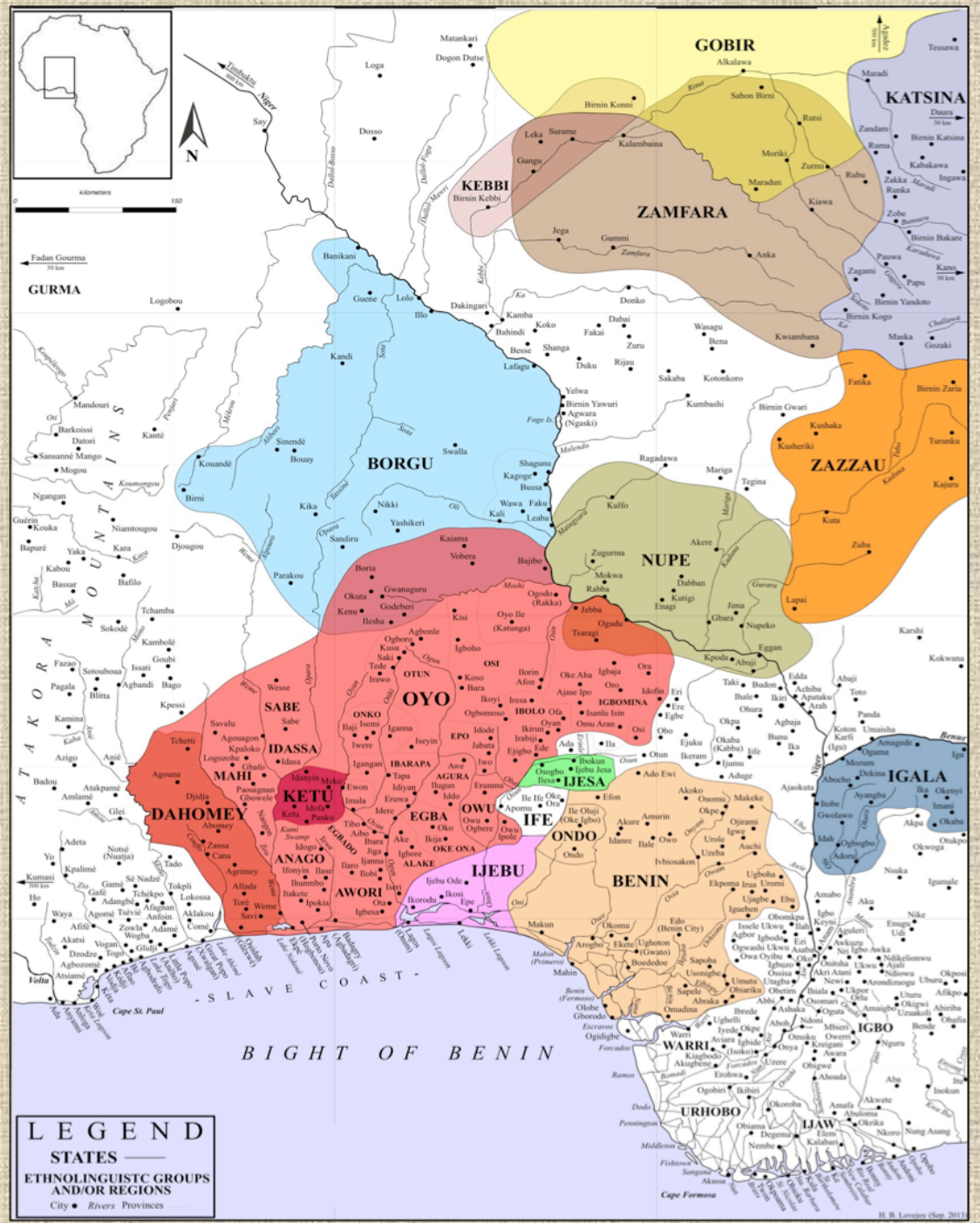


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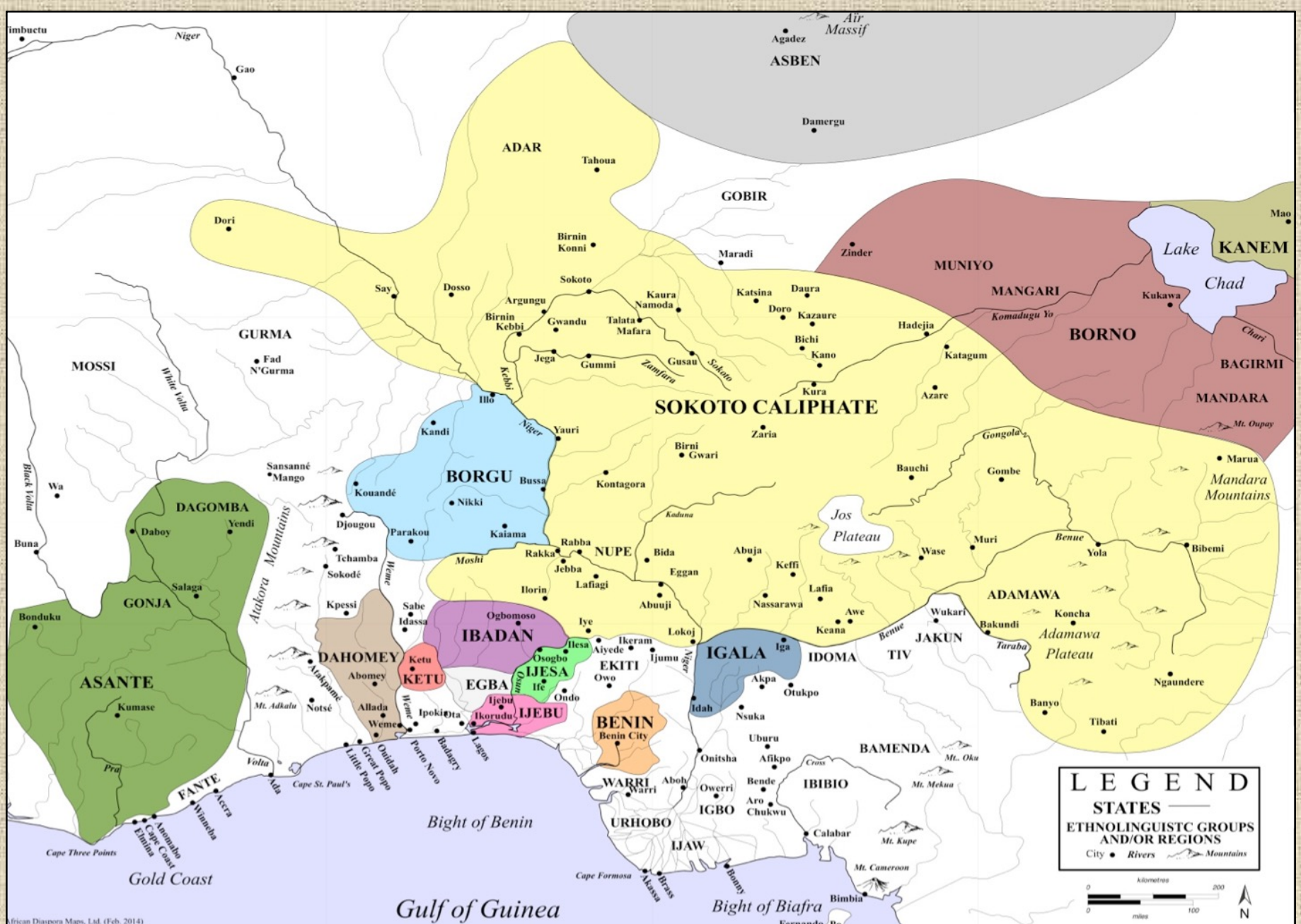
