# HOW IS MOROCCO ENHANCING ITS PRESENCE ON THE GLOBAL STAGE?

## Colonial Extrication:

the Moroccan Dirham



From forced parity with the French franc...

\*Morocco's French protectorate status (est. 1912) ended in 1956, when formal independence was obtained



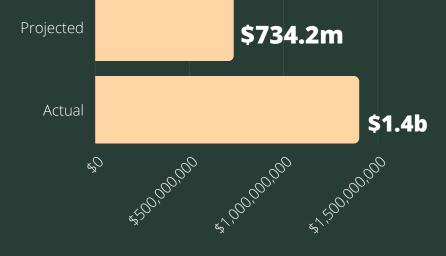
exchange rate pegged to the U.S. dollar and EU euro

#### The U.S.-Morocco FTA

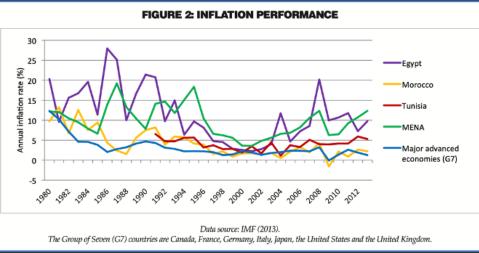
U.S. exports to Morocco surpassed projected targets by over \$660m from 2014-2016 alone:

### Trade Liberalization

\*Morocco is also the EU's leading trade partner in the "Southern Neighbourhood" (Algeria, Egypt, Israel, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Palestine, Syria, and Tunisia) (European Commission. "Morocco: Trade picture." 24 June, 2021.)



## Impressive Inflation Targeting



Sourced from the CIGI Moroccan Monetary Policy Brief (Momani & St. Amand)

\*The inflation rate in Morocco is determined according to EU standards, and averages approximately 2% currently. Inflation has been steadily declining since the 1980s in Morocco, with performance impressively similar to other major advanced economies.

\*\*\*All sources used in this graphic are fully cited in my full research paper\*\*\*