

Telegram Questions

- 1) According to Kennan, what were the main reasons for the Soviets' "neurotic view of world affairs?" To what extent was it the result of Russian/Soviet history, Marxist ideology, or western actions?
 - 2) What did Kennan believe were the main international goals of the Soviet Union?
 - 3) According to Kennan, what were the prospects that the United States and other western nations would be able to meet Soviet challenges? What policies should they adopt or actions should they take?
 - 4) Why do you think Kennan's Long Telegram aroused so much interest in Washington in early 1946? What contributions, if any, do you think Kennan made to the emergence of the Cold War?
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- 1) According to Novikov, what mistakes did Americans make?
- 2) What evidence does he cite to suggest America's aggressive stance?
- 3) What conclusions does he draw? How might this influence the development of Soviet foreign policy?
- 4) Why did Novikov's telegram arouse so much interest in Moscow in 1946? What contributions, if any, do you think Novikov made to the emergence of the Cold War?