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Dear Mr. Richards:

Because you are an opinion leader in Riverside, you have been nominated to serve on our National Advisory Board and to participate in our 1975 National Security Issues Poll.

This is, of course, subject to your acceptance.

To insure accurate poll tabulation, I have assigned an identification code to each prospective Board member. Your code number, Mr. Richards, is 4939.

We want to release the results of this Poll to the President, the Congress and the national press as soon as possible, so please return your questionnaire today.

Your vote is particularly important now because official Washington is NOT representing you and me in their decisions concerning our nation's survival!

For example, I don't think that you wanted our country to both become second best to the Soviet Union in military strength and to agree not to defend you or me against missiles.

Yet, Washington did let the Soviets become militarily superior to the U. S. and did agree not to defend U. S. civilians.

If you don't think it's that bad, please look at the facts in the enclosed PHASED UNILATERAL DISARMAMENT folder!

And, the Soviets are now going all-out for a super-superiority over the U. S. According to Secretary of Defense Schlesinger, the Soviets are today spending 60% more than the U. S. in strategic nuclear offensive weapons.

This sharp cut-back in our military defenses was based on the belief in Washington that the American people just won't support an adequate defense.

Why do top Washington officials believe this? The answer is that they think the daily barrage of anti-defense

opinion from much of the national media and from several multi-million-dollar pressure groups actually represents public opinion.

As a consequence, your views and mine are treated as minority views -- even though, for example, an Opinion Research Corporation Poll showed over two-thirds of the American people want the safety of U. S. military superiority.

That is why we've organized OPERATION ALERT to:

- 1) Alert millions of Americans to what has happened to our nation's defenses.
- 2) Provide an organized two-way communications link between Americans like you and me and official Washington.

The heart of this plan is a computerized MAJORITY OPINION DATA BANK which will permanently maintain your opinion on basic national defense, foreign policy and internal security issues. We will also retain opinion research firms to feed public opinion surveys into the BANK ... for comparison purposes.

Now, how will this be effective?

We will, for example, give your Congressman a computer analysis combining your opinion with that of all the other people we represent in his Congressional district. We will explain that our rating of his voting record will be based on these opinions.

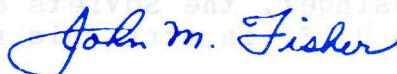
Key people in both parties tell me that this use of the MAJORITY OPINION DATA BANK will have a tremendous impact on the Congress. And, I am told that President Ford will be impressed and encouraged by this evidence of majority organization.

Your dues will be only \$10.00 a year -- a 33-1/3% discount from the regular dues! This will cover the cost of administering your membership, getting and putting your opinions in our MAJORITY OPINION DATA BANK, and a subscription to our WASHINGTON REPORT newsletter.

And, if in addition to your dues, you contribute \$5.00 or more toward reaching millions of other Americans, I'll send you a handsome solid sterling silver lapel pin showing your support of a strong and free America.

I've enclosed a postage-paid reply envelope for your convenience in returning your Poll and your contribution.

Sincerely,



John M. Fisher  
President

P. S. Our Congress seems determined to abandon our allies and to dismantle our defenses, and will do so unless we rise to the challenge together. We need your vote and dues NOW!

## AS OTHERS SEE THE THREAT

"The nation is in great danger. Our danger is increasing every day. . . . The Soviet Union's expansionist foreign policy is backed by a military building program which has no peacetime parallel in world affairs. . . . In the face of the Soviet military build-up and Soviet foreign policy, our defense budget is an invitation to disaster." Foreign Policy Task Force, Coalition for a Democratic Majority, April 1975.

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"The administration can no longer conduct a credible American foreign policy. But do not worry, a new foreign policy line has already been laid down by Congress: *If you surrender, the killing will stop.* It is a clean message, to the world, of the abject surrender of the United States."

"The American retreat before Moscow, like that of Napoleon, is beginning to litter the route of corpses." Sir Robert Thompson, "Retreat," *New York Times*, April 3, 1975.

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"Detente is the cold war pursued by other means — and sometimes by the same." George Meany, "Political Aspects of Soviet-American Detente," Senate Foreign Relations Committee, October 1, 1974.

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"In fact, I can tell you that the coming year (1975) will probably see the start of the most massive deployment of new strategic nuclear weapons in history — and those will be Soviet weapons. . . . The Soviet technical advances, their willingness to spend freely and the sheer massiveness of their new strategic missile programs are simply staggering." Dr. Malcolm Currie, Director of Research and Engineering, Department of Defense, November 13, 1974.

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"We stand now at our point of greatest weakness and in my estimate in our greatest jeopardy." Admiral Elmo R. Zumwalt, then Chief of Naval Operations in testimony to the Senate Armed Services Committee, February 19, 1974.

