

Sputnik 1 launched on October 4, 1957.

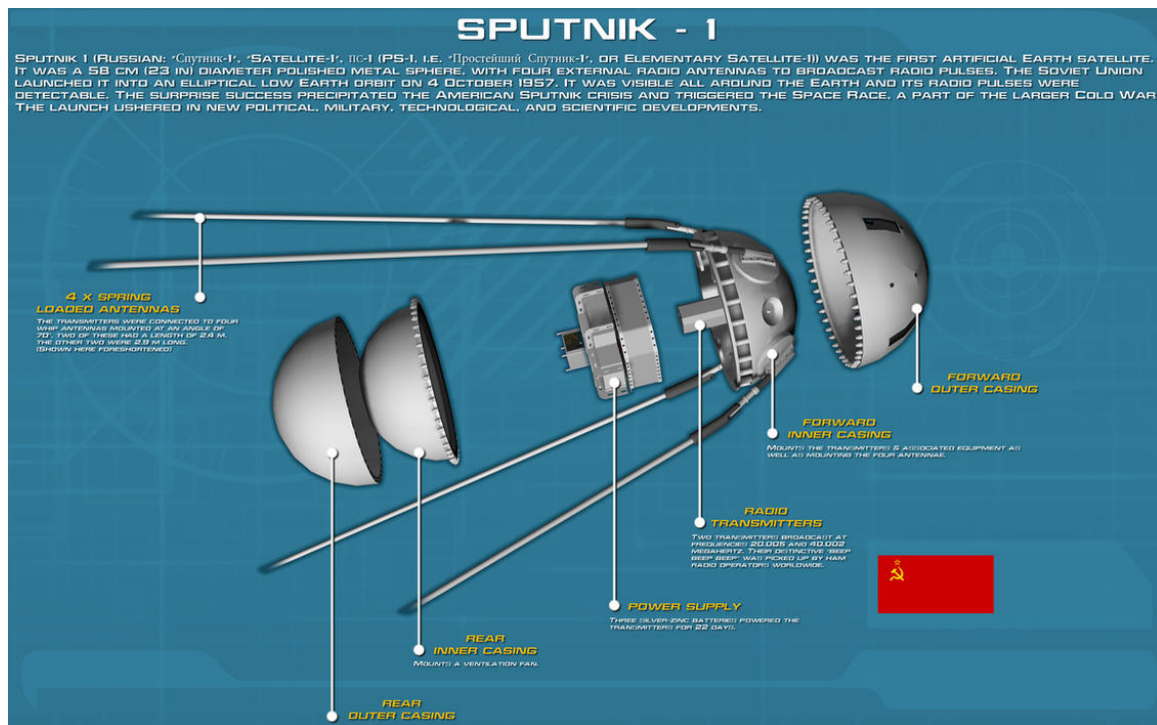
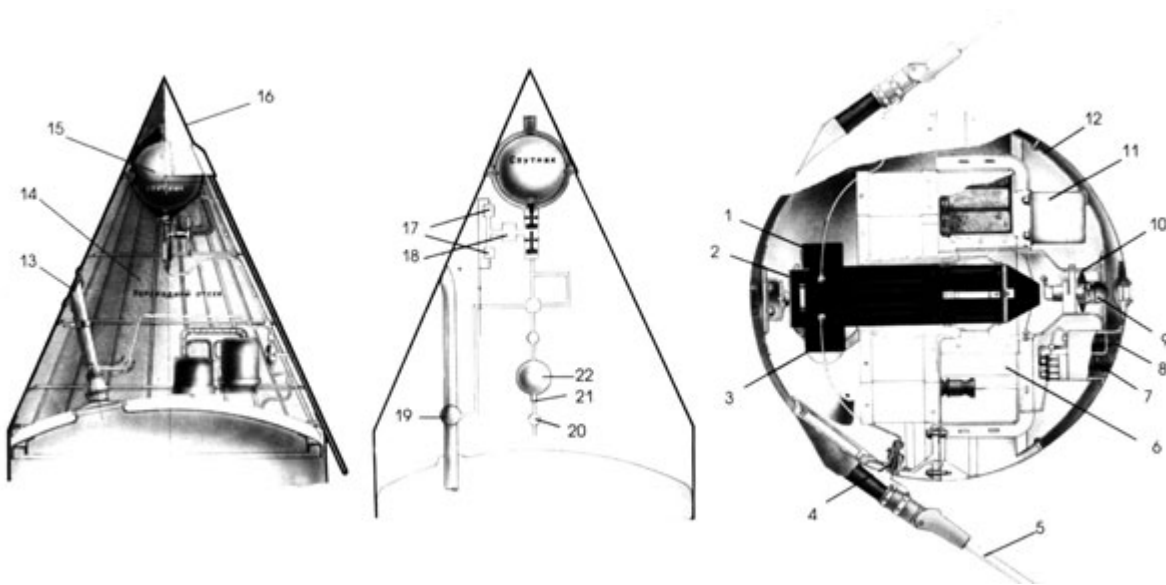
Besides cold war speculation, this was one of the greatest events in **space race** that sparked competition, scientific/technical achievements and - eventually, led to 1969 **Moon Landing**.

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in the successful long-range test flight of August 21 (with the accomplishment published in Aviation Week). Sputnik 1 was not visible from Earth but the casing of the R-7 booster, traveling behind it, was.

You can check some very [detailed technical informations about the Sputnik satellite here](#):



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