

People's Republic of China

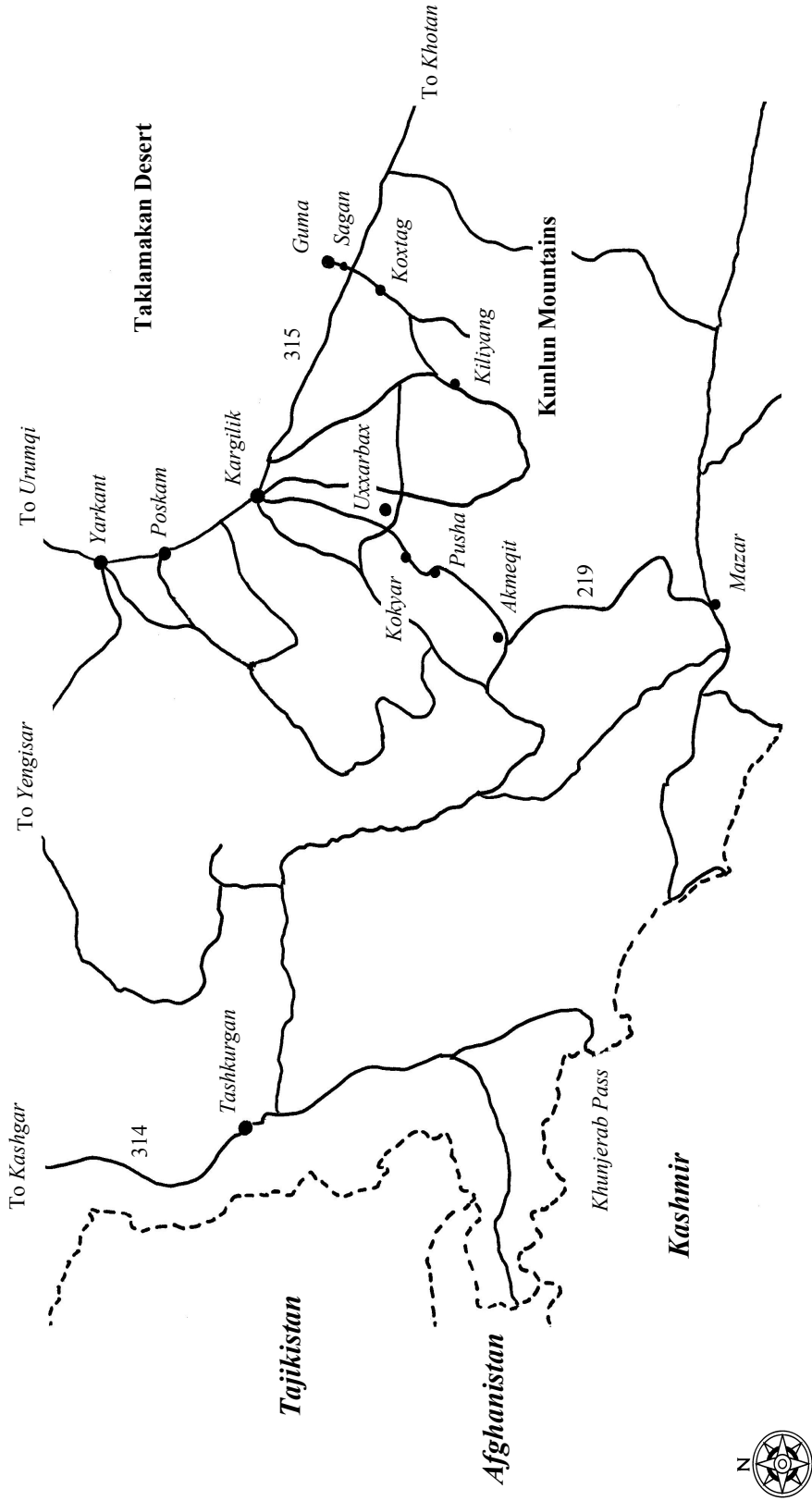
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Xīnjiāng, *Níngxià*, *Xīzàng* (Tibet), *Nèi Měnggǔ* (Inner Mongolia), and *Guǎngxī* are autonomous regions. *Běijīng*, *Tiānjīn*, *Shànghái*, and *Chóngqīng* are directly controlled municipalities; *Xiānggǎng* (Hong Kong) and *Aòmén* (Macao) are special administrative regions; and the rest are provinces (including *Táiwān*, according to the government of the PRC).

Southwestern Xinjiang Uygur Autonomous Region



In Chinese *pīnyīn*, the name of the whole region is *Xīnjiāng Wéiwú'ěr Zìzhìqū*. Uygurs prefer to call their homeland Uyguristan or East Turkestan. If both Uygur and Chinese names of cities and towns are known, the Uygur is used throughout and the Chinese is given in parentheses at the first use. Most maps of the region are an unexplained mixture of Uygur, Chinese, and Anglicized names. *Xīnjiāng* means “new frontier.”