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ABSTRACT

This subunit on the foreign policy of the USSR is part of one of four resource units in an eleventh grade area studies course. This subunit begins with a list of objectives, the generalizations, skills, and attitudes to be learned in this section. The materials treat the relations of the USSR with other countries and introduce the USSR's split with the Chinese Communists. Pupils should try to analyze alternative courses of action for United States foreign policy in terms of what they have learned about the Soviet Union. A double-page format relates objectives and pertinent content, teaching procedures, and instructional materials. A teacher's guide is SO 006 320. A teacher's supplement for the USSR unit is SO 006 324; other subunits on the USSR are SO 006 325, SO 006 326, and SO 006 327. (Author/KSM)

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OBJECTIVES FOR SUB-UNIT ON FOREIGN POLICY OF THE SOVIET UNION

This sub-unit is designed to make progress toward achieving the following:

GENERALIZATIONS

- *1. The world is a community of interdependent countries.
- *2. The international system may be looked at as a series of power relationships.
 - *a. Military capacity is an important factor in the development of national power, but not the only or even the dominant one.
 - *1) Differences in population, resources, and economy may be reflected in differences in national power; that is to say, they are important bases or components of national power.
 - *2) Military capacity as a means of national power depends on the willingness to use it.
 - 3) Force as a means of national power depends not only on the effective preponderance of force, but on the possibility that its use may alienate the support of other nations.
 - b. National power may be brought on other nations through many and mechanisms: force, diplomatic channels, international law, international organizations; the choice among them on the nature of the goal, its effectiveness, the means, etc.
 - 1) The instruments of national power are not mutually exclusive; the diplomatic channels may have the possibility of economic sanctions or force.
 - *c. Nations may pool their power for common goals in varying systems and combinations.
 - *1) Conflict may bring together unrelated persons and groups and temporary associations result from conflict where pragmatic interests of the participants are at stake.
- 3. Foreign policy considerations are influenced by ideology, considerations of national self-interest, perceptions of power, etc.

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- *1. Ideologies are important for the structure they give to the political system, the answers they give to ambiguous situations, and the cues for responses they suggest.
 - *a. Ideologies affect people's perceptions of the facts.
- *5. Executive decisions are limited by many factors: permissibility, available resources, available time, available information, and previous commitments.
- *6. Any decision is in part the product of the internalized values, the perceptions, and the experiences of the persons making the decision.
- *7. The decision-maker reacts to pressures from other decision-makers as well as from the outside.
- *8. The institutions of government constitute the arenas or the structure within which the authoritative decisions of the political process are made.
- *9. Compromise is easier where there is not an ideological perception of the issues, that is, where the issues are not moralized and not seen as related to other issues.

*10. The leader of an organization must to maintain cohesion by focusing attention of the group on external threats.

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2. Gathers information.
 - *a. Interprets cartoons.
3. Evaluates information.
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4. Has a sense of time.

- * a. Looks for relationships among events within one country and within a world-wide time framework.

5. Organizes, and analyzes information and draws conclusions.

- a. Studies data to see if he needs to gather more data before coming to conclusions.
- * b. Generalizes from data.
- c. Having examined the causes of a problem, scrutinizes possible consequences of alternative courses of action, evaluates them in the light of basic values, lists arguments for and against each proposal, and selects tentative courses of action which seem most likely to prove helpful in achieving desired goals.

ATTITUDES

- *1. Is curious about social data.
- *2. Is committed to the free examination of social attitudes and data. Searches actively for different points of view and interpretations. Values independent thought.
- *3. Supports freedom of thought and expression.

- 4. Is sceptical of the finality of generalizations and considers generalizations as tentative, always subject to change in the light of new evidence.

- *5. Values objectivity and desires to avoid values from affecting his judgment of evidence.

- 6. Values knowledge for the sake of knowledge as a means of helping man and the world in which he lives.

- *7. Believes that the social sciences contribute to man's welfare by providing information and explanatory generalizations which help them achieve their goals.

- *8. Evaluates sources of information.

- *9. Is sceptical of single-factor causation and is equally sceptical of single-factor effects.

