

## Timeline: The Cold War

		<b>Key:</b>
<u>Nov</u> Tehran Conference	4	War/Conflict/Coup/Uprising etc.
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<u>Feb</u> Yalta Conference	1	Election/New leadership
<u>July-Aug</u> Potsdam Conference	9	Summit/Treaty/Conference etc.
<u>August</u> Atomic bombs dropped on Hiroshima and Nagasaki	4	Policy/Event
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<u>Feb</u> Kennan's 'Long Telegram'	1	<u>May</u> German surrender: end of the Second World War in Europe
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<u>Oct</u> Communist victory in Bulgarian elections	4	<u>Sept</u> Japanese surrender: end of the Second World War in Asia
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	1	<u>March</u> Churchill 'Iron Curtain' speech
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	6	<u>Nov</u> Communist victory in Romanian elections
<u>Jan</u> Communist victory in Polish elections		
	1	<u>March</u> Truman Doctrine announced
<u>June</u> Marshall Plan announced	9	<u>Aug</u> Communist victory in Hungarian elections
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<u>Oct</u> Cominform created	7	<u>Dec</u> King of Romania forced to abdicate and replaced by Communists
<u>Feb</u> Communists take control of Czechoslovakia	1	
	9	<u>May</u> South Korea Established
<u>June</u> Yugoslavia expelled from Cominform	4	<u>June</u> Berlin Blockade begins
	8	<u>June</u> North Korea Established
<u>Jan</u> Comecon established		<u>April</u> NATO formed
<u>May</u> Berlin Blockade ends	1	<u>May</u> Federal Republic of Germany created
<u>May</u> USSR successfully detonates atomic bomb		
	9	<u>Aug</u> Mao Zedong establishes the People's Republic of China
<u>Oct</u> German Democratic Republic created		
	4	<u>Oct</u> Huk rebellion begins in Philippines
<u>Oct</u> Defensive Perimeter Strategy announced		
	9	<u>Oct</u> Communists defeated in Greek civil war
<u>Feb</u> Military alliance between China and USSR	1	<u>Feb</u> Stalin agrees to provide military equipment to North Korea
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<u>April</u> NSC -68 introduced	5	<u>June</u> Start of the Korean War: North Korea invades South Korea; UN involvement
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<u>Nov</u> China joins North Korea in Korean War		

<u>Sept</u> San Francisco Peace Treaty between USA and Japan, US occupation ends	1 9 5 1	
<u>Jan</u> Eisenhower presidency begins	1	<u>March</u> Death of Stalin
<u>June</u> Rosenberg executions	9	
	5	<u>June</u> Revolt by East Berlin workers
<u>July</u> Korean War - Armistice signed	3	
<u>May</u> French defeated at Dien Bien Phu	1	
	9	<u>July</u> The Geneva Conference/Accords; Vietnam temporarily divided
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<u>Sept</u> SEATO alliance created	4	
<u>April</u> Bandung conference	1	
	9	<u>May</u> FRG joins NATO
<u>May</u> Warsaw Pact set up	5	
	5	<u>July</u> The Geneva Summit
<u>Feb</u> Krushchev's Secret Speech	1	
	9	<u>Feb</u> Sino-Soviet split
<u>June-Oct</u> Polish Rising	5	
	6	<u>Oct-Nov</u> Hungarian Uprising
<u>May</u> First ICBM (Intercontinental Ballistic Missile) developed by USSR	1	
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	5	<u>Oct</u> Sputnik launched
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	9	<u>Nov</u> Berlin Crisis
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<u>Jan</u> Castro takes power in Cuba	1	
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	5	<u>Sept</u> Camp David Talks - Krushchev and Eisenhower
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<u>May</u> The Paris Summit	1	
	9	<u>May</u> U2 spy plane shot down
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<u>July</u> Emergency in Malaya ends	0	
<u>Jan</u> Kennedy presidency begins	1	<u>April</u> Yuri Gagarin becomes first man in space
<u>April</u> Bay of Pigs invasion	9	

