

Websites on US Relations with Cuba

Kennedy Library Resources

JFK in History: The Bay of Pigs

<https://www.jfklibrary.org/JFK/JFK-in-History/The-Bay-of-Pigs.aspx>

This web page includes a brief overview of the Bay of Pigs invasion and its aftermath as well as links to archival material, an audio file of President Kennedy's Address Before the American Society of Newspaper Editors (4/20/61), and a biography of Fidel Castro.

JFK in History: The Cuban Missile Crisis

<http://www.jfklibrary.org/JFK/JFK-in-History/Cuban-Missile-Crisis>

This web page provides a brief overview of the events that took place during the Cuban Missile Crisis, and includes the audio of President Kennedy's Radio and Television Remarks on the Dismantling of Soviet Missile Bases in Cuba.

The World on the Brink

<http://microsites.jfklibrary.org/cmc/>

This microsite allows users to explore the Crisis day by day, read formerly classified documents, and listen in on secretly recorded ExComm meetings as President Kennedy and his advisors seek a peaceful resolution for the removal of Soviet intercontinental missiles from Cuba.

To the Brink

<http://foundationnationalarchives.org/cmc/>

This companion website to the temporary exhibit presented at the Library from 2013-2015 includes documents and audio and video recordings that were presented in the exhibit.

White House Diary: Cuba Invaded! – Universal Newsreel

<http://whd.jfklibrary.org/Diary/>

Go to April 17, 1961 for a *Universal Newsreel* (dated 4/19/61) that was created during the Bay of Pigs invasion. Click on Appointments to see President Kennedy's schedule for that day. Click on "In the News" for a synopsis of the key stories published in the *New York Times* for that month.

JFK Library Forum: 50th Anniversary of the Bay of Pigs Invasion

<https://www.jfklibrary.org/Asset-Viewer/mDT9kKj0dEaYkORl3AiPJg.aspx>

This is a video of the full 1:30 hour forum presented at the Kennedy Library on April 14, 2011. Historians Timothy Naftali and Peter Kornbluh, and Alfredo Duran, a Cuban exile who participated in the assault, examined the steps leading to the Bay of Pigs and the lessons learned by the Kennedy administration. Adriana Bosch, writer and director of the PBS documentary *Fidel Castro*, moderated.

JFK50: History Now

<http://www.JFK50.org>

The *History Now* section of the award-winning *JFK50* website presents the Cuban Missile Crisis and other watershed events in the Kennedy administration in a graphic novel-style format.

Universal Newsreel, November 20, 1962: Blockade Lifted: President Reveals Red Plane Pullout

<https://www.jfklibrary.org/Asset-Viewer/rR4dWt-9vkm23rWK3Qt3DQ.aspx>

This *Universal Newsreel* includes JFK's November press conference explaining the Cuban situation as of November 20, 1962. President John F. Kennedy informs the nation that Soviet bombers on Cuban soil are to be withdrawn in 30 days.

Other Online Resources

Bay of Pigs 40 Years After: An International Conference Havana, Cuba March 22-24, 2001

<http://www.gwu.edu/~nsarchiv/bayofpigs/>

This National Security Archive web page includes links to numerous primary sources, including audio recordings.

Bay of Pigs Chronology

<http://www.gwu.edu/~nsarchiv/bayofpigs/chron.html>

This National Security Archive web page provides a detailed chronology of events related to the Bay of Pigs invasion.

Cuban Missile Crisis: Fifty Year Anniversary Website

<http://www.cubanmissilecrisis.org/>

This website, created by the Harvard Kennedy School's Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs, commemorates the 50th anniversary of the Cuban Missile Crisis of October 1962. Users can find key facts about the events of the Crisis, explore the most important lessons drawn from it over the past 50 years, find materials to help teach new students about this critical confrontation, and learn more about the nuclear threats that the world faces today.

The Armageddon Letters

<http://www.armageddonletters.com/>

The Armageddon Letters is a transmedia project (multi-platform storytelling) that takes visitors behind the scenes during the October 1962 Cuban Missile Crisis, the most dangerous crisis in recorded history. The letters refer to the exchange of communications between Kennedy, Khrushchev and Castro.

The Cuban Missile Crisis, 1962: the 40th Anniversary

http://www.gwu.edu/~nsarchiv/nsa/cuba_mis_cri/

This National Security Archives website includes a number of primary sources, including audio clips of ExComm meetings and photographs.

The Cuban Missile Crisis: An Online Exhibit

<http://www.cubacrisis.net>

Presented in French, English, and Spanish by Le Mémorial de Caen: Un Musée pour la Paix, this website includes documents, pictures and important background information.