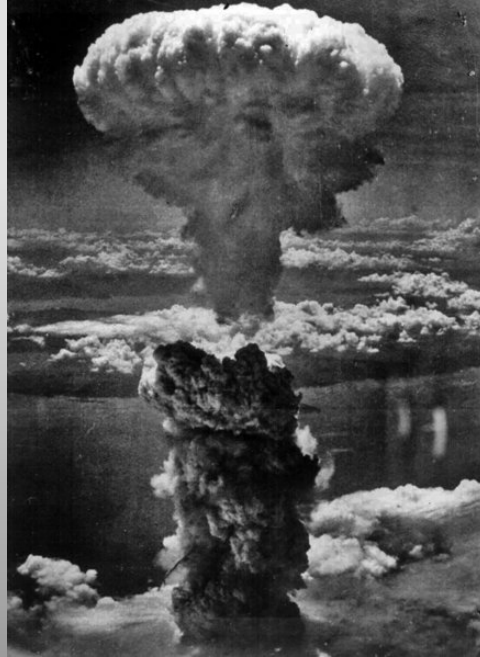
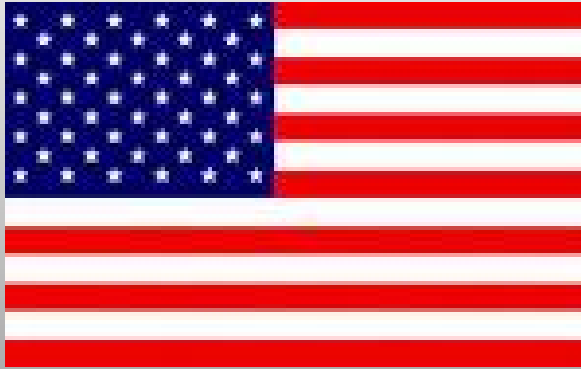
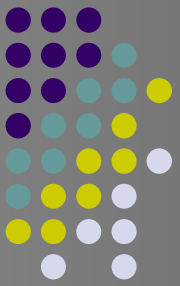


# The Cold War:



## Origins to 1960

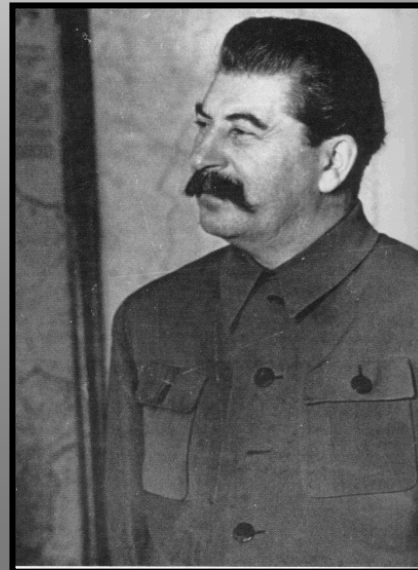
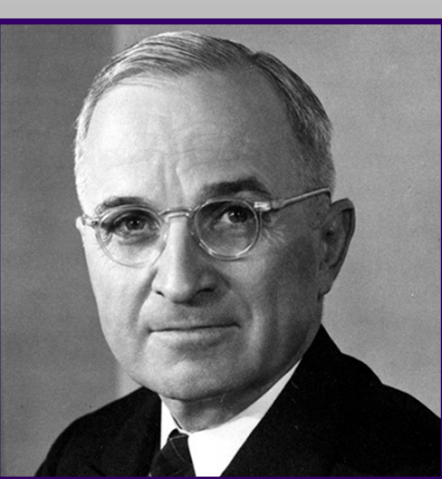
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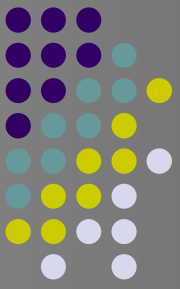
# BACKGROUND:

- *After WW II, the US and USSR emerged as rival superpowers.*
- *Each nation was strong enough to greatly influence world events.*



# *POTSDAM CONFERENCE*

## *JULY 1945*

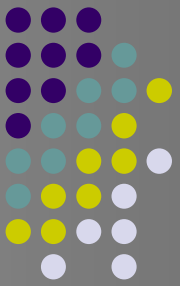


- Final wartime conference
- Big Three
  - England = Attlee
  - USA = Truman
  - USSR = Stalin
- *Stalin promised to allow free elections in Eastern Europe*



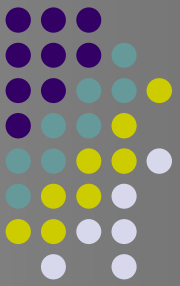
Photo # USA C-1861 The "Big Three" at Potsdam, ca. late July 1945

# SATELLITE NATIONS...



- Stalin never allowed truly free elections.
- Instead, communist governments were installed in many Eastern European nations.
- Main Purpose?
  - *Protect USSR from invasion from the West*

