



# Briefing on the Crisis in Thailand

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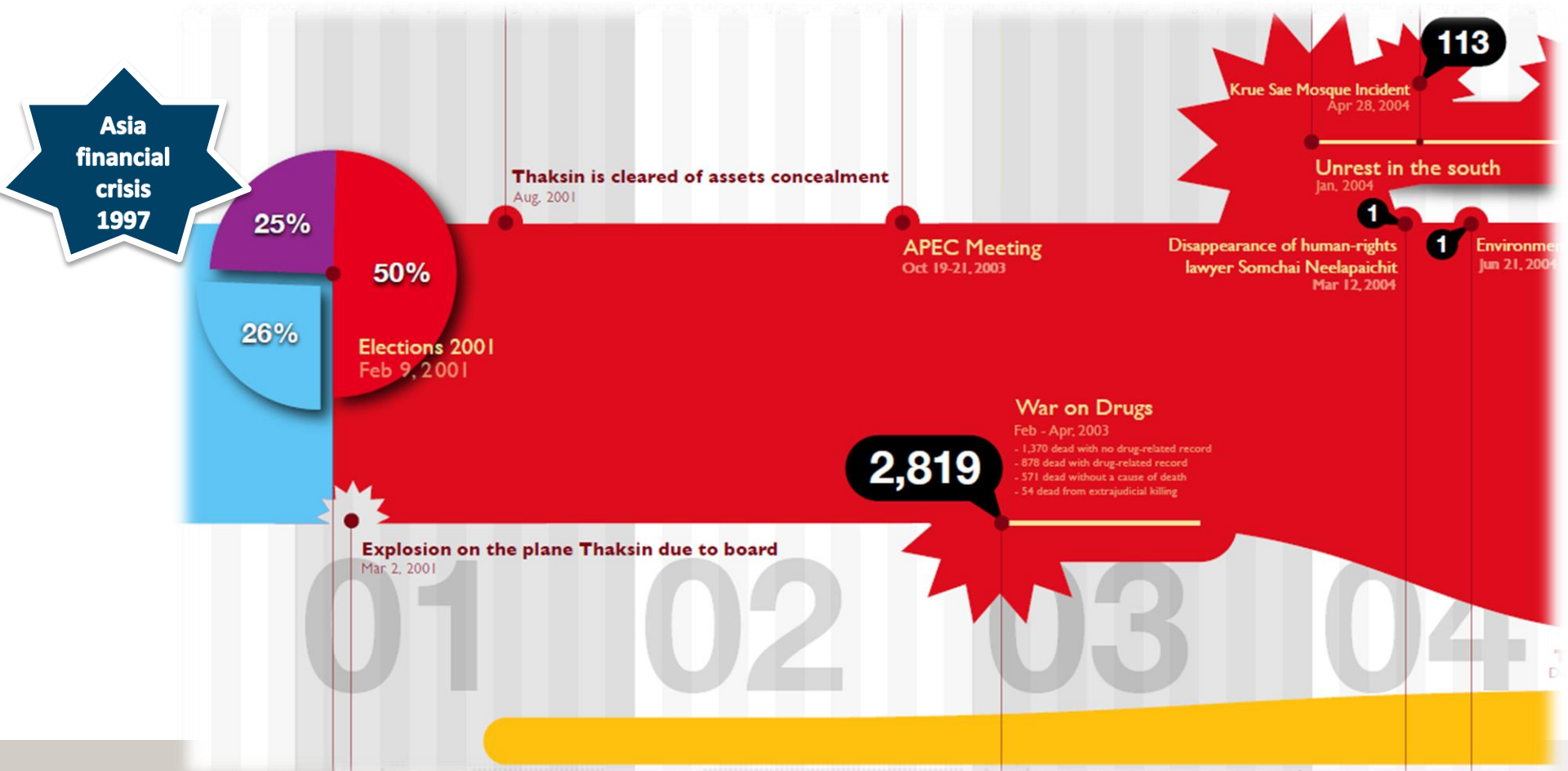
