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SOVIET SUPERIORITY

When Khrushchev sneaked his 2,000-mile missiles into Cuba in 1962, the United States had an 8-to-1 lead over the Soviet Union in nuclear striking power and the means of delivering it to enemy targets. Lieutenant General Daniel O. Graham, until recently director of the Defense Intelligence Agency, has provided the proof of how the Soviets have caught and passed us in both nuclear and conventional military strength.

From a lead of 600 intercontinental ballistic missiles, the United States is now 600 behind. All the Soviet ICBMs are many times more powerful than our ICBMs. From a lead of 16 Polaris-type submarines, the United States is now 13 behind. Incidentally, the secret blue prints of our Polaris submarines were stolen by Russian spies.

From a lead of 2,900 tactical aircraft, the United States is now 350 behind. The Soviets now have 10,000 surface-to-air missiles to our none, 500 intermediate-range ballistic missiles to our none, and 64 anti-ballistic missiles to our none.

In major surface ships, the United States has gone from 130 ahead to 70 behind. In men under arms, the United States has 2.1 million to 4.8 million for the Soviets.

General Graham concludes that "these figures add up to overall military superiority of the Soviet Union."

Meanwhile the Soviets have successfully tested four new long-range offensive missiles -- the SS-16, SS-17, SS-18, and- SS-19.

They have also developed transportable anti-ballistic missile

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Not flince, the war preparati.ons of Nazi Germany under Hitler in Uw 19:-;o' s has a ruejor nation at peaee devoted 8Ueh a high percentage of itE resources to the production of weapons and to the buildup the related scientific, technical, and industrial base for military of

production.

And what has been the reffPOl,,s<:i of the United States in the face *ol* this im::reasil.g i:oviet military threat? *.lt* recent major spelf')eh ·oy Co.ngressiuau Jack Kemp showr; how u.:;. spernang fox national f,ecux·ity has lJeen drastically cut in real $:\ollsrs. Of course, all figures ;::re up because of inflation.+Dut, wl;ereaG defense, spendi:ng :h.as increased 100 percent si11ce 196)., everything else has incxeased much, mu.ch 1aore. Expe11di tures for natural resourc€,s have increased 1•20 percent, education 772 percent, health 2,778 p0rcent, interest on the Federal debt 400 percent, Federal law enforcement 'iOB pe1cent, and revenue sharing 4,171:t- percent.

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Eistory will record that Richard Nixon's greatest mistake os to appoint Henry Kissinger, and that Gerald Ford's greatest mistake ,ra3 to fall for the folly of Kissiuger's detente and his agreements with the Soviets which froze us in second place.

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