# CONTAINMENT POLICY



- **George Kennan, career Foreign Service Officer**
- **Formulated the policy of “containment”:**
  - **US would not get rid of communism, but would not allow it to spread.**
  - **US would “contain” communism where is already existed.**



# THE IRON CURTAIN



- **Winston Churchill coined this term.**
- **Famous speech on March 5, 1946 at Westminster College, in Fulton, Missouri.**
- [CLICK for text and video of speech](#)





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OCEAN

GERMANY

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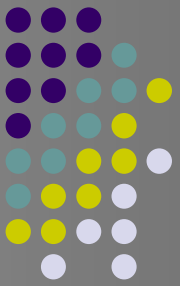
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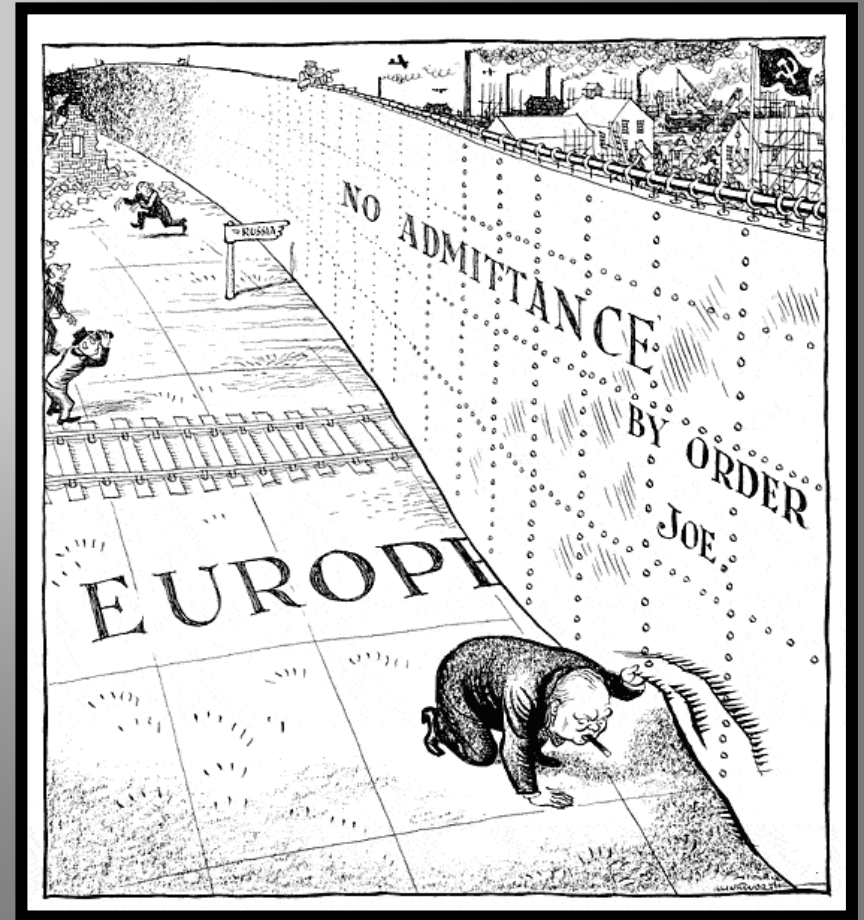
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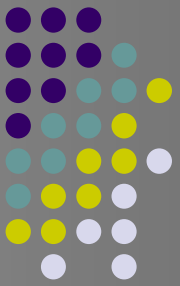
# CHURCHILL'S WARNING...



- Churchill felt that behind the Iron Curtain, the USSR was planning to attack and conquer Western Europe.



# DIVISION OF GERMANY



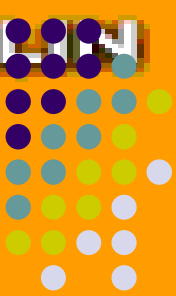
- The Allies decided to divide Germany into 4 zones after the war.
- Also, the capital of Berlin was divided into 4 sectors.
  - **SEE next 2 slides**



# Division of Germany, 1945



# POST-WAR DIVISION OF BERLIN



Russian



British



French



American

# PROBLEM WITH BERLIN?

- Berlin was in the Soviet Sector.
- Stalin was not happy with a “small piece” of democracy in Eastern Europe.
  - *What did he do?*