"On the basis of what I have learned, I believe that it is reasonable to conclude that the Soviet Union has been engaged in patterns of activity that at worst constitute deliberate breaches of the SALT I accords, and at best represent a stretching of every ambiguity and advantage in those accords in ways that raise serious questions as to Soviet intentions in the continuing negotiations for limitations on strategic weapons," Senator James L. Buckley, Overseas Press Club, New York City, October 31, 1974.

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In signing the SALT I agreements, the United States adopted the incredible Mutual Assured Destruction (MAD) theory and agreed not to defend its civilian population.

As a consequence, General L. D. Clay, Jr., Commander-in-Chief, North American Air Defense Command (NORAD), in a November 13, 1974 speech declared, "We no longer have as our primary mission the air defense of the North American continent."

General Clay said that NORAD would still provide warning of a strategic attack, but he added the chilling comment that **"... the nation as an entity and every citizen in it may measure longevity from the instant warning is received."**

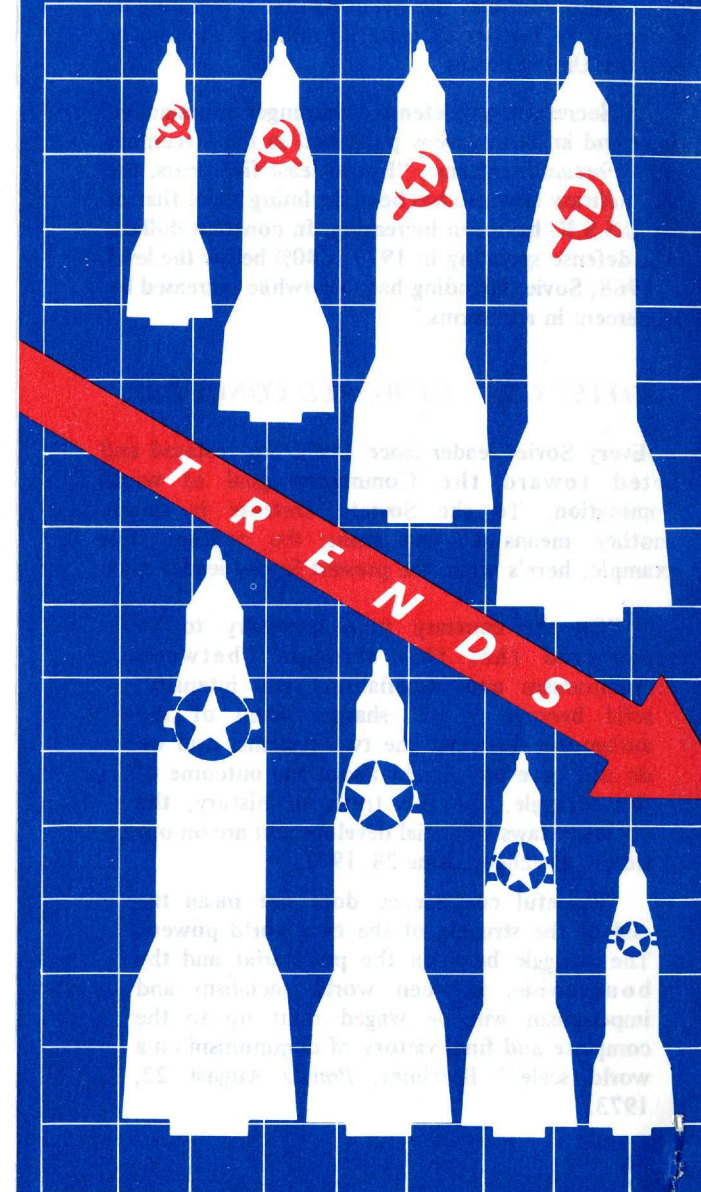
## OPERATION ALERT

OPERATION ALERT is an educational project of the American Security Council. Its objective is to inform the public about the growing Soviet threat, so that every citizen may participate in what is now a one-sided debate involving his survival.

Recent Opinion Research Corporation polls show that two-thirds of the American people want the security of U.S. military superiority over the Soviet Union. However, the American people are *not* being told that the United States has become the second best military power. Since the voters have not been alerted, the massively financed anti-defense lobby is now shaping U.S. policy without opposition.

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# PHASED UNILATERAL DISARMAMENT



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As the figures on the facing pages show, the United States is engaged in phased unilateral disarmament and has already fallen well behind the Soviet Union in military strength.

In sharp contrast, the Soviet Union is straining its economy to further increase its military superiority over the United States.

As Secretary of Defense Schlesinger summarized the trend in an interview published in the December 1973 *Fortune* magazine, "For at least five years, the U.S. military strength has been declining while that of the U.S.S.R. has been increasing. In constant dollars, U.S. defense spending in 1973 is 40% below the level of 1968; Soviet spending has meanwhile increased by 16 percent in real terms."

