# Richard Nixon Administration





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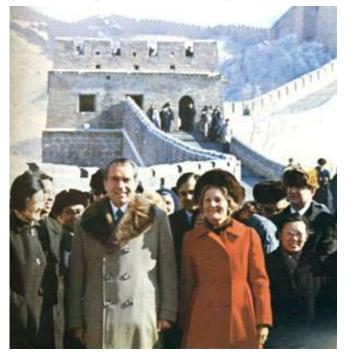
- -When is secrecy a good thing? What is the role of secrecy in a democracy?
- -When is it okay for a President to not follow the law?

# Foreign Policy

#### • Nixon's foreign policy had at least 3 Major Successes:

- 1. US got out of the Vietnam War
- 2. Re-opens relations with China
- 3.Arms Control with the Soviet Union
  "Détente" relaxing of tensions

#### Visit to China





- •After a series of secret negotiations with Chinese leaders, in February 1972, Nixon traveled to Beijing.
- •The visit was extensively covered on television. This trip led to the US later recognizing the government of the People's Republic of China.

#### Visit to USSR



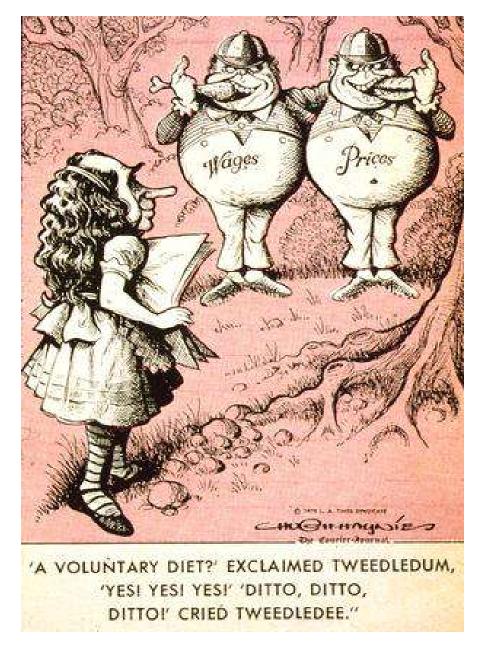
- In May, 1972, Nixon visited the Soviet Union and met with Soviet leader, Leonid Brezhnev.
- Nixon and Kissinger used the new relationship with China to put pressure on the Soviets to agree to a treaty limiting antiballistic missiles.
- This led to the Strategic Arms Limitations Talks (SALT 1)

### OPEC Oil Embargo



- In response to the US support of Israel, the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries placed an embargo on oil sold to Israel's supporters.
- This caused a worldwide shortage and long lines at gas stations in the US

### Economy



- •During Nixon's administration, the US suffered from a combination of <u>Inflation</u> and <u>Unemployment</u> which is called "Stagflation".
- •Nixon's cutting of the government spending contributed to a recession.
- •He also tried deficit spending, and later imposed a 90-day wage and price freeze.

# Domestic Policy

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

- Created by Nixon
- Manages air & water pollution
- Conducts environmental impact reviews for construction projects

### Webquest

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