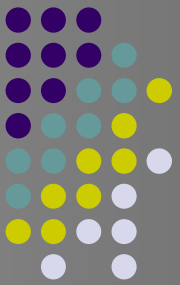


# BERLIN BLOCKADE

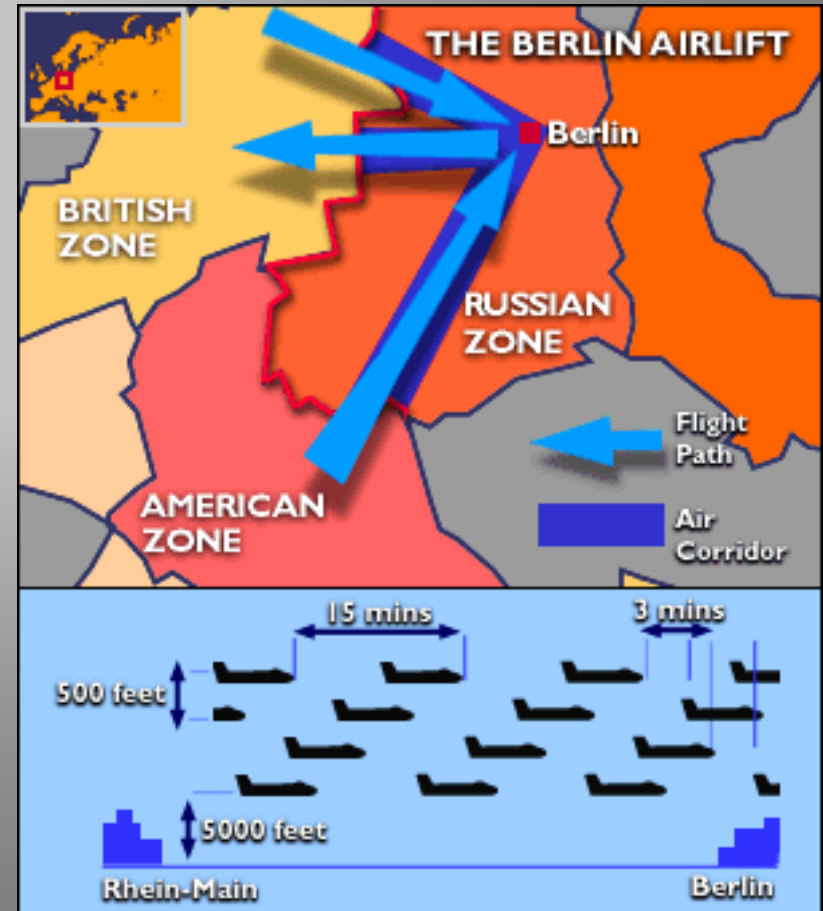
- June 1948, Stalin attempts to starve West Berliners into submission.
- All rail and street access was blocked.



# BERLIN AIRLIFT



- American and British planes flew food and supplies into Berlin for 327 days.
- **Stalin lifted the Blockade by May 1949.**

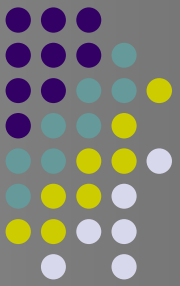




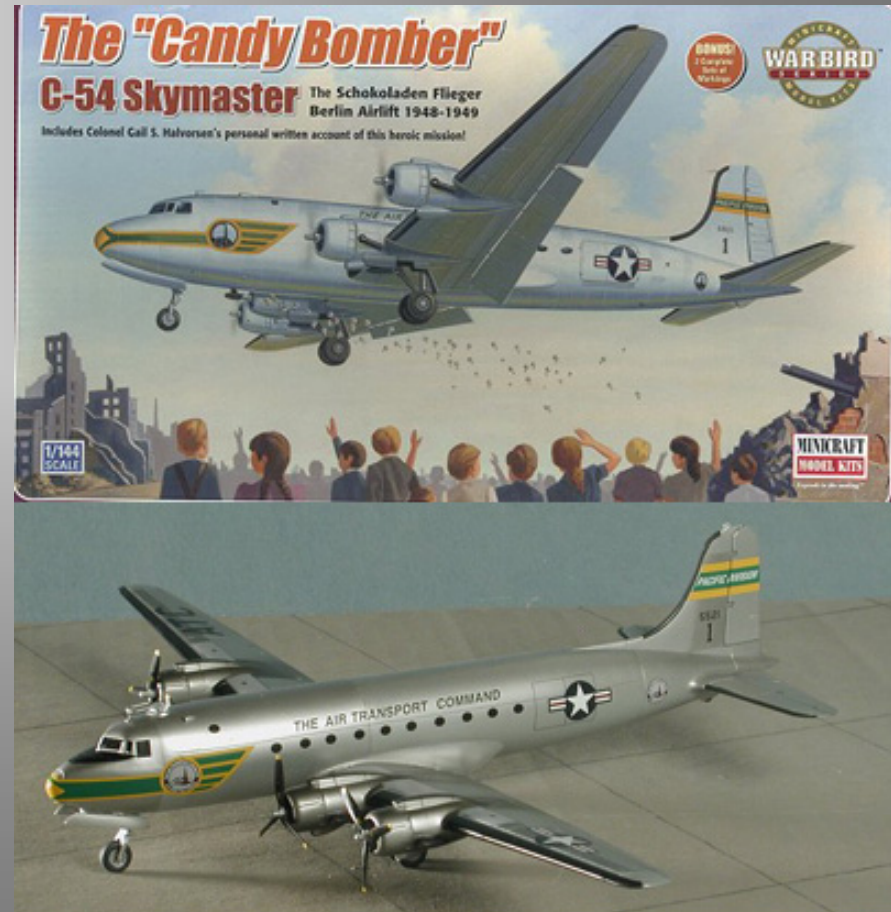
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# OPERATION “LITTLE VITTLES”



