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1. INTRODUCTION

This online appendix contains several variations and robustness checks that were omitted from the main paper. While the variations are by no means exhaustive, we have attempted to provide a fair accounting of the different specifications that we ran in conducting this study. The most important of these concern an alternative benchmark variable, PRIOINT, that we define in the paper (and below, in Section 2), as well as alternative ways of constructing the index of relative publicness, Λ , that we employ in the paper.

2. PRIOINT AS DEPENDENT VARIABLE

The paper uses PRIO25 as its benchmark dependent variable, though we briefly consider alternatives. A possible alternative that we have a distinct preference for is the use of a non-binary indicator that places different weights on different PRIO thresholds and aggregates them. Specifically, PRIOINT is constructed as follows: “peace” is assigned a value of 0, events satisfying PRIO25 that are not PRIO1000 are assigned a value of 1, and events recorded as PRIO1000 are assigned 2. This measure, while non-standard, has the

advantage of including both forms of conflict as recorded by PRIO, but assigning larger weights to high-level conflicts.

In Tables 1–4, we replicate Tables 1 (Baseline specification), 5 (P vs. R), 7 (Region and time effects) and 8 (Alternative estimation strategies) in the main text, using PRIORINT as dependent variable.

Variable	[1]	[2]	[3]	[4]	[5]	[6]	[7]
<i>P</i>	*** 7.74 (0.004)	*** 5.38 (0.001)	*** 6.14 (0.000)	*** 6.12 (0.000)	*** 6.48 (0.000)	*** 6.50 (0.000)	*** 5.36 (0.007)
<i>F</i>	*** 2.58 (0.000)	*** 1.85 (0.000)	** 1.18 (0.014)	** 1.20 (0.016)	*** 1.30 (0.007)	*** 1.30 (0.006)	*** 1.25 (0.008)
<i>G/N</i>	*- 7.24 (0.061)	** - 5.37 (0.013)	*- 4.51 (0.068)	*- 4.48 (0.069)	*- 4.79 (0.076)	*- 4.82 (0.071)	*- 4.81 (0.094)
POP	*** 0.29 (0.006)	** 0.13 (0.041)	** 0.16 (0.026)	** 0.17 (0.020)	0.10 (0.164)	0.10 (0.166)	0.11 (0.143)
GDP	-	-	*** - 0.36 (0.002)	*** - 0.36 (0.003)	*** - 0.40 (0.002)	*** - 0.40 (0.002)	*** - 0.35 (0.004)
OIL/DIAM	-	-	-	- 0.02 (0.900)	- 0.04 (0.831)	- 0.04 (0.816)	- 0.14 (0.454)
MOUNT	-	-	-	-	0.00 (0.278)	0.00 (0.282)	0.00 (0.333)
NCONT	-	-	-	-	* 0.54 (0.069)	* 0.55 (0.069)	** 0.63 (0.036)
DEMOC	-	-	-	-	-	- 0.03 (0.909)	- 0.08 (0.794)
EXCONS	-	-	-	-	-	-	- 0.19 (0.593)
AUTOOCR	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.06 (0.795)
POLRIGHTS	-	-	-	-	-	-	- 0.02 (0.945)
CIVLIB	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.25 (0.498)
LAG	-	*** 2.13 (0.000)	*** 2.04 (0.000)	*** 2.04 (0.000)	*** 2.00 (0.000)	*** 2.00 (0.000)	*** 2.03 (0.000)
Pseu-R ²	0.11	0.33	0.33	0.33	0.34	0.34	0.34
Obs	1289	1149	1125	1125	1125	1125	1013
<i>C</i>	141	141	138	138	138	138	137

TABLE 1. Baseline specification, Fearon groupings.

Notes. PRIORINT throughout. *p*-values are reported in brackets. Robust standard errors adjusted for clustering have been employed to compute *z*-statistics.

Variable	[1]	[2]	[3]	[4]	[5]	[6]
P	*** 6.50 (0.000)	-	*** 5.11 (0.008)	*** 7.28 (0.001)	-	*** 8.00 (0.000)
F	*** 1.30 (0.006)	0.47 (0.422)	0.65 (0.266)	0.52 (0.185)	0.53 (0.226)	0.66 (0.131)
R	-	*** 6.47 (0.003)	* 4.44 (0.056)	-	0.86 (0.623)	- 1.49 (0.400)
G/N	*- 4.82 (0.071)	- 1.09 (0.462)	*- 4.40 (0.082)	*- 2.15 (0.099)	- 0.18 (0.829)	*- 2.32 (0.075)
GDP	***- 0.40 (0.002)	***- 0.47 (0.000)	***- 0.48 (0.000)	***- 0.45 (0.000)	***- 0.38 (0.002)	***- 0.42 (0.000)
POP	0.10 (0.166)	*** 0.19 (0.003)	* 0.13 (0.075)	0.12 (0.118)	** 0.15 (0.039)	0.12 (0.131)
OIL/DIAM	- 0.04 (0.816)	- 0.02 (0.927)	- 0.01 (0.967)	0.08 (0.660)	0.05 (0.793)	0.06 (0.751)
MOUNT	0.00 (0.282)	0.00 (0.335)	0.00 (0.568)	* 0.01 (0.099)	** 0.01 (0.040)	* 0.01 (0.087)
NCONT	* 0.55 (0.069)	* 0.46 (0.085)	** 0.59 (0.048)	0.44 (0.136)	0.26 (0.346)	0.43 (0.141)
DEMOC	- 0.03 (0.909)	0.01 (0.952)	- 0.02 (0.933)	0.03 (0.898)	0.08 (0.731)	0.00 (0.984)
LAG	*** 2.00 (0.000)	*** 2.03 (0.000)	*** 1.98 (0.000)	*** 2.01 (0.000)	*** 2.07 (0.000)	*** 2.01 (0.000)
Pseu-R ²	0.34	0.33	0.34	0.32	0.32	0.32
Obs	1125	1125	1125	1117	1117	1117
C	138	138	138	137	137	137
Groups	Fearon	Fearon	Fearon	Eth	Eth	Eth

TABLE 2. P (with $\delta = 0.05$) vs. R , Fearon and *Ethnologue* groupings.

Notes. PRIORINT throughout. p -values are reported in brackets. Robust standard errors adjusted for clustering have been employed to compute z -statistics.

