**Recent America Test #2 – Timeline and Terms**

1954 Geneva Accords (US does not sign)

1956 Planned election to unite Vietnam (does not happen)

1964 Gulf of Tonkin Resolution

1965 Majority of Americans support U.S. involvement in Vietnam

1968 January Tet Offensive Begins

March My Lai Massacre

1969 Majority of Americans no longer support U.S. involvement in Vietnam

 November “Vietnamization” begins

1970 April Nixon authorizes expansion of war to Cambodia

May National Guard kills 4 students at Kent State University in Ohio

Police kill 2 students at Jackson State University in Mississippi

1971 – Veterans protest in Washington (return medals)

 U.S. drops its opposition to China holding UN Security Council seat

1972 – February President Nixon visits China

May Nixon visits the Soviet Union

 SALT (Strategic Arms Limitation Treaty) signed with USSR

 ABM (Anti-Ballistic Missile) Treaty signed with USSR

1973 – American troops withdraw from Vietnam and POWs returned

 War Powers Act

1975 South Vietnam falls to North Vietnam

1978 – U.S. diplomatic relations established with China

1979 – Soviet Union invades Afghanistan

U.S. begins secretly supporting Mujahideen rebels against the Soviets in Afghanistan

1980 – U.S. boycotts summer Olympics in Moscow

1983 – Strategic Defense Initiative (SDI) is introduced by the United States

1985 – March Mikhail Gorbachev takes power in the Soviet Union

 November Reagan and Gorbachev meet in Geneva

1986 February Glasnost and Perestroika introduced in the Soviet Union

 April Chernobyl disaster in the Soviet Union

 October Reagan and Gorbachev meet in Reykjavik, Iceland

1987 June – Reagan speaks at the Brandenburg gate in West Berlin

 December INF (Intermediate Nuclear Forces) Treaty signed

1989 Soviets withdraw from Afghanistan

 Berlin wall comes down

 First openly contested elections in the Soviet Union

1991 – East and West Germany unite

 Members of the USSR start to leave

 Boris Yeltsin elected president of Russia

2000 Vladimir Putin elected president of Russia

2001 The United States withdraws from the ABM Treaty

2016 Russian hackers interfere in U.S. presidential election

2019 The United States withdraws from the INF Treaty

Other Important terms/people:

Ho Chi Minh Napalm

“Advisers” Agent Orange

Domino Theory “Search and Destroy”

Ho Chi Minh Trail “Winning the Hearts and Minds”

Viet Cong A “Working Class” war

Ngo Dinh Diem A “Living Room” war

Guerilla vs. Conventional tactics POWs

“Tour of Duty” “Body Count”