

## **ETHN 110: Asian Americans**

### **Dr. Sobredo: Terms/concepts**

**\*NOTE: this is NOT a complete/comprehensive list. Students are ultimately responsible for using/studying their notes for exam.**

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### **Brief History of International & World Trade**

Silk Roads, Alexander the Great, "Barbar" (Barbarian), Roman Empire, Marco Polo, Dutch East India Company (1602), British East India Company

### **Why Did European Explorers "Sail the Ocean Blue"?**

-GOAL= Asia & the Spice Islands, Arabs & Africans knew, national secret

Venice: Europe's main market place, Magellan's profit = 10,000x original cost

**China today:** largest economic boom in history, largest population

-2nd largest economy (GDP [nominal]), REAG GDP=China #1, USA #2

**Norway:** Welfare state ("Nanny"), spends more on poverty than any nation, police are unarmed, one of the best economies in the world, did not suffer the Great Recession, budget surplus: every Norwegian is technically a millionaire

**Germany:** #1 economy in the EU, workers work the least hours

**BREXIT:** Britain voted to exit the EU, but 700,000 Brits living in Spain!

**Jose Antonio Vargas:** most famous undocumented immigrant

**Price of Oil:** OPEC, price of barrel of oil (71% of gasoline price)

-Suppliers, demand by customers, commodities traders, \*politics/disasters

-gas taxes (minimal effect), shadow banking (69% China)

### **Vietnam War & SE Asian Migration**

Human Species: 7 million BC (Africa)

French Indochina, Viet Minh, Ho Chi Minh, Gen. Giap, Battle of dien Bien Phu

Georges Bidault: US offers 2 atomic bombs to French, US funded 78% of war

North Vietnam vs. South Vietnam, Tiger-Elephant analogy (Ho Chi Minh)

Pres. Ngo Dinh Diem, Roman Catholic (minority), Persecution of Buddhists

(majority), Cold War, Domino Theory (Pres. Eisenhower), Viet Cong (South

Vietnam), Gen. Khahn (US puppet): Gen. Maxwell Taylor (US Ambassador),

Roles of US, USSR & China: countries they supported

5 Modern Communist countries: China, Cuba, Laos, N. Korea, Vietnam

### **US Strategy of War of Attrition**

Gen. West Moreland, 1968 Tet Offensive, Gulf of Tonkin Resolution,

Only Congress has power to declare war, Pres. Eisenhower,

Pres. Kennedy, Pres. Johnson, Pres. Nixon, US withdrawal in

1973, "Vietnamization" of the war, Fall of Saigon 1975,

My Lai massacre, Lt. Calley, Nick Ut and Kim Phuc, **Hugh Thompson** (helicopter pilot), Tiger Force (Michael Sallah and Mitch Weiss), Viet Cong, North Vietnamese Army

### **Cambodian genocide**

Context of the Vietnam War, attempts at neutrality, Pol Pot, Khmer Rouge, B-52 secret bombing raids in Cambodia, Gen. Nol Lam coup, Khmer Rouge invades Phnom Penh, "Year Zero": Khmer Rouge starts genocide, role of radio in Cambodian genocide (cf. Rwanda), role of USSR, China and USA in Cambodia, Vietnamese invasion of Cambodia to stop genocide, Dith Pran and "Killing Fields", Dr. Ngor (Oscar winner), Nixon's secret bombing of Cambodia: Kent State Protests

**Karl Marx & communism:** "history of class struggle," bourgeoisie, capitalist class, proletariat, History = feudalism->capitalism->socialism/communism

### **Laos & Hmong Migration**

Hmong originally from Central China, 8 million globally (3 million in China)  
California has largest Hmong population, 200% growth in Sacramento  
2nd largest student group in Sac State  
Laos=French Colony, attempted to stay neutral but Vietnam War pulls Laos in,  
Ho Chi Minh Trail ran through Laos, CIA recruits Hmong to fight communism, "Secret Army" led by Gen. Vang Pao, Long Cheng (Laos), 3 Million Hmong in China,  
CIA Dir. Wm Colby: Gen. Pao = "greatest hero of Vietnam," Pao = GW of Hmong people,  
Pathet Lao Party persecutes Hmong (Hmong genocide), Hmong in Sacramento,  
Sen. Mee Moua, Naturalization Act of 2000, Hmong in Minnesota vs. California  
Sen. Fong Hawj, Stockton's Wat Dharmararam Temple,