Variable	[1]	[2]	[3]	[4]	[5]	[6]	[7]
P	*** 6.50 (0.000)	*** 6.02 (0.001)	** 4.88 (0.028)	*** 6.34 (0.000)	*** 8.92 (0.000)	*** 6.41 (0.000)	*** 6.36 (0.001)
F	*** 1.30 (0.006)	*** 1.85 (0.002)	*** 2.47 (0.001)	** 1.25 (0.026)	*** 1.44 (0.007)	*** 1.32 (0.006)	*** 1.76 (0.001)
G/N	* - 4.82 (0.071)	* - 5.50 (0.052)	* - 7.12 (0.091)	* - 4.90 (0.063)	* - 5.08 (0.072)	* - 4.92 (0.064)	** - 6.18 (0.039)
GDP	*** - 0.40 (0.002)	*** - 0.56 (0.000)	*** - 0.56 (0.000)	** - 0.35 (0.034)	*** - 0.38 (0.005)	*** - 0.42 (0.001)	*** - 0.50 (0.000)
POP	0.10 (0.166)	0.03 (0.725)	0.06 (0.507)	0.03 (0.765)	0.13 (0.144)	0.11 (0.128)	0.02 (0.776)
OIL/DIAM	- 0.04 (0.816)	0.00 (0.996)	- 0.02 (0.942)	0.11 (0.593)	- 0.04 (0.853)	- 0.02 (0.897)	0.04 (0.836)
MOUNT	0.00 (0.282)	0.00 (0.469)	- 0.00 (0.563)	0.00 (0.285)	0.01 (0.145)	0.00 (0.202)	0.00 (0.400)
NCONT	* 0.55 (0.069)	* 0.53 (0.088)	0.42 (0.237)	* 0.68 (0.057)	0.37 (0.311)	0.49 (0.117)	0.46 (0.161)
DEMOC	- 0.03 (0.909)	0.02 (0.924)	- 0.08 (0.793)	- 0.19 (0.459)	0.06 (0.792)	0.11 (0.644)	0.08 (0.739)
LAG	*** 2.00 (0.000)	*** 1.97 (0.000)	*** 2.12 (0.000)	*** 2.00 (0.000)	*** 1.99 (0.000)	*** 2.06 (0.000)	*** 2.00 (0.000)
Pseu-R ²	0.34	0.34	0.38	0.31	0.36	0.35	0.34
Reg/Time	none	reg.dum.	no Afr	no Asia	no L.Am.	trend	interac.
Obs	1125	1125	779	963	936	1125	1125
C	138	138	98	117	117	138	138

TABLE 3. Region and Time Effects, Fearon groupings.

Notes. PRIORINT throughout. p -values are reported in brackets. Robust standard errors adjusted for clustering have been employed to compute z -statistics.

Variable	[1]	[2]	[3]	[4]	[5]	[6]
P	*** 6.50 (0.000)	*** 11.03 (0.006)	*** 3.83 (0.008)	*** 6.05 (0.001)	*** 1.15 (0.008)	*** 1.28 (0.006)
F	*** 1.30 (0.006)	*** 2.90 (0.001)	*** 1.21 (0.002)	*** 1.48 (0.001)	** 0.16 (0.038)	** 0.21 (0.011)
G/N	* - 4.82 (0.071)	- 5.78 (0.125)	- 3.59 (0.139)	- 3.05 (0.284)	* - 0.20 (0.097)	- 0.23 (0.341)
GDP	*** - 0.40 (0.002)	*** - 0.77 (0.001)	* - 0.22 (0.057)	*** - 0.38 (0.001)	*** - 0.07 (0.000)	*** - 0.07 (0.000)
POP	0.10 (0.166)	0.04 (0.789)	0.10 (0.149)	* 0.15 (0.057)	** 0.03 (0.015)	* 0.03 (0.050)
OIL/DIAM	- 0.04 (0.816)	** 0.95 (0.026)	0.19 (0.336)	0.02 (0.942)	- 0.00 (0.938)	0.01 (0.823)
MOUNT	0.00 (0.282)	* 0.01 (0.099)	0.00 (0.727)	0.01 (0.180)	0.00 (0.148)	0.00 (0.124)
NCONT	* 0.55 (0.069)	** 1.40 (0.012)	0.41 (0.105)	*** 0.74 (0.006)	** 0.10 (0.047)	*** 0.13 (0.010)
DEMOC	- 0.03 (0.909)	- 0.49 (0.191)	- 0.12 (0.509)	0.06 (0.801)	- 0.01 (0.853)	- 0.01 (0.837)
LAG	*** 2.00 (0.000)	-	*** 3.80 (0.000)	*** 1.94 (0.000)	*** 0.60 (0.000)	*** 0.51 (0.000)
CONST	-	-	-	- 2.40 (0.127)	0.08 (0.705)	0.15 (0.567)
Pseu-R ²	0.34	0.12	0.54	-	0.51	-
Method	OLogit	OLogit(CS)	OLogit(Y)	ReLogit	OLS	RC
Obs	1125	136	4429	1125	1125	1125
C	138	136	131	138	138	138

TABLE 4. Alternative estimation strategies, Fearon groupings.

Notes. PRIORINT throughout. p -values are reported in brackets. Robust standard errors adjusted for clustering have been employed to compute z -statistics. OLogit: ordered Logit. OLogit(CS): cross-sectional data estimated using ordered logit. OLogit(Y): yearly data estimated using ordered Logit. ReLogit: Rare Events Logit estimator. OLS: Ordinary Least Squares in a Linear probability model, LPM. RC: Random coefficients in a LPM.

3. ALTERNATIVE COMPUTATIONS OF RELATIVE PUBLICNESS

This section explores the robustness of Table 9 in the main text (“Relative publicness and cohesion”) to alternative definitions of Λ . Specifically, the tables that follow — Tables 5 to 8 — leave out, one at a time, one of the governance indices employed in the construction of PUB in the main text. In addition, Table 9 uses per capita oil *production* rather than reserves. Data on oil production comes from Ross (2006).

