

The West Resists

- democracies in West wanted to contain Communism in the East
- early 1947 → Greece & Turkey threatened by Soviet-backed Communists
 - West reacted

Truman Doctrine

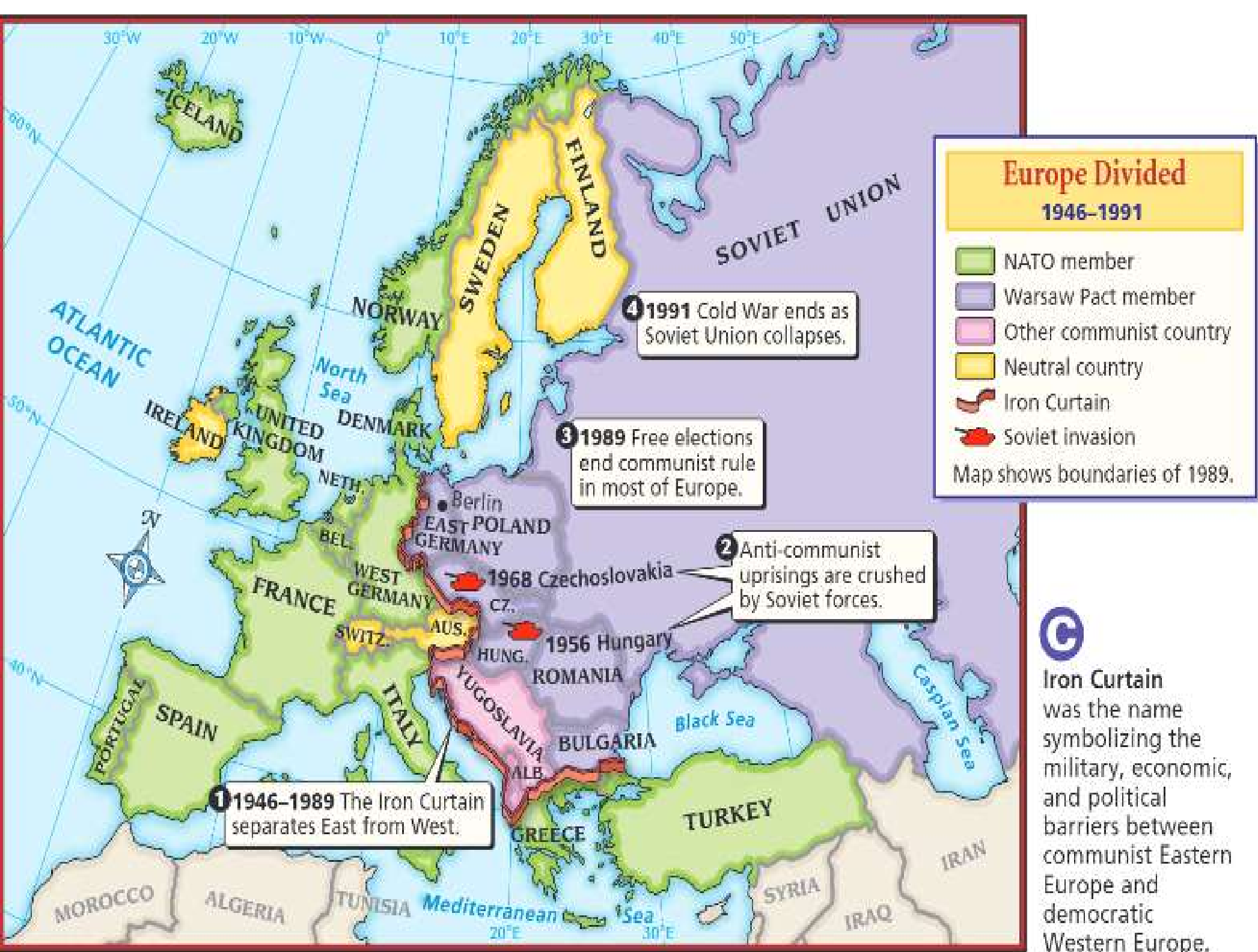
- created in 1947
- pledge to provide military & economic aid to countries threatened by communism
- US Congress sent millions of dollars to Greece & Turkey

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- post-WWII economics in Europe = bad
- Truman feared if conditions worsened, Europeans might turn to communism
- mid-1947 → US Congress launched program for economic aid to Europe

Marshall Plan

- plan for the economic reconstruction of Europe after WWII
- provided money for rebuilding & preserving political stability in Europe
- \$13 billion provided to Europe under this policy



C Iron Curtain was the name symbolizing the military, economic, and political barriers between communist Eastern Europe and democratic Western Europe.

New Nations & Alliances

- United States, Canada, & Western European countries joined alliance
 - military alliance = NATO (North Atlantic Treaty Organization) in 1949
- Soviet Union & Communist countries in Eastern Europe joined alliance
 - military alliance = Warsaw Pact in 1955

