THE EVOLUTION OF THIRD WORLD INDEPENDENCE MOVEMENTS DURING THE COLD WAR

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An imperial power controls its colonies in the Third World by **exploiting** internal divisions, military force, and creating political institutions that create different forms of legal domination.

Indigenous peoples use violent or non-violent resistance to fight against their colonial rulers for independence and political **sovereignty**.

Previously colonized peoples win their **sovereignty** from an imperial power, creating a nation-state, stimulating nationalist feelings.

Disagreements about how the new nation-state should be governed arise, and previous internal conflicts among **indigenous** peoples flare up, leading to civil war.

Civil war is fought between two ideological factions: one nationalist, one communist.

Nationalist movements receive support from the West (US), and communist movements receive support from the East (Soviets); each engage in a **proxy war** against the other.

OR

The nationalists win the civil war.

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Western political and economic interests help to mobilize the industrial and agricultural sectors of society.

Eastern political and economic interests help to mobilize the industrial and agricultural sectors of society.

The industrial and agricultural sectors of society produce goods that are purchased primarily by people outside the country; and a large gap between the rich and poor is maintained through low wages and poor working conditions. Business owners do well.

The industrial and agricultural sectors of society are highly centralized and managed by **bureaucrats**. Standard of living stagnates and workers mostly live at **subsistence** levels. Political **dissent** is not tolerated and immediately punished.

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