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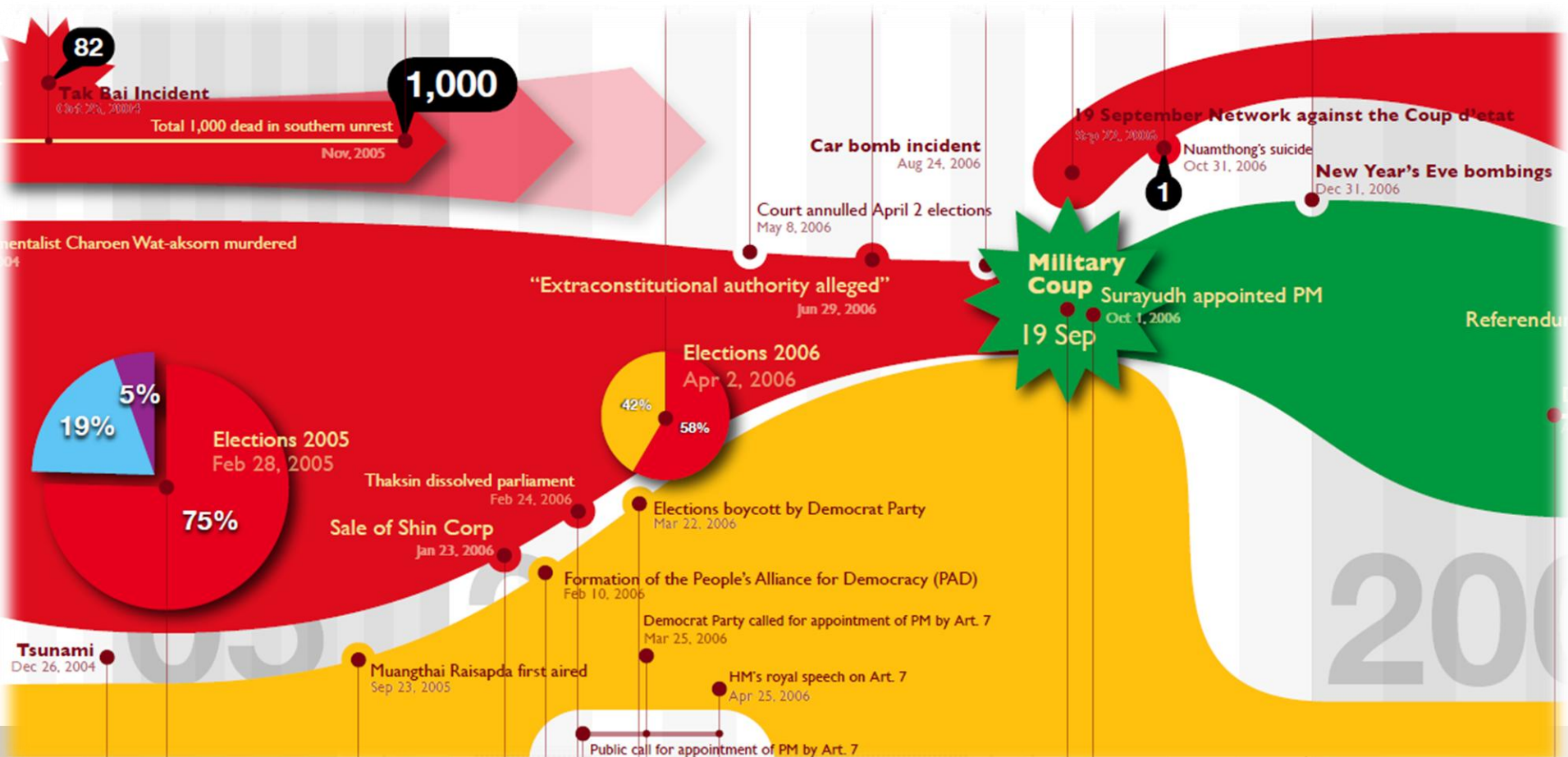




