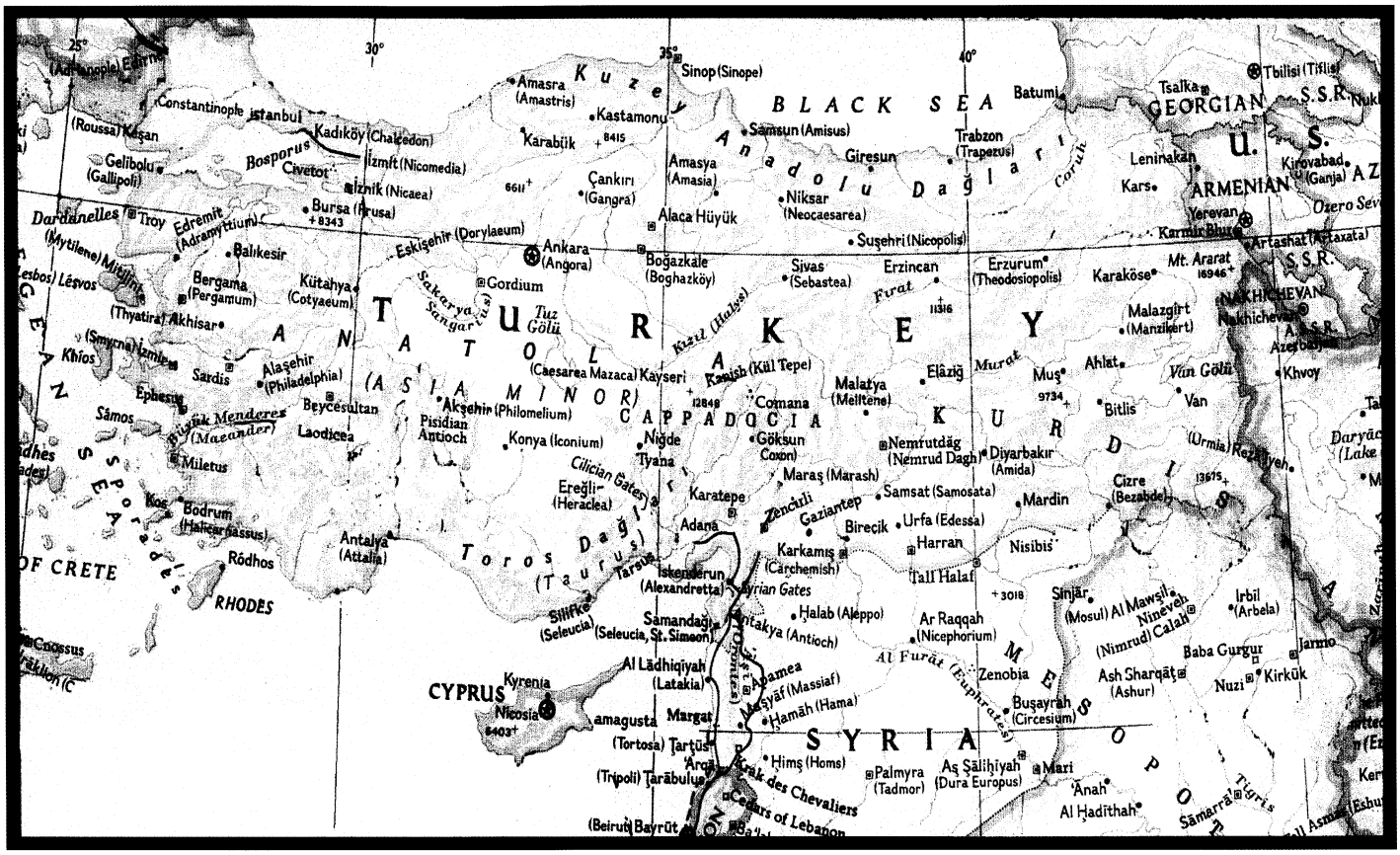
Turkey with the Armenian Highland

MODERN TURKEY — SCENE OF THE ARMENIAN 1915 GENOCIDE[1]



