

APPENDIX 5

Strategic Nuclear Balance

UNITED STATES

	Launchers	Warheads	Yield (megatons)	Total Warheads
ICBMs				
Minuteman II	450	1	1.200	450
Minuteman III				
MK-12	200	3	0.170	600
MK-12A	300	3	0.335	900
MX	50	10	0.300	500
TOTAL	1,000			2,450
SLBMs				
Poseidon C3	208	10	0.050	2,080
Trident I C4	384	8	0.100	3,072
TOTAL	592			5,152
Bombers				
B-52 G/H	173	* [SRAM ALCM Bombs	0.170	1,100
B-1B	90		0.050-0.150	1,600
FB-111A	48		0.500	1,800
TOTAL	311			4,500
GRAND TOTAL	1,903			12,100

*Bombers are loaded in a variety of ways depending on mission, but most aircraft carry SRAMs and bombs. B-1Bs and FB-111s do not carry ALCMs.

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