



Cuba



U.S.

Communism

Political Party

Democracy

Fidel Castro

Leaders

John F. Kennedy

Anti-American speech and close relationships with the Soviet Union made Castro a threat to US interests.

Causes of invasion

United States felt threatened by Russian influence and Castro in Cuba.

Castro gets word of the invasion and captures the exiles.

The invasion

Cuban exiles travel to Cuba to overthrow Castro.

Fearing another invasion, Castro allowed the Soviet Union to place nuclear warheads in Cuba in exchange for protection, starting the Cuban Missile Crisis.

Outcomes

The United States cut ties with Cuba and Castro. Kennedy took blame for the failure of the invasion.

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