- During the Berlin Airlift a group of pilots decided to help boost the spirits of the German children.
- They organized a mission to drop candy to the children using parachutes made of handkerchiefs.





# NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY ORGANIZATION



- NATO was established by a treaty in 1949
- This organization established a system of collective defense whereby its member states agree to mutual defense in response to an attack by any external party.
- Original members were:
  - *United States, the United Kingdom, Canada, France, Denmark, Iceland, Italy, Norway, Portugal, Belgium, Netherlands, and Luxembourg.*
  - *Greece (1952), West Germany (1955) join also*



# THE WARSAW PACT



- **Communist Response to NATO.**
  - **Signed on May 1, 1955 in Warsaw, Poland**
- **Military treaty, which bound its signatories to come to the aid of the others, should any one of them be the victim of foreign aggression.**
- **Original Members:**
  - ***Albania, Bulgaria, Hungary, East Germany, Poland, Rumania, the USSR, and the Czechoslovak Republic.***

# Key



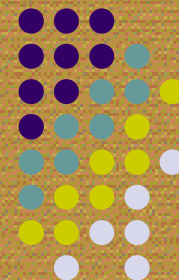
Warsaw Pact



NATO



Non-aligned Nations

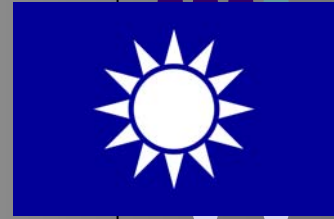




# Cold War in Asia



# STRUGGLE FOR CHINA



- **Mao Zedong wanted China to become a communist state after WW II.**
- **Chang Kai Shek fought to stop the communists but was unsuccessful.**





# COMMUNIST CHINA

## 1949





# TAIWAN

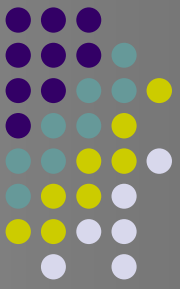


- Chiang Kai-shek, retreated from Mainland China and moved his government from Nanjing to Taipei, Taiwan's largest city.
- Taiwan made a claim they were separate from China.
- Still a problem area today.

