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THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION:

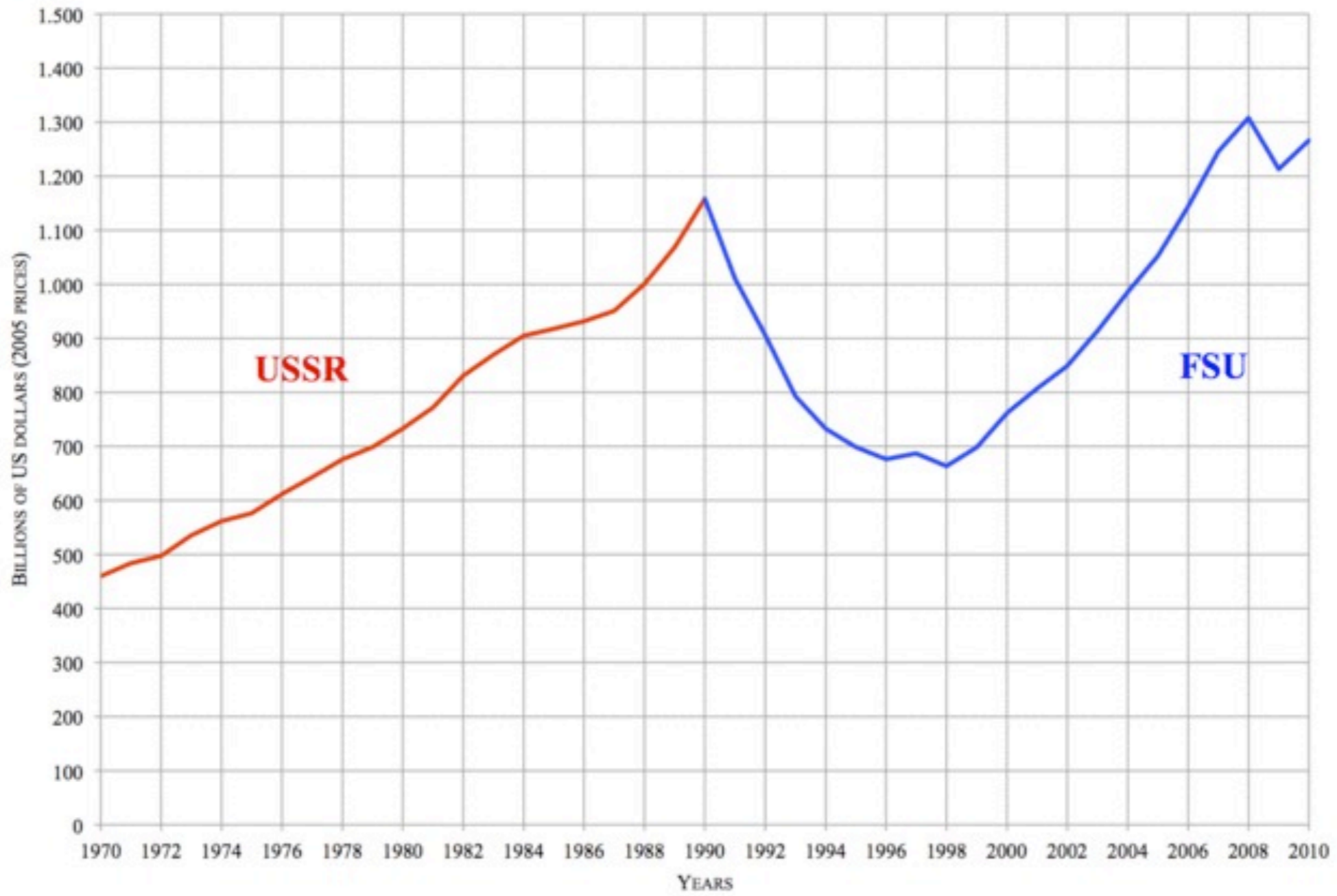
Yeltsin

Regime

- Illiberal democracy
 - High autonomy, high capacity; centralized
 - Authoritarian, low accountability
 - Strong state
 - Federal
- 1990: Russian Parliament elected
- 1993: Constitutional Crisis
- Constitution of 1993

Economy

- Socialist -> capitalist
- Command -> free market
- Economic shock therapy
- Deregulation of prices
- Privatization programs
- Inflation, corruption, economic collapse
- **Oligarchs**



Boris Yeltsin

- Legitimacy: elected
- 1991: elected First President of Russian Federation
- August 1991: opposition to Gorbachev coup



Ideology

- Liberal
- Western-style democracy
- Market economic reform
- Programs were controversial and hard to implement

Changes

- Left office widely unpopular
 - Chechnya secession crisis
 - Used military force
- Nominated Putin to the post of prime minister



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