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SUB UNIT ON FOREIGN POLICY

OBJECTIVES

- G. The world is a community of inter-dependent countries;
- A. IS CURIOUS ABOUT SOCIAL DATA.

OUTLINE OF CONTENT

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TEACHING PROCEDURES

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1. Prepare a bulletin board display on current issues between the U.S. and the U.S.S.R. Refer to it as the class begins this sub-unit. Point out that pupils should try to find out as much as possible about these issues and try to come to tentative conclusions about courses of action at the end of the unit.
2. If newspapers have just carried any account of a dispute between the U.S. and the U.S.S.R., use it to review with pupils the importance of relations between the U.S. and the U.S.S.R.
3. Read aloud quotations from people who differ about the possibilities of peaceful coexistence between the U.S. and the U.S.S.R. for the future. Discuss: At the present time; before you have done any further studying, do you think peaceful coexistence is possible? Why or why not? Do you think it is desirable? Why or why not?
4. Give pupils an overview of how the class will approach the study of foreign relations of the U.S.S.R. Let pupils select activities from a possible list or suggest others on which they wish to work. Particularly, let them help plan which issues they wish to study in more detail.
5. Have pupils read a brief account of Soviet foreign policy before and after World War II in order to obtain an overview of much of this sub-unit. Ask them to try to look for the motives of Soviet leaders for each policy deci-

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chs. 9-10; Whiting, Union Today, ch. 12 of Scholastic Book Sov. Union, ch. 9; The U.S. and the Sc lence, ch. 2; world texts.

6. Have pupils read some of the points on which all communist parties agreed when Lenin set up the Comintern. Discuss: How do these tactics to be employed differ from the usual tactics employed by countries in their foreign relations? Which country do you think dominated the Comintern policies? Why?

"Selected Readings Society."

7. Have a pupil report on the way in which the Soviet Union dominated the Comintern and used communist parties elsewhere to serve the interests of the U.S.S.R.

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Discuss: Were these policies always in the interests of the communist parties in other countries? In the interests of what the communist parties in other countries thought of as the interests of their countries? How could the Soviets relate these policies which favored the U.S.S.R. national interests to the long-range goals of all communists?

8. Have a pupil prepare a timeline showing some of the shifts in U.S.S.R. foreign policy. He should place it under the timeline for political events in Western Europe and under the timeline for U.S.S.R. He should add another sketchy timeline on international events in Asia during this period.

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Have pupils examine timeline. Then discuss: How did events in Europe and Asia affect Soviet foreign relations? How could Soviet leaders justify policy switches, given this ideology?

9. Now discuss what pupils have read about the Nazi-Soviet Pact. Ask: Why do you think Stalin made this pact? Perhaps read aloud quotes from Soviet leaders just before and just after the pact to show the shift in policy. "Teacher's Supplement Unit on the U.S.S.R."
10. Now remind the class of the Nazi attack on the U.S.S.R. (Use timeline.) Read aloud quotes from Soviet leaders which showed changing attitude toward war and U.S. Discuss: Why did the U.S. aid the Soviet Union which was a communist country? "Teacher's Supplement Unit on the U.S.S.R."
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12. Have a pupil examine and report upon Life or Time magazine's treatment of the Soviet Union in 1942 or 1943 compared to its treatment of the U.S.S.R. today. He should also analyze the ways the magazine shows bias.

13. Project a map showing Soviet expansion into Eastern Europe during and after World War II. Discuss: Why do you think the Soviet Union wished these countries? How do Soviet expansionist policies in Eastern Europe compare with those of Tsarist Russia?

Whiting, Sov. Union
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14. Have two good students read and present a panel report on the communist take-over in Czechoslovakia. They should begin by reading a brief summary such as that in Isenberg and should then read the case study in Gyorgy and Gibbs and try to answer the questions raised in the Introduction to the case study.

Isenberg, Eastern E
pp. 61-65;
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Use Reader's Guide.

When presenting the panel to class, one of the students should summarize or give pupils a written summary ahead of time about the events which took place. The two pupils should then discuss the case in terms of the questions raised in the Introduction to the Gyorgy and Gibbs case study.

