

Carter's Foreign Policy



Main Goal:

Use American power to improve human rights worldwide

South Africa and Apartheid



Carter: wanted to end Apartheid

South Africa: Apartheid Stayed



US: Continued to trade with South Africa

Carter: Looked weak

US-Panama Relations



Panama wanted control of the Panama Canal

Panama Canal Treaties



- Gradually turned over control of the Canal to Panama by 2000

Panama Canal Treaties



- Proponents: Improved relations
 - Opponents: Gave it away

Recognition of the PRC

January 1, 1979



Taiwan

-severed formal relations with Taiwan



Carter and the PRC



- Proponents: Improved relations with PRC
- Opponents: Got nothing; sold out Taiwan

Is America suffering from “Empire Shock?”



America's Foreign Power is slipping

Peace in the Middle East





Camp David Accords

March 26, 1979

Egyptian President
Anwar Sadat

Israeli Prime Minister
Menachem Begin

Camp David Accords

- Israel agreed to a phased withdrawal of the Sinai Peninsula
- Egypt fully recognized Israel

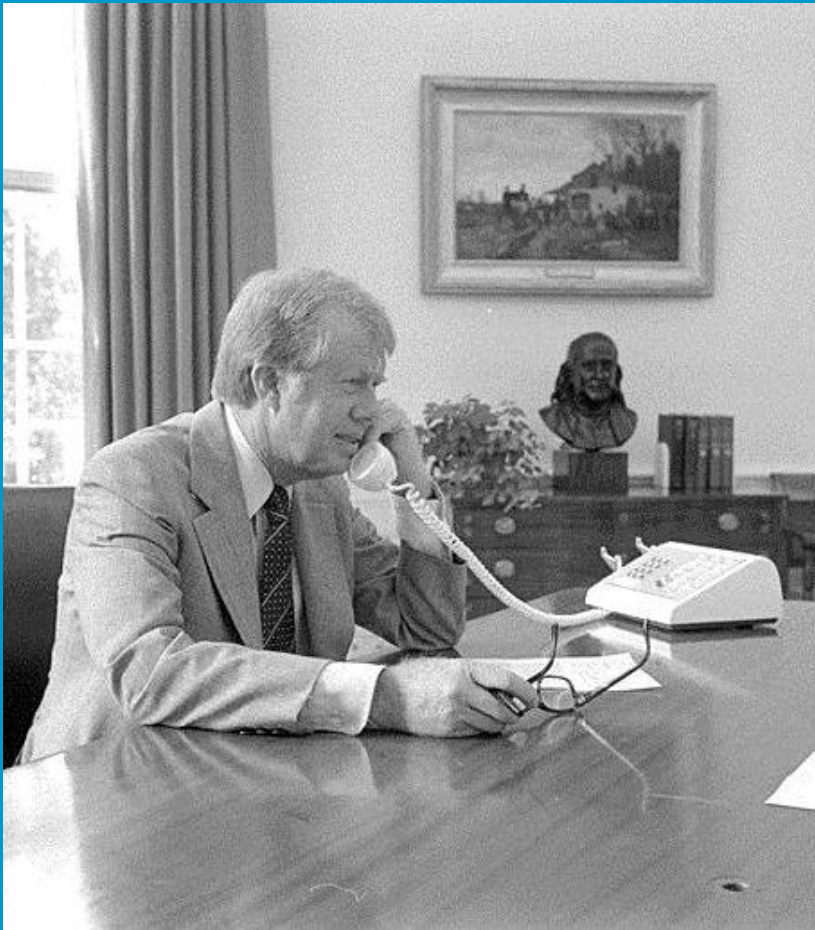


No Break for Jimmy: The Soviets invaded Afghanistan



December 25, 1979

Carter's "Strong" Reaction to the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan



- Hot Line
- Withdrew SALT II
- Olympic Boycott
- Helped Afghan Freedom Fighters
- Carter Doctrine

Carter Doctrine

Persian Gulf Region



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Containment
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Persian Gulf
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Did the Soviet Army leave Afghanistan?

