

United States History and Government
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10 Stages of the Cuban Missile Crisis

1. Castro Revolution, 1959; Castro overthrows Batista because Batista did not take socialism far enough
2. Bay Of Pigs, 1961; U.S. makes its intentions known to Castro that the U.S. does not want a communist country in the Western Hemisphere
3. October 15/16, 1962 U2 photos are shown to president. Photos reveal Soviet missiles in Cuba
4. Soviet ambassador denies to President Kennedy that there are Soviet strategic weapons in Cuba
5. OAS: Organization of American states agree to a quarantine of Cuba
6. UN Security Council: U.S. Ambassador to the UN, Adlai Stevenson, pressures Soviet UN ambassador to confirm or deny existence of missiles in Cuba; Soviet ambassador remains ambiguous and Stevenson reveals to the UN and the world photos that show existence of Soviet missiles
7. Updating maps of Cuba (U2 shot down);
8. Conflicting letters from Khrushchev
9. Removal offer: U.S. agrees not to invade Cuba, or support invasion of Cuba; Soviets agree to remove missiles from Cuba; unofficially, the U.S. agrees to remove missiles in Turkey
10. Outcome: hotline between Washington D.C. and Moscow, Russia; establishment of green berets to thwart spread of communism in Latin America