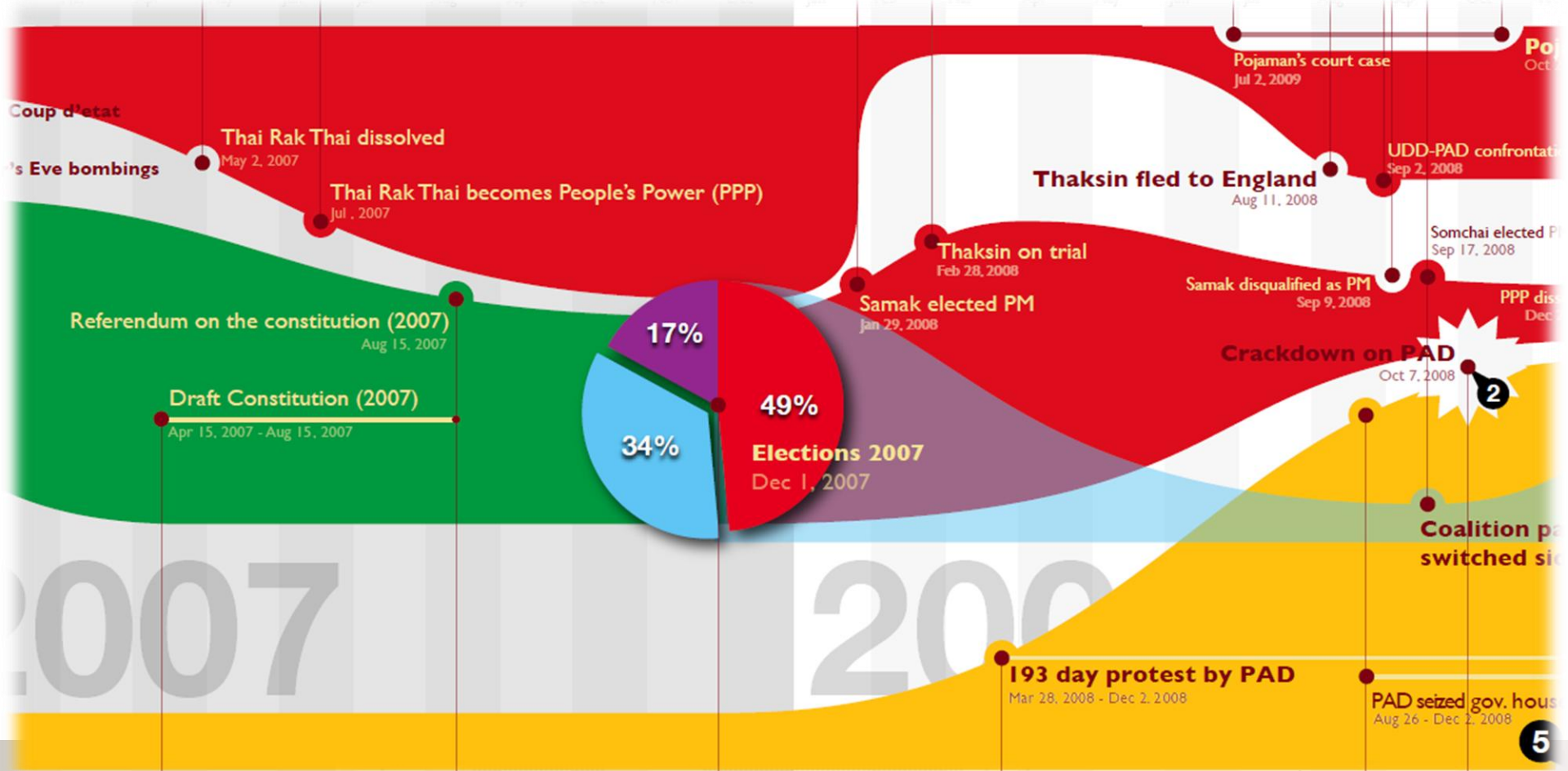
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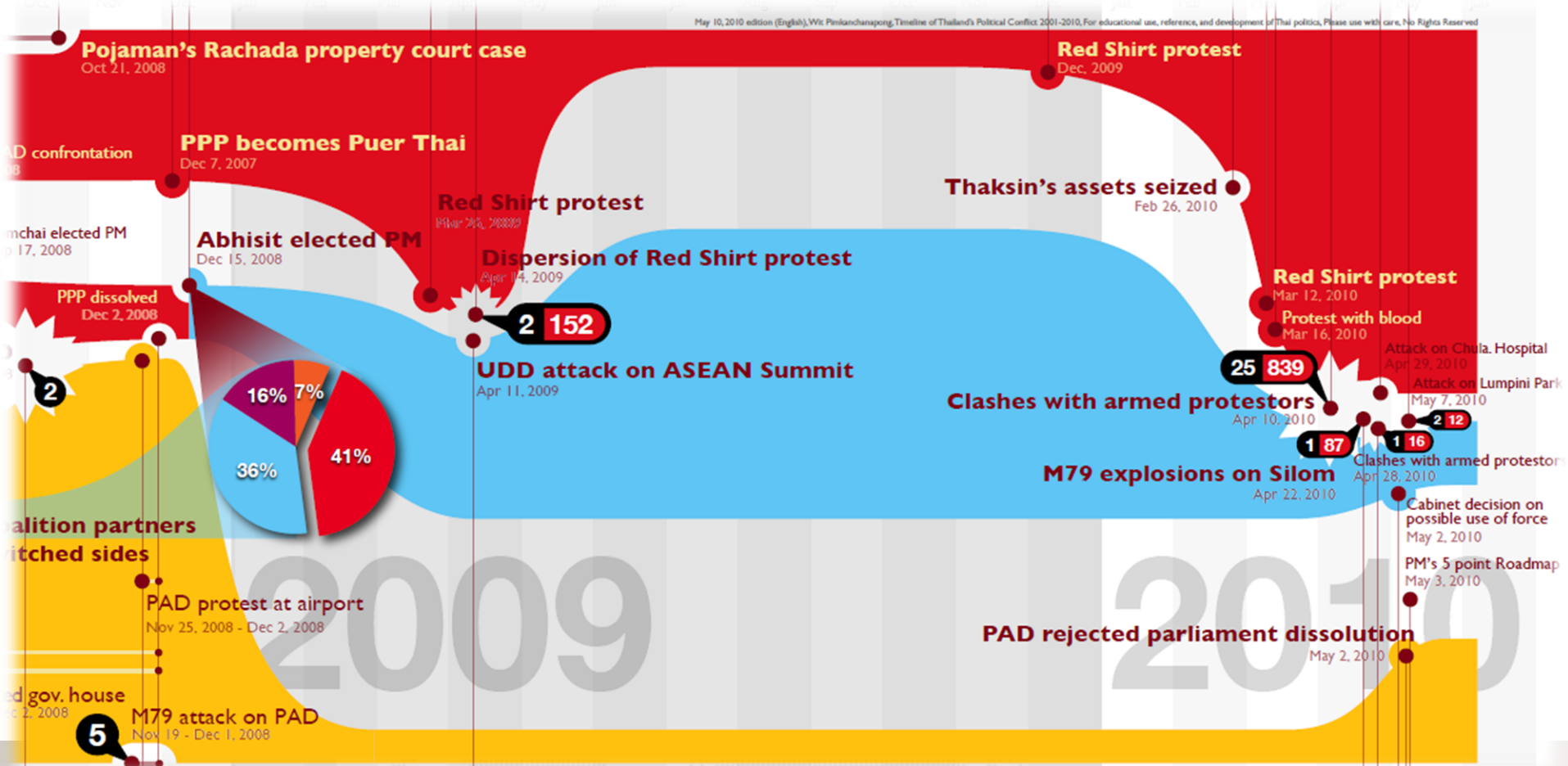
