# Appendix: France's Major Political Events (01/1978-04/2012)

### A. Foreign and National Security-Related Events

- 04/19/1978 2 French troops killed in Chad
- 05/03/1978-05/09/1978 French military intervention in Mauritania
- 02/15/1979 French parachutists arrive in Chad
- 01/09/1980 Attacks in Corsica: 3 dead
- 04/16/1981 Bombing in Ajaccio: 1 dead and 8 injured
- 09/15/1983 Government official killed in Corsica
- 09/22/1983 French aircrafts bomb Syrian artillery in Lebanon
- 10/23/1983 Shi'a bombing in Beirut against US and French military bases: 58 French troops dead
- 11/17/1983 Aircraft raid in Baalbek (Lebanon)
- 01/09/1984 Bombing on the French HQ in Beirut: 1 parachutist dead
- 01/25/1984 French aircraft shot down in Chad
- 02/22/1984 1 French troop killed in Beirut
- 04/07/1984 9 troops killed and 6 injured in Chad
- 06/06/1984 1 French observer killed in Beirut
- 06/14/1984 1 French troop killed in Chad
- 12/02/1984 Bombing in Bastia: 2 dead
- 12/05/1984 Ambush in New Caledonia: 10 dead
- 12/16/1984 Criminal fire in New Caledonia: 3 dead
- 02/18/1985 1 Military official killed in Southern Lebanon
- 03/03/1985 5 French troops taken into hostage in Ethiopia
- 03/08/1985 Gendarmerie major killed in New Caledonia
- 04/08/1985 Teacher killed by rocks during protests in New Caledonia
- 05/08/1985 Riots in New Caledonia: 1 dead and about 100 injured
- 12/07/1985 Bombing in Paris claimed the Comité de Solidarité avec les Prisonniers Politiques
- Arabes et du Proche Orient, linked to the Hezbollah: 42 injured
- 02/03/1986 Bombing in Paris claimed by the Hezbollah: 8 injured
- 02/04/1986 Bombing in Paris claimed by the Hezbollah: 7 injured
- 02/05/1986 Bombing in Paris claimed by the Hezbollah: 32 injured
- 02/16/1986 France bombs military airport held by Libya in Chad
- 03/01/1986 150 French troops sent to Chad
- 03/05/1986 The Islamic Jihad kills a French journalist in Lebanon
- 03/06/1986 The Islamic Jihad kills 4 French hostages in Lebanon
- 03/17/1986 Bombing in Paris claimed by the Hezbollah: 5 injured
- 03/20/1986 Bombing in Paris claimed by the Hezbollah: 2 dead and 4 injured
- 09/04/1986 3 French troops killed and 1 injured in Lebanon
- 09/04/1986-09/17/1986 6 bombings claimed by Hezbollah: 12 dead and above 160 injured
- 09/13/1986 1 French troop killed and 5 injured in Lebanon
- 09/18/1986 French troop assassinated in Lebanon
- 09/28/1986 2 French troops injured in Lebanon
- 02/20/1987 1 French troop killed in Lebanon
- 03/18/1987 5 French killed in a terrorist attack in Djibouti
- 06/15/1987 FLNC (Front de Libération Nationale de la Corse) attack in Ajaccio: 1 dead

