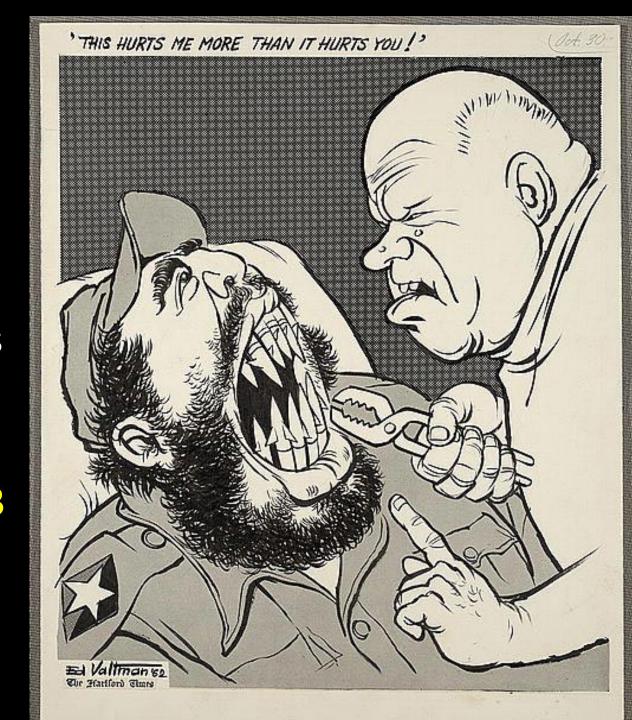
## Homework (Reading) – Due Tomorrow Tutoring Tomorrow After 10<sup>th</sup> period

# **Aim:** Should the US have become involved in the war in Vietnam?

**Do Now:** Why did a crisis occur over missiles in Cuba? Explain.

#### Crisis Ends

- Soviets remove missiles
- "Hot Line" created
- Cooling tensions
- Limited [Nuclear] Test Ban Treaty 1963
- US embargo against Cuba



### Vietnam struggles for freedom

- Vietnam gets independence after WWII then struggles to stay free from French rule
- 1954 Geneva Accords divide
  Vietnam along the 17<sup>th</sup> parallel
- Set to hold elections Ho Chi Minh would run as a communist,
- Ngo Dinh Diem = non-communist
- Indications that 80% of the population would have voted for Ho Chi Minh!





#### America gets involved

- 1956 elections cancelled! By who?
- The South Vietnamese! Why?
- Knew they wouldn't win the election!
- USA supported South Vietnam and sent "advisors" in 1957
- US was there to support Diem against the communists
- Civil War! North vs. South
- USA believed in the <u>domino theory</u> =
- Idea that if one country fell to communism, then others would too

# Should the US have become involved in the Vietnam War?

Read the documents and take notes from each document in your T-Chart

Support US involvement Oppose US involvement

### Final Summary

- Answer today's Aim Question in your notebook.
- Cite information from the notes, documents, and homework.