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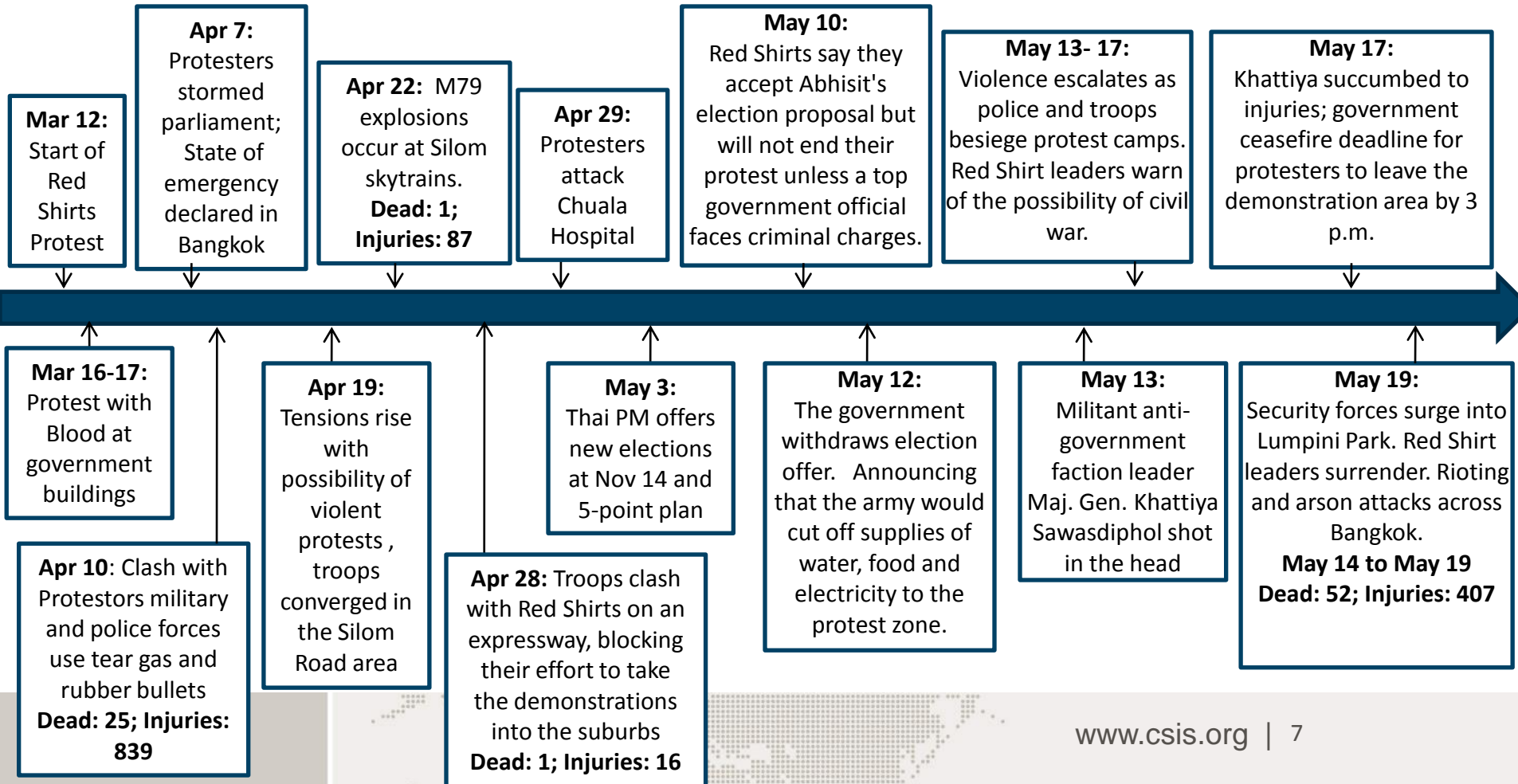


