



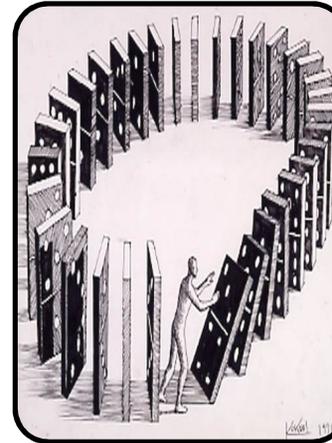
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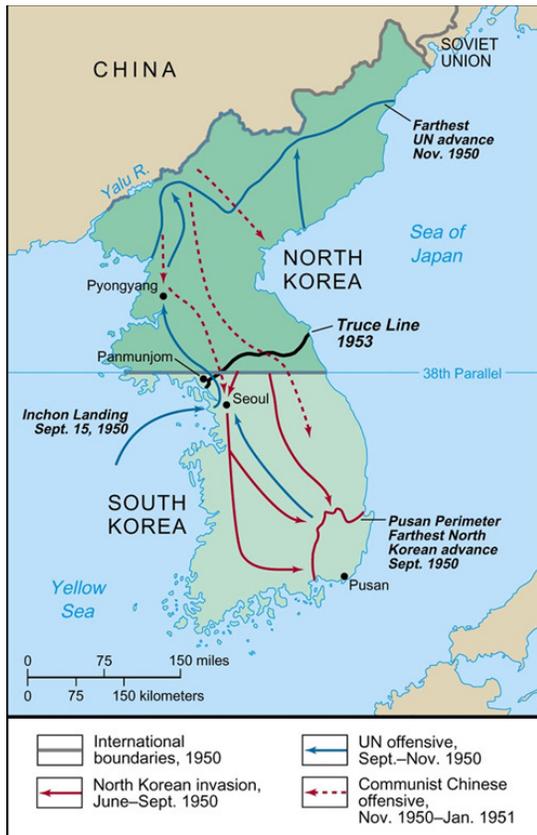
- **China & Korea**
- In 1949, a communist revolution took place in China
- *Mao Tse-Tung (Zedong)* led the revolution and assumed power as China's communist leader
- Korea had been conquered by the Japanese during World War 2
- After the war, Korea was divided at the *38<sup>th</sup> Parallel* between a communist north and democratic south



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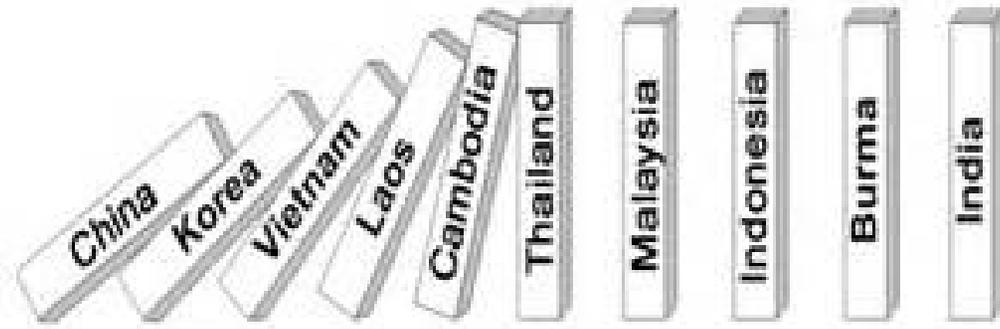
- War started in June 1950 when North Korean forces crossed the 38<sup>th</sup> Parallel
- The United Nations came to South Korea's aid and President Truman put Gen. Douglas MacArthur in charge
- US forces pushed the North Korean army close to the Chinese border, and China sent in troops to aid the North Koreans
- A stalemate developed and a truce was signed in 1953. The lines remained the same.



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- **The Middle East**
- The *Holocaust* in Europe created much support for the founding of a Jewish homeland
- Many Jewish refugees had entered into *Palestine* and the UN created *Israel* in 1948
- The US immediately recognized the nation, but many Arab nations resented the actions
- During the Cold War, the US and Israel became close allies, while many Arab states sided with the USSR





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- **Domino Theory**
- Dwight Eisenhower, elected in 1952, was greatly concerned with the spread of communism
- Believed in the *domino theory*, that as one nation fell to communism, neighboring nations would as well
- *Eisenhower Doctrine* stated that the US would come to the aid of any nation in the Middle East to resist communism

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- **U-2 Incident**

- The US and USSR both invited leaders to meet in the hopes of improving relations
- In May 1960, Soviet leader Nikita Khrushchev cancelled Eisenhower's invitation to Moscow
- A US spy plane (U-2) was shot down over the Soviet Union
- We at first deny we are spying, but the Soviets then produce evidence and Eisenhower had to admit to it

