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Meanwhile, the UK controlled directly the area from Baghdad to Basra adding the Kuwait and the east coast of the Persian (Arabian) Gulf. The desert zone spreading from Amman to the northern part of the Arabian Peninsula were under UK's influence. This area covers Jordan, southern part of Iraq and GCC countries-Kuwait, Bahrain, Qatar and UAE.

Palestine, which would be the biggest hot spot in the Middle East in future, was dealt as the co-governorate of UK and France.

"Sykes-Picot Agreement" was a product of the imperial colonialism competing between three countries; the UK, France and Russia. The interest of Arab nation, who had maintained a moderate peace and order throughout the region for thousands of years, had never been taken into consideration. In 1917 only one year after the signing of the agreement, Russian revolution had broken out. The secret agreement was revealed by the Soviet revolutionary government. The Arabs, who had been asking for fulfillment of the "McMahon-Hussein Correspondence", have shown antipathy against UK & France.

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