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At the same time, a communist regime was born in Afghanistan next to the east of Iran, and the civil war took place. The War in Afghanistan was the war between socialism ideology and the Islam. Though the United States and Arab Islamic countries historically conflicted each other, they fought against the USSR in one mind. The United States believed that liberalism and capitalism was the best ideology in the world and the War in Afghanistan was the final ideological war against USSR. While the Arab-Islamic countries thought that the war was religious one to stop the invasion of atheism.

The Islamic Revolution had changed Iran from the ideology of liberalism and capitalism by Rezah Pahlavi to religious beliefs by Ayatollah Khomeini. Both the USSR and the United States were confused by the drastic change of society in Iran. The impact of the United States was much bigger than USSR. The United States has accepted the exile of Rezah Pahlavi taking humanitarian manner into consideration. However, US decision ignited the anti-American sentiments of Iranian students. They occupied the US embassy in Tehran. The occupation lasted for a year. As a result, the strong anti-Iran sentiment was born in the United States. There is no indication to end the mutual antipathy until now. It was the beginning of the unfortunate history between Iran and the United States.

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