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**DBQ 13: Start of the Cold War****Document 1**

This is an excerpt from Winston Churchill's "Iron Curtain" speech, March 5, 1946

From Stettin in the Baltic to Trieste in the Adriatic, an iron curtain has descended across the continent. Behind that line lie all the capitals of the ancient states of Central and Eastern Europe. . . . All these famous cities and the populations around them lie in the Soviet sphere and all are subject in one form or another, not only to Soviet influence but to a very high and increasing measure of control from Moscow.

How is the "iron curtain" a dividing line? \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Document 2**

This is an excerpt from President Truman's speech to Congress, March 12, 1947.

I believe it must be the policy of the United States to support free peoples who are resisting attempted subjugation [domination] by armed minorities or by outside pressure. Should we fail to aid Greece and Turkey in this fateful hour, the effect will be far-reaching to the West. The seeds of totalitarian regimes are nurtured by misery and want. They spread and grow in the evil soil of poverty and strife. They reach their full growth when the hope of a people for a better life has died. Therefore, I propose giving Greece and Turkey \$400 million in aid.

Explain the policy President Truman suggested in this speech. \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Document 3**

This is an excerpt from Secretary of State Marshall's speech explaining his plan for European recovery, June 5, 1947

I need to say that the world situation is very serious. . . . Europe must have a great deal of additional help, or face heavy economic, social, and political damage. This would have a harmful effect on the world at large. There are also possibilities of disturbances because of the desperation of the people concerned. The effect on the economy of the United States should be clear to all. So the United States should do whatever it can to help restore normal economic health to the world. Without this there can be no political stability or peace. Our policy is directed . . . against hunger, poverty, desperation and chaos [disorder]. Its purpose is to revive a working economy in the world.

Why did Secretary of State Marshall suggest this plan for European recovery? \_\_\_\_\_  
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#### Document 4

This is an excerpt from the North Atlantic Treaty, which was signed by the United States, Canada, and ten nations of Western Europe in 1948.

The parties agree that an armed attack against one or more of them in Europe or in North America shall be considered as an attack against them all. They agree that if such an armed attack occurs, each of them will assist the party or parties so attacked. Each will immediately take whatever action it considers necessary to restore and maintain the security of the North Atlantic area. It will, if necessary, use armed force.

What is the purpose of NATO? \_\_\_\_\_  
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#### Document 5

The Soviet Union responded to NATO by creating its alliance, the Warsaw Pact.

NATO Members: Great Britain, Norway, Denmark, Netherlands, Belgium, Republic of Germany, France, Italy, Spain, Turkey, Greece

Warsaw Pact Members: German Democratic Republic, Poland, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Romania, Bulgaria, Soviet Union

Other Communist Nations: Yugoslavia

How do these "satellites" in the Warsaw Pact provide a buffer for the Soviet Union? \_\_\_\_\_  
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