

Canada and the Cold War

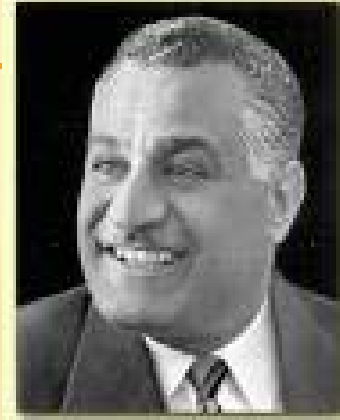
THE SUEZ AND CUBAN MISSILE CRISES

SUEZ CANAL

- ✖ Built by Egyptians and French – 1860s
- ✖ Egyptians sold 44% to Britain in 1875
- ✖ Why is Suez Canal strategically important?



- ✗ Coup overthrows Egyptian King – 1952
- ✗ Gamal Abdul Nassar becomes President of Egypt
- ✗ Angry with British support of Israel
 - + Tried to weaken British influence
- ✗ Makes arms deals with Warsaw Pact
- ✗ Planned to build Aswan High Dam
- ✗ Looking for US funds
- ✗ Recognize Peoples Republic of China as real gov't of China
- ✗ US pulls funding
- ✗ Soviets step in to fund project

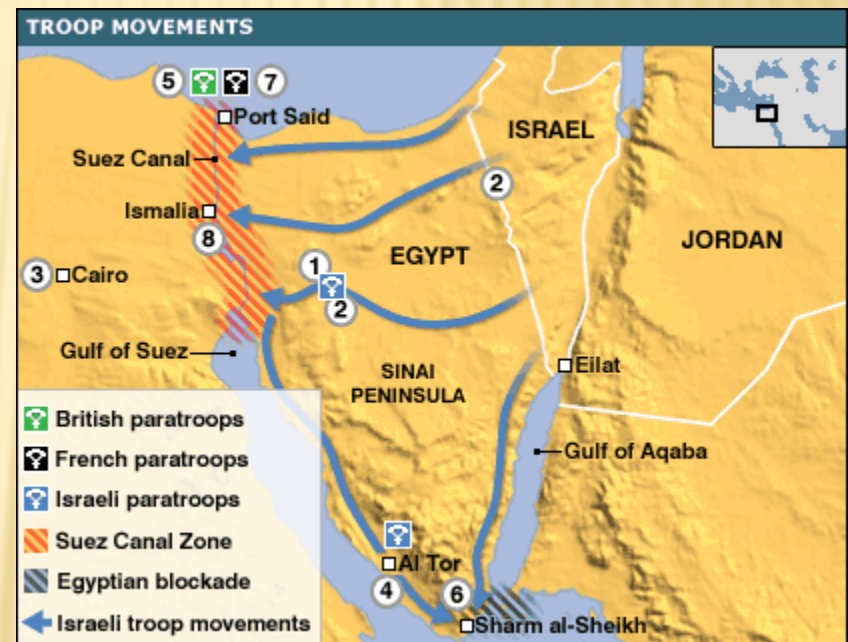


✖ July 1956 – Suez Canal Nationalized

- + Egyptian gov't ceases control of the Canal

✖ Oct – 1956 – FR, UK and Israel agree to a rouse

- + Israel would attack Egypt
- + Britain and France would intervene to stop the fighting
- + Argue that UK and FR should take secure control of the canal



- ✘ Nobody told the US

- ✘ US upset with UK, FR and Israel
- ✘ Warn Soviets to stay out or they would retaliate

- ✘ Lester B. Pearson comes up with idea for UNEF

- ✘ United Nations Emergency Force
- ✘ Soldiers to come from countries with no 'interests' in the region
- ✘ First real "Peacekeeping"



CUBAN MISSILE CRISIS

- ✖ Confrontation between US, Soviets and Cuba



- ✖ 1959 – Cuban Revolution
 - + US backed gov't overthrown
 - + Fidel Castro becomes PM
- ✖ 1961 – failed Bay of Pigs invasion by CIA
- ✖ 1962 – Cuba thinks US may invade again
 - + Agreement with Soviets to place nuclear missiles in Cuba



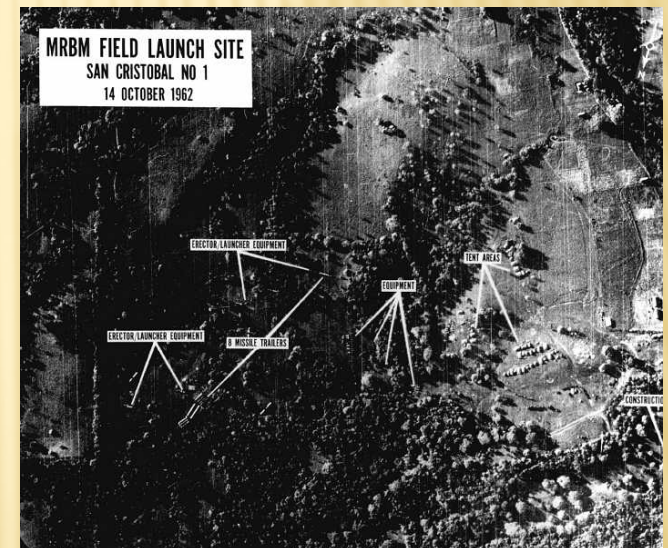


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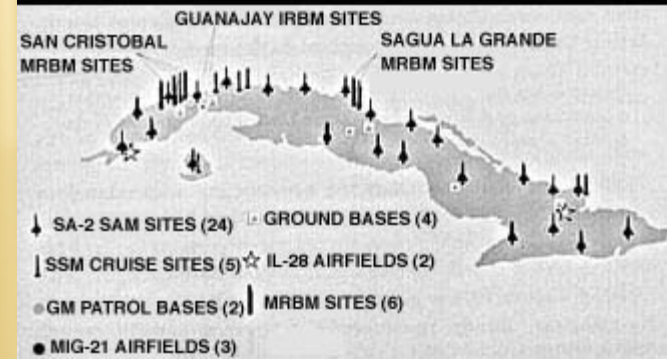
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- ✗ Oct 1962 - Sites discovered by U2 spy plane
- ✗ US has 5 choices
 - + Do nothing.
 - + Use diplomatic pressure to get the Soviet Union to remove the missiles.
 - + An air attack on the missiles.
 - + A full military invasion.
 - + A naval and air “quarantine” of Cuba



Soviet Missile Installations In Cuba



✖ 28 Oct 1962 – Crisis Ends

- + Soviets dismantle missiles and return them to USSR
- + US agrees to not invade Cuba
- + US removes missiles from Turkey and southern Italy.
- + Red phone – direct line between US and USSR

