Thank you so much for taking the time to read select chapters from this draft manuscript. I welcome your comments in the presentation and would be happy to receive any additional written comments after the event. For those with regional expertise, I would welcome suggestions for further reading.

I’m circulating the introductory chapter and one empirical chapter (chapter 5) which may look a little long, but it has a lot of graphics and an extensive bibliography.

Thank you so much. JB

Here is the outline for the book.

**Chapter 1: Introduction**
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**Chapter 5: Drought in the Middle East – Contrasting Fortunes in Syria and Lebanon**
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Chapter 7: Why Might Other States Care?
Chapter 8: Where Do We Go From Here?