15. Read aloud excerpts from Snow's description of how the U.S. immediate post World War II policy looked to the average citizen of the U.S.S.R., given his perceptions of the U.S., his Marxian ideology, and the censorship of news in the U.S.S.R. The pupil should report on Snow as a source of information.

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Whiting, Sov. Union Today, pp. 303-308; Setson-Watson, From Lenin to Khrushchev, ch. 10. For map, see p. 46 of Platig, The U.S. and the Soviet Challenge, or Boyd, An Atlas of World Affairs or Isenberg, Eastern Europe, p. 24.

Isenberg, Eastern Europe, pp. 61-65; Gyorgy & Gibbs, Problems in Int'l. Relations, pp. 18-34, Use Reader's Guide.

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Discuss: Does Snow's description make sense in terms of how Soviet citizens would perceive U.S. actions? Tell pupils that authors who wrote such material presenting the Soviet point of view frequently came under attack in the U.S. Discuss: Do you think it wise to let people present such ideas to the American public?

16. Remind pupils of their earlier reading. What did the Soviets substitute for the Comintern after World War II? Now have a pupil report on the tactics of the Cominform. How did these tactics compare with those of the Comintern? How would such tactics affect U.S. attitudes toward the U.S.S.R.?

Mehlinger, ed., Comm. Theory and Practice, 172, 202-205.
McNeal, Int'l. Rel. Among Communists, pp. 54-58.

17. Have pupils use their notes on reading (activity 5) to list on the board some of the crises in the Cold War prior to the Korean War. For each crisis, discuss: What were the points at issue? What factors affected Soviet policy? American policy? What mechanisms did the Soviets and the U.S. use to bring their power to bear to settle the issue? What had happened to the relative status of Soviet power in international affairs?

18. Have several good students present a panel discussion of the Korean Conflict: Causes & Attempts to end Aggression. They should use the case study in Gyorgy and Gibbs as

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McNeal, Int'l. Rel. Among Com-
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Gyorgy & Gibbs, Problems in
Int'l. Rel., pp. 325-340;
Snyder et.al., Foreign Policy

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G. Conflict may bring together otherwise unrelated persons and groups. Coalitions and temporary associations will result from conflict where primarily pragmatic interests of the participants are at stake.

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Decision Making,
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Or have all members of the class read about Korean conflict in various history texts. Several good students might use the Gyorgy and Gibbs and the Snyder reference.

19. Have pupils read about Tito's break with the Soviet Union and present-day Titoism and its influence, then discuss: What differences did Tito have with the Soviet Union which led to the break? How did Soviet policies toward Tito shift? Why? Why was Tito able to win more independence from the Soviet Union than the other Eastern European countries? What effects did Tito's actions have on other Eastern European countries? What policy has the U.S. followed in its relations with Tito since the first break? How can you explain such a policy given the fact that Tito is a communist?

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McLellan, Int'l. Re
Communists, pp. 6
102-104; Schwartz
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352, 360-361.

20. Have several pupils present a panel report on the 1953 uprising in East Germany. They should use the case study in Gyorgy and Gibbs as well as other references. When presenting the case to the class, they should give pupils a brief summary of events and then analyze the case in terms of the questions raised in the introduction to the Gyorgy and Gibbs case study.

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Gyorgy & Gibbs, Prob's. in Int'l. Rel., pp. 47-65; Mehlinger, ed., Comm. in Theory and Practice, pp. 190-195.

G. Foreign policy considerations are affected by ideology, considerations of national self-interest, perceptions of power relationships between countries, expectations about how other nations will act, and domestic problems at home.

S. Checks on the bias and competency of authors.

21. Have a pupil pretend that he is an American diplomat to Poland at the time of the 1956 uprising. He should prepare a written report to the Secretary of State summarizing his conclusions about the causes and results.

Or have several pupils role-play an interview between an American newspaper reporter and a U.S. diplomat to Poland at the time of the revolt. They should discuss causes, events, and results.

22. Have several pupils present a panel discussion on the Hungarian Revolt of 1956. They should use the case study in Gyorgy and Gibbs as well as other sources. In presenting the panel, they should summarize the events leading up to the revolt and what the Soviets did. Then they should analyze the case in terms of the questions raised in the introduction to the Gyorgy and Gibbs case study. They should also evaluate sources in terms of bias and competence.

