
Subject: Re: Political Compass

Posted by [Starbuzz](#) on Mon, 30 Jun 2008 00:47:30 GMT

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cheesesoda wrote on Sun, 29 June 2008 11:52 In a Communist society, technology stays at a standstill because there is absolutely no incentive to increase productivity and produce technologies.

cheesesoda wrote on Sun, 29 June 2008 21:52 sadukar09 Is that why the Soviets sent the first man out to space? And Sputnik?

1. They had competition... America.
2. Soviet nuclear missiles were big and clunky, and they needed more powerful rockets to launch them, so it wasn't too hard for them to adapt their big rockets for space exploration.

If you don't know, then don't post.

What you said before only applies to Communism in theory: if the basic need is fulfilled, then there is no need to immediately improve it. But Communist leaders Lenin and Mao each adapted their policies to better work with the environment they had. Nothing can be applied right from the text book. Your first quote applies only to theoretical Communism...it cannot be applied to the Communism practiced by the Soviet Union.

Your second post is total BS...atleast attempt to learn history. The Soviet Union had a successful military and space program in place while the United States was still hunting after Nazi rocketery engineers to fill it's own ranks with the secret Operation Paperclip.
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Operation_Paperclip

How the heck do you think the US even came close to motivating the Soviet Union to push ahead?

National Interest/Project 63 - "Project to help former Nazis obtain jobs with Lockheed, Martin Marietta, North American Aviation or other defense contractors during a time when many American engineers in the aircraft industry were being laid off."

So it was the other way around! Sputnik 1 stunned the West especially America. It was only then the US took noticed and hurried along. By that time, the former Nazi scientist under Adolf Hitler, Wernher von Braun, was already working for America making missiles.

He (a German ex-Nazi) was the one who was head engineer of the American Saturn V rocket that took Americans to the moon.

And your knowledge of Soviet missile technology...even basic rocketry...sucks so bad I am not even going to honour it with a educated reply.

GoArmy44 wrote on Sun, 29 June 2008 19:26 What did the Soviet Space Program create that helped the ordinary populace?

Why don't you ask what did the Soviet space program create that helped and helps the whole

world today? lol? The rest of your post is prejudiced, ill-informed BS.

The Soviet space program sent space vehicles to Venus and taking photographs.

The Soviet space program was the first to send data to and from outer space to a Soviet-made satellite in orbit. The Soviets pretty much are responsible for the advancement of communication satellites that now circle the globe broadcasting TV, radio, and cellphones signals because they proved it can be done. Talk about your BS, man!

They also developed the first 24/7 manned space station (MIR). Soviet/Russian experience in building space stations serve very well today with the International Space Station.

Cabal8616 wrote on Sun, 29 June 2008 19:10 I think about the only thing that the Soviet Union contributed positively was maybe competition for the USA, so we'd work a bit more towards various things. Otherwise, I really don't see too many SUPER DUPER AWESOME HOLY SHIT amazing things that have come out of it.

lol...I can go on. Just lower your arrogance, read some history, and respect your enemy.
