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Subject: Re: Political Compass

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sadukar09 wrote on Sun, 29 June 2008 10:03Is that why the Soviets sent the first man out to space? And Sputnik?

What did the Soviet Space Program create that helped the ordinary populace? NASA developed technologies are used everyday by many people in the US to further benefit their lives. In the time that the West was booming economically after the second world war the Soviet Bloc was still in ruins. Instead of converting their arms factories back into factories producing consumer goods, the soviets continued to build up massive amounts of weapons even though there was no war to be fought. It's hard to create washing machines and microwaves when the government which runs your factory tells you to make bullets and tanks.

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