Or several pupils might role-play a discussion between Michener who went to Europe to investigate the plight of the Hungarian refugees and Fischer who has analyzed the revolt, or some other news correspondent or a reporter back home. They should analyze causes, discuss events, and speculate about results and U.S. policies.

Isenberg, Eastern Europe, pp. 44-47.
Fischer, Return to Russia, chs. 14-17.

Gyorgy & Gibbs, pp. 69-84; L. Fischer, Return to Russia, chs. 18-22; My Bridge at Andau; use Guide;
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Isenberg, Eastern Europe, pp.
67-71, 79; Schwartz, Many
Faces of Communism, pp. 41-46.

G. Foreign policy considerations are affected by ideology, considerations of national self-interest, perceptions of power relationships between countries, expectations about how other nations will act, and domestic problems at home.

8. The Cold War has continued since Stalin's death, although Soviet leaders have vacillated between a policy of peaceful coexistence and a heating up of the cold war in specific crisis situations.

G. Executive decisions are limited by many factors: Permissibility, available resources, available time, available information, and previous commitments.

G. Force as a means of national power depends not only on the effective preponderance of force, but the possibility that its use may alienate the support of other nations.

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23. A pupil might prepare a brief dittoed summary of what has happened in Poland and Hungary since the revolts of 1956 and our policies toward the two countries. Have pupils read the summary and then discuss: Did the revolution of 1956 have any long-term effects upon Soviet relations with these countries? Why do you think we are following our present policies toward these countries?

Isenberg, Eastern Europe
pp. 80-81; Swearer and
Acker, Contemp. Comm.
366-369.

24. Have a pupil prepare a bulletin board display on the Berlin Wall Controversy and the effects of the wall. He should tell the class about the controversy. Discuss: Why do you think the wall was built? Why do you think the U.S. did not try to tear it down?

Isenberg, Eastern Europe
pp. 83-86; Heaps, Wall
Shame.
Use Reader's Guide to
appropriate articles.

25. If pupils have not studied the earlier case study on Cuba in the eighth grade course of the P.S.S. curriculum, have a group of students present a panel discussion on the Cuban Quarantine Crisis: Showdown between the U.S. and the U.S.S.R. They should discuss the factors leading up to the crisis and factors influencing foreign policy decision-making in both the U.S. and the Soviet Union. (e.g. How did domestic affairs affect Khrushchev's policies? Kennedy's policies?)

Perhaps use Form A of
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You might also have some of the students engage in appropriate activities modified from the eighth grade course as they study the Cuban crisis.

See the Center's 8th
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26. A student might prepare an editorial which might have appeared in the Soviet Union during one of the Cold War crises. He should try to show how ideology and other factors are involved in Soviet reactions.

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G. National power may be brought to bear on other nations through many channels and mechanisms; diplomacy, international law, international organizations; the choice among them depends on the nature of the goal, its importance, the effectiveness of the means, its acceptability, etc.

10. During the 1950's and 1960's the international movement has been full of conflicts from within the movement. A major rift has been between the U.S. and China.

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27. Have a pupil prepare a chart to illustrate changes in Soviet foreign policy since 1917.

28. Have a symposium in which pupils present brief reports on kinds of activities which Soviet Union has carried on to spread communism in countries outside of Soviet zone (e.g. France and Italy, S.E. Asia, Japan, India, Africa, Latin America).

Seton - Watson, From to Khrushchev, chs. Swearer and Longaker Temp. Comm. pp. 246-343-59, 370-74; Schw. Many Faces of Communism pp. 54-65.

29. Have pupils read about ways in which the Soviet Union has used trade policies and foreign aid to win support of governments in some of the underdeveloped countries. Discuss: How do U.S.S.R. and U.S. attempts at using trade and aid differ? How are they similar? Does the U.S. or the Soviet Union seem to be making the greatest headway?

Swearingen, World of Communism, pp. 178-182; Making Foreign Policy in the Nuclear Age, #2, pp. (U.S. aid); Platig, The Soviet Challenge pp. 43; Schwartz, Red Ph pp. 249-251, 260-262 Decisions 1964, pp.

