

Cuban Missile Crisis

Background

Cuba was close to the USA and many USA companies were there. USA had a naval base there. There was a Revolution in 1959 and Batista who the Americans liked was overthrown by Fidel Castro. Now there was a new communist government with Fidel Castro in control

Reaction of USA

The USA were not happy and were very anti-Castro. They stopped all trading and tried to invade at Bay of Pigs but the invasion was a failure

The crisis

USA sent spy planes over Cuba (U2) It saw a missile launch site being built by USSR and pictures were taken. USSR ships coming with parts to Cuba. This caused mass panic in USA.

USA response

President Kennedy in charge. He set up a naval blockade to try and stop USSR ships. A very tense situation developed and nuclear war possible

Solution

A Deal made between USA and USSR It was decided to have no USSR bases in Cuba and no USA bases in Turkey. The USA was not to invade Cuba. A Special hotline set up between USA and USSR. The Crisis ended

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