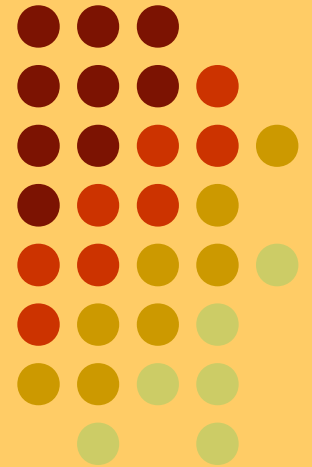


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The Cold War

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- **Background**
 - **Peace was not stable.**
 - **USA and USSR were different.**
 - **No fighting but alliances and diplomatic conflict.**
 - **The USA was afraid of the spread of Communism.**
 - **The USSR blockaded Berlin.**
 - **In 1949 the two Germanies appeared and NATO was formed.**
 - **1955 Warsaw Pact.**

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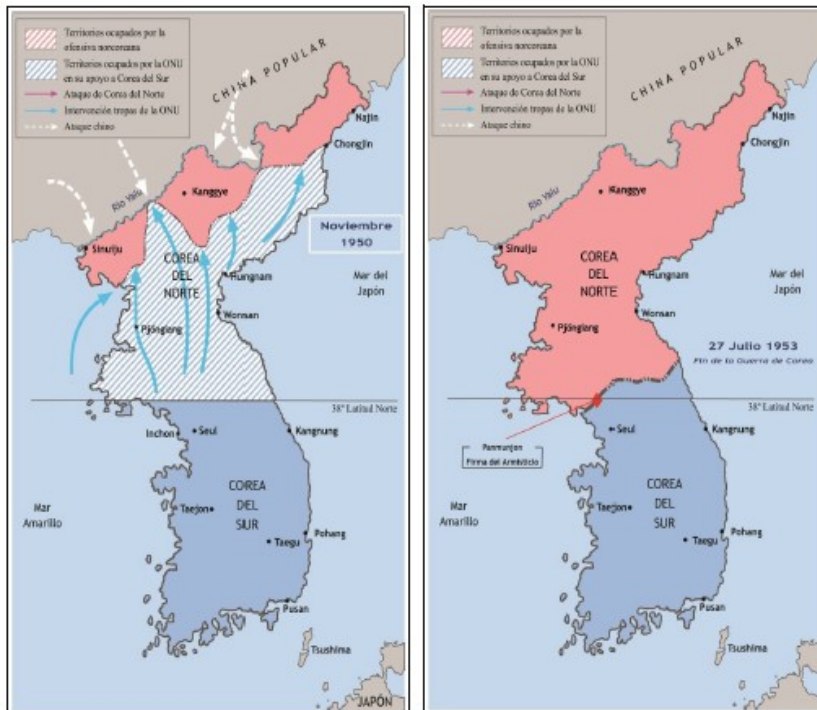


- **Eastern Europe**
 - **The USSR controlled Eastern Europe.**
 - **In 1961 Berlin was divided by a wall.**
- **The Cold war in Asia.**
 - **In 1949 Mao transformed China into a Communist State.**
 - **Cold War was extended to Asia because the USA felt the Communist threat.**