30. Read aloud a quotation from Khrushchev to the effect that there could be no disagreement with the Communist Party of China. Discuss: Why did he make such a statement when rumors were abroad about a possible rift? What concession does he make to communist parties in other countries?

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31. Have pupils list a series of disputes which have arisen within the communist world. (They should base this list on a study of newspapers and magazines for several weeks

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Now have pupils read further on the development of the rift and greater independence in Communist countries in fairly general terms. (Put off further study of the Soviet-Chinese rift until after pupils have studied China in more detail.)

Discuss: Why has the Soviet Union permitted greater independence in the satellites? What has led communist parties in Western Europe to become more independent? What effect do you think this breakup in a united front among communist countries might have upon Soviet foreign relations? Have pupils set up hypotheses which they can test as they study China and India later in the year and as they continue to follow current news about other trouble spots in the world.

Remind pupils that when they began the unit on the U.S.S.R., they discussed briefly the U.S.S.R.-Chinese dispute and how it might affect the U.S. They also discussed the question, "If you were president, how would you deal with the Soviet Union in the light of this conflict?" (See activity 19.) Now ask: Have you changed your minds at all? Why or why not? Do you think you have enough information as yet to come to any conclusions? If not, what other kinds of information might you like? (e.g. What information would you need to know about China before trying to make up your minds? What other information do you need to know about the dispute itself?) Point out that pupils will study such questions in more detail in the next unit.

32. Discuss: In terms of what you have now studied about Soviet foreign policy, what role does ideology seem to play in policy decisions? What other factors seem to be im-

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Now have pupils check their generalizations against those by authorities on Soviet foreign policy. Have pupils read different analyses of the role of ideology and other factors in shaping Soviet foreign policy. Discuss: How important is ideology in shaping foreign policy? Pupils should draw upon what they have just read as well as upon specific policy positions they have studied earlier.

pp. 386-95; Swearer
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pp. 202-215, 238-24
Sov. Union Today, p
Moore, Sov. Politic
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33. Have a student give a report on the account of U.S. history as it appeared in the recent encyclopedia in the U.S.S.R. He should pay particular attention to the Soviet account of events from the depression of the thirties until today. Afterwards, discuss: How did the author's ideology affect his perceptions of American actions?

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34. Project Soviet cartoons on the U.S. Discuss: What do these cartoons illustrate about the ideas which the Soviet government is trying to develop about the U.S.? What devices are used to put across these ideas?

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G. Any decision is in part a product of the internalized values, the perceptions, and the experiences of the persons making the decisions.

G. Executive decisions are limited by many factors, including available time and permissibility.

G. Compromise is made easier where there is not an ideological perception of issues.

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35. Read aloud brief quotations from Barghorn's analysis of Soviet images of the U.S. Discuss: To what extent do you think Soviet leaders hold these images? How would such images affect their policies? If they do not hold these images, but if other citizens do, will the images affect Soviet policies toward the U.S.?

Barghorn, Sov. Image of U.S. or see excerpt ed., Transformation Society, pp. 574-58

36. Have pupils read excerpts from Khrushchev's 1959 speech in which he discussed the world situation, and said that capitalist encirclement was no longer a problem; that he said Khrushchev might gain the fact that the U.S.S.R. had not yet reached a stage of communism since it no longer had to fear capitalist encirclement? Tell pupils to look during the rest of the unit for indications of whether or not the Soviet leaders really believe that they no longer have anything to fear from capitalist countries.

"Selected Readings of Transformation Society."

Also discuss: How would ideology affect foreign policy decisions and statements of Soviet leaders even if they themselves no longer really believed in some of the Marxian doctrines? (Use the student who has read Brzezinski as a resource person on this question.)

37. Have pupils read excerpts from the 1961 Communist Party Program in the U.S.S.R. as it deals with the crisis in World Capitalism, the international movement, and possibilities of peaceful coexistence.

