

SOVIET STRATEGIC RETALIATORY FORCES

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| | Intelligence Estimates | | | | | | Extrapolation | | |
|----------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|---------------|------|------|
| | Mid-1966 | | | Mid-1967 | | | Mid-1968 | | |
| | Low (NIE) (Low) | Med. (NIE) (High) | High (AF) (High) | Low (NIE) (Low) | Med. (NIE) (High) | High (AF) (High) | Low | Med. | High |
| <u>Oper. ICBM Launchers</u> | | | | | | | | | |
| Soft | 150 | 250 | 300 | 150 | 250 | 300 | 150 | 250 | 300 |
| Hardened | 125 | 250 | 200 | 125 | 250 | 200 | 125 | 250 | 200 |
| Fully Hard | (Few) | 25 | 150 | 25 | 100 | 300 | 100 | 200 | 450 |
| Total | 275 | 525 | 650 | 300 | 600 | 800 | 375 | 700 | 950 |
| <u>Oper. IREB Launchers</u> | | | | | | | | | |
| Soft <u>a/</u> | 550 | 650 | 650 | 550 | 650 | 650 | 550 | 650 | 650 |
| Total | 550 | 650 | 650 | 550 | 650 | 650 | 550 | 650 | 650 |
| <u>Submarine-Launched Forces</u> | | | | | | | | | |
| Ballistic Missiles | | 174 | | | 186 | | | 198 | |
| Cruise Missiles | | 132 | | | 156 | | | 192 | |
| Total | | 306 | | | 342 | | | 390 | |
| <u>Bombers and Tankers</u> | | | | | | | | | |
| Heavy | | 120 | 200 | | 105 | 200 | 90 | 120 | 200 |
| Medium | | 800 | 800 | | 750 | 750 | 700 | 700 | 700 |
| Total | | 920 | 1000 | | 855 | 950 | 790 | 820 | 900 |

a/ Intelligence recently received indicates that the Soviets are not^{wr} hardening their IREB launchers.

The principal defensive weapon systems that the Soviets are estimated to have deployed in the 1966-1968 period are:

- (1) SA-2;
- (2) SA-3;

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