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How Liberals Got It Wrong in the
Cold War and Still Blame America First

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anti-anti communist

John Kerry

Stalin
Lenin
andropov

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was supposed 262

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wants cold war" P111

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mid 60's

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Ames. for its poverty
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Why are conservatives -

Why "hated" for
U.S.

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