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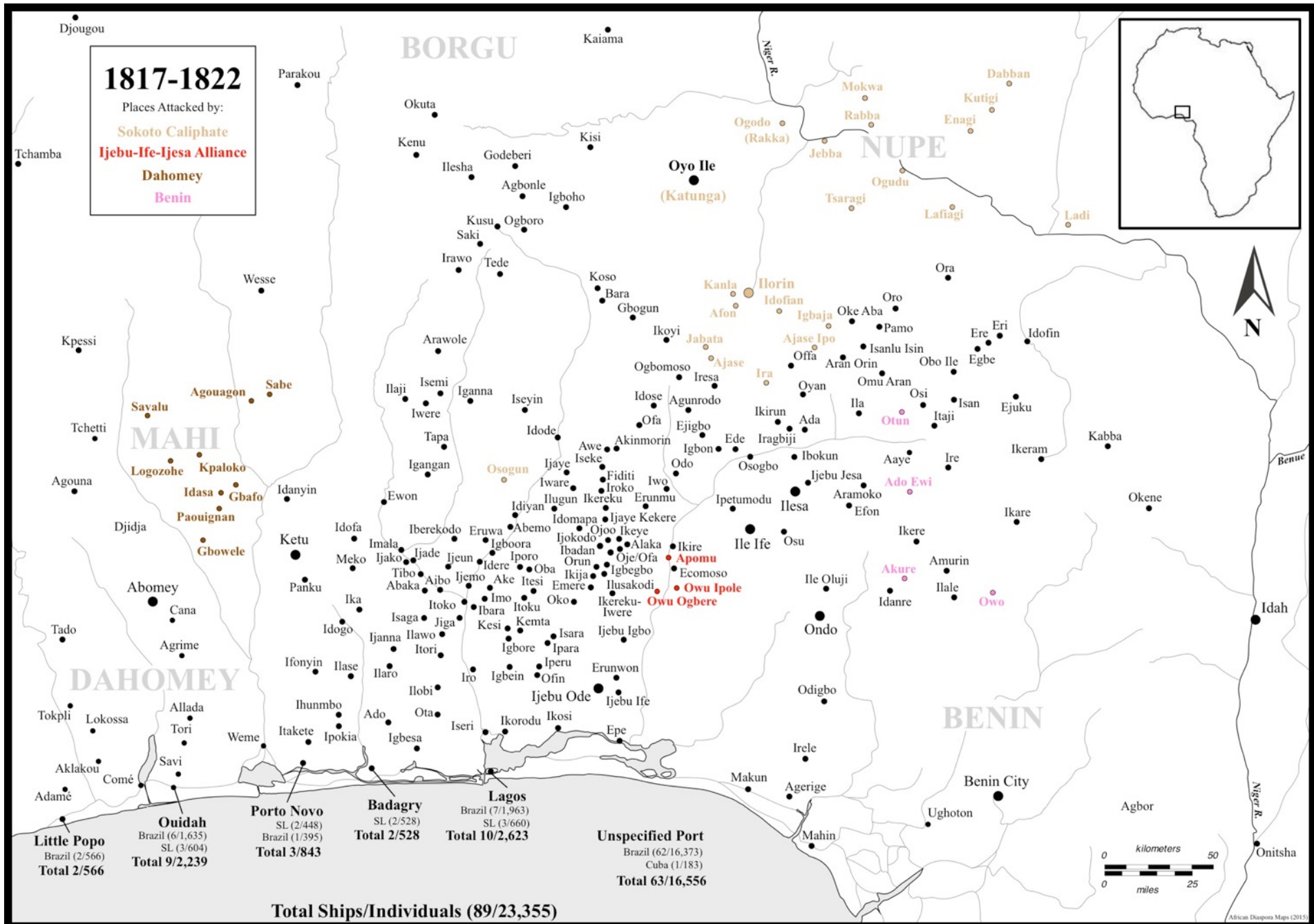
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