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- G. Foreign policy considerations are affected by ideology, considerations of national self-interest, perceptions of power relationships between countries, expectations about how other nations will act, and domestic problems at home.
 - G. The international system may be looked at as a series of power relationships.
 - G. Military capacity is an important factor in the development of national power, but not the only one or even the dominant one.
 - G. Military capacity as a means of national power depends on the willingness to use it.
 - G. Differences in population, resources, and economy may be reflected in differences in national power; that is to say, they are important bases or components of national power.
 - G. The leader of an organization may attempt to maintain cohesion by focusing the attention of the group on external threats.
- 3. Like leaders of all nations, those of the Soviet Union act in what they believe to be the interests of their country. They attempt to show that these interests are not in conflict but rather subordinated to long-range goals of communism.
 - 4. Like leaders of all nations, those of the Soviet Union take into consideration their perceptions of national power and the interests in which other countries will act.
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Discuss: How did the Communist Party leadership which wrote this program explain its current foreign policies in terms of Marxian ideology?

38. Point out that the class has now done more reading since it tried to identify factors other than ideology which affect foreign policy decisions in the U.S.S.R. Ask: In the light of what you have now read, how important would you say these other factors are? In what situations do they seem to have played particularly important roles?

- G. Dictators may be aggressive in order to build or not lose support at home.
- G. The decision-maker reacts to pressures from other decision-makers as well as from the outside.
- G. The institutions of government constitute the arenas or the structure within which the authoritative decisions of the political process are made.
- A. IS SCEPTICAL OF SINGLE-FACTOR THEORIES OF CAUSATION.
- G. Nations may pool their power behind common goals in varying systems of alliances and combinations.
- G. Nations have at their command various instruments of national power and choice among them depends on the nature of the goal, its importance, the effectiveness of the means, its acceptability, etc.
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- S. Interprets cartoons.
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39. Have a pupil report on the Headline Series booklet analysis of the process by which Soviet foreign policy is made and carried out as compared to the process by which American foreign policy is made. Making Foreign Policy in the Nuclear Age, No. 2, pp. 25.

Discuss: How does the structural framework of the political system affect this process in each country? What are the advantages and disadvantages of the Soviet process as against that in this country?

40. Have all pupils read brief descriptions of how the U.S. has tried to meet Soviet foreign policy challenges; List general approaches on board, with examples under each. (Draw upon discussion of Cold War incidents here.) Scholastic Book Series Editors, The Soviet Union Since Khrushchev, Ch. 10; Great Decisions 1964, pp. 82-91; Plating and the Sov. Challenge, pp. 11-13, 52-59; Moser, The Soviet Union Since Khrushchev, pp. 73-76; Platig, The World Affairs; U.S. History textbooks, Foreign Policy in the Nuclear Age, No. 2, pp. 37-

Discuss: How do ideological factors mix with other factors in affecting U.S. policy decisions in our relations with the U.S.S.R.?

41. Project American cartoons about the Soviet Union. What do cartoonists try to get viewers to believe about Soviet Union? How? How would such beliefs affect ideas about foreign policy?

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Making Foreign Policy in a Nuclear Age, No. 2., pp. 19-25.

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S. Checks on completeness of data.

A. EVALUATES SOURCES OF INFORMATION.

S. Generalizes from data.

G. Ideologies are important for the structure they give to the political system, the answers they give to ambiguous situations, and the cues for responses they suggest.

A. FEELS A SENSE OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR KEEPING INFORMED ABOUT CURRENT PROBLEMS.

D. At the present time, the U.S. faces a number of important policy decisions in connection with the Soviet Union. These decisions should be made intelligently without consideration of political, economic, and social systems of the U.S.S.R., its foreign policy, and its relations among communist countries.

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42. Have a pupil read and compare for the class the following accounts of U.S. and Soviet work in underdeveloped countries of Asia: Lederer, A Nation of Sheep and Lederer and Burdick, The Ugly American (a novel) on American representatives and policies; Kaznacheev, Inside A Soviet Embassy on the work of Soviets in Burma. The student should evaluate the sources of information in terms of bias and competency and completeness of data.

Lederer, A Nation of Sheep
Lederer and Burdick, The Ugly American; Kaznacheev, Inside A Soviet Embassy

43. Have a pupil tell the class about the Foreign Policy Headline Series analysis of factors in the American national character which influence American foreign policy.

