

Wars Since 1945:

Korean War

French Indo-China War

Vietnam War

1945-1990; there were dozens of local wars NOT involving the superpowers:

- The Communist Chinese Revolution that created Red China & Taiwan in 1949.
- Arab-Israeli Wars
- Pakistan-Indian War
- Uprising in the Belgium Congo.
- The end White rule in South Africa (Apartheid) to include Rhodesia.
- Insurrections in Santo Domingo .
- Communist inspired insurrections in Malaysia, Indonesia, and the Philippines.

“U. S. Military Operations”

- Operation Urgent Fury-Invasion of Grenada (1989)
- Operation Just Cause-Panama (1989)
- Operation Desert Shield (Build up of military forces in 1990); Operation Desert Storm-opening of hostilities in Iraq (1991)
- Operation Restore Hope-Somalia (1993)

“U. S. Military Operations”

cont.

- **Bosnia Operations mid-1990's**
- **Operation Enduring Freedom-Afghanistan (2001-ongoing)**
- **Operation Iraqi Freedom (2003-ongoing)**

Natural Disasters Since 1970

- November 1970: Bangladesh cyclone kills 300,000. World's deadliest on record.
- July 1976: Northeastern China earthquake (magnitude 8.2) kills 240,000, some estimates at 655,000.
- June 1990: Northwestern Iran earthquake (magnitude 7.7) kills 50,000.
- April 1991: Bangladesh cyclone kills 140,000.
- October 1998: Central America Hurricane Mitch kills 9,000.

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- August 1999: Western Turkey earthquake (magnitude 7.4) kills 17,000.
- December 2003: Southeastern Iran earthquake (magnitude 6.5) kills 26,000.
- December 2004: Indian Ocean tsunami (triggered by magnitude 9.0 earthquake) kills 230,000 in a dozen countries.
- August 2005: U.S. Gulf Coast Hurricane Katrina kills at least 1,600 people in Louisiana and Mississippi.

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- October 2005: Northern Pakistan earthquake (magnitude 7.6) kills about 78,000 people.
- May 2-3, 2008: Cyclone Nargis strikes Myanmar, killing at least 78,000 and leaving 56,000 others missing.
- May 12, 2008: Earthquake (magnitude 7.9) hits Sichuan province in central China killing more than 80,000 people were killed.