Panel 10: LAST 55 YEARS – Cold War/Long Peace (1945 to 2000 AD)

EARTH

End of World War II (1945 AD = 55 a)

HUMANITY

The Cold War (or Long Peace) ca. 1947-1991
- Cuban Missile Crisis
- Able Archer 83
- USSR orbits Earth with Sputnik
- Soviet A-bomb test
- US H-bomb test

End World War II 1945.08.15
- Soviet H-bomb test
- Korean War
- Berlin Blockade + Airlift
- US Apollo Lunar landings
- Vietnam War
- Berlin Wall
- Collapse of the Soviet Union

Post-Cold War
- British India
- French Morocco, Tunisia
- Netherlands East Indes
- Portuguese Africa

Decolonization (a few examples)

Panel 11

HIV/AIDS global pandemic (1981, continuing)

Great Chilean Earthquake (Mw ~9.5) 1960.05.22
Most powerful earthquake ever recorded

Great Alaskan Earthquake (Mw ~9.2) 1964.03.27
Most powerful North American earthquake recorded

Mexico City Earthquake 1985.09.19
5,000-30,000 fatalities

Eruption of Mount St. Helens
(Washington State, U.S.) 1980.05.18

Eruption of Mount Pinatubo
(Philippines) 1991.06.15
major atmospheric effects

Eruption of Nevado del Ruiz (Colombia) 1985.11.13
> 20,000 fatalities

Three eruptions of El Chichón (Mexico)
March-April 1982 ~2,000 fatalities

 México City Earthquake 1985.09.19 5,000-30,000 fatalities

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