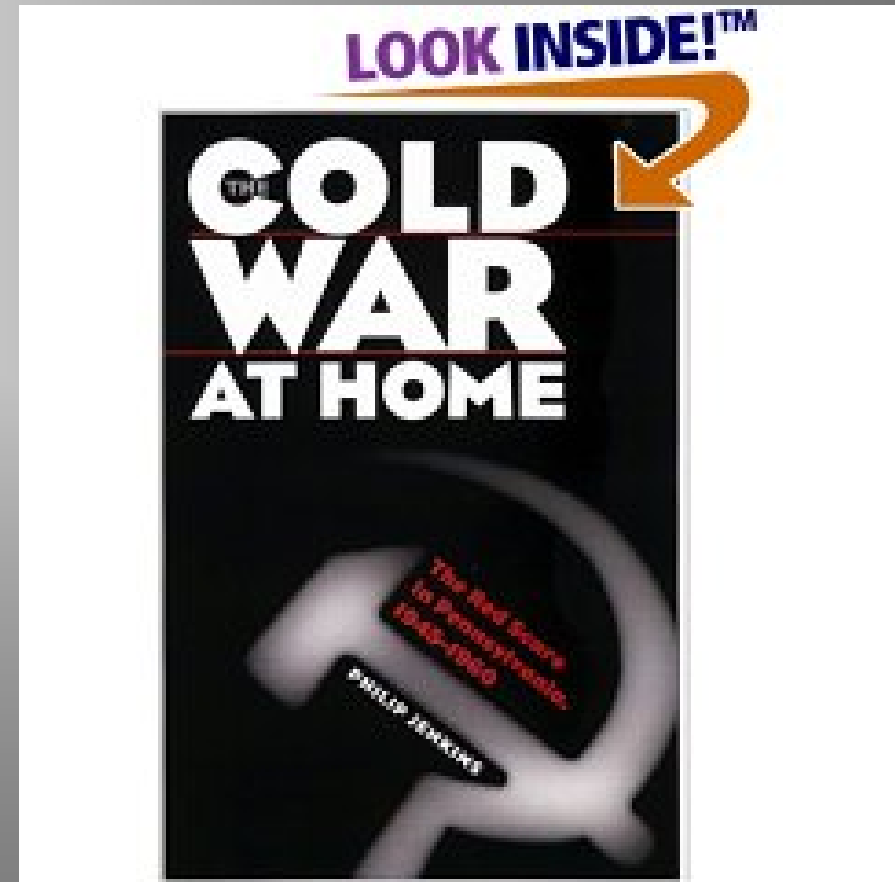


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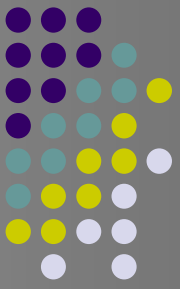
## (1945-1960)



- Was there reason to be concerned? **YES!**
  - Soviet domination of Eastern Europe
  - **China turned Communist – 1 billion people!**
  - 80,000 Americans members of Communist party



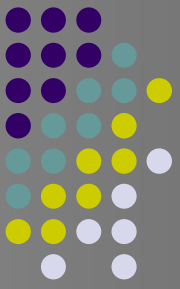
# LOYALTY REVIEW BOARD



- **Set up by President Truman in March 1947.**
- **Purpose?**
  - Investigate Federal government employees and dismiss those disloyal to US
- **212 dismissed**



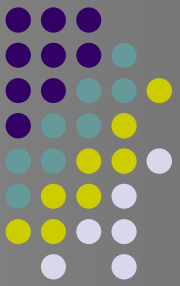
# HOUSE ON UN-AMERICAN ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE (HUAC)



- **1947= House of Representatives**
- **Investigate Communist influence in the movie industry**



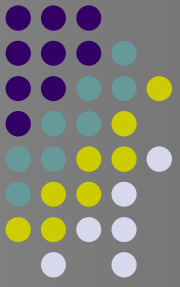
# ‘HOLLYWOOD TEN’



- 10 Hollywood screenwriters and directors who refused to testify before HUAC.
- Charged with contempt of Congress.
- Claimed 1<sup>st</sup> Amendment right of free speech



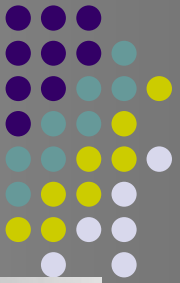
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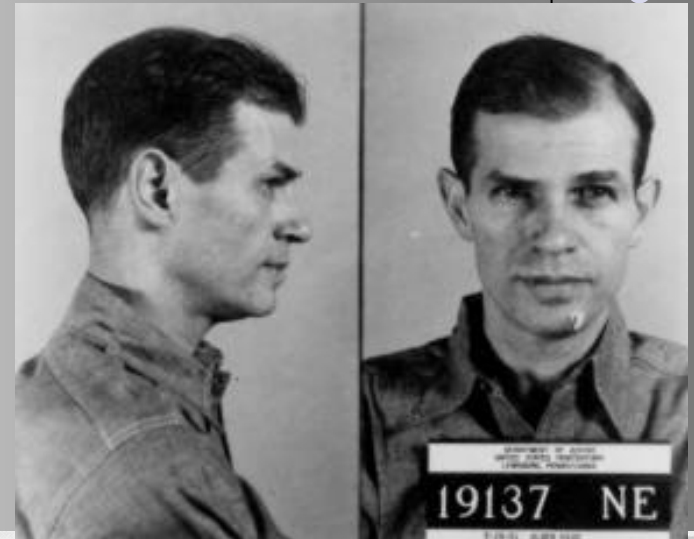
- Following a meeting of film industry executives at New York's Waldorf-Astoria hotel, MPAA president Johnston issued a press release on the executives' behalf that is today referred to as the Waldorf Statement.
- *The statement declared that the ten would be fired or suspended without pay and not reemployed until they were cleared of contempt charges and had sworn that they were not Communists.*
- The first Hollywood blacklist was now in effect.