Making Foreign Policy in the Nuclear Age, No.3, p. 36.

Discuss: Do you think this description is accurate of the American national character? of American history? Do you think these characteristics would really affect American foreign policy? How do these characteristics compare with those which you have read about the Soviets? What difference does it make to foreign policy?

44. Have pupils list a series of specific issues which exist today between the Soviet Union and the U.S. Perhaps the committee which was set up to follow such news at the beginning of the study of the U.S.S.R. might role-play a briefing for new members of Congress or the President. Or pupils might follow the newspapers and news magazines for a week to identify the issues.

45. Have pupils read current articles in news magazines and magazines of opinion concerning policies which we should follow in our dealings with the Soviet Union (in general and on specific policies.) Have pupils examine these articles in terms of basic assumptions of authors, con-

Current news articles: Platig, The U.S. and the Soviet Challenge, pp.

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Present a series of specific issues which exist between the Soviet Union and the U.S. Perhaps the class was set up to follow such news at the beginning of the study of the U.S.S.R. might role-play a few members of Congress or the President. Or allow the newspapers and news magazines for the class to identify the issues.

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- S. Identifies logical fallacies.
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- A. IS COMMITTED TO THE FREE EXAMINATION OF SOCIAL ATTITUDES AND DATA.

- A. IS SCEPTICAL OF PANACEAS.
- S. Considers possible consequences of alternative courses of action.

sistency, completeness, bias, and logical arguments. Have several pupils read the analysis of pros and cons of general policies in Plating.

46. Have several pupils prepare written or oral mock interviews between an American reporter and Soviet leaders and the American Secretary of State about current issues or policies related to relations between the two countries.
47. Have a pupil tape a Radio-Moscow English language broadcast and play it or sections of it to the class. He should lead the class discussion on it in terms of purposes of broadcast, indications of Marxian ideology, attitudes shown about U.S., etc.
48. Have a group of students debate some current issue related to American policy toward the Soviet Union. Or have several groups debate different policies. Instead, you might prefer to have groups present panel discussions on these issues. (e.g. Have panels or debates on issues related to our policies toward Viet Nam, Berlin, etc.)

Or have a group of pupils role-play a meeting of the President's Cabinet or the National Security Council as they meet to discuss policy on specific issues.

Or quote recent speeches by Congressional or administration leaders on Soviet foreign policy or on our policy toward the Soviet Union. Have pupils discuss these stands.

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S. Considers possible consequences of
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49. Have pupils list a number of crisis situations related to the Cold War since Stalin's death. Now have them try to work out a balance sheet indicating success and failure of Soviet foreign policies in each case.

Read aloud the Foreign Policy Headline Series description of the Soviet focus upon long-term goals and patience in the light of immediate frustration. Discuss: How do you think these successes and failures have affected Soviet foreign policy thus far? Do you think they will affect Soviet policies in the future? Why or why not? In light of the Soviet focus upon long-range goals and Marxian expectations about what will happen to capitalism, do you think there is any quick way of ending Soviet-U.S. conflicts decisively? Why or why not?

50. During the introduction to the entire unit on the U.S.S.R. pupils may have read Adlai Stevenson's remarks on the peril the U.S. faces if it does not decide to make the necessary sacrifices to meet Soviet competition. If so, have them re-read it at this time or at least review the ideas he presented. Then discuss: Have you changed your mind at all about Stevenson's statement? Why or why not?

51. Ask: Suppose the Soviet government were to become more democratic. What effect might this have upon Soviet foreign policy? Remind pupils that they have done some reading on this topic earlier. Have them spend more time now looking at various predictions of possible change or lack of change in the Soviet Union. Or have several pupils report on these predictions. Have pupils list some of the predictions on the chalkboard. Discuss: Which of these predictions do you think most likely? Why? What implications do you think each would have for the

Swearer and Longacker, temp. Comm., pp. 215-2
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Assignment to the entire unit on the U.S.S.R. Read Adlai Stevenson's remarks on the Soviet Union. Discuss: If it does not decide to make the necessary changes to meet Soviet competition. If so, when should it do this at this time or at least review the situation. Then discuss: Have you changed your opinion of Stevenson's statement? Why or why not?

