**US involvement in the Vietnam War**

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| **President** | **Motives behind US involvement in Vietnam conflict** | **Key events during administration (include dates)** | **Nature and extent of US involvement in Vietnam conflict** |
| **Truman****1945-53** | * Containment
* Loss of China (Mao Zedong 1949)
* McCarthy
* Elections
* Help NATO
 |  | Nature - $2billion spent on military equipment and advice to French. Extent – some money and some US prestige and credibility |
| **Eisenhower****1953-61** |  |  |  |
| **Kennedy****1961-63** |  |  |  |
| **Johnson****1963-69** |  |  |  |