4.4 Superpower Relations and the Cold War, 1941-91: The Cuban Missile Crisis, 1962: 10-minute Pack

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Total Marks

Name: _____ Date: ____ / ____ / _____

Answer ALL questions. You are advised to spend about 10 minutes on this pack.

1 State what happened on 27 October 1962, sometimes called the most dangerous single day of the crisis.

(Total for Question 1 is 2 marks)

2 Give the date on which Khrushchev announced that the Soviet Union would remove its missiles from Cuba.

(Total for Question 2 is 1 mark)

3 State the two main terms on which the crisis was resolved.

(Total for Question 3 is 2 marks)

4 Give the year in which the United States backed a failed invasion of Cuba by Cuban exiles.

(Total for Question 4 is 1 mark)

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5 State one consequence of the failure of the Bay of Pigs invasion for Cuba's relationship with the Soviet Union.

(Total for Question 5 is 2 marks)

6 Give the month and year in which American reconnaissance photographs revealed Soviet missile sites under construction in Cuba.

(Total for Question 6 is 2 marks)

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Question 1

a US U-2 reconnaissance aircraft was shot down over Cuba by a Soviet surface-to-air missile **B1**

the American pilot was killed, sharply raising fears that the crisis might escalate into direct military conflict **B1**

Answer: A US U-2 spy plane was shot down over Cuba, killing its pilot, sharply raising fears of escalation.

Question 2

28 October 1962 **B1**

Answer: 28 October 1962

Question 3

the USSR agreed to remove its missiles from Cuba in exchange for a public American pledge not to invade Cuba **B1**

in a secret part of the deal, revealed only years later, the USA also agreed to remove its Jupiter missiles from Turkey **B1**

Answer: Soviet missiles removed from Cuba in exchange for a US pledge not to invade Cuba, plus a secret US agreement to remove missiles from Turkey.

Question 4

1961 **B1**

Answer: 1961

Question 5

the failed invasion increased Castro's fear of a future, larger American attack **B1**

this pushed Cuba into a closer military and economic alliance with the Soviet Union, which was willing to support and defend Castro's government **B1**

Answer: It increased Castro's fear of future American invasion, pushing Cuba into a closer alliance with the USSR.

Question 6

October **B1**

1962 **B1**

Answer: October 1962

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