Variable	[1]	[2]	[3]	[4]	[5]	[6]
P	- 3.45 (0.414)	- 2.03 (0.526)	- 8.94 (0.571)	- 2.98 (0.491)	- 1.64 (0.639)	-11.94 (0.619)
F	0.70 (0.223)	0.74 (0.165)	- 2.32 (0.238)	1.44 (0.136)	1.48 (0.111)	** - 6.68 (0.046)
G/N	- 4.68 (0.355)	- 4.19 (0.368)	1.03 (0.723)	- 1.28 (0.919)	4.71 (0.641)	-70.81 (0.208)
$P\Lambda$	***17.17 (0.001)	***13.42 (0.001)	***59.40 (0.005)			
$F(1 - \Lambda)$	*** 2.57 (0.003)	*** 1.94 (0.002)	***12.00 (0.000)			
$(G/N)\Lambda$	- 1.09 (0.863)	- 1.89 (0.751)	-10.38 (0.260)			
$P\Lambda A$				**21.04 (0.036)	**17.64 (0.031)	*70.11 (0.089)
$F(1 - \Lambda)A$				** 3.93 (0.015)	*** 2.87 (0.004)	***25.95 (0.000)
$(G/N)\Lambda(1 - A)$				- 2.34 (0.981)	-65.85 (0.392)	*570.82 (0.092)
GDP	*** - 0.63 (0.000)	*** - 0.51 (0.000)	*** - 2.38 (0.000)	*** - 0.66 (0.000)	*** - 0.54 (0.003)	*** - 3.67 (0.000)
POP	0.10 (0.259)	0.09 (0.233)	*** 0.99 (0.000)	0.10 (0.535)	0.11 (0.396)	0.34 (0.559)
OILRESV	- 0.00 (0.934)	0.00 (0.866)	0.00 (0.296)	** 0.00 (0.017)	*** 0.00 (0.006)	0.00 (0.238)
MOUNT	* 0.01 (0.060)	0.00 (0.175)	** 0.04 (0.012)	** 0.02 (0.010)	** 0.02 (0.015)	** 0.06 (0.031)
NCONT	** 0.86 (0.017)	0.41 (0.183)	*** 4.19 (0.006)	*** 1.29 (0.003)	*** 0.91 (0.009)	*** 4.93 (0.009)
PUB	0.00 (0.416)	0.00 (0.928)	** - 0.00 (0.017)	** 0.00 (0.044)	0.00 (0.123)	- 0.00 (0.200)
LAG	*** 2.62 (0.000)	*** 1.93 (0.000)	*** 0.47 (0.000)	*** 2.41 (0.000)	*** 1.80 (0.000)	*** 0.42 (0.000)
CONST	0.04 (0.980)	-	5.31 (0.351)	- 0.65 (0.848)	-	*28.18 (0.074)
(Pseu-)R ²	0.40	0.34	0.42	0.47	0.39	0.41
Obs	1104	1104	1090	447	447	443
C	138	138	138	53	53	53
D. var.	PRI025	PRI0-INT	ISC	PRI025	PRI0-INT	ISC

TABLE 5. Relative publicness and cohesion, Fearon groupings.

Notes. p -values are reported in brackets. Robust standard errors adjusted for clustering have been employed to compute z -statistics. Publicness calculated as average of Executive Constraints, Autocracy and Civil Liberties.

Variable	[1]	[2]	[3]	[4]	[5]	[6]
P	- 3.16 (0.455)	- 1.84 (0.567)	- 8.79 (0.578)	- 2.77 (0.517)	- 1.50 (0.662)	-12.17 (0.612)
F	0.70 (0.221)	0.74 (0.163)	- 2.33 (0.237)	1.41 (0.146)	1.46 (0.117)	* - 6.54 (0.051)
G/N	- 5.19 (0.351)	- 4.73 (0.355)	0.50 (0.863)	- 2.85 (0.824)	3.66 (0.720)	-69.82 (0.216)
$P\Lambda$	***16.62 (0.002)	***13.07 (0.002)	***59.31 (0.005)			
$F(1 - \Lambda)$	*** 2.53 (0.003)	*** 1.91 (0.003)	***11.94 (0.000)			
$(G/N)\Lambda$	- 0.12 (0.986)	- 0.91 (0.885)	- 8.60 (0.343)			
$P\Lambda A$				**20.26 (0.041)	**17.18 (0.034)	*71.19 (0.081)
$F(1 - \Lambda)A$				** 3.95 (0.015)	*** 2.87 (0.004)	***25.77 (0.000)
$(G/N)\Lambda(1 - A)$				7.03 (0.942)	-59.49 (0.431)	558.72 (0.101)
GDP	*** - 0.62 (0.000)	*** - 0.50 (0.000)	*** - 2.37 (0.000)	*** - 0.66 (0.000)	*** - 0.54 (0.003)	*** - 3.67 (0.000)
POP	0.11 (0.250)	0.09 (0.231)	*** 0.99 (0.000)	0.10 (0.552)	0.10 (0.408)	0.35 (0.554)
OILRESV	0.00 (0.850)	0.00 (0.762)	0.00 (0.277)	** 0.00 (0.017)	*** 0.00 (0.006)	0.00 (0.237)
MOUNT	* 0.01 (0.064)	0.00 (0.175)	** 0.04 (0.013)	** 0.02 (0.011)	** 0.02 (0.016)	** 0.06 (0.032)
NCONT	** 0.85 (0.018)	0.40 (0.186)	*** 4.19 (0.006)	*** 1.28 (0.003)	*** 0.91 (0.009)	*** 4.94 (0.009)
PUB	0.00 (0.523)	0.00 (0.986)	*** - 0.00 (0.010)	** 0.00 (0.047)	0.00 (0.125)	- 0.00 (0.207)
LAG	*** 2.63 (0.000)	*** 1.94 (0.000)	*** 0.47 (0.000)	*** 2.41 (0.000)	*** 1.80 (0.000)	*** 0.42 (0.000)
CONST	- 0.04 (0.982)	-	5.34 (0.347)	- 0.58 (0.864)	-	*28.05 (0.076)
(Pseu-)R ²	0.40	0.34	0.42	0.47	0.39	0.41
Obs	1104	1104	1090	447	447	443
C	138	138	138	53	53	53
D. var.	PRI025	PRI0-INT	ISC	PRI025	PRI0-INT	ISC

TABLE 6. Relative publicness and cohesion, Fearon groupings.

Notes. p -values are reported in brackets. Robust standard errors adjusted for clustering have been employed to compute z -statistics. Publicness calculated as average of Executive Constraints, Political Rights and Civil Liberties.