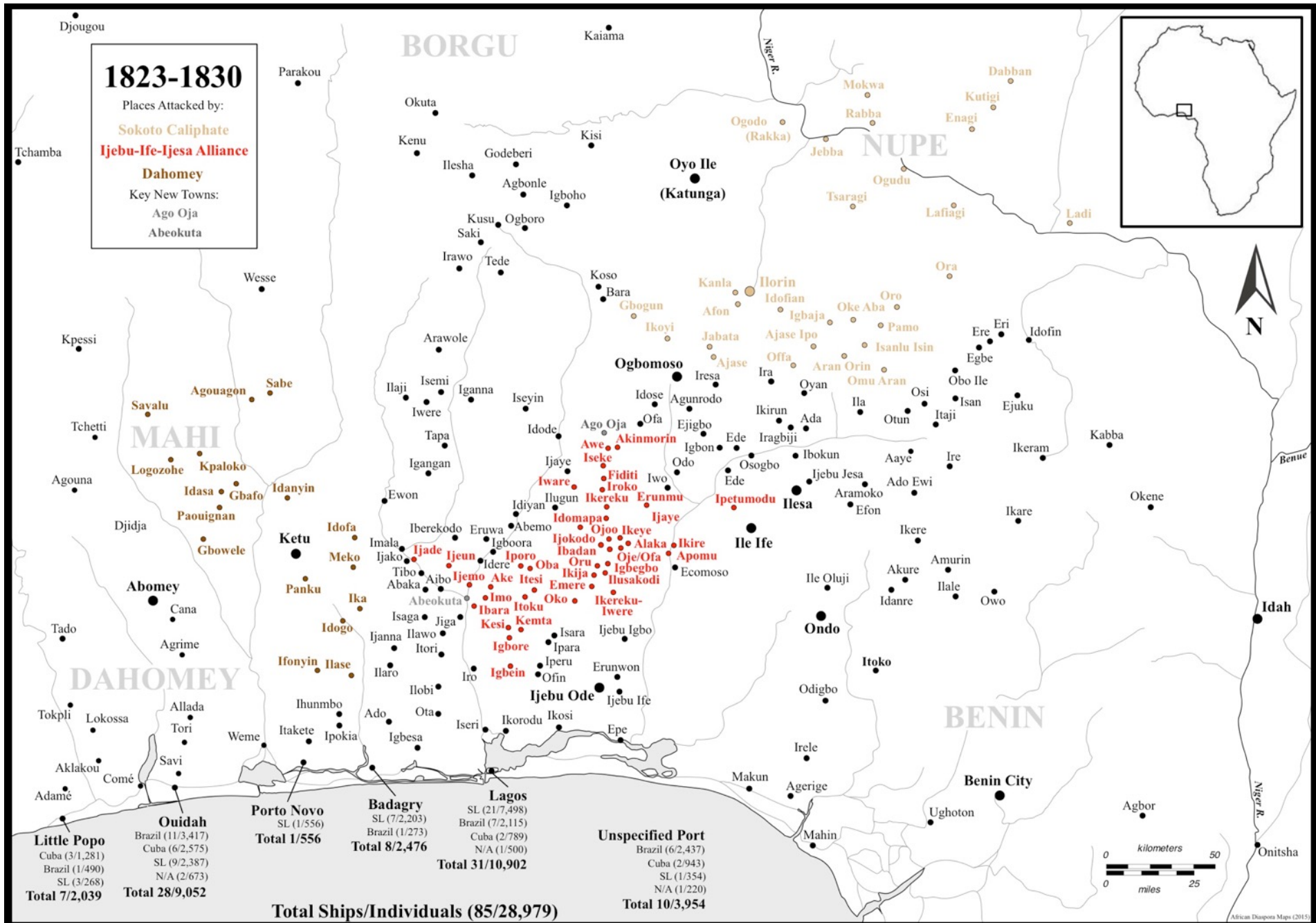
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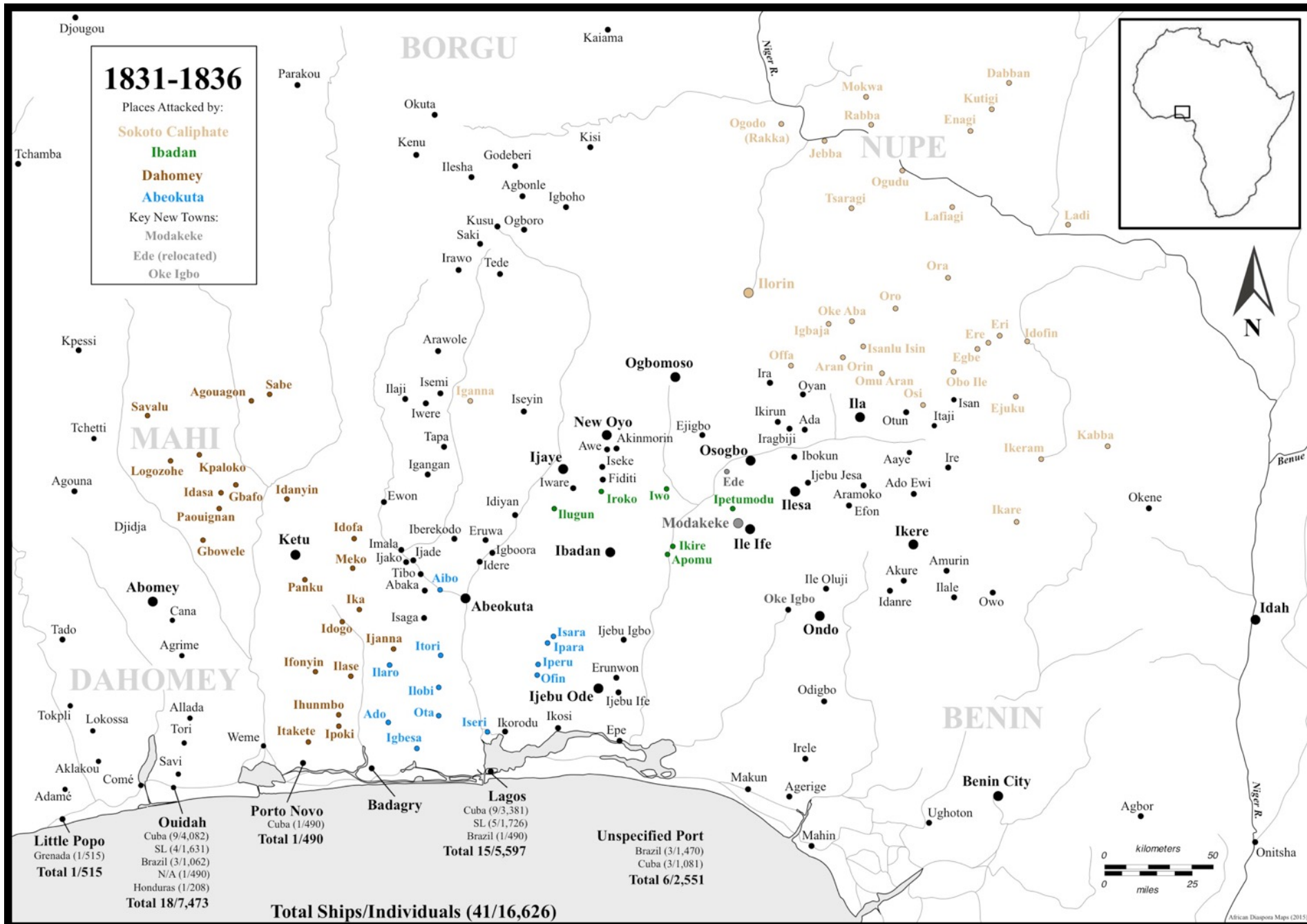


