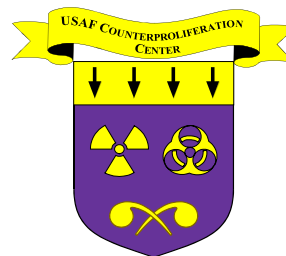


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Moscow's Overlooked Missile Defenses

By James T. Hackett

It seems that everyone wants the U.S. to remain undefended against ballistic missiles. The United Nations secretary general, a former NATO secretary general, the British prime minister, French, German, and Canadian officials, and just about everyone else in Europe is supporting Moscow and Beijing in opposing a U.S. missile defense. To be sure, our allies are polite, but it is disturbing to hear Europeans, with whom Americans fought in two world wars, saying we should not defend ourselves.

After all, the current plan is modest — to deploy just 20 interceptors by 2005 and 100 by 2007. This, we are told, will destroy the ABM treaty, threaten strategic stability, cause Moscow to withdraw from START and other arms control treaties, and lead to a new arms race. The widespread opposition is a reflection of America's predominant position in the world today — others join in trying to hold down the most powerful. ...

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U.S. Warns Pakistan: No New A-Test

Think Tank Cites Satellite Photos

By Thomas E. Ricks and Vernon Loeb, Washington Post Staff Writers

The U.S. government, alarmed by intelligence reports of possible preparations for a nuclear test in Pakistan, warned Islamabad last week against carrying out any additional tests.

"We have raised this issue with the Pakistani government and have received assurances that they have no plans to test again," an administration official said yesterday.

May 28 marks the second anniversary of Pakistan's detonation of five nuclear devices in the Chagai Hills in southwestern Pakistan.

Two days later, Pakistan tested another warhead. The tests were conducted in response to two rounds of nuclear tests by India earlier that month.

Administration officials were tight-lipped about what specifically set off alarms among intelligence analysts. ...

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New York Times
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Russia Opens Doors To Lab That Created Deadly Germs

By Judith Miller

OBOLENSK, Russia, May 23 -- The once top-secret research complex where the Soviet Union perfected dozens of strains of deadly bacteria threw open its doors this week to scientists from around the world.

The director of the State Research Center for Applied Microbiology, which is a two-hour drive from Moscow, invited 200 scientists from 10 countries, Western officials and even an American reporter to what was once a crown jewel of the Soviet germ warfare empire, so hidden that it was not listed on Soviet maps.

In the Soviet era, 3,000 scientists and technicians worked for more than 20 years to develop weapons from anthrax, glanders, plague, tularemia and other lethal or debilitating diseases. ...

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Washington Times
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Chinese Missiles In The New World Order

By Kenneth Timmerman

Last August, when it tested a new long-range intercontinental ballistic missile, the DF-31, Communist China revealed just how successful free trade with American defense and high-tech firms has been — not in expanding U.S. exports or in creating U.S. jobs, but in advancing China's own strategic interests.

This is why Beijing and its allies are lobbying Congress so furiously to remove the last restrictions on the transfer of high technology to Communist China by granting Permanent Normal Trading Relations this week. The future of China's strategic rocket programs hangs in the balance.

According to a Chinese scientist who lives in the United States after defecting from China in the late 1990s, the Chinese acquired most of the specialized military equipment and technology they needed for the DF-31 in the United States, with help and approval from the Clinton administration. ...

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Philadelphia Inquirer
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U.S. Military Rejects Moscow Call To Cut To 1,500 Warheads

Testifying on Capitol Hill, the leaders said they could not back such an idea without a comprehensive review.

By Jonathan S. Landay and Steven Thomma, Inquirer Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON - The nation's top military leaders, testifying on Capitol Hill yesterday before next month's U.S.-Russia summit in Moscow, expressed opposition to a Russian proposal to cut the two countries' nuclear arsenals to 1,500 warheads each.

The Joint Chiefs of Staff said they could not support reductions below a previously agreed-on limit of 2,000 to 2,500 warheads each without analyzing the impact on national security.

"We would not feel comfortable short of a comprehensive review of the strategy," the Joint Chiefs' chairman, Gen. Henry H. Shelton, told the Senate Armed Services Committee during a rare public hearing on U.S. nuclear policy.

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Defense Daily
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House Members Get Classified Brief On Nuclear Arsenal Status

By Kerry Gildea

Concerned the White House will agree to a Russian proposal that would cut the number of U.S. nuclear warheads to levels too low to protect the country, House members met in closed session yesterday with U.S. Strategic Command Chief Adm. Richard Mies to discuss the status of the U.S. arsenal and consequences of potential cuts.

House Armed Services Research and Development Subcommittee Chairman Curt Weldon (R-Pa.) organized the briefing for members because of growing concerns the White House may accept a Russian proposal to reduce nuclear warheads to below 2,000-2,500. ...

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