Variable	[1]	[2]	[3]	[4]	[5]	[6]
P	0.02 (0.997)	0.23 (0.935)	- 3.65 (0.794)	0.95 (0.826)	1.13 (0.743)	- 8.57 (0.632)
F	0.82 (0.169)	0.84 (0.124)	- 1.86 (0.355)	1.14 (0.253)	1.30 (0.165)	** - 6.95 (0.042)
G/N	- 4.47 (0.295)	- 4.02 (0.329)	0.57 (0.840)	- 0.92 (0.943)	4.37 (0.695)	-73.19 (0.196)
$P\Lambda$	***13.82 (0.005)	***11.39 (0.006)	***55.88 (0.009)			
$F(1 - \Lambda)$	** 1.77 (0.040)	** 1.42 (0.035)	***10.20 (0.001)			
$(G/N)\Lambda$	- 1.94 (0.712)	- 2.67 (0.601)	- 8.99 (0.351)			
$P\Lambda A$				13.24 (0.174)	*12.68 (0.093)	54.03 (0.240)
$F(1 - \Lambda)A$				** 3.76 (0.024)	*** 2.77 (0.007)	***25.45 (0.000)
$(G/N)\Lambda(1 - A)$				27.39 (0.798)	-54.72 (0.449)	*821.96 (0.081)
GDP	*** - 0.55 (0.000)	*** - 0.46 (0.000)	*** - 2.22 (0.000)	*** - 0.66 (0.000)	*** - 0.54 (0.002)	*** - 3.73 (0.000)
POP	0.13 (0.165)	0.11 (0.165)	*** 1.03 (0.000)	0.14 (0.403)	0.12 (0.341)	0.40 (0.483)
OILRESV	- 0.00 (0.828)	0.00 (0.990)	0.00 (0.265)	** 0.00 (0.033)	** 0.00 (0.015)	0.00 (0.204)
MOUNT	0.01 (0.151)	0.00 (0.323)	** 0.04 (0.019)	** 0.02 (0.050)	* 0.01 (0.050)	** 0.06 (0.049)
NCONT	** 0.76 (0.043)	0.39 (0.211)	*** 4.13 (0.007)	** 1.11 (0.021)	** 0.80 (0.040)	*** 5.17 (0.006)
PUB	0.00 (0.519)	0.00 (0.927)	** - 0.00 (0.017)	** 0.00 (0.044)	0.00 (0.116)	- 0.00 (0.233)
LAG	*** 2.65 (0.000)	*** 1.94 (0.000)	*** 0.47 (0.000)	*** 2.45 (0.000)	*** 1.81 (0.000)	*** 0.43 (0.000)
CONST	- 0.88 (0.613)	-	3.29 (0.553)	- 1.17 (0.740)	-	*27.30 (0.077)
(Pseu-)R ²	0.39	0.34	0.42	0.47	0.38	0.41
Obs	1104	1104	1090	447	447	443
C	138	138	138	53	53	53
D. var.	PRI025	PRI0-INT	ISC	PRI025	PRI0-INT	ISC

TABLE 7. Relative publicness and cohesion, Fearon groupings.

Notes. p -values are reported in brackets. Robust standard errors adjusted for clustering have been employed to compute z -statistics. Publicness calculated as average of Autocracy, Political Rights and Civil Liberties.

Variable	[1]	[2]	[3]	[4]	[5]	[6]
P	0.40 (0.916)	1.19 (0.689)	- 3.70 (0.804)	0.95 (0.799)	1.54 (0.620)	- 9.58 (0.639)
F	0.69 (0.219)	0.71 (0.170)	- 2.19 (0.262)	1.39 (0.156)	1.39 (0.119)	* - 6.46 (0.050)
G/N	- 7.06 (0.252)	- 6.43 (0.259)	0.12 (0.967)	- 9.96 (0.446)	- 2.46 (0.812)	-79.12 (0.161)
$P\Lambda$	**12.22 (0.017)	** 8.96 (0.013)	**53.66 (0.016)			
$F(1 - \Lambda)$	** 2.16 (0.014)	** 1.64 (0.012)	***11.12 (0.000)			
$(G/N)\Lambda$	2.63 (0.717)	1.83 (0.782)	- 8.47 (0.355)			
$P\Lambda A$				13.58 (0.321)	10.52 (0.369)	*65.59 (0.090)
$F(1 - \Lambda)A$				** 3.62 (0.018)	*** 2.60 (0.006)	***25.19 (0.000)
$(G/N)\Lambda(1 - A)$				74.98 (0.565)	- 0.67 (0.995)	*653.84 (0.067)
GDP	*** - 0.60 (0.000)	*** - 0.49 (0.000)	*** - 2.34 (0.000)	*** - 0.64 (0.001)	*** - 0.52 (0.004)	*** - 3.59 (0.001)
POP	0.11 (0.250)	0.09 (0.235)	*** 1.00 (0.000)	0.09 (0.556)	0.10 (0.420)	0.31 (0.583)
OILRESEV	0.00 (0.972)	0.00 (0.774)	0.00 (0.315)	** 0.00 (0.020)	*** 0.00 (0.006)	0.00 (0.232)
MOUNT	* 0.01 (0.054)	0.01 (0.140)	** 0.04 (0.012)	*** 0.02 (0.003)	*** 0.02 (0.004)	** 0.06 (0.024)
NCONT	** 0.81 (0.026)	0.37 (0.229)	*** 4.15 (0.006)	*** 1.28 (0.002)	*** 0.89 (0.009)	*** 5.00 (0.006)
PUB	0.00 (0.469)	0.00 (0.994)	** - 0.00 (0.022)	** 0.00 (0.030)	0.00 (0.104)	- 0.00 (0.259)
LAG	*** 2.65 (0.000)	*** 1.95 (0.000)	*** 0.47 (0.000)	*** 2.45 (0.000)	*** 1.82 (0.000)	*** 0.43 (0.000)
CONST	- 0.25 (0.885)	-	4.87 (0.386)	- 0.74 (0.825)	-	*27.65 (0.080)
(Pseu-)R ²	0.39	0.34	0.42	0.47	0.38	0.40
Obs	1104	1104	1090	447	447	443
C	138	138	138	53	53	53
D. var.	PRI025	PRI0-INT	ISC	PRI025	PRI0-INT	ISC

TABLE 8. Relative publicness and cohesion, Fearon groupings.