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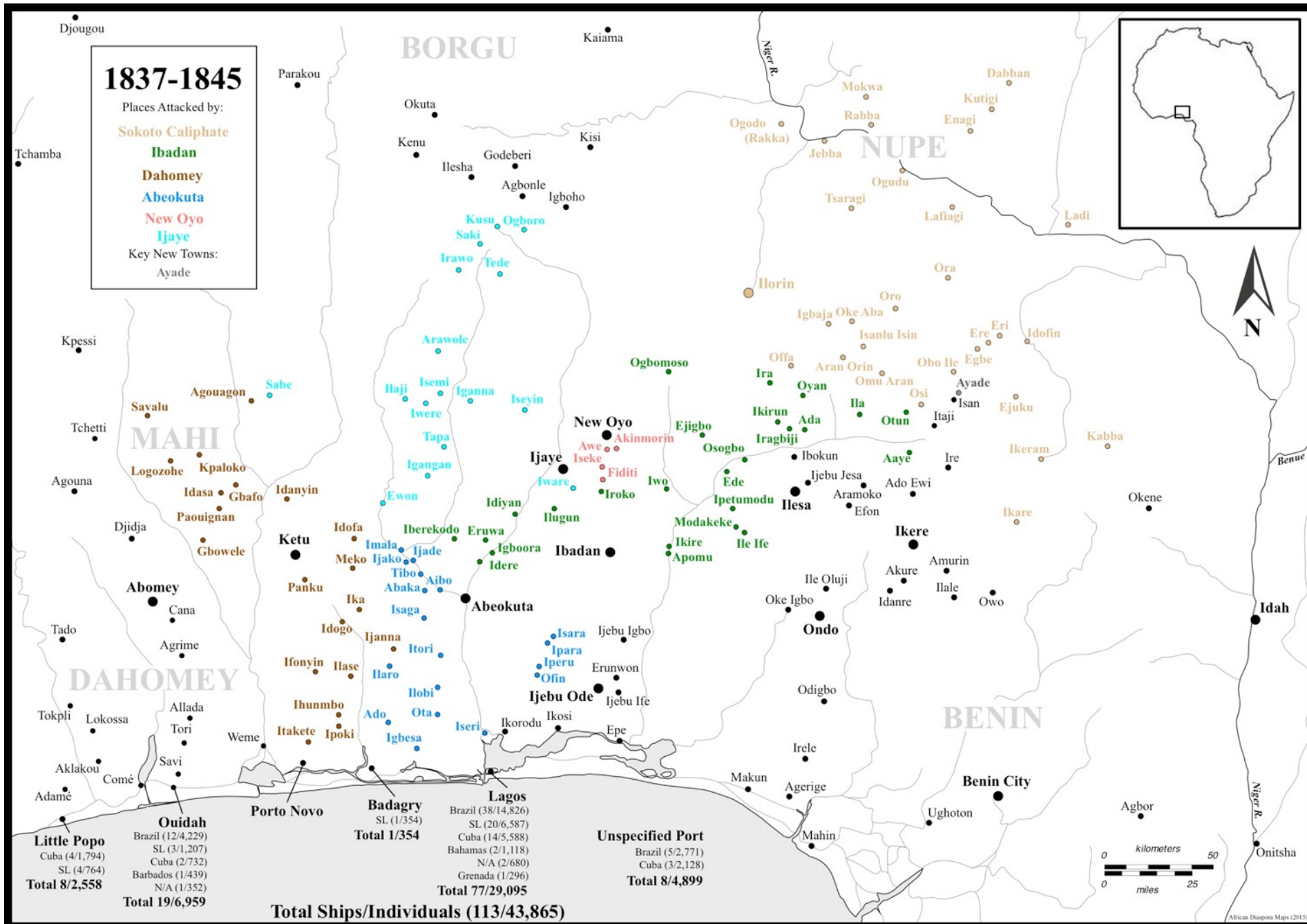