# SPY CASES SHOCK THE US



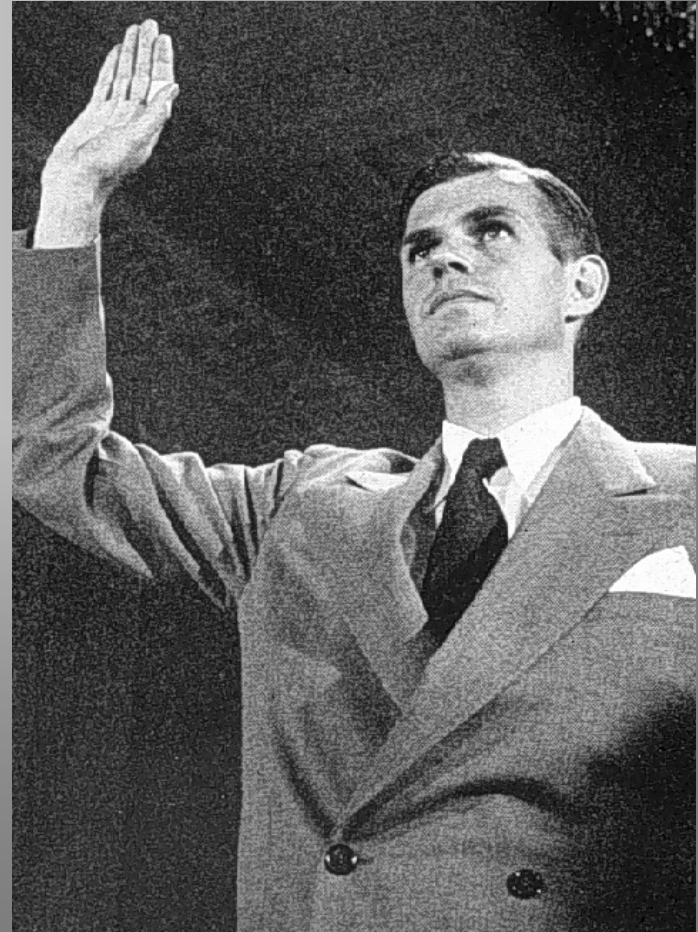
- During the late 1940s and early 1950s, America was rocked by sensational stories of Americans spying for the Soviet Union.



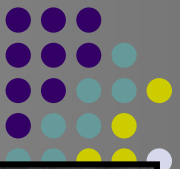
# ALGER HISS



- Hiss worked for the US State Department.
- Accused of being a spy for the USSR.
- Found guilty of perjury.
- Later (1990s) Hiss was proven to be a spy for the USSR.



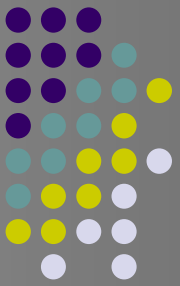
# THE ROSENBERGS



- **American Communists who were found guilty of conspiracy to commit espionage in relation to passing information on the American nuclear bomb to the Soviet Union.**
- **The couple were executed at sundown in the electric chair at Sing Sing Correctional Facility in Ossining, New York, on June 19, 1953.**



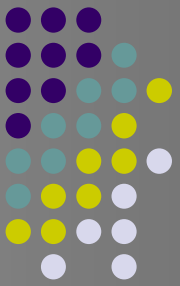
# MCCARTHYISM



- **Senator Joe McCarthy became the most famous anti-Communist activist.**
- **Used the issue to help win re-election in 1950.**



# MCCARTHY'S TACTICS



- Made one unsupported accusation after another.
- He would bully witnesses.
- McCarthyism = tactics used to advance your career.



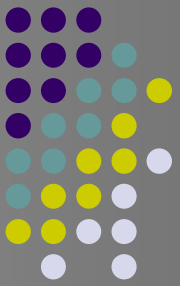
# MCCARTHY'S DOWNFALL



- In 1954 McCarthy made accusations against the US Army.
- Led to televised Senate investigation; and American people did not like McCarthy's tactics.  
*His popularity dropped greatly.*



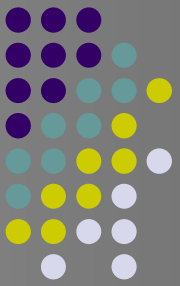
# CHANGE IN LEADERS



- The early 1950s saw a change in leaders in both the US and USSR.
- USA = Dwight Eisenhower wins the election of 1952.
- USSR = Nikita Khrushchev takes over when Stalin dies in 1953.



# HYDROGEN BOMB

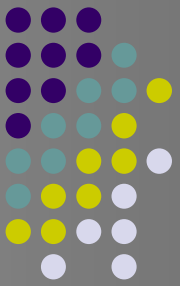


- US exploded the 1st H-bomb on November 1, 1952 in South Pacific.
  - That bomb completely destroyed one island and left a crater 175 feet deep.
- Russians exploded on in August of 1953.





# BRINKMANSHIP

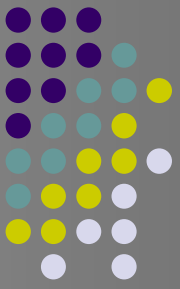


- Defined as willingness to push nation to the “**brink**” of nuclear war to keep peace.
- Policy advocated by John Foster Dulles; Secretary of State.

