

had taken place in the last forty years and warned against civilians who construct abstract theories about nuclear war. There were four areas which he considered to be particularly destabilizing: the development and testing of anti-satellite (ASAT) weapons, the forward-basing of missiles which results in much shorter warning times, the deployment of dual-capable cruise missiles, and the push for a defence against ballistic missiles. He urged that allies of the United States, such as Canada and Britain, should make an effort to influence American policy. "If America's allies ever reach agreement on a clear, collective view, they can nearly always swing the battle in Washington."