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NATIONAL SECURITY DIRECTIVE 61

MEMORANDUM FOR THE VICE PRESIDENT
 THE SECRETARY OF STATE
 THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE
 THE SECRETARY OF ENERGY
 THE DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET
 THE ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT FOR NATIONAL
 SECURITY AFFAIRS
 THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE
 THE CHAIRMAN, JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF
 THE DIRECTOR, ARMS CONTROL AND DISARMAMENT AGENCY

SUBJECT: FY 1991-1996 Nuclear Weapons Stockpile Plan (U)

I approve the attached Nuclear Weapons Stockpile Plan for the fiscal year 1991 through 1996. The levels depicted for FY 1992 and beyond may require adjustment based on developments in arms control, changes in the international political environment, and the capability of the nuclear weapons production complex. (S)

The stockpile levels in the Nuclear Weapons Stockpile Plan represent ceilings not to be exceeded except as provided below or otherwise approved by me. (S)

For the period FY 1991-1996, the following are authorized:

1. Consistent with environmental, safety and health standards, the Department of Energy (DOE) shall produce and retire those quantities of nuclear warheads and nuclear warhead parts necessary to achieve and maintain the approved stockpile, and shall produce additional nuclear weapons parts as necessary for transfer to the United Kingdom pursuant to the Agreement of Cooperation. (S/FRD)

2. DOE may produce and transfer to the Department of Defense (DOD) parts of nuclear weapons, not containing special nuclear materials, as may be agreed to by DOE and DOD. These parts may be used in nuclear weapons training programs, research and development, and production. Additionally, DOE may

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temporarily transfer parts or test units containing fissile materials or plutonium power supplies for development and flight test programs. (U)

3. DOE, in coordination with DOD, shall make such changes in the production and/or retirement of nuclear warheads during FY 1991-1996 as may be necessary to accommodate changes in DOE materials availability, production and retirement capabilities, or quality assurance requirements; or to accommodate changes required by DOD because of adjustments in force structure requirements. These changes may not exceed plus or minus 10 percent of the totals each year in each of the categories of the active stockpile. In addition, any changes which indicate a significant shift in defense requirements or DOE production capabilities, will be submitted to me for approval. (S/FRD)

4. DOD, if requested by DOE, may retain custody of nuclear warheads that are designated as retired for a period of up to 24 months from the designation date to reduce DOE requirements for weapon storage. The DOE will take custody of warheads that DOD has designated as retired as rapidly as possible consistent with DOE transportation and storage capabilities. (C)

5. The safety of nuclear weapon systems remains of paramount importance to the security of the United States. Nuclear warhead modernization programs will incorporate insensitive high explosive, as technically and operationally feasible, to minimize the potential for nuclear material scattering in an accident or sabotage situation. Older weapons lacking modern safety and security features, which are planned for extended retention, will be reviewed annually by DOD and DOE to determine if they should be included in the Stockpile Improvement Plan. (U)

6. National security considerations shall be the determining factor in the national nuclear material production goals. DOE shall provide the capacity and capability for nuclear materials and weapons production throughout the full planning and projection periods covered by the stockpile plan to include provisions for reasonable future contingencies. DOE shall establish and maintain a reserve of weapon-grade plutonium metal and highly enriched uranium metal to support the equivalent of approximately one year of weapons production. (U)

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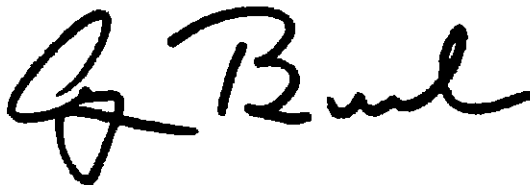
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The FY 1997-2001 Stockpile Projection, which was submitted with the Stockpile Plan, has been noted for planning purposes. (U)

The FY 1992-1997 Nuclear Weapons Stockpile Plan should be submitted by January 31, 1992. The FY 1998-2002 Stockpile Projection should also be included as part of the same submission. (U)

This directive supersedes National Security Directive Number 43 (July 12, 1990). (U)

