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Week of November 27, 2017

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The Eisenhower Memorial Commission

President Obama Joins Memorial Advisory Committee



The Commission welcomes the latest member to the Eisenhower Memorial Advisory Committee – 44th President of the United States, Barack Obama. The [Advisory Committee](#) consists of dozens of distinguished Americans, including all five former U.S. Presidents, who are dedicated to ensuring that a national memorial honoring Eisenhower is constructed in Washington, D.C.



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We extend our deepest appreciation to all of our donors for their generous contributions in support of Ike's memorial. Donations from our supporters make it possible for us to move ever closer to completing construction on the National Eisenhower Memorial in the heart of our nation's capital.

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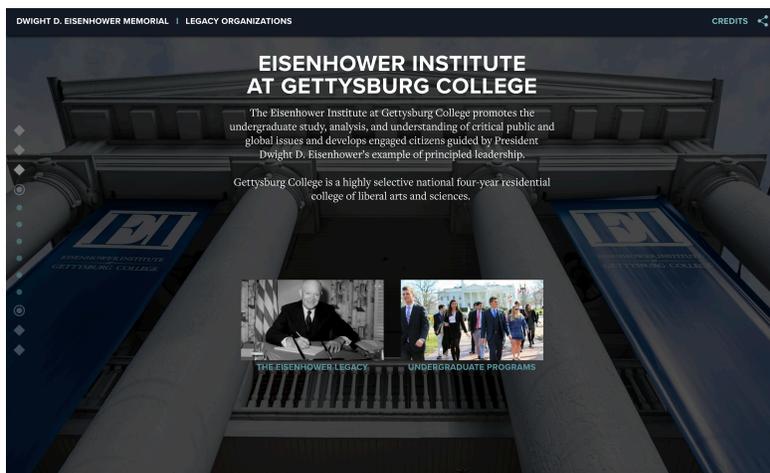
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Eisenhower Institute Legacy Story Unveiled on the E-Memorial



We are excited to share with you the [Eisenhower Institute at Gettysburg College story](#), the second of six to be unveiled on the Legacy Organizations segment of the E-Memorial website.

Grounded in President Eisenhower's visionary leadership and commitment to service, the Institute's programs promote nonpartisan discourse and foster critical analysis of important issues. With locations in both Gettysburg and Washington, D.C., the Institute is a window to the world, facilitating students' immersion into national and global affairs. Visit the E-Memorial [Legacy](#)



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With the guidance of the E-Memorial design team, Local Projects, the Commission is committed to sharing the unique histories and ongoing missions of the six Eisenhower legacy organizations. Each organization was either directly created or inspired by Eisenhower during his lifetime and is dedicated to perpetuating his legacy. Combined, they serve as the "living memorial" to the champion of peace. Stay tuned as we roll out the remaining organizations' stories in 2018.

Ike's Timeless Legacy

On December 8, 1953, President Eisenhower delivered his famous "[Atoms for Peace](#)" speech to the United Nations General Assembly, in which he advocated for the peaceful development of nuclear energy and called for an international effort to "harness the atom for man's good." Outlining the potential for massive destruction posed by a world of hostile nuclear powers, Eisenhower called for immediate steps toward a "new climate of mutually peaceful confidence" for the benefit of humanity. The speech opened the debate over the control of nuclear science and technology to the public for the first time. Four years later, the International Atomic Energy Agency was created as an outgrowth of Eisenhower's proposal for an international body to regulate and promote the peaceful use of atomic energy.



[VIDEO] Learn more about *Atoms for Peace* and Eisenhower's Cold War leadership through the E-Memorial Pivotal Moment film [Waging Peace](#).

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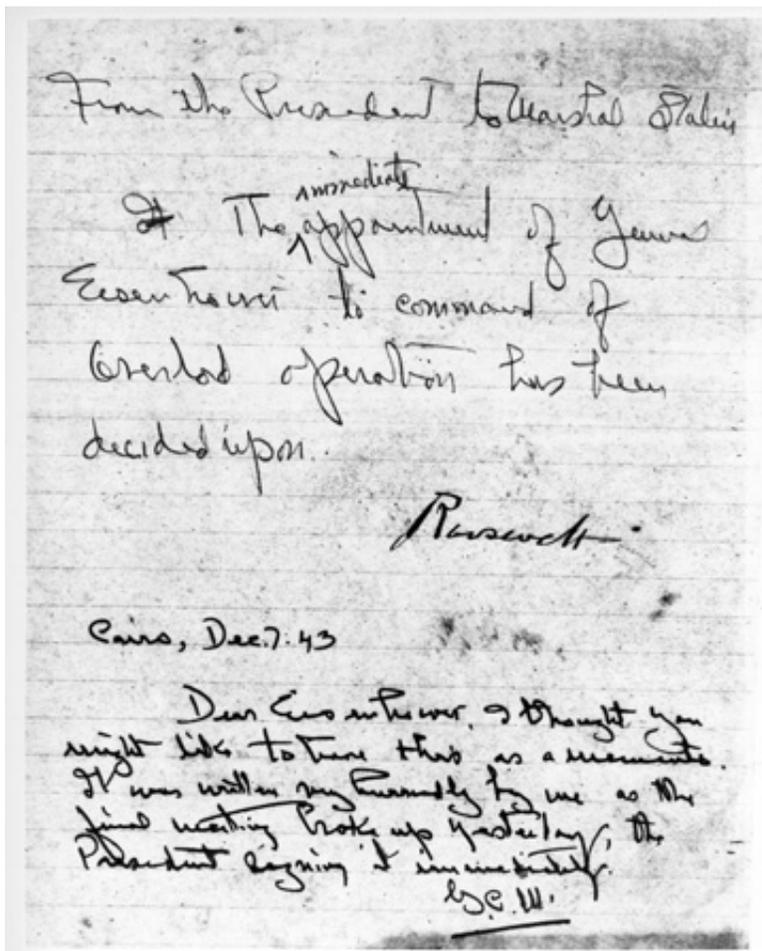
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From the President to Marshal Stalin:

The immediate appointment of General Eisenhower to command of Overlord operation has been decided upon.

- Roosevelt, Cairo, December 7, 1943



Handwritten note from President Roosevelt to Marshal Stalin appointing General Eisenhower to command Operation Overlord (Copy on display at the [Eisenhower Presidential Museum](#) in Abilene, KS)

Test Your Ike'spertise

Trivia Question: Which General summoned Eisenhower to Washington immediately following the Japanese bombing of Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941?

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Trivia Answer: Army Chief of Staff General George Marshall summoned Eisenhower to work in the War Plans Division in Washington. General Marshall first tasked Ike with the responsibility of creating plans for the Pacific theater, but two months later promoted him to Chief of the War Plans Division, during which time he set about drafting a basic strategy for defeating the Axis powers. Eisenhower's time in the WPD, in close proximity to General Marshall, was formative in the latter's appointment of Ike to senior command posts later in the war. Note General George Marshall's added note to Eisenhower on the bottom of Roosevelt's letter (above).

Visit the E-Memorial's [Interactive Timeline](#) to explore more historic milestones in Eisenhower's career.

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The Officers of the War Plans Division in Washington, DC, from left to right: Col. W. K. Harrison, Col. Lee S. Gerow, Brig. Gen. Robert W. Crawford, Brig. Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, Brig. Gen. Leonard T. Gerow, Chief, Col. Thomas T. Handy, Col. Stephen H. Sherrill, image courtesy of the U.S. Army

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