

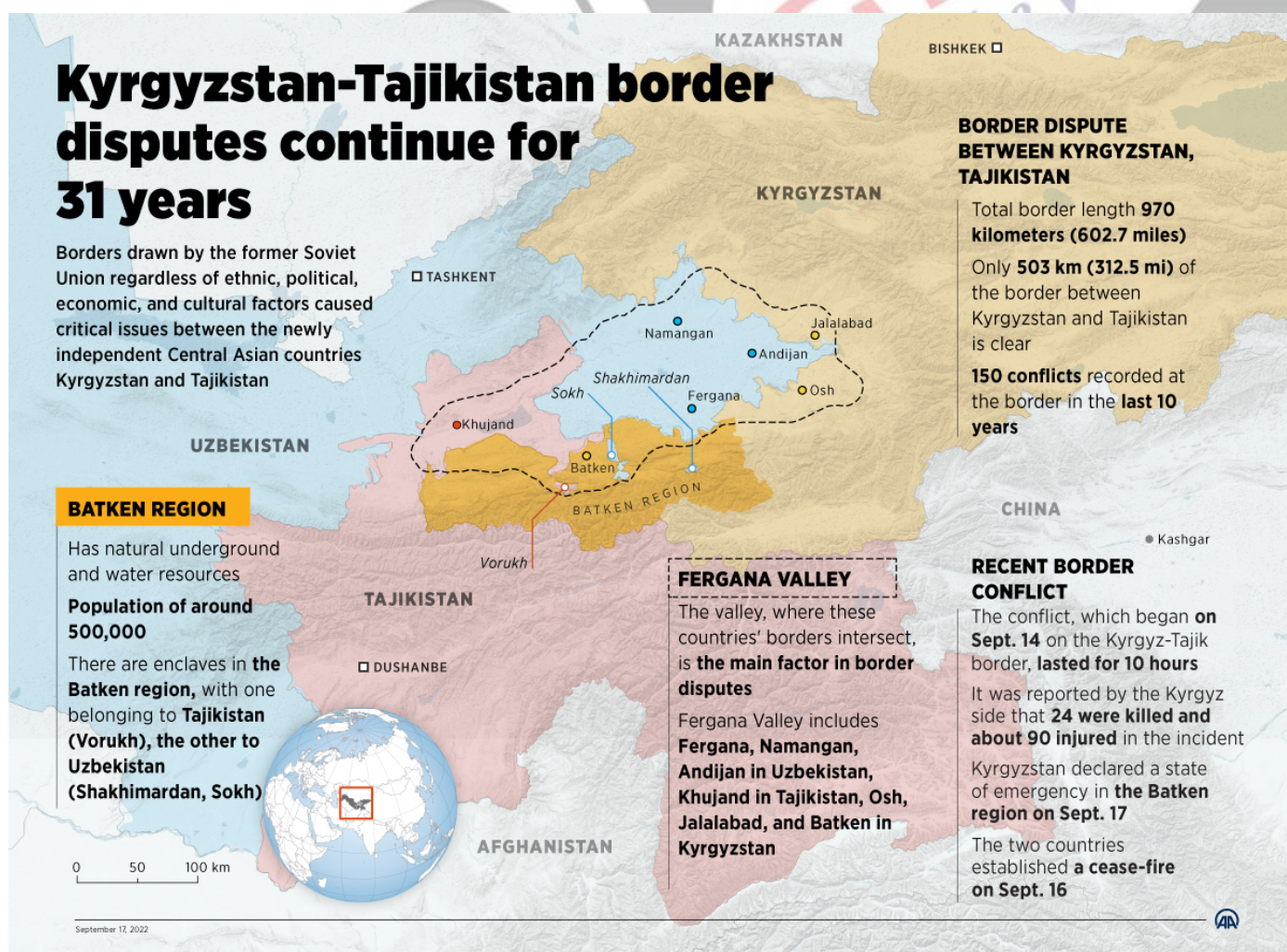


Kyrgyzstan & Tajikistan Border Deal

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Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan have agreed to **exchange disputed lands**, improving access to farmland and water resources, bringing an **end to their long-standing border conflict**.

- **Reasons for Conflict:** The conflict arises from border disputes due to **differing maps and the arbitrary division of the Fergana Valley**, leading to ethnic tensions **among Kyrgyz, Tajiks, and Uzbeks**.
- **Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan:** Both are **Central Asian nations**, gained independence from the **Soviet Union** in 1991.
 - **Kyrgyzstan** borders **Kazakhstan, China, Tajikistan, and Uzbekistan**, with **Bishkek** as its capital.
 - **Tajikistan** shares borders with **Afghanistan, China, Kyrgyzstan, and Uzbekistan**, with **Dushanbe** as its capital.
 - Both share the **Fergana Valley** with **Uzbekistan**.



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