## THE UNITED STATES ENTERS AND RUSSIA LEAVES





The United States enters into World War One for FOUR reasons:

The use of Unrestricted Submarine Warfare in the Atlantic ocean has been harming U.S cargo ships as well as civilian cruise liners. The United States denounces Germany for continued use of this method of warfare to break the stalemate.

The Zimmerman Telegram: The British intercept a note from German Foreign Minister Arthur Zimmerman to his ambassador to Mexico. This message discusses German forces aiding Mexico in recapturing lost territory in Texas and Arizona in return for support during the war.

The United States is economically invested in Great Britain and France.

And Finally, Woodrow Wilson wanted to make the world safe for democracy, and deemed Germany a threat to that goal.

## Russia Leaves the War:

Three years of war hits Russia especially hard. Commanders were unable to win battles, and stories of soldiers being undersupplied resulted in a weakening of confidence in the war effort.

March, 1917 a Bread Riot breaks out in St. Petersburg which erupts into a full blown revolution against the Russian monarchy. Hope for the implementation of a democratic government.

Vladamir Lenin comes to power later in the year, promising to bring the soldiers home from the front lines.

The Treaty of Brest-Litovsk is signed in 1918, ending the war with the Germans, and ending Russian involvement in World War One as a whole.

Germany now could concentrate on the Western Front. Luckily the United States stepped in to tip the balance in the favor of the Allied Powers.