



How did the bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki introduce 'cold' war into international power relations?

The United States destroyed two cities, Hiroshima and Nagasaki, with nuclear weapons on August 6 and 9, 1945. The two bombings killed between 129,000 and 226,000 people, most of whom were civilians, and remain the only use of nuclear weapons in armed conflict.

Based on the first source, which is "Recommendations on the Immediate Use of Nuclear Weapons, The Scientific Panel of the Interim Committee, June 1945" "We conclude that on the part of scientists, the very appearance of nuclear weapons contained nothing bad, it was just the next stage of technical development.

The president and all of America were in quite a quandary. In "Statement by United States President Harry S. Truman on the bombing of Hiroshima" (August 6, 1945) He was trying to overtake Congress and the whole country and justify his decision to bomb. He recommends Congress to use atomic power to maintain world peace. "I shall recommend that the Congress of the United States consider promptly the establishment of an appropriate commission to control the production and use of atomic power within the United States. I shall give further consideration and make further recommendations to Congress as to how atomic power can become a powerful and forceful influence towards the maintenance of world peace." In the article of **Hanson W. Baldwin**.

"End of War Against Japan Hastened but Destruction Sows Seed of Hate," we can read this words "Yet when this is said, we have sowed the whirlwind. Much of our bombing throughout this war like the enemies has been directed against cities, and hence against civilians. Because our bombing has been more effective and hence more starting devastating, Americans have become a synonym for destruction. And now we have been the first to introduce a new weapon

of unknowable effects which may bring us victory quickly but which will sow the seeds of hate more widely than ever. We may yet reap the whirlwind. The Japanese have disliked white people since the beginning of the colonial invasion of Asia, but since that incident, their hatred has focused on Americans. Not only the Japanese but also the other powers, have carried over their bad attitudes. The atomic bomb is also a "psychological weapon" – countries that have atomic weapons have a physical ability to destroy each other but everybody understands if they use their atomic weapons, the same weapons will be used on them.

The reaction from the Soviet side before it had nuclear weapons was not enthusiastic, from the document we learned that the topic about atomic weapons \ was not discussed directly. All diplomats tried to avoid talking about potential conflicts.

Russia publishes unique 1945 Soviet embassy report of Hiroshima bombing
After 70 years Russians have published the Soviet Union's report about bombing Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

The document revealed what Soviets actually thought about using these weapons by US.

"For the United States, the atom bombing of Hiroshima and of Nagasaki that followed three days later was part and parcel of a systematic policy of terror against the civilian population lying beyond the bounds of morality and international law.

Thus, after the "hot" war with the advent of atomic weapons, the Cold War began. The emergence of this type of weapon in the two opposing forces, the example of its use in Japan, led to the tension between each side and the other. The bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki made the power of this type of bomb clear, and fear gripped governments. This created the tension that was one of the hallmarks of the Cold War.

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