Attachment (S/FRD)

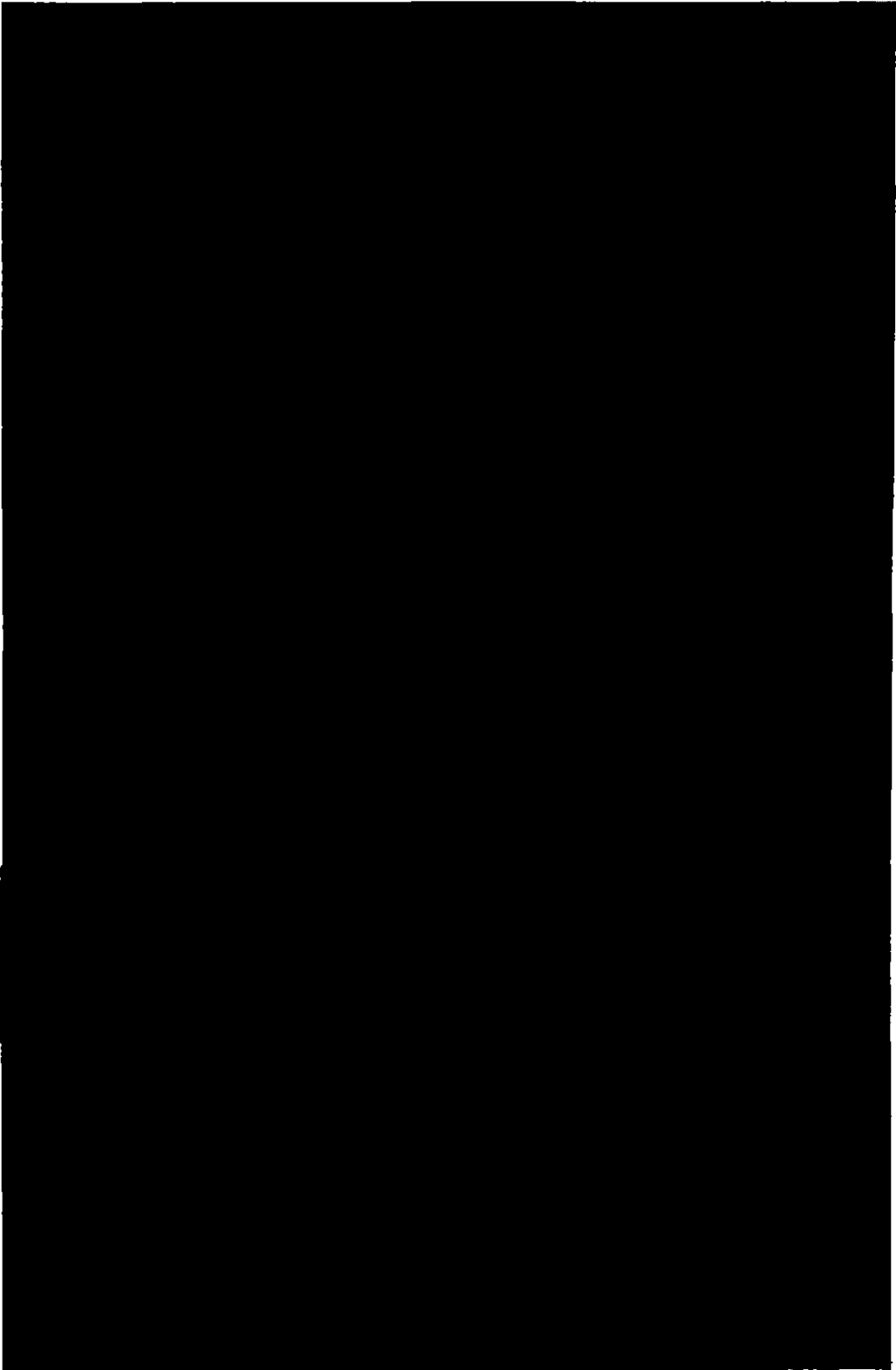


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NUCLEAR WEAPONS STOCKPILE PLAN