- 08/04/1987 FLNC attack in Bastia: 3 dead and 2 injured
- 10/04/1987 2 French troops killed and 2 others injured in Lebanon
- 12/08/1990 French troops sent to the Persian Gulf
- 01/07/1991 1 French troop killed in Serbia
- 10/15/1992 French troops sent to Bosnia
- 01/28/1993 French Ambassador in Zaire dies after military attacks
- 02/09/1993 France sends 150 troops to Rwanda
- 09/21/1993 2 French civilians assassinated by the GIA (Groupe Islamique Armé) in Algeria
- 01/02/1994 1 French journalist assassinated by the GIA in Algeria
- 01/15/1994 1 French consular worker killed by the GIA in Algeria
- 02/21/1994 1 French civilian killed by the GIA in Algeria
- 03/23/1994 2 French civilians assassinated by the GIA in Algeria
- 05/08/1994 2 French clergymen killed by the GIA in Algeria
- 06/23/1994 French troops arrive in Rwanda
- 08/03/1994 2 consular agents and 3 French troops assassinated by the GIA in Algeria
- 10/08/1994-10/10/1994 2 French civilians killed by the GIA in Algeria
- 10/18/1994-10/23/1994 1 French civilian killed by the GIA in Algeria
- 12/24/1994-12/25/1994 Air France 8969 (Algiers to Paris) hijacked by the GIA
- 12/27/1994 3 French clergymen assassinated by the GIA in Algeria
- 03/14/1995 9 French UN troops die in Bosnia
- 05/05/1995 2 French killed by the GIA in Algeria
- 07/25/1995 Bombing in Paris claimed by the GIA: 8 dead and 86 injured
- 07/26/1995 Fighting between the *Mouvement pour l'Autodétermination* (MPA) and the FLNC in Corsica: 3 dead
- 08/17/1995 Bombing in Paris claimed by the GIA: 17 injured
- 08/29/1995-08/30/1995 2 French UN troops killed in Bosnia
- 08/30/1995 Fighting between the MPA and the FLNC in Corsica: 2 dead
- 09/03/1995 Bombing in Paris claimed by the GIA: 4 injured
- 09/03/1995 2 French nuns killed by the GIA in Algeria
- 09/07/1995 Bombing in Paris claimed by the GIA: 14 injured
- 10/04/1995-10/05/1995 France removes the French missionary from power by force in the Comores
- 10/06/1995 Bombing in Paris claimed by the GIA: 16 injured
- 10/17/1995 Bombing in Paris claimed by the GIA: 30 injured
- 11/10/1995 1 French nun killed and 1 injured by the GIA in Algeria
- 05/24/1996 7 monks killed by the GIA in Algeria
- 07/01/1996 Bombing in Corsica: 1 dead and 15 injured
- 12/03/1996 Bombing in Paris claimed by the GIA: 4 dead and 170 injured
- 05/20/1997 2 French civilians killed in Kinshasa
- 11/30/1997 1 French civilian killed in Tadjikistan; another is held as a hostage
- 03/24/1998 France sends troops to Kosovo
- 04/19/2000 Bombing in Cote d'Armor (Brittany) by the FLB (Front de Libération de la Bretagne): 1 dead
- 08/17/2001 Head of Amata Corsa killed
- 11/11/2001 2 French journalists killed in Afghanistan
- 12/01/2001 40 French troops arrive in Afghanistan
- 05/08/2002 Bombings in Karachi: 11 French civilians dead

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09/23/2002 - French troops sent to Ivory Coast
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- 07/20/2003 2 FLNC bombings in Nice: 16 injured
- 10/21/2003 1 French journalist killed in Ivory Coast
- 01/06/2004 2 French engineers killed in Iraq
- 03/02/2004 French troops arrive in Haiti
- 11/06/2004 9 French troops killed in Ivory Coast
- 01/09/2005 1 French officer killed in Lebanon
- 03/10/2006 1 Corsican elected official killed
- 02/26/2007 4 French civilians killed in Saudi Arabia
- 03/04/2007 French troops intervene in Central African Republic
- 09/21/2007 Bombing in Algeria: French civilians injured
- 12/23/2007 Bombing in Corsica: 2 injured
- 12/24/2007 4 French tourists killed in Mauritania
- 01/01/2008 1 French civilian killed in Burundi
- 01/28/2008 Bombing in Somolia: 1 killed
- 01/28/2008 French troops sent to Tchad and the Central African Republic
- 04/01/2008 More French troops sent to Afghanistan
- 06/08/2008 Bombing in Algeria: 1 French civilian killed
- 08/18/2008 10 French troops killed in Afghanistan
- 09/22/2008 More French troops sent to Afghanistan
- 02/22/2009 Bombing in Egypt: 1 French civilian killed
- 08/08/2009 Bombing in Mauritania: several injured
- 02/26/2010 Bombing in Afghanistan: 1 French civilian killed
- 07/25/2010 French hostage killed in Mali by Al-Queda Maghreb
- 01/08/2011 -Two French hostage killed in Niger by Al-Queda Maghreb
- 03/19/2011 First French airstrikes on Lybia against Kadhafi troops
- 04/04/2011-04/10/2011 French troops intervene in Ivory Coast
- 04/28/2011 Bombing in Marocco by Al-Queda Maghreb: eight French civilians killed
- 07/13/2011 Six French troops killed in Afghanistan
- 09/30/2011 French civilian kidnapped and killed in Kenya
- 12/29/2011 Two French troops killed in Afghanistan
- 01/11/2011 French journalist killed in Syria
- 01/20/2012 Four French troops killed in Afghanistan
- 02/22/2012 French journalist killed in Syria
- 03/11/2012-03/19/2012 Series of terrorist attacks on French soil: French troops and civilians killed

