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| **Two Column Notes (*Primary Source Document)*** | | |
| **Comments, Connections, Questions, Predictions, Inferences** |  | **A**uthor:  Stalin (or Witness of Stalin’s election speech)  **P**lace:  Moscow   * February 9, 1946.   **P**rior Knowledge:  **-**Stalin was a political leader of the Soviet Union who was a secretary general of the communist party as well. He was a premier of the Soviet Union.  -Stalin gave this speech after the election of the Supreme Soviet.  **A**udience:  **-Citizens**  **-Voters**  **R**eason:  **-To identify Stalin as a trustworthy person**  **-To inform citizens of the party’s positions**  **-To endorse the communist party’s positions and question the Nation.**  -To show what will be happening in Russia, to provide the citizens with his ideas for future plans.  **T**he Main Point:  -The main point of this document was to provide Stalin’s speech and his position in terms of the war between capitalism governments and communism governments. This speech gave Stalin’s side of the story, and how he thinks each form of government differs. –He goes against capitalists   * “The development of world capitalism does not follow a steady and even course forward…”   **S**ignificance:  -This speech allows readers to view Stalin’s particular view on the material addressed, and shows the reader Stalin’s intentions and goals as a potential leader. –Taking a stand between capitalism and communism. |
| * Josef Stalin provides justification and reasoning to support his beliefs in this speech regarding communism and capitalism. * This speech was an important part of Stalin’s life—all his beliefs were being spread to the citizens, and he was trying his best to provide the voters with a speech that demonstrated his loyalty and trust to the citizens. * Stalin’s view were based on communism, so this speech was geared toward a communist government and geared away from a capitalist government. * This means that this speech is a good resource for communists’ mindsets—not so much capitalists. |
| **Analysis:** In Stalin’s speech, his position on the communist party was spoken and his views were given to the citizens. He uses justification to identify himself as a trustworthy person, even under communist rule. His intention was to inform citizens of the communist party’s positions and endorse the party’s role in the government. “Thus, as a result of the first crisis in the development of the capitalist world economy, the First World War arose.” | | |