Key DATES -- WWII in Nordic-Baltic Region

1939:
August 23   Soviet-German Non-Aggression Pact signed (with secret protocol)

Sept. 1   Nazi-Germany invades and occupies Poland: BLITZKRIEG

Sept. 3   Britain and France (the Allies) declare War on Germany

Sept. 17   Soviet troops invade eastern Poland

Nov. 30   Soviet Russia invades Finland, initiating the WINTER WAR

1940:
March 12   Russia and Finland sign peace treaty
          Finland forced to cede territories to USSR)

April 9   Nazi-Germany invades Denmark and Norway
          (Denmark capitulates immediately)

June 7   Norway's battle against Germany ceases
          (King, government, evacuated to Britain)

July   Soviets annex and occupy the Baltic states:
          Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania

Summer of 1940 leaves Denmark and Norway occupied by Germany, Sweden neutral,
Finland hostile to Soviet Union, Baltic states occupied by Soviet Union.