NO



Carter: Looked weak

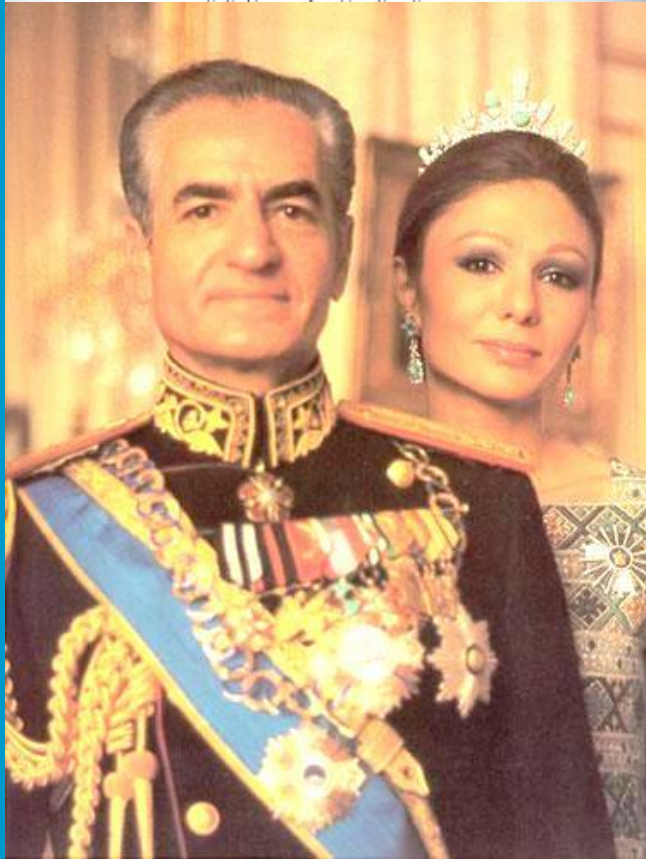
Iran-Hostage Crisis

November 4, 1979 – January 20, 1981
444 Days

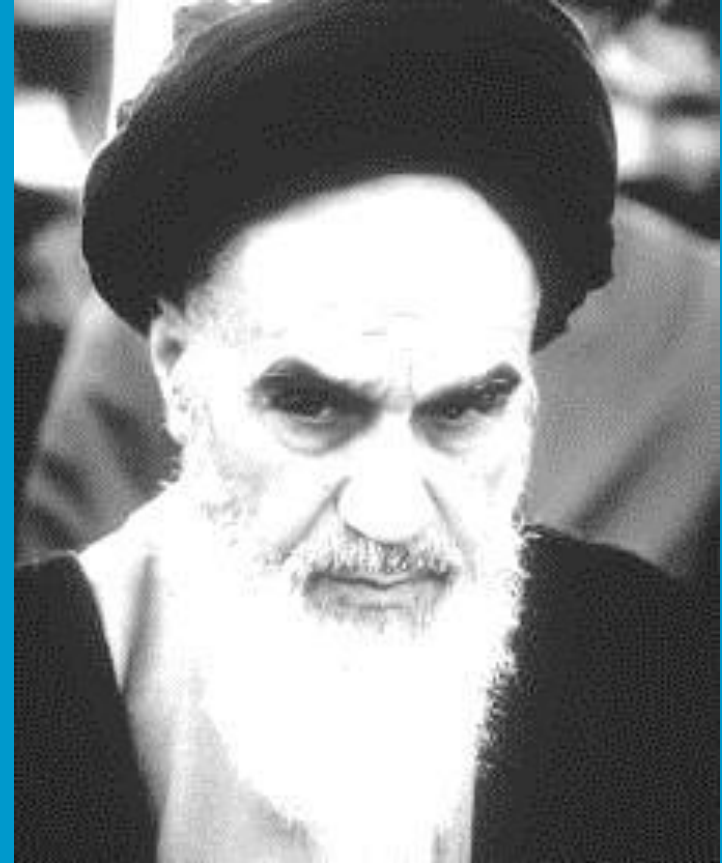


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1979: Struggle for Power in Iran



Mohammad Reza
Shah Pahlavi



Ayatollah
Ruhollah Khomeini

Riots in Iran (1978 – 1979)



Shah's "Vacation" January 16, 1979



Entered US:
October 22, 1979

The Iranian people are angry at the Shah but they cannot get him.



- But they can get Americans

November 4, 1979
Death to the Shah! Death to Carter!
Death to America!



52 Americans taken hostage



WWCD?

What would Carter do?



Felt like his child was kidnapped

Rescue Attempt: Operation Eagle Claw



April 24, 1980

Failure: Operation Eagle Claw

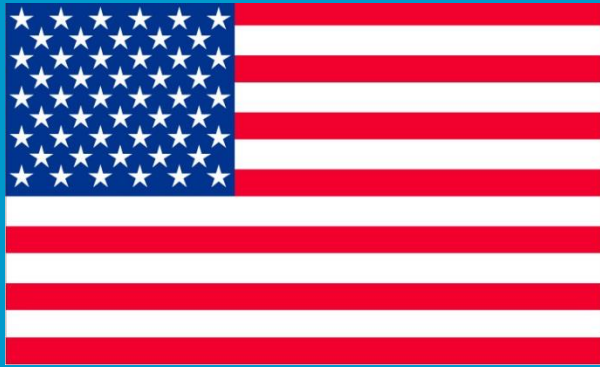


The Shah Died July 27, 1980



Difficult Negotiations

United States



Algeria



Iran



English

French

Farsi
(Arabic)

The Deal: January 19, 1981

Freedom: January 20, 1981



33 minutes into Reagan's Presidency

Bye Bye Jimmy