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## The recent political crisis From March 2010 to today



## Five-point plan

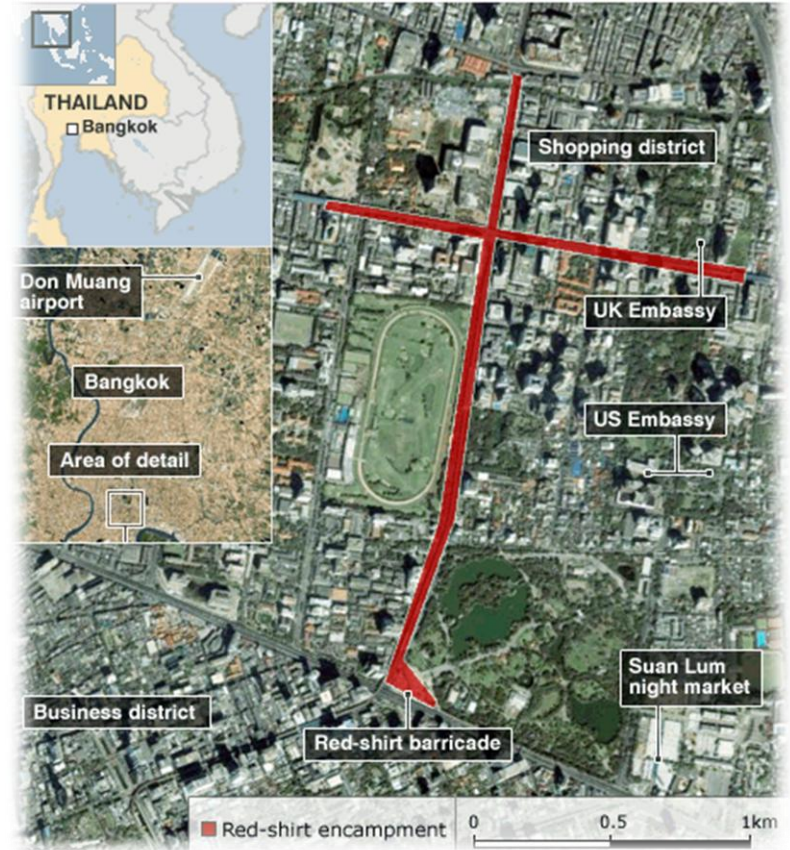
1. **Respect for the monarchy**
2. **To resolve fundamental problems of social injustice.**
3. **To ensure that the media operate constructively**
4. **To establish facts about violent incidents**
5. **To establish mutually acceptable political rules**