Notes. p -values are reported in brackets. Robust standard errors adjusted for clustering have been employed to compute z -statistics. Publicness calculated as average of Executive Constraints, Autocracy and Political Rights.

Variable	[1]	[2]	[3]	[4]	[5]	[6]
P	- 3.46 (0.523)	- 2.26 (0.602)	- 8.07 (0.660)	- 3.17 (0.479)	- 2.23 (0.597)	-13.54 (0.573)
F	0.57 (0.309)	0.63 (0.213)	*- 3.09 (0.092)	1.21 (0.197)	1.29 (0.134)	** - 7.73 (0.014)
G/N	** -17.37 (0.015)	** -13.84 (0.029)	-21.81 (0.414)	10.20 (0.410)	11.60 (0.287)	-24.76 (0.558)
$P\Lambda$	**15.34 (0.011)	**11.99 (0.012)	**50.23 (0.018)			
$F(1 - \Lambda)$	*** 3.99 (0.000)	*** 2.81 (0.001)	***17.45 (0.000)			
$(G/N)\Lambda$	*12.32 (0.088)	9.03 (0.159)	18.81 (0.476)			
$P\Lambda A$				**19.53 (0.017)	**16.85 (0.021)	**89.39 (0.039)
$F(1 - \Lambda)A$				*** 5.26 (0.001)	*** 3.69 (0.000)	***32.46 (0.000)
$(G/N)\Lambda(1 - A)$				-63.12 (0.476)	-94.22 (0.183)	-47.44 (0.892)
GDP	*** - 0.82 (0.000)	*** - 0.62 (0.000)	*** - 2.93 (0.000)	*** - 0.76 (0.000)	*** - 0.56 (0.002)	*** - 3.97 (0.000)
POP	0.06 (0.565)	0.05 (0.535)	*** 0.94 (0.001)	0.08 (0.634)	0.07 (0.593)	0.11 (0.839)
OIL VAL	-74.42 (0.558)	-39.01 (0.727)	29.29 (0.609)	-782.11 (0.199)	-747.52 (0.132)	-2703.17 (0.203)
MOUNT	* 0.01 (0.095)	0.00 (0.203)	** 0.03 (0.043)	** 0.02 (0.050)	* 0.01 (0.097)	0.04 (0.213)
NCONT	*** 1.00 (0.008)	0.43 (0.156)	*** 4.33 (0.002)	*** 1.22 (0.008)	** 0.73 (0.038)	** 4.56 (0.014)
PUB	** 0.00 (0.039)	0.00 (0.322)	0.00 (0.765)	*** 0.00 (0.001)	*** 0.00 (0.006)	0.00 (0.489)
LAG	*** 2.60 (0.000)	*** 1.95 (0.000)	*** 0.46 (0.000)	*** 2.51 (0.000)	*** 1.94 (0.000)	*** 0.42 (0.000)
CONST	2.25 (0.237)	-	*10.72 (0.067)	0.40 (0.912)	-	**34.78 (0.024)
(Pseu-)R ²	0.40	0.35	0.43	0.47	0.39	0.40
Obs	1125	1125	1111	459	459	455
C	138	138	138	53	53	53
D. var.	PRI025	PRI0-INT	ISC	PRI025	PRI0-INT	ISC

TABLE 9. Relative publicness and cohesion, Fearon groupings.

Notes. p -values are reported in brackets. Robust standard errors adjusted for clustering have been employed to compute z -statistics. Publicness calculated as average of Executive Constraints, Autocracy, Political Rights and Civil Liberties. OIL VAL stands for oil production; see Ross (2006).

4. ALTERNATIVE MEASURE OF INTER-GROUP DISTANCE

In the main text, each group is associated with a dominant language (Fearon, 2006). The distance between groups i and j is given by $\kappa_{ij} = 1 - s_{ij}^\delta$, for some parameter $\delta > 0$, where

s_{ij} is the ratio of the number of common branches shared by i and j to the maximum possible number. In Section 5.3 of the paper, we discuss in some detail our choice of $\delta = 0.05$, which corresponds to the value used by Desmet et al. (2009, 2010). Table 10 replicates Table 1 in the main text (Baseline specification) employing $\delta = 0.5$, a value used by Fearon (2006).

Variable	[1]	[2]	[3]	[4]	[5]	[6]	[7]
P	** 5.92 (0.023)	*** 5.17 (0.006)	*** 6.81 (0.000)	*** 7.00 (0.000)	*** 7.48 (0.000)	*** 7.47 (0.000)	*** 6.82 (0.001)
F	*** 2.54 (0.000)	*** 1.79 (0.000)	* 0.91 (0.099)	0.84 (0.143)	* 1.02 (0.063)	* 1.01 (0.064)	0.91 (0.112)
G/N	** - 4.24 (0.020)	** - 3.14 (0.016)	* - 2.31 (0.070)	* - 2.45 (0.059)	* - 2.56 (0.053)	* - 2.57 (0.053)	- 1.93 (0.139)
POP	** 0.28 (0.016)	** 0.18 (0.030)	** 0.22 (0.014)	** 0.21 (0.018)	0.12 (0.200)	0.12 (0.203)	0.15 (0.103)
GDP	-	-	*** - 0.42 (0.000)	*** - 0.44 (0.000)	*** - 0.51 (0.000)	*** - 0.51 (0.000)	*** - 0.46 (0.001)
OIL/DIAM	-	-	-	0.12 (0.558)	0.10 (0.637)	0.11 (0.620)	- 0.03 (0.898)
MOUNT	-	-	-	-	0.01 (0.166)	0.01 (0.163)	0.01 (0.161)
NCONT	-	-	-	-	** 0.85 (0.015)	** 0.84 (0.015)	*** 0.89 (0.009)
DEMOC	-	-	-	-	-	0.04 (0.873)	0.04 (0.916)
EXCONS	-	-	-	-	-	-	- 0.18 (0.662)
AUTOOCR	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.13 (0.626)
POLRIGHTS	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.13 (0.697)
CIVLIB	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.13 (0.738)
LAG	-	*** 2.92 (0.000)	*** 2.81 (0.000)	*** 2.81 (0.000)	*** 2.74 (0.000)	*** 2.74 (0.000)	*** 2.79 (0.000)
CONST	*** - 6.99 (0.000)	*** - 6.08 (0.000)	** - 3.16 (0.038)	* - 2.89 (0.059)	- 1.12 (0.480)	- 1.05 (0.513)	- 2.12 (0.244)
Pseu-R ²	0.13	0.37	0.38	0.38	0.39	0.39	0.40
Obs	1289	1149	1125	1125	1125	1125	1013
C	141	141	138	138	138	138	137

TABLE 10. Baseline specification: PRIO25, Fearon groupings, $\delta = 0.5$.

