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**Hungarian/Czechoslovakia Crisis**

**I. Vocabulary**

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| Term | Definition  |
| **Autocracy** |  |
| **Cult of Personality**  |  |
| **Planned Economy** |  |
| **Intelligentsia** |  |
| **Sovereignty** |  |
| **Anarchy** |  |
| **Commonwealth** |  |
| **Nikita Khrushchev** |  |
| **Leonid Brezhnev** |  |

**II. Pre-Knowledge Research**

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| **Hungarian Rebellion in 1956** | **Czechoslovakian Crisis in 1968** |
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**III. Hungarian Primary Sources**

**Workers' Council of Miskolc and Borsod County, Hungary, Resolution. (1956)**

1. What, in your opinion, are the three most important demands the Worker’s Council made of the Soviet Government.
2. What did the council say regarding non-communists? Is this a rejection of communism?
3. What did the council say about the success of the planned economy in Hungary?
4. Why did the council refer to the Hungarian parliament as an ‘electoral machine’?

**Imre Nagy, Radio Announcement. November 4, 1956**

1. Who is Imre Nagy?
2. What does he say about democracy in Hungary?

**Soviet Government, Statement on Hungary. October 30, 1956**

1. In the second paragraph, what does the Soviet government say about democracy in Hungary?
2. Who do the Soviets say asked them to intervene in Hungary? When do the Soviets say they will remove their armies from Hungary?
3. According to the Soviets, what is “the chief and sacred duty of workers, peasants, and intelligentsia, and of all the Hungarian working people?”
4. What is the overall message of this primary source?

**IV. Czechoslovakian Primary Sources**

**Excerpt From “Two Thousand Words that Belongs to Workers, Farmers, Officials, Scientists, Artists, and Everybody” Questions**

1. The manifesto states that the first threat to Czechoslovakian national life came from ‘the war’. What war is being referenced?
2. According to the document, what was the Czechoslovakian’s first reaction to the Soviet takeover? What went wrong?
3. What are the Czechoslovakians demanding in the manifesto?
4. What do the Czechoslovakians fear will happen because of their demands?
5. Who was the manifesto written for? Who was it written by?
6. Do you think the Czechoslovakians wanted to split with the Soviet Union or just reform their government?

**Sergei Kovalev, The International Obligations of Socialist Countries Questions**

1. Why does the document say that the Soviet Union is being criticized for using force in Czechoslovakia?
2. How does the Soviet Union justify their use of force against Czechoslovakia?
3. Paraphrase the following passage, *“There is no doubt that the peoples of the socialist countries and the Communist parties have and must have freedom to determine their country's path of development. However, any decision of theirs must damage neither socialism in their own country, nor the fundamental interests of the other socialist countries, nor the worldwide workers' movement, which is waging a struggle for socialism.”* Do you think this is a contradiction?
4. How many allied Socialist nations invaded Czechoslovakia in 1968?
5. According to the last paragraph, why did the Soviets and the Warsaw Pact invade Czechoslovakia? Do you believe them?

**V. Culminating Questions**

1. Compare and contrast the claims of the Hungarians and the Czechoslovakians in their desire for increased independence from the Soviet Union
2. Compare the responses of the Soviet Union led by Khrushchev during the Hungarian crisis in 19 56 and by Brezhnev during the Czechoslovakian crisis in 1968. Did they give similar reasons for putting down the revolts?”