## **B.** Major Strikes

03/09/1978-03/10/1978 - PUBLIC SECTOR: general strike

04/10/1978-05/09/1978 - PUBLIC SECTOR: series of strikes in the public sector

10/01/1978-10/05/1978 - TRANSPORTATION: SNCF

10/03/1978-10/27/1978 - PUBLIC SECTOR: PTT

11/06/1978-12/09/1978 - PUBLIC SECTOR: EDF, PTT and SNCF

<sup>12/11/2002 -</sup> More French troops sent to Ivory Coast

<sup>01/06/2003 - 9</sup> French troops killed in Ivory Coast

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11/14/1978-11/17/1978 - EDUCATION: students
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03/07/1979 - TRANSPORTATION: SNCF

05/17/1979 - PUBLIC SECTOR: general strike

08/22/1979-08/24/1979 - TRANSPORTATION: SNCF

09/12/1979-09/15/1979 - TRANSPORTATION: SNCF

10/17/1979 - TRANSPORTATION: SNCF

10/25/1979 - PUBLIC SECTOR: PTT

03/13/1980-03/15/1980 - TRANSPORTATION: SNCF

03/25/1980 - PUBLIC SECTOR: general strike

05/07/1980-05/14/1980 - EDUCATION: Students

06/30/1980 - TRANSPORTATION: RATP

10/15/1980 - PUBLIC SECTOR: PTT

03/26/1981 - PUBLIC SECTOR: general strike

10/21/1982-10/22/1982 - PUBLIC SECTOR: general strike

01/31/1984 - EDUCATION: Secondary school teachers

02/08/1984 - TRANSPORTATION: SNCF

03/08/1984-03/09/1984 - PUBLIC SECTOR: general strike

10/25/1984 - TRANSPORTATION: SNCF and RATP

03/19/1985 - TRANSPORTATION: Train drivers

06/11/1985-06/15/1985 - TRANSPORTATION: SNCF

10/01/1985 - TRANSPORTATION: SNCF

12/20/1985 - TRANSPORTATION: RATP

05/14/1986-05/15/1986 - TRANSPORTATION: SNCF and RATP

05/30/1986 - TRANSPORTATION: SNCF

07/09/1986 - TRANSPORTATION: Air France

09/30/1986 - PUBLIC SECTOR: general strike

10/21/1986 - PUBLIC SECTOR: general strike

12/17/1986 - PUBLIC SECTOR: EDF

12/18/1986-01/14/1987 - TRANSPORTATION: series of strikes by the SNCF and RATP

01/06/1987-01/14/1987 - PUBLIC SECTOR: general strike

01/27/1987-02/13/1987 - STUDENTS: Teachers

04/21/1987-04/30/1987 - TRANSPORTATION: Airline controllers

10/01/1987 - PUBLIC SECTOR: general strike

10/15/1987 - PUBLIC SECTOR: general strike

12/10/1987-12/13/1987 - TRANSPORTATION: Air France

01/20/1989 - EDUCATION: Students

10/06/1989 - OTHER: Farmers

01/31/1990-02/01/1990 - TRANSPORTATION: SNCF

04/03/1990 - PUBLIC SECTOR: PTT

05/09/1990-06/01/1990 - PUBLIC SECTOR: Parisian trash collection workers

09/18/1990-10/05/1990 - PUBLIC SECTOR: Parisian trash collection workers

10/16/1990 - TRANSPORTATION: RATP

10/22/1990-10/26/1990 - EDUCATION: Students

11/05/1990-11/20/1990 - EDUCATION: Students

05/10/1991 - TRANSPORTATION: SNCF

05/17/1991 - TRANSPORTATION: SNCF

05/31/1991 - TRANSPORTATION: RATP

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06/21/1991 - TRANSPORTATION: RATP
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06/28/1991 - TRANSPORTATION: RATP