The Egba Crisis, 1823-1830

African Diaspora Maps (2011)



Oyo's Collapse, 1831-1836



The Rise of Ibadan, 1837-1845

An estimated **268,000 Individuals** Departed the Bight of Benin between 1816 and 1850
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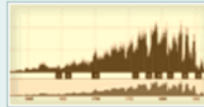
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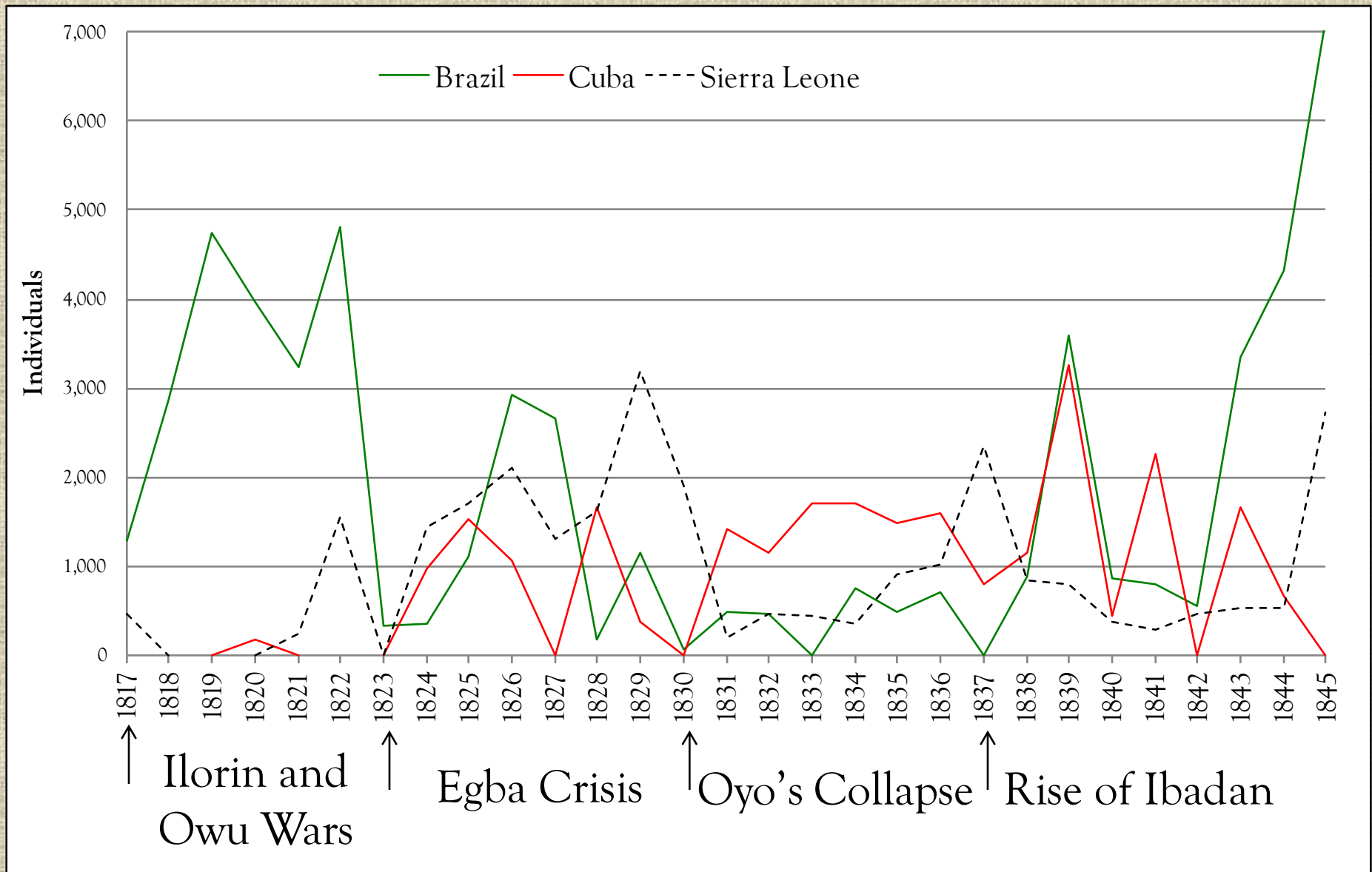
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West Africa Historical GIS

- Input from African universities and historians to build a massive geo-referenced database
- Requires an online GIS platform to ingest and collate data from primary (oral and written) and secondary sources
- Collaboration with programmers
- Interdisciplinary - Geographers advice on mapping uncertainty about populations with non-written histories
- Funding to build an online platform to link into other websites

Departures from the Bight of Benin to Brazil, Cuba and Sierra Leone, 1817-45



Individuals registered in Sierra Leone from the Bight of Benin after 1808, **21,000+**

Individuals registered in Cuba from the Bight of Benin between 1826 and 1841, **3,500+**

Individuals registered in Brazil from the Bight of Benin after 1830, **2,000+**



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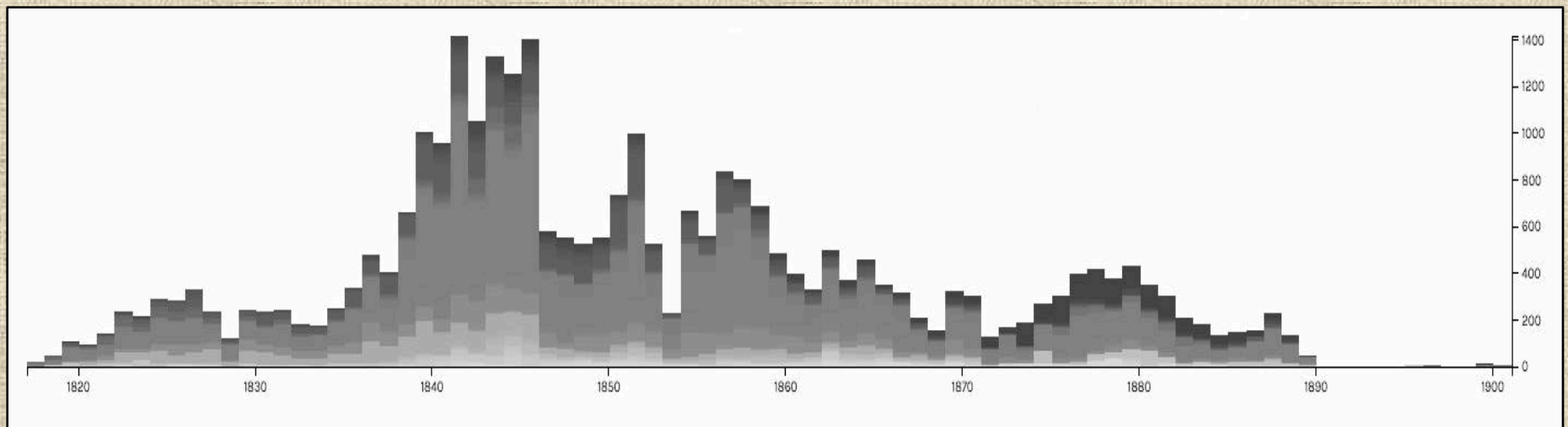
Collaborators of the the Liberated Africans Project

