New Evidence on Cold War History

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Tuesday, 12 January 1993

10:00 AM Opening Ceremonies & Introductions

- William Taubman
- Samuel F. Wells, Jr.
- A. Chubarian
- R. Ussikov

10:30-1:30 PM Panel One: Cold War Origins

Chair: A. Chubarian

- Richard Weitz, Center for International Affairs, Harvard University: Cold War Controversies: Competing Explanations for the Origins of the Cold War
- V. Batyuk, Institute of USA & Canada: Baruch Plan and the Soviet Union
- Yu. Aksyutin, Moscow: Why Stalin Staked on Confrontation Rather than Cooperation with Wartime Allies after Victory (Some Socio-Psychological Aspects of the Cold War Origins)

11:30-12:00 PM Coffee Break

12:00-1:30 PM Panel One (Continued)

- V. Volkov, Slavonic and Balkan Institute: *The Origins of the "Socialist Camp" Concept and the Initial Stages of its Realization (1943-1945)*
- L. Gibianski, Slavonic and Balkan Institute: *Problems of Eastern European International-Political Structuring in the Period of the Soviet Bloc in the 1940s*

Commentator:

William Taubman

Discussion

1:30-3:00 PM Lunch

3:00-6:00 PM Panel Two: Cold War Origins (Second Session)

Chair: William Taubman

- Scott D. Parrish, Harriman Institute, Columbia University: *The Turn Towards Confrontation: The Soviet Reaction to the Marshall Plan, June 1947*
- M. Narinski, Institute of Universal History: *The Soviet Union and the Marshall Plan*
- A. Filitov, Institute of Universal History: *The Soviet Union, the German Question and the Origins of the Cold War 1945-1949*
- Norman Naimark, Stanford University: The Tiul'panov Question: Or Who Made Policy in the Soviet Zone of Occupation in Germany
- N. Yegorova, Institute of Universal History: From Comintern to Cominform: the Ideological Dimension of the Cold War Origins

Commentator:

Robert C. Tucker (Princeton University)

Discussion

6:00 PM Reception Organized by the Institute of Universal History

Wednesday, 13 January 1993

10:00-12:30 PM Panel Three: After Stalin's Death: The Succession Struggle and Soviet Foreign Policy

Chair: William Taubman

- N. Barsukov, Moscow: The Reverse Side of the Thaw
- T. Domracheva, SCCD and A. Filitov, Institute of Universal History: *Soviet Policy on Germany*, 1943-1955: Three Paradigms
- James Richter, Bates College: *Re-Examining Soviet Policy during the Beria Interregnum*

Commentator:

Vojtech Mastny (SAIS/Bologna)

Discussion

12:30-2:00 PM Lunch

2:00-5:00 PM Panel Four: The Cold War in Asia

Chair: A. Chubaryan

- Kathryn Weathersby, Florida State University: Soviet policy and the Outbreak of the Korean War, 1949-1950
- I. Shevchuk, SCCD and M. Prozumenshchikov, SCCD: *Chinese-Soviet Relations*, 1953-1959
- K. Pleshakov, Institute of USA & Canada: Sino-Soviet Relations and the Taiwan Straits Crisis, 1958

Coffee Break

- Debora A. Kaple, Harriman Institute, Columbia University: *Myths of the Monolith Re-Examined: Soviet Involvement in China, 1949-1960*
- G. Marinin, SCCD and I. Gaiduk, Institute of Universal History: War in Vietnam and the Soviet-American Relationship

Commentators:

Nancy D. Tucker (Georgetown University) Warren I. Cohen (Michigan State University) Odd Arne Westad (Norwegian Nobel Institute)

Discussion

Thursday, 14 January 1993

10:00-12:30 PM Panel Five: Cold War Crises

Chair: William Taubman

- V. Afiani, SCCD and N. Ivanov, Institute of Universal History: Soviet Union and the Suez Crisis of 1956
- Z. Vodopyanova and V. Zubok, Moscow: *The Berlin Crisis, 1958-1961: New Evidence from Soviet Archives*
- Hope Harrison, Harriman Institute, Columbia University: Soviet and East German Policy During the Berlin Crisis, 1958-1961: New Archival Evidence from Moscow and Berlin

Coffee Break

- V. Pozniakov, Institute of Universal History and A. Petrov, SCCD: *The Cuban Missile Crisis in Materials of the SCCD*
- V. Pozniakov, Institute of Universal History: *The Cuban Missile Crisis: the Human Dimension*

Discussion

12:30-2:00 PM Lunch

2:00-3:30 PM Panel Six: The Cold War in the 1950s: The Military Dimension Chair: A. Chybaryan

- Matthew Evangelista, University of Michigan: Soviet Scientists and Nuclear Testing, 1954-1963
- M. Kolessova, SCCD and A. Volkov, Institute of Universal History: *Soviet Reactions to US Nuclear Policies during the 1960s*

Commentator:

David Holloway (Stanford University)

Discussion

3:30-6:15 PM Panel Seven: Soviet Foreign Interventions

Chair: William Taubman

- Mark Kramer, Russian Research Center, Harvard University: Crises in Soviet-Eastern European Relations, 1948-1981: Making Use of New Evidence
- G. Meshcheryakov, SCCD, Ye. Orekhova, SCCD, and V. Stikalin, Slavonic and Balkan Institute: *Hungary 1956*
- A. Chernyev, SCCD and M. Korobochkin, Institute of Universal History: *New Documents of the Soviet Intervention in Czechoslovakia 1969*

- J. Cushing Granville, Moscow State Humanities University: Soviet Decision-Making: A Comparative Analysis of the Military Interventions in Hungary (1956), Czechoslovakia (1968), and Afghanistan (1978)
- M. Latysh, Slavonic and Balkan Institute: *The CPSU-the CPCz [Communist Party of Czechoslovakia] the Crisis in Relations in 1968 (New Materials)*

Commentator:

A. Chubarian (Institute of Universal History)

Discussion

7:00-10:30 PM Reception for Participants, Townhouse No. 1, US Embassy

Friday, 15 January 1993

10:00-1:30 PM Panel Eight: Soviet Leadership and Cold War Psychology Chair: A. Chubarian

- V. Lel'chuk, Institute of the History of Russia: The Cold War and Soviet Society
- Y.K. Malov, SCCD and S. Kiselev, Moscow: Foreign Affairs' Thinking of Soviet Leaders (Documents of the 1950s)

Coffee Break

- R. Ussikov, SCCD: Soviet-American Relations and President Richard Nixon's Visit to Moscow in 1972
- I. Lebedev, Archival Department, Russian Foreign Ministry: *The End of the Cold War and the Opening of the Moscow Diplomatic Archives*
- V.L. Malkov, Institute of Universal History: *Intelligence and Counter-Intelligence during the Cold War* (not present)

Commentators:

William Taubman and Ron Pruessen

Discussion

1:30-3:00 PM Lunch

3:30-5:30 PM Closing Remarks and Discussion at the Storage Center for Contemporary Documentation