Notes. p -values are reported in brackets. Robust standard errors adjusted for clustering have been employed to compute z -statistics.

5. ALTERNATIVE SETS OF CONTROLS

The specifications presented in the following tables closely resemble those employed in related papers, such as Fearon and Laitin (2003), Collier et al. (2009), and Miguel et al. (2004). One major difference is that we study incidence, and control for lagged conflict as explained in the main text.

Variable	[1]	[2]
P	* 3.04 (0.082)	* 3.05 (0.071)
F	*** 1.24 (0.001)	*** 1.27 (0.001)
G/N	- 3.10 (0.220)	- 3.23 (0.217)
GDP	*** - 0.12 (0.003)	*** - 0.11 (0.004)
POP	* 0.15 (0.065)	* 0.14 (0.071)
MOUNT	0.04 (0.533)	0.04 (0.557)
NCONT	0.31 (0.214)	0.34 (0.168)
OIL	* 0.41 (0.097)	0.38 (0.117)
NEW STATE	* 0.74 (0.080)	* 0.72 (0.091)
INSTAB	- 0.03 (0.878)	- 0.07 (0.711)
DEM	** 0.03 (0.047)	* 0.42 (0.066)
ANOC	-	* 0.31 (0.061)
LAG	*** 4.74 (0.000)	*** 4.73 (0.000)
CONST	*** - 5.14 (0.000)	*** - 5.36 (0.000)
Pseu-R ²	0.59	0.59
Obs	5706	5706
C	142	142

TABLE 11. Similar controls as in Fearon and Laitin (2003).

Notes. PRIO25 throughout. p -values are reported in brackets. Robust standard errors adjusted for clustering have been employed to compute z -statistics.

Variable	[1]	[2]	[3]	[4]
P	*** 5.63 (0.005)	*** 5.78 (0.006)	*** 5.76 (0.007)	*** 5.82 (0.006)
F	** 1.80 (0.012)	** 1.56 (0.035)	** 1.56 (0.035)	** 1.60 (0.031)
G/N	*** - 6.63 (0.007)	** - 5.63 (0.013)	** - 5.64 (0.014)	** - 5.51 (0.012)
GDP	** - 0.24 (0.016)	*** - 0.27 (0.005)	*** - 0.24 (0.004)	*** - 0.25 (0.003)
GDP GROWTH	- 0.04 (0.239)	- 0.04 (0.206)	- 0.04 (0.199)	- 0.03 (0.355)
PRIM EXP	* - 4.22 (0.075)	- 3.22 (0.189)	- 3.28 (0.182)	- 3.30 (0.168)
PRIM EXP ²	** 7.27 (0.046)	5.53 (0.141)	5.43 (0.147)	5.51 (0.130)
POST COLD WAR	*** - 0.71 (0.004)	*** - 0.66 (0.006)	** - 0.63 (0.010)	-
PREVIOUS WAR	** 0.55 (0.031)	-	-	-
FRENCH COLONY	- 0.55 (0.124)	* - 0.67 (0.054)	** - 0.69 (0.044)	* - 0.64 (0.059)
SOCIAL FRAC	- 0.19 (0.825)	- 0.03 (0.970)	- 0.01 (0.989)	- 0.03 (0.972)
% YOUNG MEN	4.62 (0.413)	5.58 (0.322)	5.70 (0.302)	5.55 (0.302)
POP	0.12 (0.263)	0.15 (0.153)	0.15 (0.160)	0.13 (0.215)
MOUNT	- 0.00 (0.674)	- 0.00 (0.882)	- 0.00 (0.883)	- 0.00 (0.992)
DEMOC	0.03 (0.453)	0.02 (0.607)	-	-
LAG	*** 2.46 (0.000)	*** 2.63 (0.000)	*** 2.63 (0.000)	*** 2.60 (0.000)
CONST	* - 3.18 (0.064)	** - 3.50 (0.045)	** - 3.61 (0.036)	** - 3.43 (0.042)
Pseu-R ²	0.37	0.36	0.36	0.35
Obs	915	915	915	915
C	135	135	135	135

TABLE 12. Similar controls as in Collier et al. (2009)

Notes. PRIO25 throughout p -values are reported in brackets. Robust standard errors adjusted for clustering have been employed to compute z -statistics.

Variable	[1]	[2]	[3]	[4]
P	* 7.77 (0.055)	* 2.48 (0.091)	0.18 (0.942)	- 0.49 (0.854)
F	1.43 (0.238)	0.36 (0.323)	0.88 (0.136)	0.77 (0.215)
G/N	- 3.29 (0.362)	- 0.83 (0.362)	0.94 (0.562)	0.82 (0.650)
GDP GROWTH, t	- 1.18 (0.162)	- 0.28 (0.249)	- 0.18 (0.352)	- 0.71 (0.599)
GDP GROWTH, t-1	- 0.09 (0.891)	0.01 (0.957)	0.15 (0.408)	- 1.65 (0.122)
GDP, 1979	- 0.12 (0.585)	- 0.02 (0.699)	0.10 (0.221)	0.07 (0.479)
DEMOC, t-1	** - 0.66 (0.015)	** - 0.14 (0.041)	0.00 (0.966)	0.03 (0.770)
OIL	- 0.12 (0.865)	- 0.02 (0.943)	- 0.14 (0.470)	- 0.08 (0.692)
MOUNT	* 0.25 (0.052)	* 0.07 (0.080)	0.07 (0.238)	0.07 (0.271)
POP, t-1	0.05 (0.845)	0.01 (0.899)	0.18 (0.231)	0.18 (0.257)
CONST	- 2.61 (0.121)	- 0.21 (0.690)	** - 2.12 (0.040)	* - 2.03 (0.067)
Method	Probit	OLS	OLS	IV-2SLS
Country-specific time trends	No	No	Yes	Yes
R ²	0.16	0.16	0.54	0.45
Obs	707	707	707	707
C	41	41	41	41

TABLE 13. Similar controls as in Miguel et al. (2004).

