



“The peoples of a number of countries of the world have recently had totalitarian regimes forced upon them in violation of the Yalta agreement... now, every nation must choose between alternative ways of life. One way is based upon the will of the majority, free elections, freedom of speech and freedom from political oppression. The second way of life is based upon the will of a minority forcibly imposed upon the majority. It relies upon terror, a controlled press and radio; fixed elections, and the suppression of personal freedoms. I believe that it must be the policy of the United States to support free peoples who are resisting attempted subjugation. I believe that our help should be primarily through economic and financial . If we falter in our leadership, we may endanger the peace of the world -- and we shall surely endanger the welfare of our own nation. Great responsibilities have been placed upon us by the swift movement of events. I therefore ask the Congress to provide authority for assistance to Greece and Turkey in the amount of \$400,000,000 while they repair the damages of war. It is necessary only to glance at a map to realize that the survival and integrity of the Greek nation are of grave importance in a much wider situation. Confusion and disorder might well spread throughout the entire Middle East..the effect will be far reaching to the West as well as to the East.”

US President Harry Truman in a speech to the US Congress, 12th March 1947. (Edited)

Who created this source: _____ their job, role or position: _____

Who is it for / audience: _____

When was it created: Year: ____ Century: ____ BCE CE Primary Secondary Tertiary

Where is the person who created the source from? _____

What type of source is it: Letter / Speech / Diary / Other : _____

What is the content of the source. Summarise this in your own words rather than just copy out lines.

Firstly the source says: _____

Furthermore it reveals: _____

Additionally it illustrates : _____

Finally it shows us : _____

Why was the source created. Is there a special reason or motive? _____

Use the bias indicators below to help decide if the source is reliable or not. Think about 1:**Provenance**, the origins or where the source came from . 2:**Content**, what the source says 3: **Corroboration**, is the content supported by other sources or your own knowledge?

C O N T E N T	What		P R O V E N A N C E	Who	When	Where	Why
	Unreliable	Uses opinions One sided Strong Language Emotional Confused Boastful Exaggerates Subjective Not Corroborated		Reliable Uses facts Balanced Softer Language Calm Clear Modest Understates Objective Corroborated	Could the person know things others do not? Do they have an important job? Is the person trustworthy? Could their 'audience' influence what is said or written?	Primary sources from a good eyewitness may be truthful, <u>but</u> they can also be confused or emotional. Primary sources may be recorded a long time after the event so the person may have forgotten some details. Secondary sources may get changed over time. The person was not there, <u>but</u> they can be written with less emotion and using information that was not available at the time..	Where a person comes from may influence the reliability of a source. For example, a German in 1942 may be biased towards a Jewish person and a Jewish person may feel angry towards Germans even today.

Unreliable 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 **Reliable**

1: Source provenance may may not make the source reliable because: _____

Example from the source : “ _____ ”

2: The source content may may not make the source reliable because: _____

Example from the source : “ _____ ”

3: Any other ideas why the source may or may not be reliable. Is the source supported / corroborated?
