Imperialism

Central Historical Question:

How have "civilized" nations been able to justify their occupation of the territories of other people, and why has that argument stood the test of time?

Notes:

Notes on: Document #1 Prince Leopold, heir to the throne of Belgium

1. Who Wrote this?	3. Were their justifications good enough?
	Yes / No
2. Why did they write it?	4. Should they be allowed to occupy other territories?
	Yes / No
	Why?

Notes on: Doc #2 Eugène-Melchior de Vogüé, *The Master of the Seas* Paris, 1903

3. Were their justifications good enough?
Yes / No
4. Should they be allowed to occupy other territories?
Yes / No
Why?

Notes on: Doc #3 Martial Henri Merlin, governor of French Equatorial Africa

1. Who Wrote this?	3. Were their justifications good enough?
	Yes / No
	4. Should they be allowed to occupy other territories?
2. Why did they write it?	Yes / No
	Why?

Notes on: Document #7 E.D. Morel, The Black Man's Burden (1920)

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	Yes / No
	4. Should they be allowed to occupy other
2. Why did they write it?	territories?
	Yes / No
	Why?

How have "civilized" nations been able to justify their occupation of the territories of other people?
Why has that argument stood the test of time?
What do you think the legacy of their practice of Imperialism should be?
Importance of assignment: