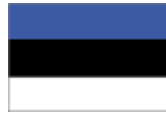


Imperial Bowl – USSR

Pins are arranged in 1-10 bowling layout, in chronological order of significant events. The primary focus is the Cold War, although other events of interest are listed in parenthesis.



Estonia



Poland



East Germany



Czechoslovakia



Cuba



Hungary



Lithuania



Afghanistan



Angola



Ethiopia

Estonia, 1940: Annexation by USSR (along with several other Baltic states).

East Germany, 1946: Soviet-directed merger of Communist Party of Germany and Social Democratic Party of Germany creates new ruling party, Socialist Unity Party of Germany

Poland, 1956: Soviets order Polish army to suppress Poznan Uprising.

Hungary, 1956: USSR military suppresses Hungarian Revolution.

Cuba, 1962: USSR ships nuclear missiles to Cuba. (The USSR did not originally support Castro in the Cuban Revolution, not knowing what to make of him at the time.)

Czechoslovakia, 1968: Soviet military suppression of the Prague Spring.

Ethiopia, 1974: Soviet-backed military junta deposes Haile Selassie.

Angola, 1975: USSR supports MPLA government.

Afghanistan, 1979: Beginning of Soviet deployment.

Lithuania, 1991: Soviet troops attempt to suppress Lithuanian independence in attack on Vilnius TV tower.