

II. U.S. Response to Soviet Actions

- A. **Containment** (stop spread) - George Kennan's Long Letter
- B. Churchill's **Iron Curtain Speech** in Fulton MO, 3/1946
- C. World Divided into East and West

III. U.S. Policy - Cold War

A. **Truman Doctrine** - (3/14/47)

1. Communism as a threat
2. Military and financial aid to nations "threatened by Communism"
3. US policy until the 1980's

B. **Marshall Plan** (6/47 to 6/52)

1. European Recovery Program
2. Aid to help rebuild post war
3. 17 billion dollars over 5 years
4. Rejected by the SU and Eastern Bloc

C. **Military Alliances**

1. Rio Pact - (1947) 20 countries in the Americas
2. **NATO** (1949) - Western Europe and United States
3. **Warsaw Pact** (1955) - USSR and Eastern Bloc

D. **Arms Race**

1. 1949 - Soviets explode atomic device
2. Two "Superpowers"
3. One up-man-ship; Mutual fear and distrust

E. **"Cold War"** - next 40 years

1. Never directly fought against each other
2. Wars by Proxy (Greece, Korean, Vietnam, Angola, etc.)