Worksheet 2.1
Kennan’s Long Telegram

Study [this source](#) and answer the questions.

A. Use the headings of the telegram. Make brief notes under each heading to summarise Kennan’s key conclusions.

1. Basic features of post-war Soviet outlook.
2. Background of this outlook.
3. Its projection in practical policy on official level.
4. Its projection on unofficial level.
5. Practical deductions from standpoint of US policy.

B. What is the tone of this telegram?

C. Why do you think historians have seen it as significant in the origins of the Cold War?