ITEM	YIELD (KT)	FIVE YEAR PROGRAM					STOCKPILE PROJECTION **					
		FY91	FY92	FY93	FY94	FY95	FY96	FY97	FY98	FY99	FY00	FY01
A. STRATEGIC OFFENSIVE												
MINUTEMAN II	W56											
MINUTEMAN III	W62											
MINUTEMAN III	W78											
PEACEKEEPER	W87											
SUBTOTAL (LAND-BASED MSL)												
POSEIDON	W68											
TRIDENT	W76											
TRIDENT	W88											
SUBTOTAL (SEA-BASED MSL)												
B28Y1												
B53												
B61-7												
B83												
B83 (904)												
SUBTOTAL (BOMBS)												
SRAM A	W69											
SRAM II	W89											
ALCM/ACM	W80-1											
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EPW	W61											
SUBTOTAL (AIR-SURF MSL)												
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C. TACTICAL												
B43Y2												
B57												
B61-0												
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 PERSHING II W85
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8-INCH W33Y1,3,4
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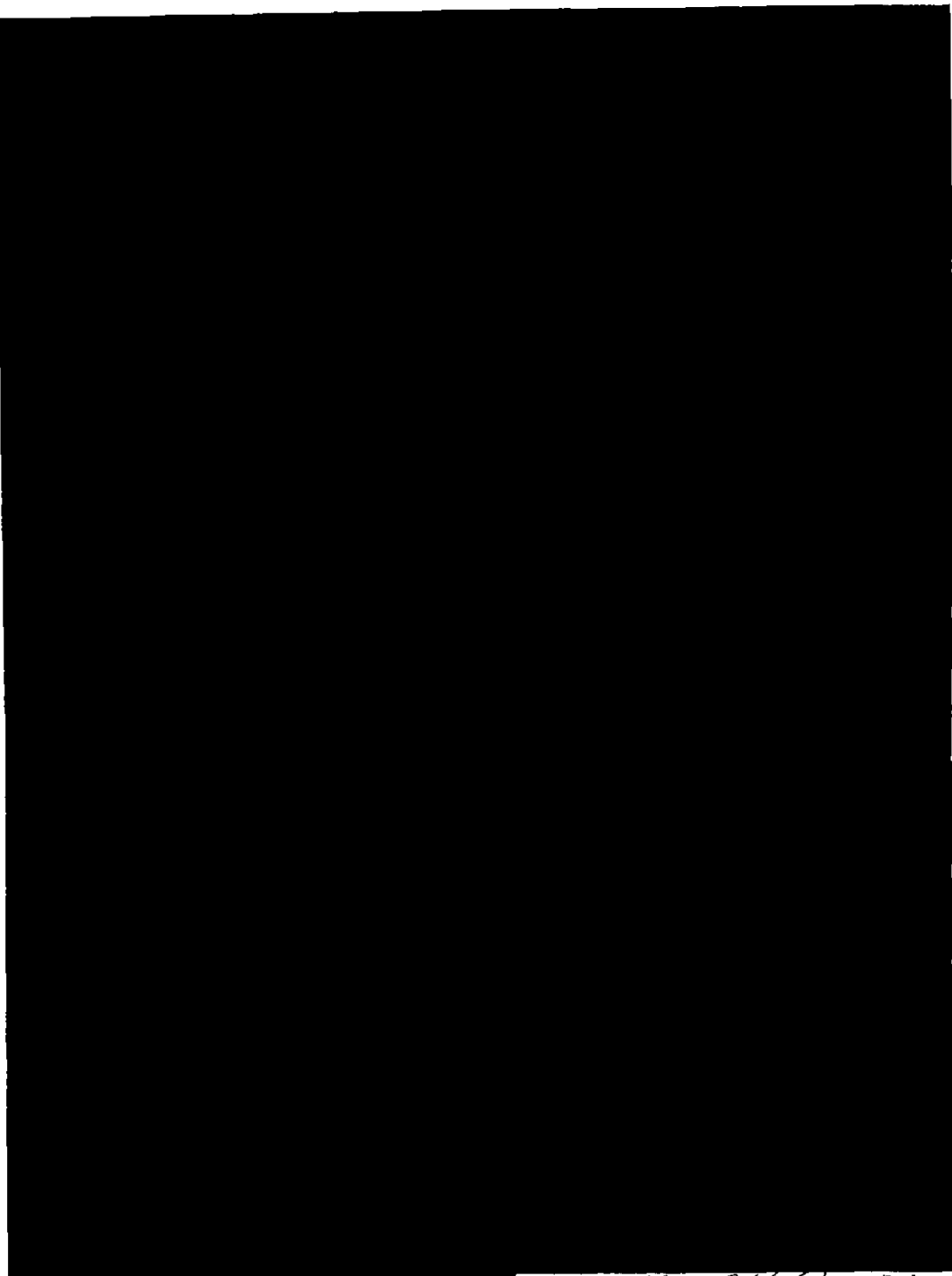
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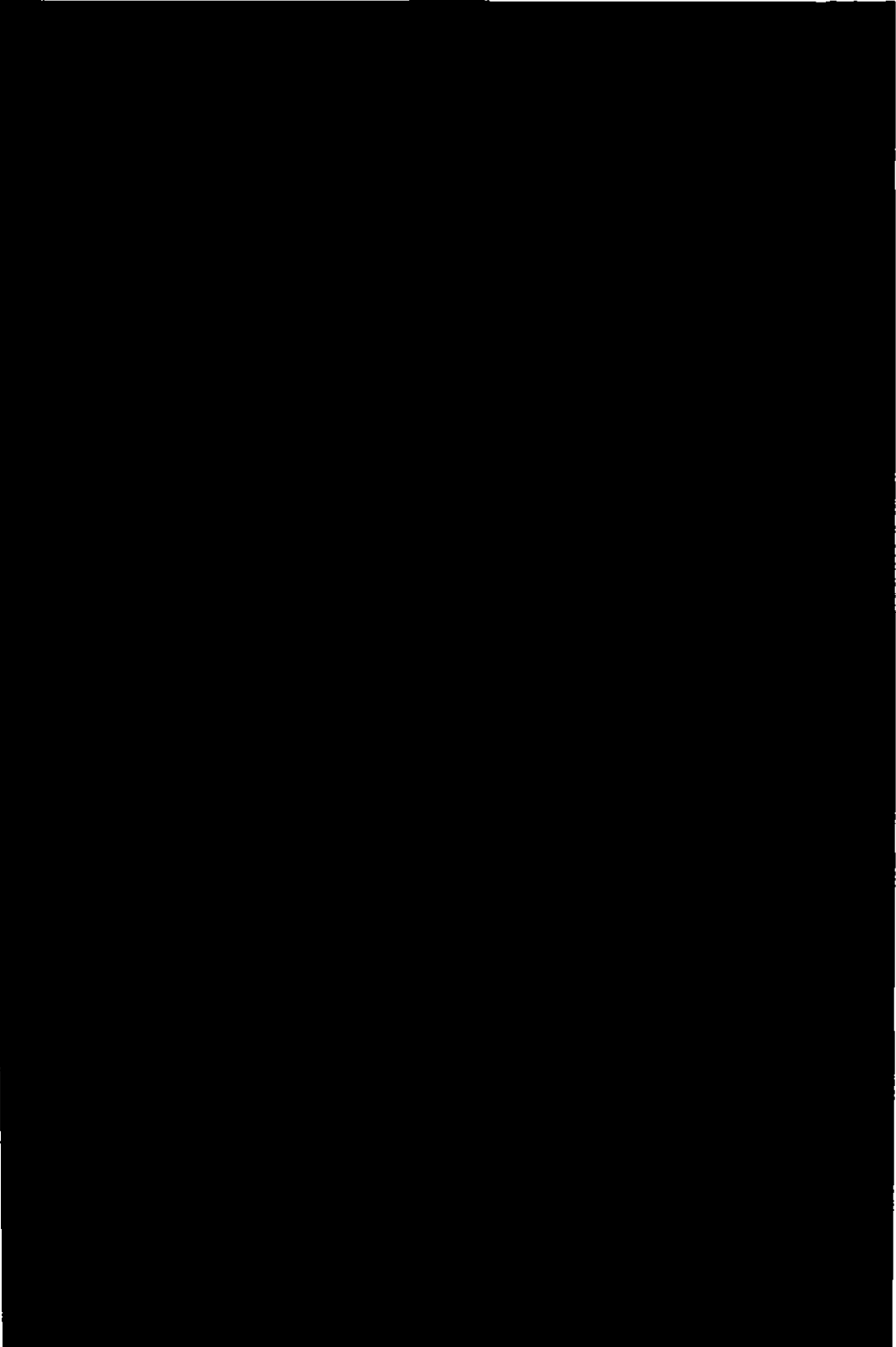
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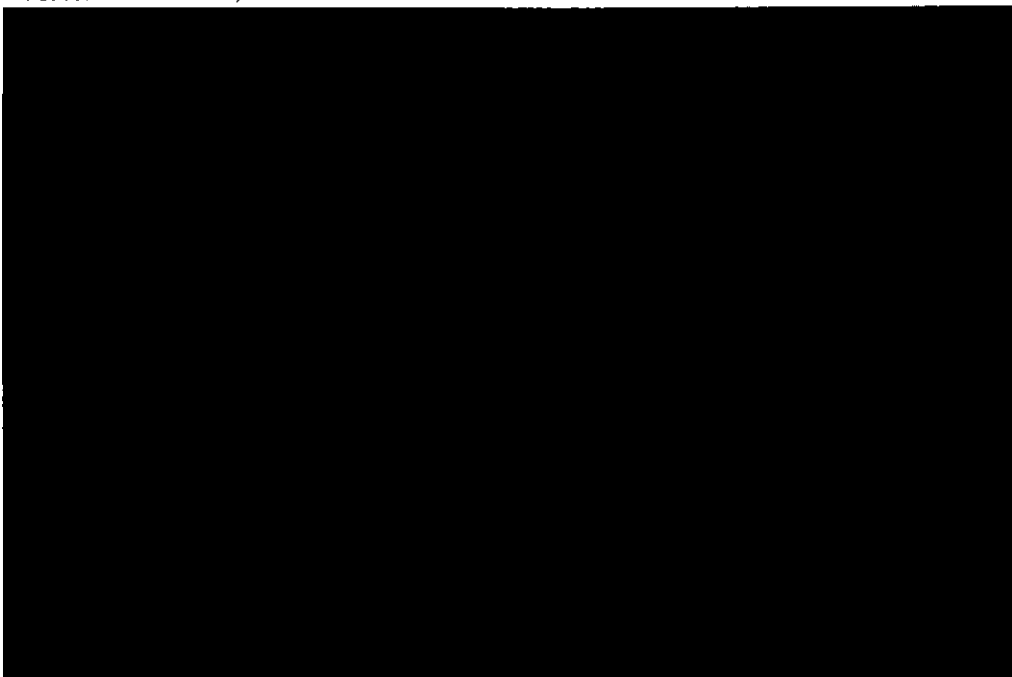
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GLCM	W84	(h)										
SPARTAN	W71											
PERSHING II	W85											
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--TOTAL STOCKPILE--												

FOOTNOTES:

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- ** FY 1997 - FY 2001 projections are beyond the SYDP and may not reflect firm DoD system decisions.

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ABBREVIATIONS:

- ACM - Advanced Cruise Missile
- ASM - Air-to-Surface Missile
- ALCM - Air Launched Cruise Missile
- EPW - Earth Penetrator Weapon
- ER - Enhanced Radiation
- SYDP - Six Year Defense Plan
- GLCM - Ground Launched Cruise Missile
- SRAM - Short Range Attack Missile
- SRAM T - Short Range Attack Missile---Tactical