09/18/1991 - TRANSPORTATION: SNCF

09/29/1991 - OTHER: Farmers

11/17/1991 - PUBLIC SECTOR: Police and nurses

11/17/1991 - TRANSPORTATION: Truck drivers

12/17/1991 - TRANSPORTATION: SCNF

01/28/1992 - OTHER: Border patrols

01/30/1992 - EDUCATION: Students

04/15/1992 - TRANSPORTATION: RATP

06/29/1992-07/08/1992 - TRANSPORTATION: Truck drivers

11/10/1992 - TRANSPORTATION: RATP

11/17/1992-11/23/1992 - TRANSPORTATION:RATP

11/27/1992 - TRANSPORTATION: Public transports strike (throughout France)

03/09/1993-03/11/1993 - TRANSPORTATION: RATP

12/09/1993 - TRANSPORTATION: SNCF

01/16/1994 - EDUCATION: strikes in favor of public schools

10/10/1995 - PUBLIC SECTOR: general strike

10/25/1995 - TRANSPORTATION: SNCF

11/24/1995 - PUBLIC SECTOR: general strike

11/24/1995 - TRANSPORTATION: SNCF

12/12/1995 - PUBLIC SECTOR: general strike

10/07/1996 - PUBLIC SECTOR: general strike

11/07/1996 - TRANSPORTATION: Truck drivers

11/17/1996 - TRANSPORTATION: Truckers drivers

01/26/1997 - TRANSPORTATION: general strike

02/06/1997-02/18/1997 - TRANSPORTATION: general strike

03/06/1997 - PUBLIC SECTOR: general strike

11/02/1997-11/08/1997 - TRANSPORTATION: Truck drivers

10/05/1998-10/12/1998 - TRANSPORTATION: general strike

10/12/1998-10/20/1998 - EDUCATION: Students

09/01/2000-09/09/2000 - OTHER: Farmers and truck drivers

01/18/2001 - PUBLIC SECTOR: general strike

03/22/2001 - PUBLIC SECTOR: general strike

03/29/2001-04/13/2001 - TRANSPORTATION: SCNF

09/06/2002-09/09/2002 - TANSPORTATION: Air France

11/20/2002 - OTHER: Farmers

11/25/2002-11/26/2002 - TRANSPORTATION: Truck drivers

11/26/2002 - TRANSPORTATION: SNCF

05/06/2003 - EDUCATION: general strike

05/13/2003 - EDUCATION: general strike

05/13/2003 - OTHER: Public and private sector employees strike against governmental reforms

05/19/2003 - EDUCATION: general strike

05/25/2003-05/27/2003 - PUBLIC SECTOR: general strike

06/03/2003 - TRANSPORTATION: general strike

06/04/2003 - PUBLIC SECTOR: general strike

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06/05/2003 - PUBLIC SECTOR: general strike
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- 11/20/2003 EDUCATION: universities
- 01/20/2004 PUBLIC SECTOR: general strike
- 01/21/2004 TRANSPORTATION: SCNF
- 03/12/2004 EDUCATION: general strike
- 09/21/2004 PUBLIC SECTOR: Postal services
- 10/25/2004 TRANSPORTATION: SCNF
- 01/18/2005 PUBLIC SECTOR: Postal services
- 01/20/2005 PUBLIC SECTOR: general strike
- 02/05/2005 PUBLIC SECTOR: general strike
- 02/08/2005-03/08/2005 EDUCATION: Students
- 03/10/2005 PUBLIC SECTOR: general strike
- 04/02/2005-04/05/2005 EDUCATION: Students
- 05/03/2005 PUBLIC SECTOR: general strike
- 03/13/2006 OTHER: Suez-GDF strike
- 11/13/2007-11/22/2007 TRANSPORTATION: SNCF and RATP
- 11/20/2007 PUBLIC SECTOR: general strike
- 04/06/2010 TRANSPORTATION: SNCF
- 09/07/2010 OTHER: Public and private sector employees strike against pension reforms 10/02/2010-10/28/2010 OTHER: Public and private sector employees strike against pension reforms on four occasions
- 11/23/2010 OTHER: Public and private sector employees strike against pension reforms

