

COLD WAR EUROPE HISTORY TIMELINE

1945 - 1991 | Major Geopolitical Milestones

POST-WAR REALIGNMENT

1945

Yalta & Potsdam Conferences; Division of Germany and Berlin.

1947

Truman Doctrine announced; Marshall Plan proposed for European recovery.

1948-49

Berlin Blockade and Airlift; Formation of NATO.

THE DIVIDED CONTINENT

1955

Warsaw Pact signed; West Germany joins NATO.

1956

Hungarian Uprising; Soviet military intervention in Budapest.

1961

Construction of the Berlin Wall begins.

1968

Prague Spring; Warsaw Pact invasion of Czechoslovakia.

STABILITY AND SOLIDARITY

1975

Helsinki Accords signed, recognizing European borders and human rights.

1980

Solidarity movement (Solidarność) begins in Poland.

COLLAPSE OF THE BLOC

1989

Fall of the Berlin Wall; Velvet Revolution; Revolutions across Eastern Europe.

1990

German Reunification officially completed.

1991

Dissolution of the Soviet Union; End of the Cold War.

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