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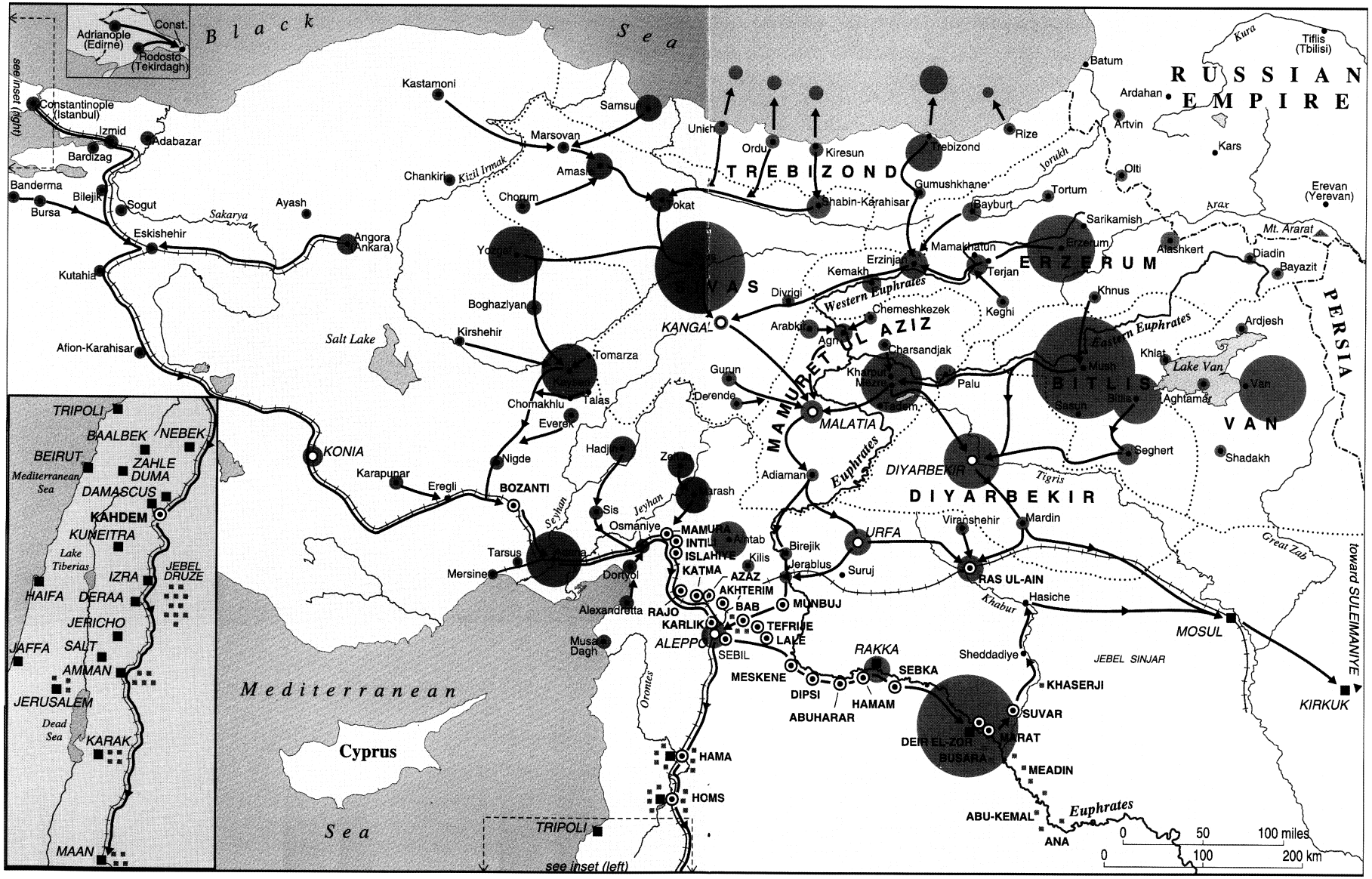
The 1915 Armenian Genocide in the Turkish Empire



- boundaries of the eastern provinces
- concentration camps
- principal routes of deportation
- rail lines
- centers of massacre and deportation
- principal points of transit
- subsidiary points of deportation
- principal destination points of deportation

This map illustrates three prevailing aspects of the 1915 Armenian Genocide: the deportations, the massacres, and the concentration camps. The deportations affected the majority of Armenians in the Turkish Empire. From as far north as the Black Sea and as far west as European Turkey, Armenians were forcibly removed to the Syrian desert. From the onset the deportations were marked by atrocities. At select sites, large-scale massacres were carried out. The survivors were dispersed across Syria, Iraq, and as far south as Palestine (see inset), where they were left in inhospitable places. Starvation, thirst, and epidemic diseases destroyed vast numbers of those confined to these places of concentration. The deportees in many concentration camps were eventually killed through further massacres. As this map demonstrates, the total effect of the policies of the Turkish government was the mass destruction of the Armenian people.

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