#### C. Domestic Strife

- 03/08/1979 Confrontations in Denain (Nord): 5 policemen injured
- 06/12/1980 Action Directe bombing against the Orly airport: 8 injured
- 10/03/1980 Synagogue bombing in Paris: 4 dead
- 11/11/1981 Separatist riots in New Caledonia
- 03/02/1982 Train bombing: 8 dead
- 04/22/1982 Roadside car bombing in Paris: 1 dead and 63 injured
- 09/08/1982 Antisemite bombing in Paris: 6 dead and 20 injured
- 05/31/1983 Action Directe members attack police officials: 2 dead and 1 injured
- 07/23/1983 An Action Directe commando attacks a bank in St Etienne: 1 injured
- 09/30/1983 Action Directe bombing in Marseille: 1 dead and 26 injured
- 02/09/1984 Basque separatist riot after the assassination of 2 ETA leaders
- 03/27/1984 An Action Directe commando commits a hold-up in a bank in Lyon: 1 dead
- 08/02/1984 Action Directe bombing against the Agence Spatiale Européenne in Paris: 6 injured
- 10/20/1984 Action Directe bombing in Montrouge: 3 injured
- 11/30/1984 Confrontations in New Caledonia: 2 dead
- 01/25/1985 An *Action Directe* commando kills an influential official from the *Ministère de la Défense*
- 03/29/1985 Bombing against the Festival du Cinéma Juif in Paris: 18 injured
- 04/08/1985 Teacher killed during protests in New Caledonia
- 04/20/1985 Action Directe bombing against the telecommunication company TRT: 1

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05/08/1985 - Riots in New Caledonia: 1 dead and about 100 injured

05/09/1985 - Action Directe bombing: 1 injured

05/10/1985 - Action Directe bombings against Antenne 2, the Haute Autorité de l'Audiovisuel, and Radio France

02/17/1986 - Anti-separatist demonstration in New Caledonia: 9 injured

05/16/1986 - Action Directe members attack the Interpol headquarters in Paris: 1 injured

07/09/1986 - Action directe bombing in Paris: 3 dead and 28 injured

11/17/1986 - An Action Directe commando kills the CEO of Renault

11/27/1986 - Student riots

12/04/1986 - Student riots: 1 dead

12/15/1986 - Bombing against the *Ministère de la Justice*: 1 dead (driver)

08/26/1987 - Separatist riots in New Caledonia

09/30/1987 - Separatist riots in New Caledonia: 2 dead

02/01/1989 - Separatist riots in New Corsica

01/03/1991 - Separatist riots in New Corsica

02/13/1991 - Separatist riots in the Réunion

06/09/1991 - Suburban riots in Paris: 1 dead

06/30/1991 - Suburban riots in Paris

10/16/1991 - Confrontation between farmers and law enforcement authorities in Moulins (Allier)

11/16/1991 - Confrontation between farmers and law enforcement authorities in Auch (Gers)

01/02/1993 - Violent demonstration to protest the death of 5 homeless people

09/02/1993 - Suburban riots in Paris: 10 injured

03/25/1994 - Violent demonstrations against the CIP (Contrat d'Insertion Professionelle)

08/23/1995 - Suburban riots: 1 dead and 1 injured

09/06/1995-09/07/1995 - Riots in French Polynesia to protest against the nuclear test

11/09/1995-12/07/1995 - Student demonstrations and riots

07/23/1996 - CRS (Compagnie Républicaine de Sécurité) evacuates a church occupied by illegal immigrants

04/22/2002-04/30/2002 - Anti-fascist riots and demonstrations throughout the country

10/27/2005-12/20/2005 - Wave of suburban riots in Paris

03/23/2006 - Violent demonstrations against the CPE (Contrat Première Embauche)

05/30/2006 - Suburban riots in Paris

06/05/2007 - Judge stabbed in Metz

11/25/2007-11/28/2007 - Riots in Villiers-le-Bel