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- **War in Korea (1950)**



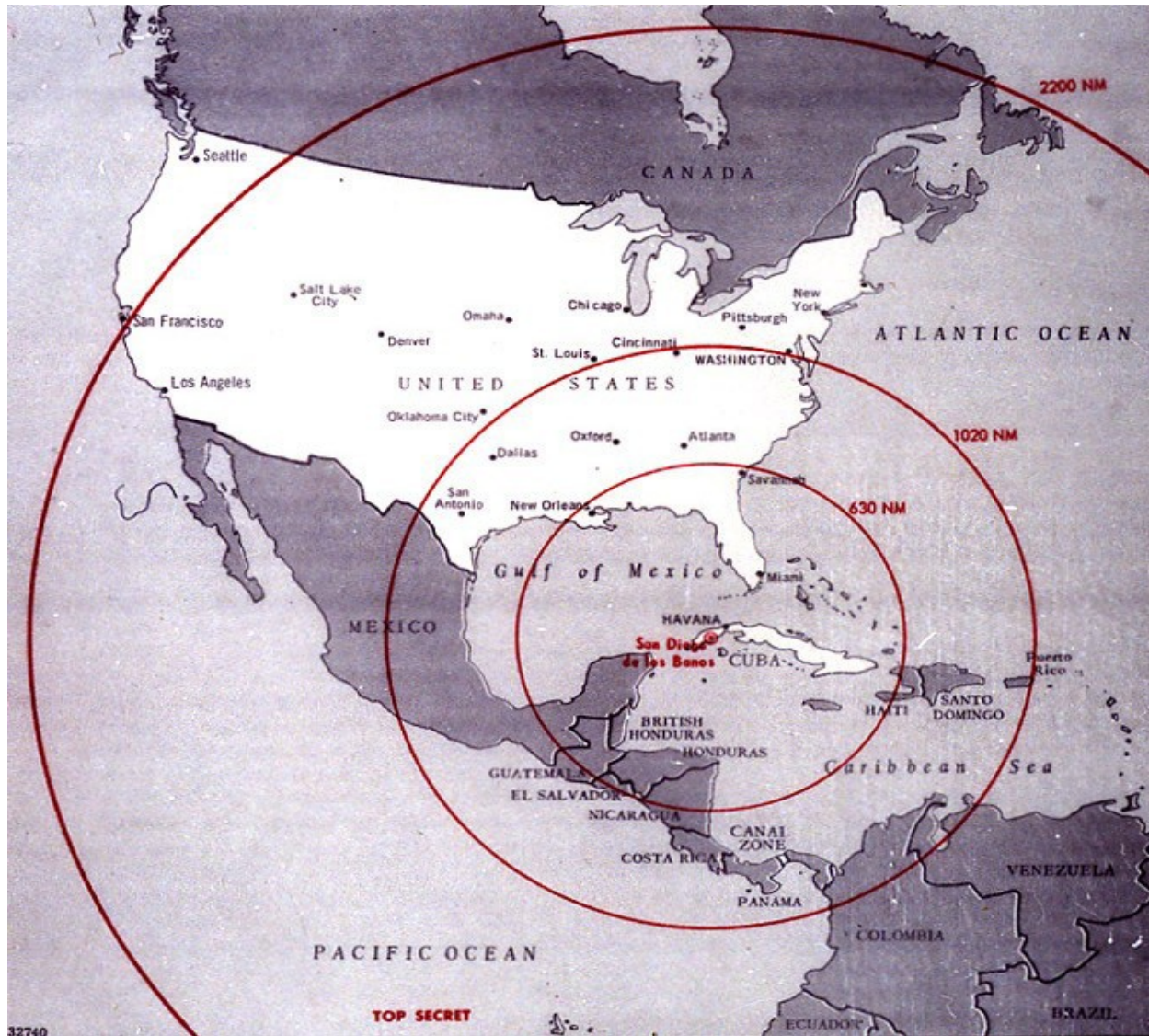
- **Former colony of Japan which was divided in North (pro communist) and South (pro USA) after WWII.**
- **Communist North Korea got the support of China to reunite the country and went to war.**
- **The USA, UN and Western countries support South Korea.**
- **In 1953 both sides agreed a cease-fire.**

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- **The Cuban crisis**
 - **Since 1949 Batista, a military dictator ruled Cuba.**
 - **In 1956 Fidel Castro made a frustrated attempt to overthrow government.**
 - **In 1959 Castro began a **guerrilla war** and overthrow the government.**
 - **In 1961 Kennedy failed to invade Cuba landing in the Bay of Pigs.**
 - **Castro got Soviet military assistance with missiles.**
 - **A naval blockade of Cuba was ordered by Kennedy.**
 - **Hot phone line between USA and USSR.**

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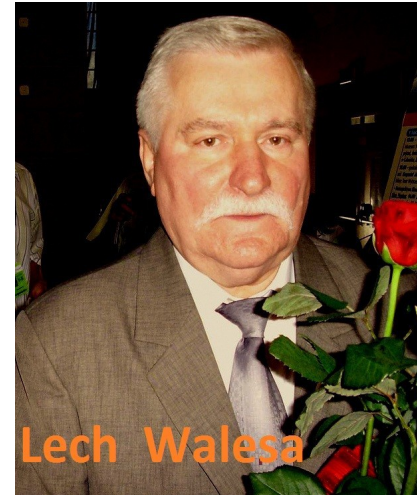
- **The Vietnam War**
 - **In 1954 France withdrew from Indochina thanks to Geneva Agreement.**
 - **Vietnam was partitioned into Communist North and democratic South.**



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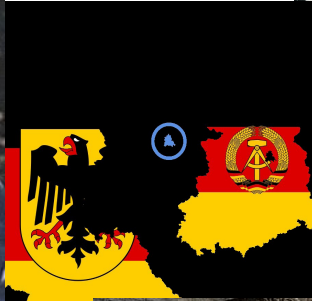
- Eastern Europe and the USSR during and after the 1960s.
 - Czechoslovakia rebelled against communism (1968).
 - In 1980 Poland had Walesa as leader of a trade union called Solidarity demanding rights.
 - In 1988 soviet leader Gorbachev set the Eastern European countries free. His new policies were **Glasnost** and **Perestroika**.
 - In 1989 the cold war ended.
 - In 1991 the USSR dissolved.



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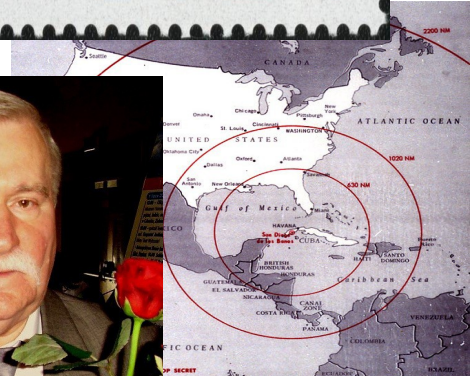
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