<b>June</b> Vienna Summit	6	
<b>Aug</b> Building of the Berlin Wall begun	1	<b>Sept</b> Leaders of the Non-Aligned Movement meet in Belgrade
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<b>Oct</b> Cuban Missile Crisis	9	
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<b>June</b> Kennedy visits West Berlin in response to the Berlin Wall	1	<b>June</b> 'Hot Line' set up
	9	<b>Aug</b> Moscow Test Ban Treaty
<b>Sept</b> Federation of Malaysia established	6	<b>Nov</b> Diem assassinated
	3	<b>Nov</b> Kennedy assassinated; Johnson presidency begins
<b>Aug</b> Gulf of Tonkin resolution	1	
	9	<b>Oct</b> China successfully detonates atomic bomb
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<b>Oct</b> Brezhnev becomes leader of USSR	4	
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<b>Feb</b> Operation Rolling Thunder authorised	9	
	6	<b>March</b> US Ground troops sent to Vietnam
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<b>Jan-Feb</b> Tet Offensive	1	
	9	<b>March</b> My Lai Massacre
<b>July</b> Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty	6	<b>May-Aug</b> Prague Spring
	8	<b>Nov</b> Brezhnev Doctrine
<b>Jan</b> Nixon presidency begins	1	
<b>March</b> Fighting on Sino-Soviet border	9	<b>March</b> Operations Menu in Cambodia
	6	<b>July</b> Moon Landing
<b>Oct-Nov</b> Anti-war protests in USA	9	
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<b>April</b> ARVN and US ground forces invade Cambodia	9	
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<b>Feb</b> ARVN invasion of Laos	1	
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	7	<b>Nov</b> China allowed to join the UN
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<b>Feb</b> Nixon visits China	1	
	9	<b>May</b> SALT I ratified
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<b>Dec</b> The Basic Treaty signed	2	
<b>Jan</b> Paris Peace Agreement/Accords	1	<b>March</b> US Troops withdraw from Vietnam
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<b>Aug</b> US bombing of Cambodia starts	7	<b>Sept</b> Socialist Allende overthrown by US-backed Pinochet in Chile
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<b>April</b> Angola granted independence from Portugal	9	
	7	<b>Aug</b> Nixon resigns; Ford presidency begins
<b>Nov</b> Vladivostok Summit	4	
<b>April</b> Fall of Saigon, reunification of Vietnam	1	
<b>April</b> Pol Pot establishes Democratic Kampuchea	9	<b>April</b> Khmer Rouge victory in Cambodian Civil War
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<b>Aug</b> Helsinki Accords finalised	5	<b>Aug</b> Cuba provides military support to socialists in Angolan Civil War
<b>Jan</b> Carter presidency begins	1	
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	7	<b>July</b> Cuba provides military support to socialist regime in Ethiopia
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<b>Dec</b> Vietnam invades Cambodia	1	
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<b>April</b> USA recognises Taiwan as an independent state	1	<b>May</b> SALT II agreed but not ratified
	9	<b>June</b> Vienna Summit
<b>June</b> Pope John Paul II visits Poland	7	<b>July</b> Sandinista victory in Nicaraguan Revolution
<b>Dec</b> Soviet invasion of Afghanistan	9	
<b>Jan</b> Carter Doctrine	1	
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	8	<b>Sept</b> Solidarity Trade Union established in Poland
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<b>Nov</b> Andropov becomes leader of the USSR	8	
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<b>March</b> Star Wars (SDI) programme begins	1	
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	8	<b>Sept</b> KAL 007 shot down
<b>Oct</b> US invasion of Grenada	3	
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<b>Feb</b> Chernenko becomes leader of the USSR	9	
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<b>March</b> Gorbachev becomes leader of the USSR	9	
	8	<b>Nov</b> Geneva Summit
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<b>Feb</b> Glasnost and Perestroika introduced in USSR	9	<b>April</b> Chernobyl nuclear disaster
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<b>Oct</b> Reykjavik Summit	6	
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<b>Dec</b> Washington Summit INF treaty signed	7	
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<b>May-June</b> Moscow Summit	9	<b>May-June</b> Agreement that Cuban forces will leave Angola
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<b>Jan</b> Bush presidency begins	1	<b>Feb</b> Soviet withdrawal from Afghanistan
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<b>April</b> Ban lifted on Solidarity in Poland	1	<b>May</b> Hungary opens border with Austria
	9	<b>June</b> Free elections agreed in Hungary
<b>June</b> Free elections in Poland; Solidarity win	1	
	8	<b>Sept</b> Hungary opens border with Austria, many East Germans leave
<b>July</b> Solidarity invited to form a coalition government in Poland	8	
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<b>Oct</b> Honecker (GDR leader) resigns	9	<b>Nov</b> Fall of Berlin Wall
<b>Nov</b> Velvet revolution in Czechoslovakia		<b>Dec</b> Romanian Revolution

<u>March</u> Democratic elections in East Germany	1990	
		<u>Oct</u> German reunification
UN Involvement in Cambodia begins		
	1991	<u>June</u> Slovenia and Croatia declare independence from Yugoslavia
<u>June</u> War between Croatia & Serbia	1991	<u>July</u> START treaty ratified
<u>Aug</u> Political coup against Gorbachev in USSR		
		<u>Dec</u> Dissolution of USSR
	1992	
<u>March</u> Bosnia declares independence from Yugoslavia; Serbia invades	1992	<u>March</u> Peace agreements in El Salvador
Elections in Cambodia	1993	Creation of Kingdom of Cambodia
Elections in El Salvador supervised by UN	1994	
<u>July</u> Srebrenica Massacre	1995	<u>Aug</u> NATO bombing campaign against Serb forces in Bosnia
<u>Dec</u> Dayton Accords - End of war in Yugoslavia		