- **Sierra Leone** (+150,000 individuals, 5 Courts and +600 Cases)
Richard Anderson, Suzanne Schwarz, Henry Lovejoy
- **Caribbean** (+30,000 individuals, +5 Courts and 100 Cases)
Henry Lovejoy, Maria del Carmen Barcia, Marial Iglesias Utset, Jorge Felipe, Randy Sparks, Sean Kelley, David Trotman
- **Brazil** (+14,000 individuals, +3 Courts and 50 Cases)
Daryle Williams, Nielson Bezerra, Daniela Cavalheiro
- **South Africa** (+10,000 individuals, 2 Courts and 50 Cases)
Patrick Harries
- **East Africa** (+10,000 individuals, +5 courts, 50 Cases)
Matt Hopper
- **United States** (+3,000 individuals, +5 courts, 30 Cases)
Sharla Fett
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Relational Databases of the Liberated Africans Project

- **Courts** – Linked to a place, i.e. Freetown, Havana, Rio, etc...
- **Cases** – Trial records linked to a court, i.e. captured baracoons, canoes, slave ships (ships link to *Voyages*)
- **Registers of Liberated Africans** (when available) – Linked to a case as well as *Voyages*, *African Names Database*, *African Origins*
- **Individual Heroes or Life Events** – Linked to a case, Registers of Liberated Africans, non-Trial Records, i.e. Apprenticeships reports, church records (baptism, death, marriage, etc...), resettlement records, military records, school records, court records (arrest, imprisonment, etc...)
- **Court Officials** – Linked to courts and cases (judges, arbitrators, secretaries, African interpreters, ship crews, etc...)
- **Image Gallery** – Linked to courts and cases by cataloguing prints, photographs, paintings and sketches of brandings and scarifications
- **Legislation** – Policies, procedures, treaties, rules, international law

Correspondence from the Foreign Office 84 Series about the Suppression of the African Slave Trade, 1817-1900

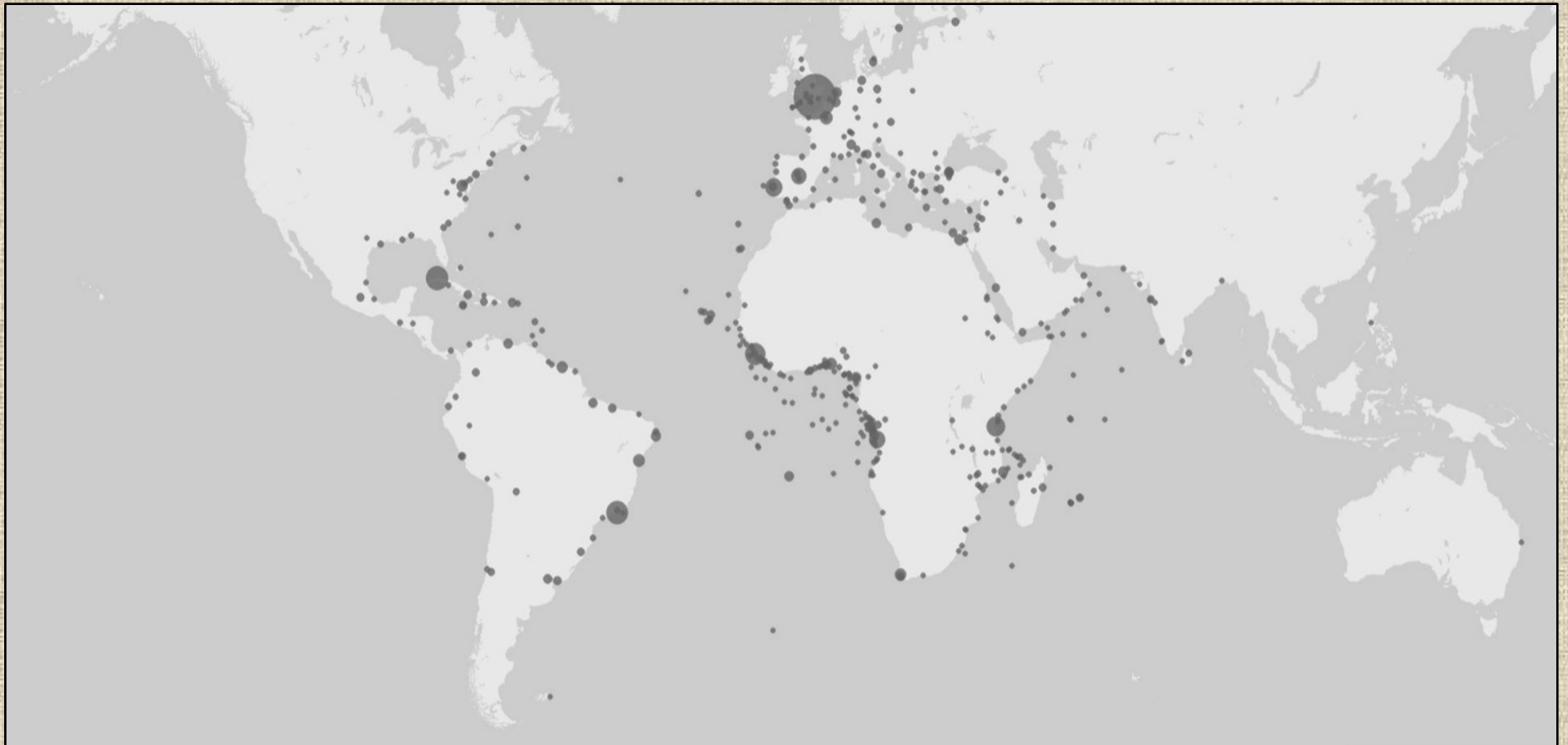


Database currently lists over 30,000 letters the Foreign Office in England and British representatives, commissioners, naval officers, and other officials serving abroad.

