## First interviewee: Ms. Aguilera (My Neighbor)

 What did your interviewees experience growing up during their historical event?

In the late 1950s, both she and her brother went through an air raid drill when they were in elementary school. They were asked to hide under a table until the all-clear was lifted. She was young and didn't understand why she did this, only that it was a request.

- How does it connect to the material we have learned in class?
   This matches what is recorded in the notes. France and Great Britain airdropped supplies to East Berlin, which led to the Soviet Union being forced to open the Berlin Wall to prevent war.
- Do you believe the event had a positive or negative impact on your family history?

This was of course a negative event for her childhood and family, but as she grew up, the US did not go to war with the Soviet Union (Cuban nuclear missile threat), which reassured her.

- What do you know about the Cold War?
   When the Cold War began, she was just a kid. She heard about the conflict between the USSR and the US and Grew up in the background of the Cold War.
- 2. What was your experience growing up during this time/world events? What do you remember?

  She did hear about the opening of the Berlin Wall in Germany which ended the COld War during the Reagan administration when she was growing up.
- 3. Did it have a significant impact on your life? If it did/didn't, what was your own experience growing up during this time that mattered to you? Her father and uncle participated in World War II, and their mental state was completely different after returning, which also made her fear war. She has always hated war and advocated peace.
- 4. Did you have to overcome any obstacles or take risks?

  She once again had the energy to conduct air defense drills at school with her brother. Alarm bells sounded throughout the school, and everyone quickly hid under their desks. At that time, she was just in elementary school, and she didn't know

- why she wanted to avoid it, but she only knew that it was a request from teachers and parents.
- 5. What was the most memorable impact this time had on your life? What impressed her most was the Cuban Missile Crisis. She begged very nervously not to have a war, but fortunately everything went as he wished.

## Second interviewee: Mr. Jin (My Father)

- What did your interviewees experience growing up during their historical event?
  - My dad is Steven Jin and he was born in China. The most memorable event for my dad was when the Soviet Union collapsed in 1991, China seemed to have lost their "big brother", and a mountain of communism collapsed. All of China fought alongside the Soviet Union during the Korean War and the Vietnam War and spread communism together.
- How does it connect to the material we have learned in class?
  We learned in class that the collapse of the Soviet Union, despite the rapid creation and detente of Russia, dealt a major blow to the promotion of communism.
  Stalingrad and Leningrad refused to accept their existence, and the capitalists once again defeated the Communist Party. "If you still want to follow that red star, go to the east. Cross the Dnieper River, over the Ural Mountains, the end of the Siberian Plain, where sparks are still burning. (China)"
- Do you believe the event had a positive or negative impact on your family history?
  - He believes that this is a very sad process for Chinese families, but the rise of Russia is also very beneficial to China.