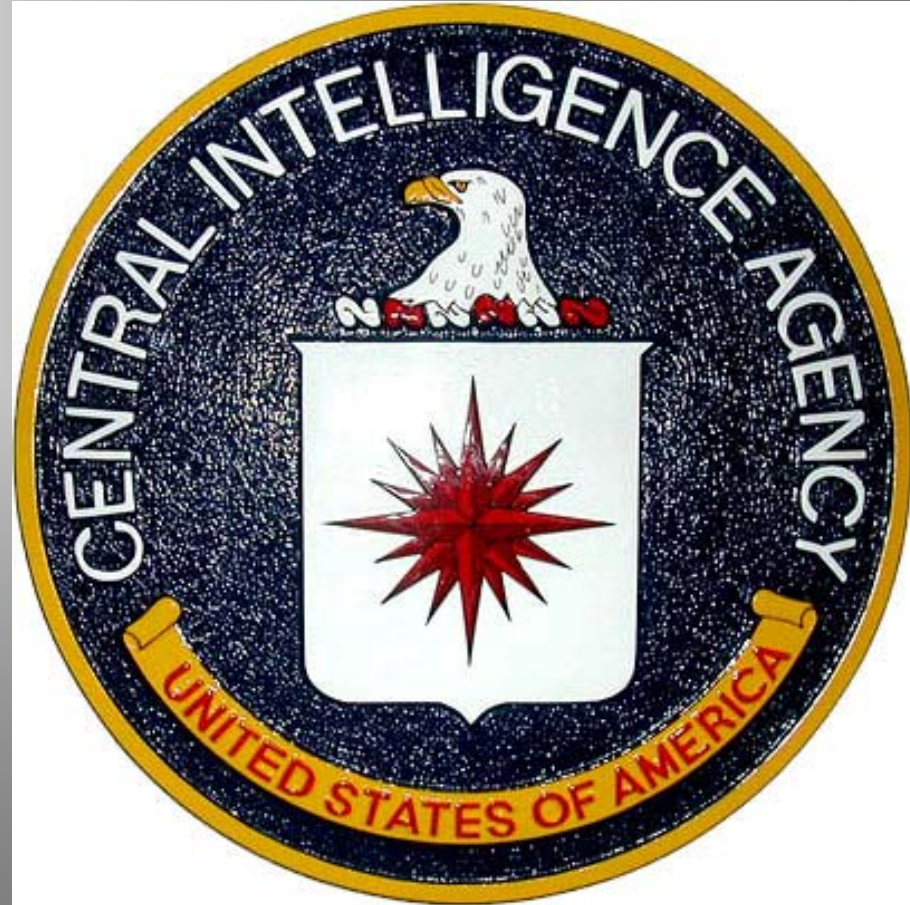


U.S. SENATE HISTORICAL OFFICE

# CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY - CIA



- **Used spies to gather information abroad**
- **Began to carry out covert operations to weaken or overthrow governments unfriendly to the United States.**

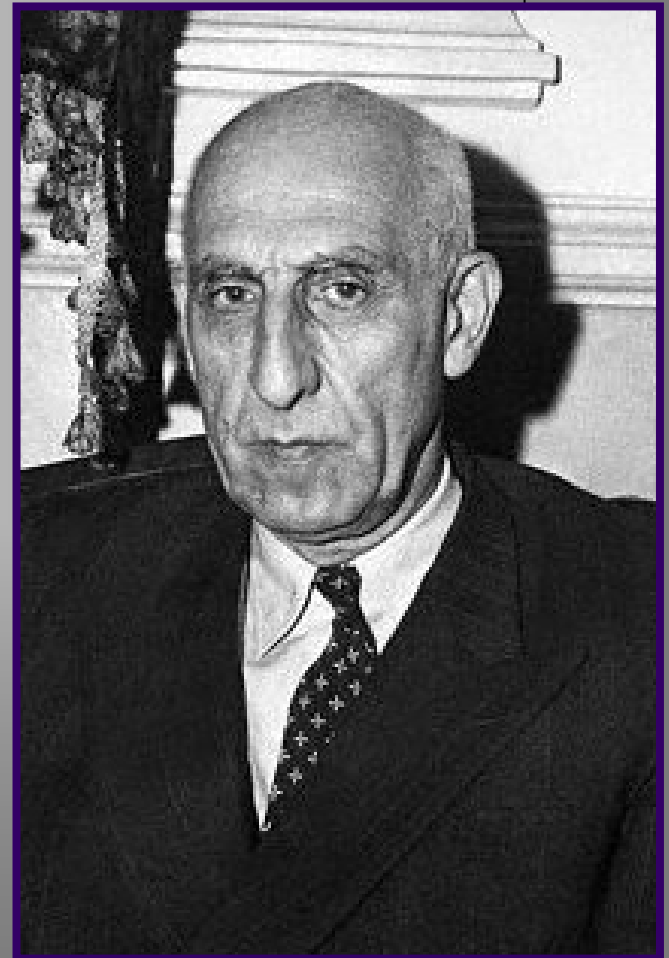




# IRAN



- One of the CIA's first covert actions took place in Iran when Iran's Prime minister Mohammed Mossadeq nationalized Iran's oil fields.
- CIA worked to remove Mossadeq



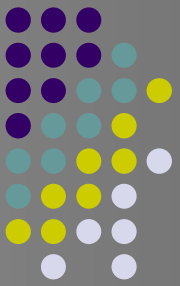
# SHAH OF IRAN



- **CIA “Operation Ajax” caused the downfall of Mossadegh from office.**
- **The Shah, backed by the US, formed a government friendly to the US.**



# SUEZ WAR - 1956



- Egypt nationalized the Suez Canal and would not allow ships headed for Israel to pass through – all nations were supposed to have access.
- French, English, Israeli force attacked Egypt.
- After discussion, canal was opened.