Over 5,000 Volumes

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Select all Deselect all

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- Freetown
- Kingston
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Search New Query

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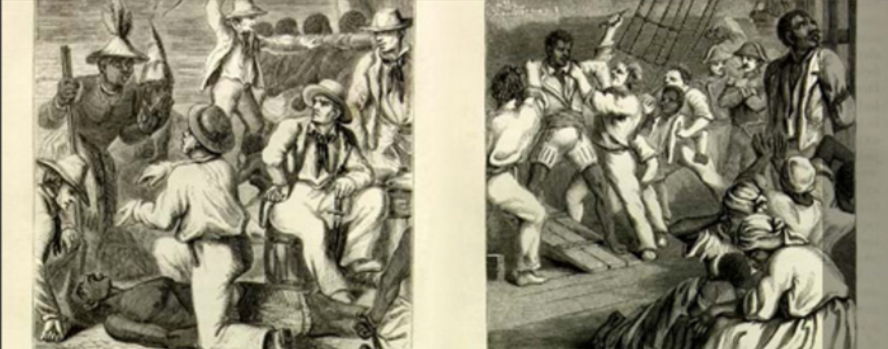


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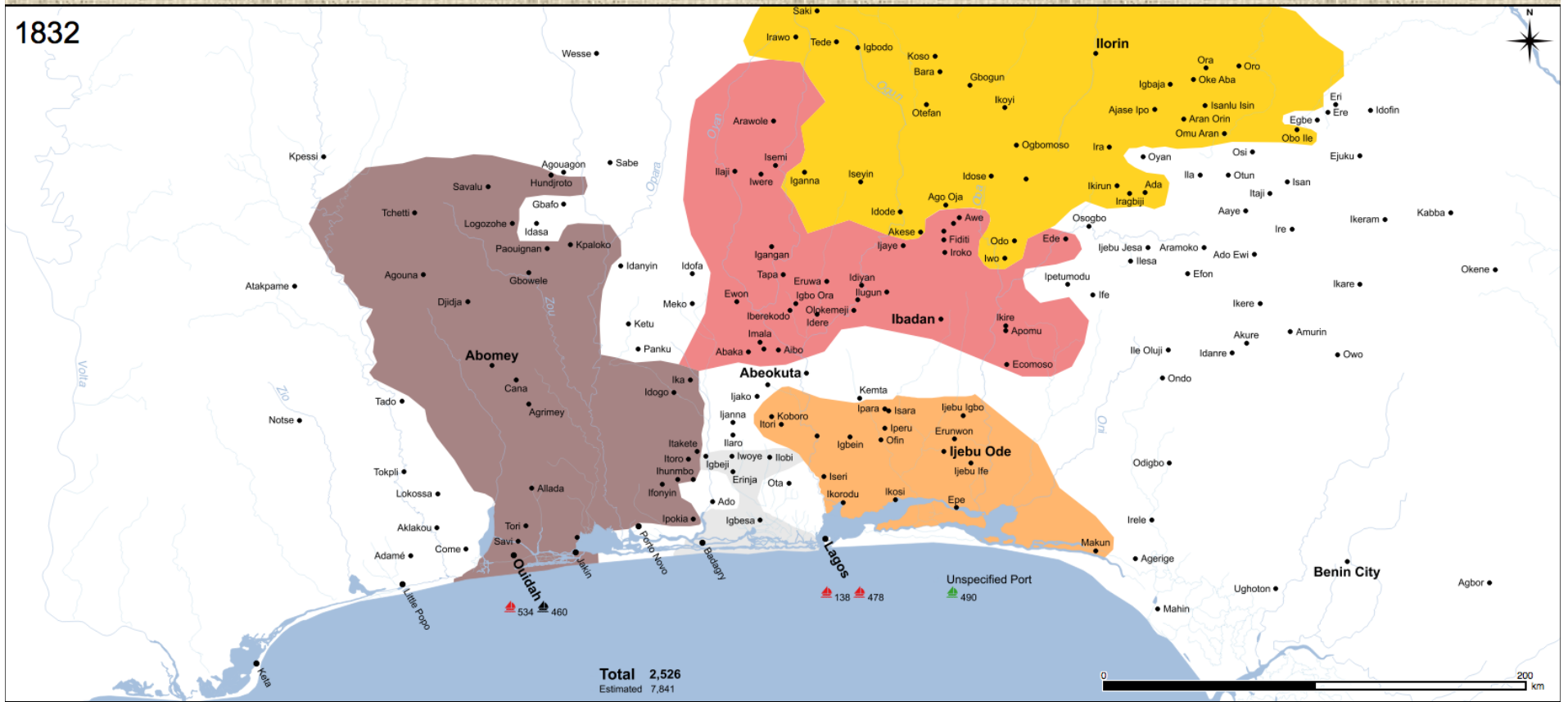
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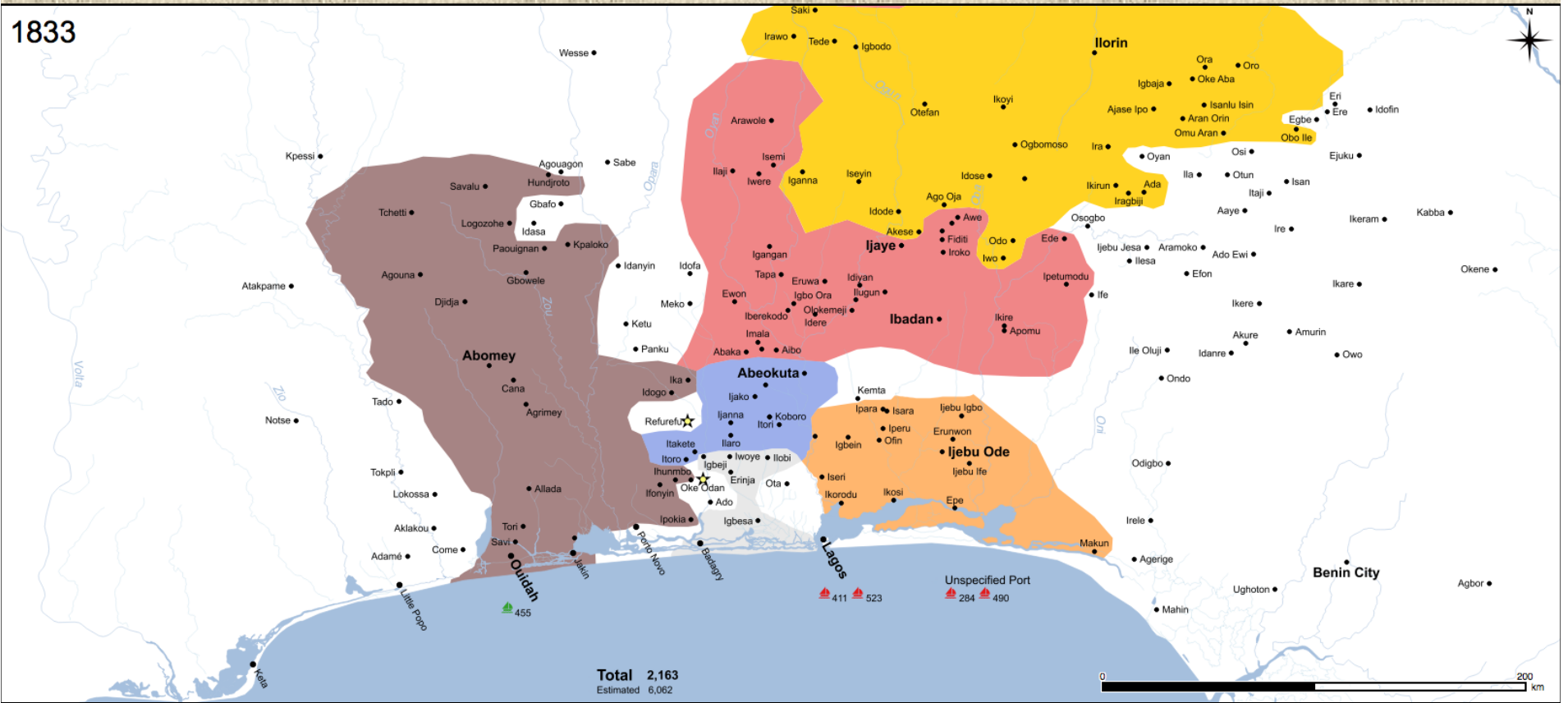
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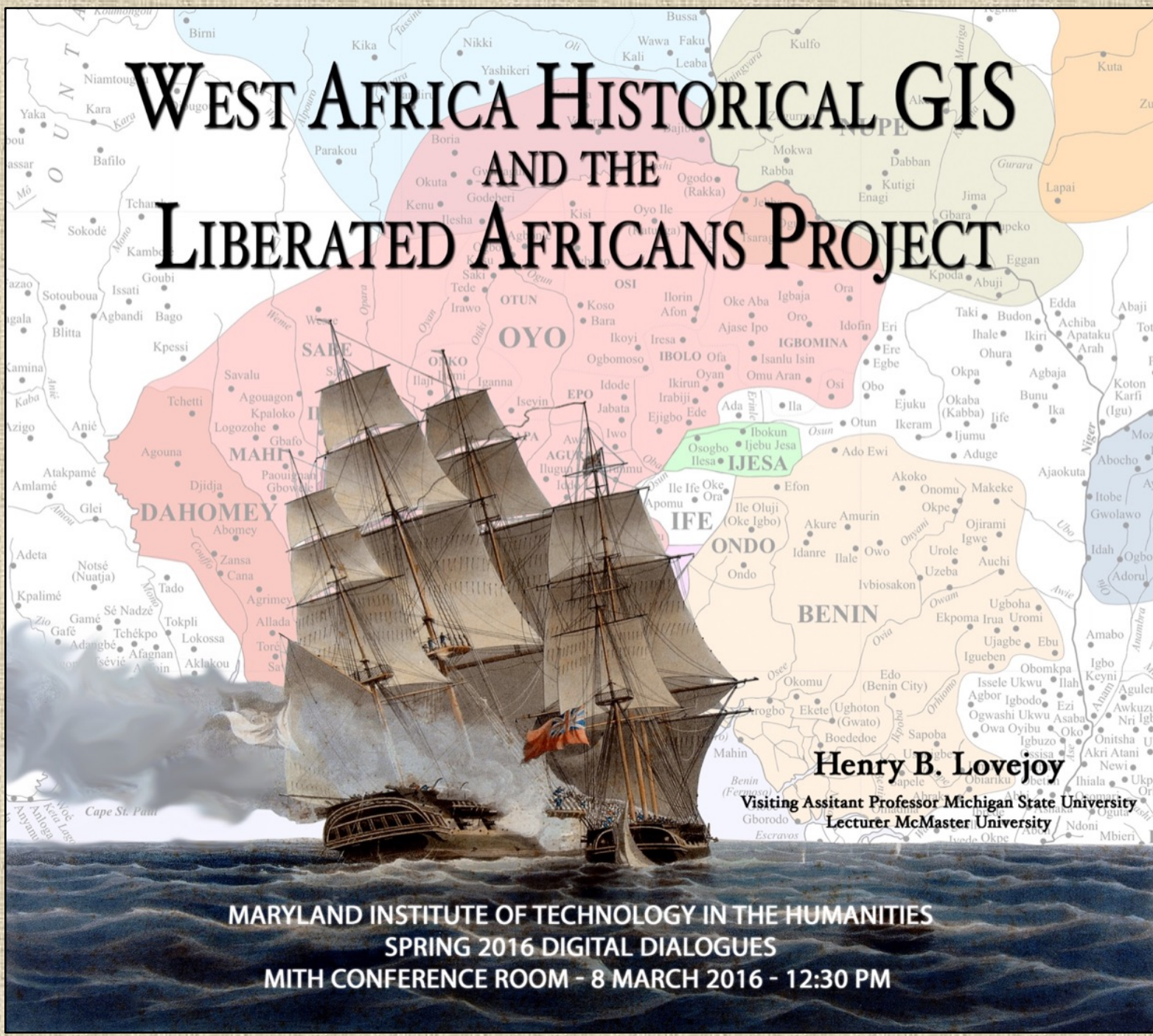


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