

5.7 The Congress of Vienna

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KEY WORDS restore the balance of power 均势 • congress of vienna 维也纳会议
• napoleon 拿破仑

Objective

Build the skills to explain the **Congress of Vienna** 维也纳会议.

You must be able to:

- state the Congress’s two aims
- explain what it was containing and why both dangers are named
- compare its method with the balance of power of unit 3
- state why the CED says it *attempted*

1 Worked examples

Study these first. Each one shows the method for a task used later.

■ Two aims

To restore the balance of power in Europe, and to contain the danger of revolutionary or nationalistic upheavals in the future.

■ Two dangers

Revolutionary upheaval comes from the principles of 5.4; **nationalistic** upheaval from the response to 5.6. Naming both is an admission that twenty-five years produced two lasting forces.

■ Method

The Congress restored a principle already used in the eighteenth century, which makes the settlement conservative in method as well as in aim: Napoleonic Europe is treated as a deviation to be undone.

■ ‘Attempted’

The CED’s verb concedes nothing about success. Whether containment held is the story of the following units.

2 Practice

2.1 State the Congress’s two aims. [2]

2.2 State the two dangers named and where each came from. [2]

2.3 The CED says the Congress “attempted”.

(a) State what the verb concedes. [1]

(b) State where the answer is found. [1]

3 Exam-style questions

3.1 Restoring the balance of power makes the settlement [1]

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|---|---|
| A | B |
| C | D |
- A** revolutionary
B conservative in method as well as aim
C nationalist
D liberal

3.2 Naming two dangers rather than one admits that the previous quarter-century produced [1]

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|---|---|
| A | B |
| C | D |
- A** no lasting forces
B two lasting forces
C one force
D four forces

3.3 A settlement designed to contain nationalism shapes how nationalism must later operate.

(a) State the implication for the next century. [1]

(b) Explain why this is more than a date. [2]