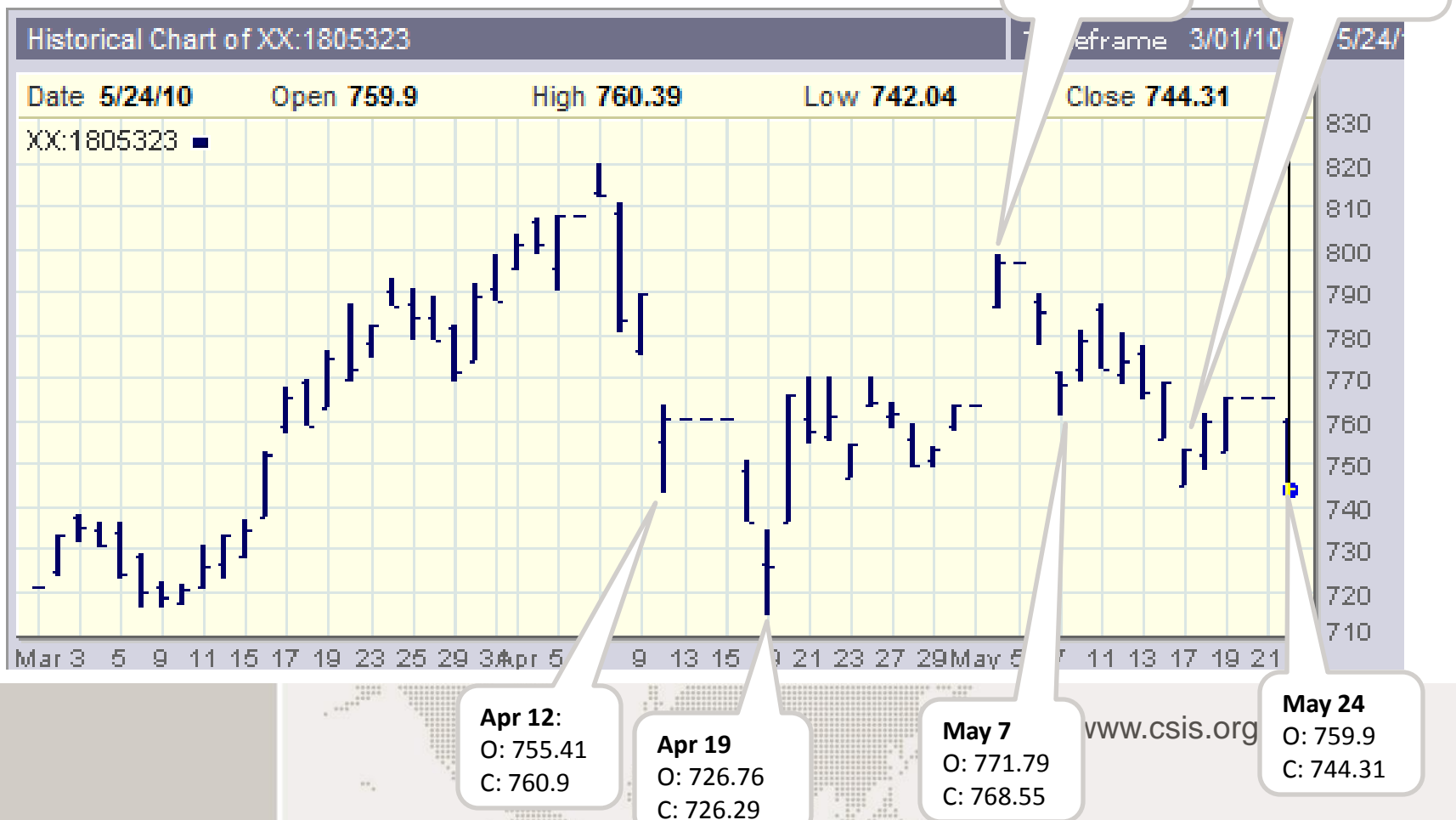
# State of Play



Red-shirt protesters' camp



# Stock exchange of Thailand



# Baht/dollar rate





## Debt Rating

- **April 12: Thailand's foreign currency debt is rated "BBB" with a *stable* outlook; local currency is rated "A-" with a *stable* outlook.**
- **April 19: Fitch Ratings changed the outlook on Thailand's "A-" local currency rating to *negative* from *stable*.**

# Key Actors



# International Players





## Possible Scenarios

- I. Early reconciliation & stability where PM Abhisit Vejjajiva's 5-point reconciliation plan is implemented without elections**
- II. Protracted conflict, polarization deepens**
- III. Military forced to step in to rule and bring stability**