Notes. PRIO25 throughout. p -values are reported in brackets. Robust standard errors adjusted for clustering have been employed to compute z -statistics. Regressions 1 and 2 include a linear time trend and 3 and 4 include a country-specific time-trend (coefficient estimates not reported).

6. INFLUENTIAL OBSERVATIONS

To explore whether our results are driven by a particular group of observations, we have employed several tools to detect the influential observations in the sample. Then the baseline regression (Table 1, column [6], in the main text) has been run again excluding these observations. Three basic diagnostic statistics have employed for these purposes: the Pearson residual, the deviance residual and the Pregibon leverage.¹ An observation

¹Pearson residuals measure the relative deviations between the observed and the fitted values and are defined to be the standardized difference between the observed frequency and the predicted frequency.

Variable	[1]	[2]	[3]	[4]
P	*** 7.39 (0.001)	*** 21.58 (0.000)	*** 13.05 (0.000)	*** 8.66 (0.000)
F	** 1.30 (0.012)	** 2.52 (0.005)	** 2.22 (0.001)	** 1.16 (0.044)
G/N	* - 4.80 (0.068)	- 12.21 (0.296)	- 6.33 (0.226)	- 4.58 (0.114)
GDP	*** - 0.47 (0.001)	* - 0.53 (0.099)	*** - 0.70 (0.005)	*** - 0.53 (0.000)
POP	0.13 (0.141)	** 0.40 (0.031)	** 0.28 (0.022)	0.12 (0.242)
OIL/DIAM	0.04 (0.870)	- 0.33 (0.432)	- 0.06 (0.834)	0.27 (0.247)
MOUNT	0.01 (0.136)	0.01 (0.368)	0.01 (0.216)	** 0.01 (0.012)
NCONT	** 0.85 (0.018)	** 1.21 (0.021)	*** 1.43 (0.002)	** 0.76 (0.036)
DEMOC	- 0.02 (0.944)	- 0.10 (0.807)	0.13 (0.663)	- 0.10 (0.728)
LAG	*** 2.73 (0.000)	*** 5.14 (0.000)	*** 3.58 (0.000)	*** 2.60 (0.000)
CONT	- 1.49 (0.322)	** - 8.46 (0.008)	* - 3.67 (0.068)	- 0.97 (0.579)
Pseu-R ²	0.39	0.68	0.54	0.41
Obs	1125	1047	1082	1008
C	138	138	138	136

TABLE 14. Baseline specification without influential observations.

Notes. PRIO25 throughout. Column 1 is identical to column 6 in Table 1 in the main text, columns 2-4 have been obtained by removing influential observations detected according to the Pearson residual, the deviance residual and the Predibon leverage, respectively. p -values are reported in brackets. Robust standard errors adjusted for clustering have been employed to compute z -statistics.

is considered to be influential if the absolute value of any of the measures mentioned above is larger than 2.² There are 78, 43 and 117 influential observations according to the Pearson residual, deviance residual and Predibon leverage statistics, respectively. Table 14 reproduces column [6] in Table 1 once influential observations have been removed from the sample.

Deviance residuals measure the disagreement between the maxima of the observed and the fitted log-likelihood functions. The Pregibon leverage is the diagonal of the hat matrix and measures the “leverage” or influence of an observation. These three statistics are the three basic building blocks for logistic regression diagnostics.

²When the sample size is large, the asymptotic distribution of these measures would follow some standard distribution and in this case, the use of cutoff values to detect influential observations is justified.

Variable	[1]	[2]	[3]	[4]	[5]	[6]
P	- 0.49 (0.315)	- 0.36 (0.602)	-10.96 (0.434)	- 0.08 (0.889)	- 0.20 (0.827)	-13.04 (0.551)
F	0.08 (0.223)	0.10 (0.290)	- 2.24 (0.282)	0.08 (0.441)	0.14 (0.324)	- 6.65 (0.120)
G/N	0.05 (0.789)	- 0.00 (0.991)	1.13 (0.864)	- 0.03 (0.986)	- 0.24 (0.919)	-71.03 (0.303)
$P\Lambda$	*** 2.63 (0.000)	*** 3.05 (0.003)	***63.42 (0.001)			
$F(1 - \Lambda)$	*** 0.29 (0.005)	** 0.35 (0.011)	***11.82 (0.000)			
$(G/N)\Lambda$	* - 0.96 (0.069)	- 1.11 (0.165)	-11.06 (0.530)			
$P\Lambda A$				1.53 (0.302)	2.60 (0.148)	72.22 (0.146)
$F(1 - \Lambda)A$				** 0.44 (0.013)	** 0.53 (0.047)	***26.03 (0.000)
$(G/N)\Lambda(1 - A)$				10.01 (0.485)	- 1.76 (0.917)	579.24 (0.260)
GDP	*** - 0.07 (0.000)	*** - 0.09 (0.000)	*** - 2.37 (0.000)	*** - 0.06 (0.007)	** - 0.06 (0.030)	*** - 3.68 (0.000)
POP	* 0.02 (0.079)	0.02 (0.122)	*** 0.98 (0.003)	0.01 (0.732)	0.01 (0.728)	0.33 (0.639)
OILRES	0.00 (0.945)	- 0.00 (0.950)	0.00 (0.624)	* 0.00 (0.074)	* 0.00 (0.058)	0.00 (0.118)
MOUNT	0.00 (0.199)	0.00 (0.186)	** 0.04 (0.037)	* 0.00 (0.079)	** 0.00 (0.027)	* 0.06 (0.097)
NCONT	*** 0.10 (0.008)	** 0.13 (0.012)	*** 4.20 (0.001)	*** 0.13 (0.004)	** 0.14 (0.035)	*** 4.98 (0.008)
PUB	- 0.00 (0.886)	0.00 (0.866)	- 0.00 (0.208)	0.00 (0.105)	0.00 (0.283)	- 0.00 (0.331)
LAG	*** 0.44 (0.000)	*** 0.50 (0.000)	*** 0.46 (0.000)	*** 0.45 (0.000)	*** 0.45 (0.000)	*** 0.42 (0.000)
CONST	0.28 (0.184)	0.37 (0.209)	5.56 (0.409)	0.31 (0.397)	- 0.32 (0.544)	**28.33 (0.082)
LR Test	0.015	0.015	0.994	0.997	0.922	1.000
Obs	1104	1104	1090	447	447	443
C	138	138	138	53	53	53
D. var.	PRI025	PRI0-INT	ISC	PRI025	PRI0-INT	ISC

TABLE 15. Relative publicness and cohesion, random coefficients.