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Swearer and Longacker, Contemporary Communism, pp. 215-224; Making Foreign Policy in a Nuclear Age, No. 2, pp. 38-39.

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S. Having examined the causes of a problem, scrutinizes possible consequences of alternative courses of action, evaluates them in light of basic values, lists arguments for and against each proposal, and selects tentative courses of action which seem most likely to prove helpful in achieving desired goals.

A. IS SCEPTICAL OF PANACEAS.

G. Compromise is easier where there is not an ideological perception of the issues, that is, where the issues are not moralized and not seen as related to other issues.

policies which the U.S. should adopt toward the Soviet Union? (e.g. What policies should we adopt in an attempt to bring about these changes, if we think we could help? What policies should we adopt if we think certain predictions are proving true?)

52. Now return to the possible alternative courses of broad policy action suggested during the introduction to the unit on the U.S.S.R. Have pupils list other possibilities too, in the light of their study. Have pupils return once more to the goals (that they listed at the beginning of the unit) for our relations with the U.S.S.R. Ask: Have you changed your minds at all about these goals? Do you wish to modify your statement of them?

Now have pupils list possible consequences of each course of action which has been suggested. What evidence do they have to support the likelihood that these consequences would follow? Pupils should consider all that they now know about the Soviet Union in trying to reach conclusions about these alternative courses of action. They should compare the possible consequences of each course with their own goals and values.

Finally, each student should prepare a paper in which he indicates which course or courses of action he would support tentatively, with the reasons for his choice. Afterwards, the class should discuss these conclusions. If pupils arrived at different conclusions, why did they do so? Are the differences due to differences in values? differences in predictions about possible consequences of alternatives, differences in assessment of U.S. resources? etc.

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A. VALUES KNOWLEDGE FOR THE SAKE OF KNOWLEDGE, AS A MEANS OF HELPING MAN UNDERSTAND THE WORLD IN WHICH HE LIVES.

53. A student might write a letter to his congressman about any legislation related to our relations with the Soviet Union (including foreign aid legislation, military build-up, etc.).

54. Come back to the question raised at the beginning of this sub-unit. Now that you have studied U.S.-U.S.S.R. foreign relations, do you think that peaceful coexistence is possible between these two countries? Why or why not?

55. Give pupils any current or recent public opinion poll on our relations with the U.S.S.R. which appears during the year. Have pupils compare their attitudes with those of American people as a whole. If they differ, how can pupils account for the differences?

Or give pupils the same pretest or attitudes scale administered at the beginning of their study of the U.S.S.R. Have pupils compare results. If attitudes have changed, discuss reasons for change.

56. Quote Thomas P. Whitney's assessment of how editors in the U.S. filtered the news which they printed about the Soviet Union while he was a news correspondent in the U.S.S.R. Ask: Why is it dangerous to have U.S. editors permit their bias to affect what news they print? Do you think that editors have been as guilty of this fault since Sputnik as when Whitney was describing affairs? What evidence do you have for your conclusion?

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57. Have pupils consider once again the amount and kind of help which they got from the different social sciences in their attempts to study foreign policy problems related to the U.S.S.R.

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Also discuss: Are there other benefits gained from the work done by each kind of social scientist as he studies the Soviet Union. (e.g. Can we learn anything about cultural change or totalitarianism, etc. which has broader implications than just our relations with the Soviet Union?) Have pupils prepare a list of generalizations which they have developed from their study of the U.S.S.R. and which they think might have broader transfer value for studying other problems or areas of the world. Have pupils suggest concrete situations in which these might have value. Discuss: Can you be sure that these generalizations will hold true in another culture? Why or why not? What is the value of testing such generalizations in other cultures, past and present? Have you studied any other cultures in which you think these generalizations do hold true? In which you think they do not?

58. Give a unit test covering all of the work on the U.S.S.R. Discuss results in class.
59. Ask for volunteers for a follow-up committee to keep the class informed about new developments related to U.S.S.R.
60. Point out that class will study China next. What questions do they now have about China in the light of what they have just studied about the Soviet Union?

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