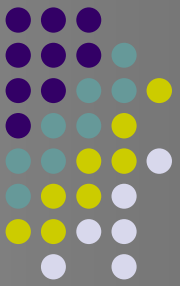
# HUNGARIAN UPRISING 1956



- The Hungarian people, tired of Soviet domination in their country, rose in revolt and called for a democratic government.
- The Soviet response was swift and brutal:



# USSR CRUSHES REBELLION



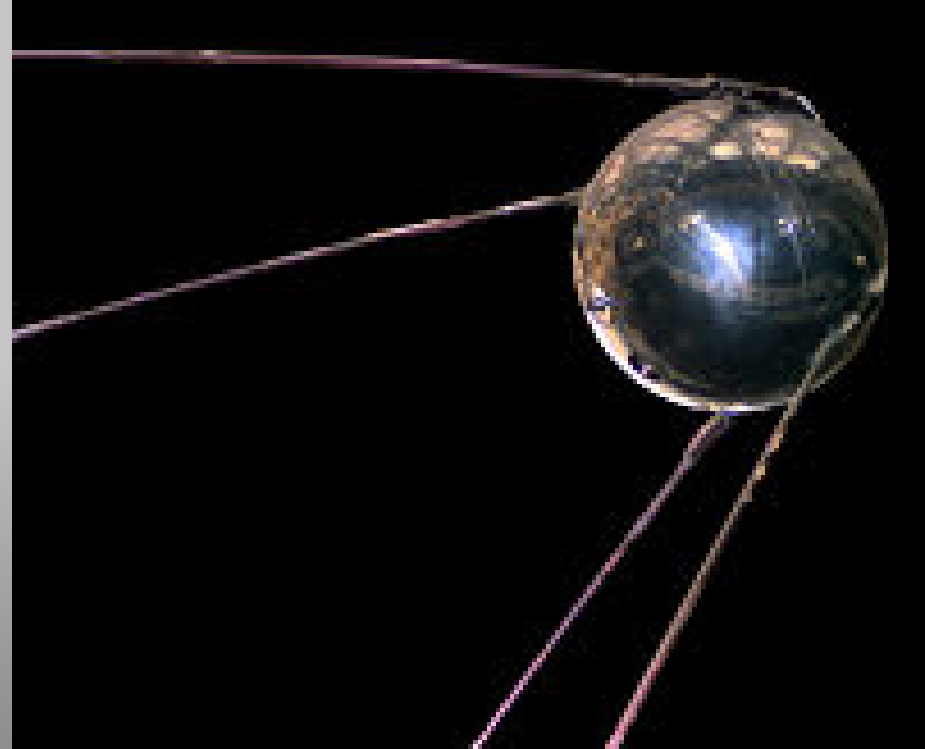
- **Soviet tanks rolled into Hungary and killed 30,000 Hungarians and executed the resistance leader – Imre Nagy.**
- **US and UN did nothing to help.**



# SPACE RACE

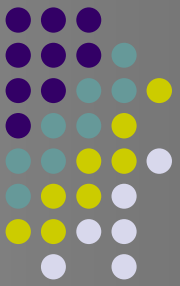


- On October 4, 1957 the Soviet Union successfully launched Sputnik I.
- The world's first artificial satellite was about the size of a beach ball.
- Orbited the earth in 98 minutes.



**Race to control space was on!**

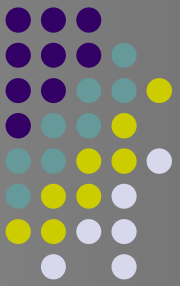
# U-2 INCIDENT



- **U-2 was designed to be high altitude reconnaissance plane.**
- **CIA used these to spy on USSR and one was shot down on May 1, 1960.**



# FRANCIS GARY POWERS



- Recruited by CIA to fly spy missions.
- Shot down in U2 over USSR and convicted of espionage.
- Exchanged for a KGB colonel the US had captured.



# CONCLUSION...



- **Moving into the 1960's, the Cold War was really starting to heat up with no end in sight.**
- **The Cold War will continue in the 1960s with the world moving closer to an open conflict between the US and USSR.**

