THE PRESIDENT, NATIONAL SECURITY, AND PUBLIC OPINION

Many questions, few certain answers - it is a world of spin

1. How did we win the Cold War?
2. When did we win the Cold War?
3. What was our strategy in the Cold War?
4. Was Sputnik a US defeat or a US victory?
5. Was the Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty important?
6. Was Star Wars Reagan's foolish dream or his stroke of genius?
7. Is Saddam about to build a bomb? Did he train al Qaeda?
8. Was there genocide in the Balkans? Did NATO's fate depend upon our response?
9. What was Vietnam all about?

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1. Star Wars/ competitive strategy/ their economy?

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SPUTNIK

1. Was it Soviet victory or victory of the US?
2. Was there a missile gap?
3. What set up Sputnik?
4. How did Eisenhower react to Sputnik?
5. How did the country react?

6. Was there a "Science Gap"?

7. What policy and organizational changes resulted?

8. What were the budget changes attributable to Sputnik?

9. What about over-flights?

10. Was the Presidential spin successful?

11. Was it good for MIT?

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STAR WARS

1. What is the history of ballistic missile defense?

2. When were the missiles deployed?

3. Why are they controversial?

4. What was the Committee on the Present Danger?

5. What was the Window of Vulnerability?"

6. When did Reagan Propose SDI? Why did he do it then?

7. Was it surprise?

8. What is High Frontier?

9. What was the Nuclear Freeze?

10. What role did religion play in this?

11. What is Dense Pack?

12. Who called it Star Wars?

13. Was it popular?
14. Was it feasible then? Now?

15. Was it real?

16. How did it serve Reagan?

17. How was it managed?

18. Is it expensive?

19. What did the advocates believe?

20. What did the Democrats believe?

21. Why is it popular among Republicans?

22. What did the Soviets believe?

23. Was it good for MIT?

24. Is it more or less important now?