

**THE NEW NATION,
CHAPTER 8 NOTES,
PART 2**

Foreign Policy Under Washington

- ◎ French Revolution-1789
 - Americans were supportive
- ◎ Reign of Terror—1793
 - Hundreds beheaded
 - Some Americans became opposed
- ◎ War between France and Britain-1793
- ◎ Issue:
 - Did the American Alliance with France in 1778 mean that America had to help France?

Perspectives in the Cabinet

⦿ Jefferson:

- Let's wait and see what France does—they probably will not ask for our help
 - Jefferson wanted less connection with the British

⦿ Hamilton:

- We cannot be involved. Washington should declare the treaty suspended immediately.
- Why?
 - Hamilton wanted Britain for a trading partner

Washington's Decision

- Washington proclaimed American neutrality on April 22, 1793
- Hamilton won that argument
- 1793: Jefferson left the administration

Whiskey Rebellion 1794

- ⦿ Rebellion among farmers in western Pennsylvania
- ⦿ Why?
 - Congress placed an excise tax on the distillation of whiskey, produced from farmers' surplus corn
 - Farmers protested

Washington's Response

- Washington organized an army of 13,000 men and ordered the occupation of western Pennsylvania
- Washington pardoned 2 felons

Indian Problems