Notes. p -values are reported in brackets. Fearon groupings. Publicness calculated as average of Executive Constraints, Autocracy, Political Rights and Civil Liberties. The coefficients of the interacted and noninteracted indices distribution indices are assumed to be random and estimated accordingly. LR Test provides the p-values associated to the likelihood ratio test of constant coefficients (see Stram and Lee, (1994)).

7. RANDOM COEFFICIENTS

Table 15 replicates Table 9 in the main text (“Relative publicness and cohesion”) allowing for random coefficients in the interacted and noninteracted indices. This table also

provides the p-value associated to the likelihood ratio test of random coefficients (LR test). Once country-by-country proxies for relative publicness and cohesion are considered, we are unable to reject the hypothesis of constant coefficients, as the theory predicts.³

8. P, R AND F

This section reports scatters of P versus R and of P versus F , with and without conditioning by the remaining variables in our baseline specification. To read the graphs in Figures 1 and 2, keep in mind that our polarization measure ranges from a minimum of 0 to a theoretical maximum of 0.25, while the fractionalization measure runs from 0 to 1. Also note that our language distances always lie between 0 and 1, while R takes on 0-1 values, so that the unconditional scatter between P and R (with R on the horizontal axis), always lies below the 45 degree line.

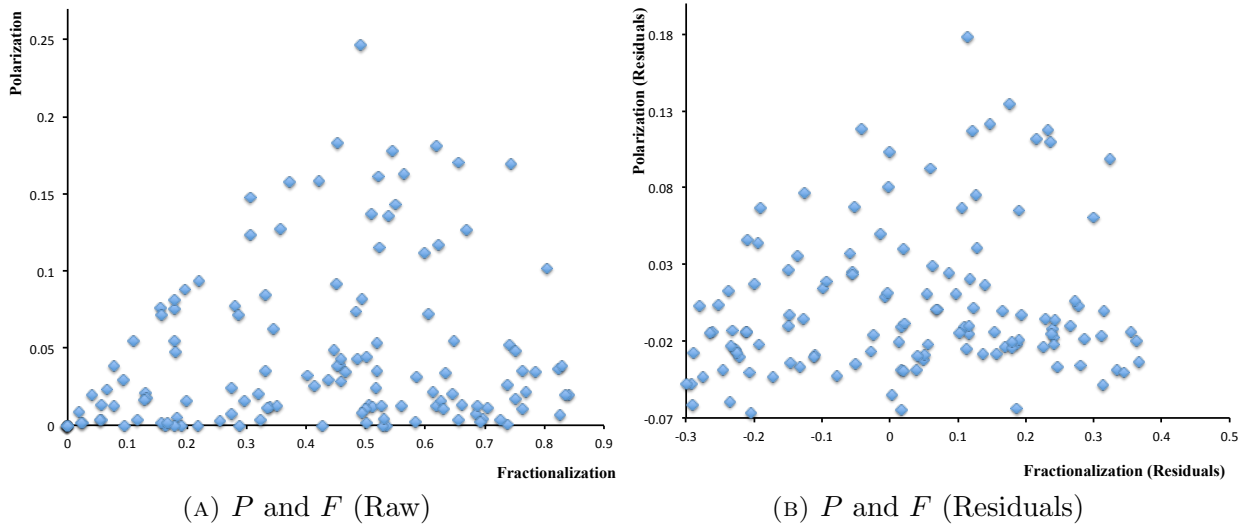


FIGURE 1. POLARIZATION AND FRACTIONALIZATION

³Since the distribution of this test is unknown, we follow Stram and Lee (1994) and use the critical values provided by a $\chi^2(7)$ distribution, which are an upper bound for the true ones. It follows that in case of nonrejection of the null hypothesis, the results are to be viewed as quite inconclusive, not just in the usual sense but also because an exact test is not being used.

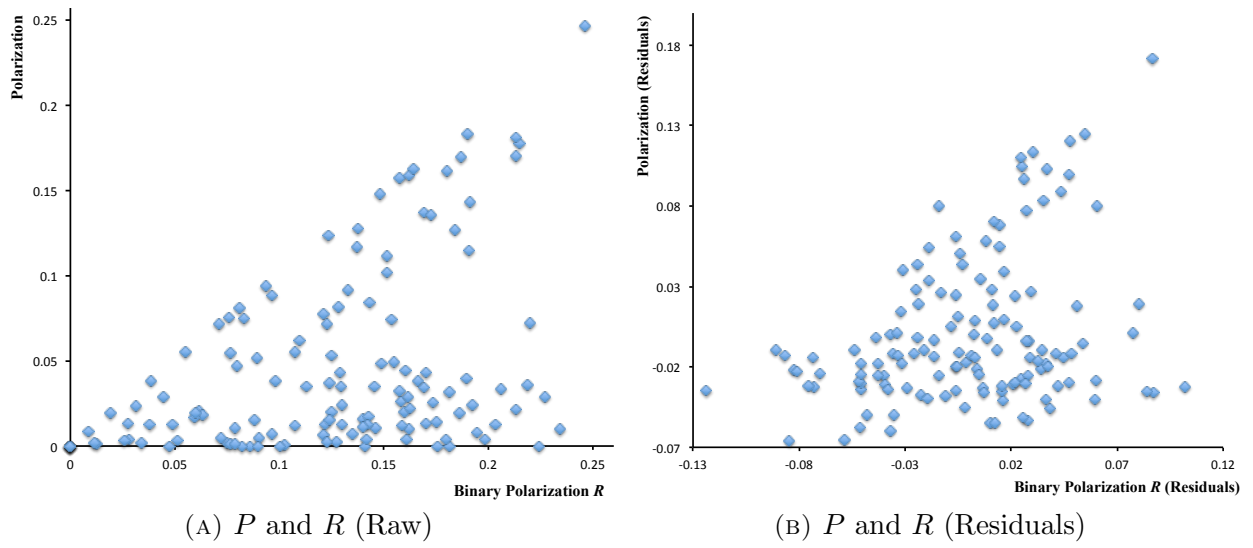


FIGURE 2. POLARIZATION AND BINARY POLARIZATION