SS.912.A.6.10 Early Cold War 1945 - 1950- Example 3 Answer

How did the formation of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) and the Warsaw Pact intensify the Cold War?

- A. by establishing military alliances based on political philosophies
- B. by creating economic unions based on political borders
- C. by providing funds for nuclear laboratories
- D. by identifying locations for military bases

Answer

A. By establishing military alliances based on political philosophies

NATO was a pro democratic alliance system consisting of the U.S. as its strongest member. The Warsaw Pact was a conglomeration of Eastern European Pro- Soviet Communist countries. These nations were united together in an all for one alliance. If one of them were attacked it would be like an attack against all of them. These nations had very different ideologies and saw each other as the enemy, each trying to advance its own political agenda.