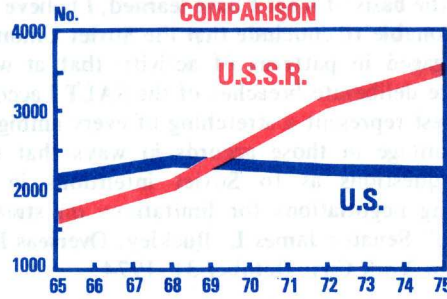
## SOVIET GOAL OF WORLD CONQUEST

Every Soviet leader since Lenin has restated and acted toward the Communist goal of world domination. To the Soviets, Detente is simply another means of continuing the conflict. For example, here's what the present Soviet leader says:

"On the contrary it is necessary to be prepared that this struggle [between communism and imperialism] will intensify, will become a still sharper form of the antagonism between the two systems. And we do not have any doubt about the outcome of this struggle, for the truth of history, the objective laws of social development are on our side." Brezhnev, June 28, 1972.

"Peaceful coexistence does not mean the end of the struggle of the two world powers. The struggle between the proletariat and the bourgeoisie, between world socialism and imperialism will be waged right up to the complete and final victory of communism on a world scale." Brezhnev, *Pravda* August 22, 1973.

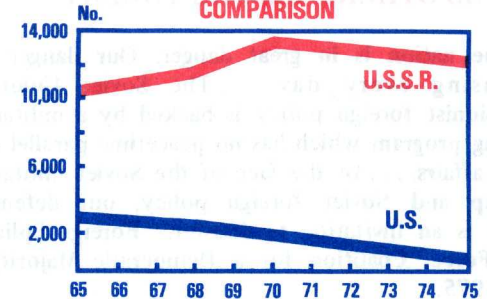
## STRATEGIC OFFENSIVE WEAPONS COMPARISON



MID-1975 BALANCE		U.S.	U.S.S.R.
Intercontinental Ballistic Missiles		1054	1590
Sub Launched Ballistic Missiles		656	760
Strategic Bombers *		498	860
Sub Launched Long Range Cruise Missiles		0	314
Mobile ICBM's		0	?
		2208	3524

\* Including Medium Bombers  
Source: U.S. Department of Defense Reports

## STRATEGIC DEFENSIVE WEAPONS COMPARISON



MID-1975 BALANCE		U.S.	U.S.S.R.
Interceptor Aircraft		532	2,650
Surface-to-Air Missiles		0	9,800
Anti-Ballistic Missiles		0*	64
		532	12,514

\* The U.S. will have 70 SPRINT and 30 SPARTAN ABM's operational at one site in October 1975.  
Source: U.S. Department of Defense Reports

## MAJOR SURFACE COMBATANT SHIPS and SUBMARINES

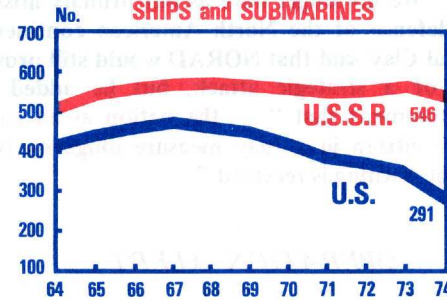


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## DEFENSE EXPENDITURES

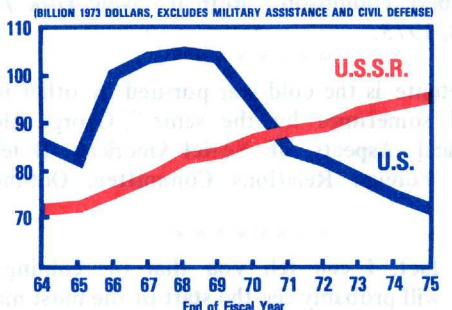


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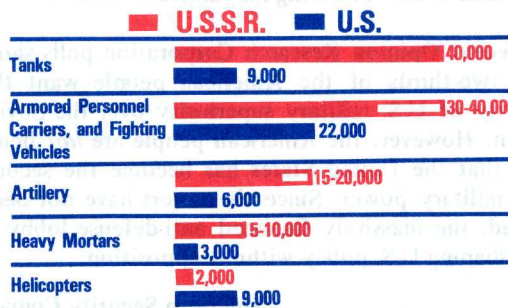


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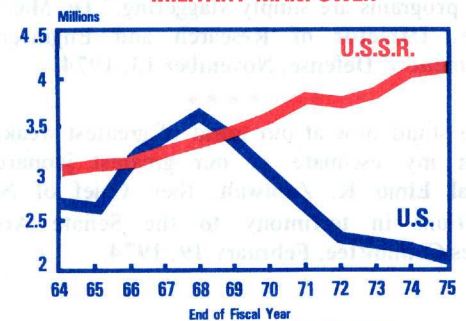


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