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THE COLD WAR ERA (1945 - 1991) – LESSON 1

Objective: To examine the causes of the Cold War.

Do Now: Use the map provided to match the country with the capital city.

Warsaw, _____

Budapest, _____

Berlin, _____

Belgrade, _____

Prague, _____

Bucharest, _____

Vienna, _____

Sofia, _____



The Cold War: Roots of the Conflict



*Peep under the Iron curtain
March 6, 1946*

Soviet Expansion:

- The _____ occupied most of Eastern Europe by the end of World War II.
- In 1946, Winston Churchill correctly warned that the Soviets were creating an “_____” in Eastern Europe.
- By 1948, every Eastern European country was under _____ control.

American Response:

- **Truman Doctrine** – statement of President Truman that promised _____ and _____ support to nations threatened by communism.
- In 1947, the U.S. gave \$_____ million to _____ and _____ in order to help them put down communist revolts.

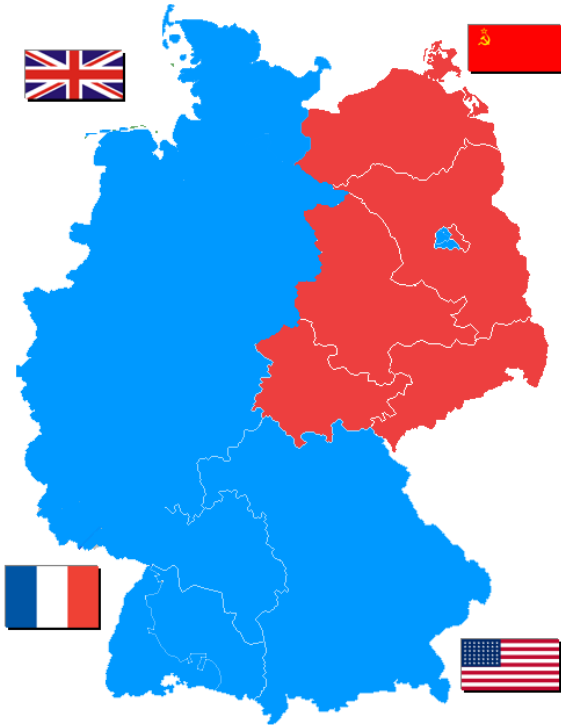
Aid for Europe:

- Secretary of State George _____ toured Western Europe and witnessed widespread homelessness and famine.
- Marshall, fearing that _____ revolts could occur in such an atmosphere, proposed that the U.S. help to rebuild the European economy in what became known as the _____.
- * The U.S. gave over \$_____ billion in aid to European countries between 1948 and 1952, helping to improve their economies and lessen the chance of _____ revolutions.



Children in a London suburb, waiting outside the wreckage of what was their home. September 1940.

Focus on Berlin



· After World War II, Germany was divided into _____, occupied by French, British, American, and Soviet troops.

Soviet blockade:

· In June of 1948, the French, British and American zones were joined into the nation of _____ after the Soviets refused to end their occupation of Germany.

· In response, the Soviets cut off West Berlin from the rest of the world with a _____.

A huge airlift:

· President Truman decided to avoid the blockade by _____ in _____ and other supplies to the needy people of West Berlin.

· At times, over 5,000 tons of supplies arrived _____.

Germany remains divided:

· In May of 1949, Joseph _____ of the Soviet Union ended the blockade.

· The Soviet zone of Germany, including East Berlin, became known as the nation of _____ Germany.