**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** |  |  |  |