Vietnam War

The Vietnam war was a violent, twenty year conflict that began in 1954 and saw South Vietnam and American forces fighting the Communist North Vietnamese government. Both sides were fighting for a unified Vietnam, with the North fighting for a communist Vietnam and the U.S. becoming involved because they were attempting to stop the North from spreading communism. Due to the violent nature of the fighting in Vietnam, which saw 58,000 American soldiers killed, and lack of clear goals and objectives from the government, this conflict was fiercely protested by many citizens in the United States. Eventually, after years of fighting and intense scrutiny from the public, President Richard Nixon withdrew the American troops from Vietnam on March 29, 1973. South Vietnam was unified under Northern Vietnamese, communist control two years later in 1975.

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