

National Security Policy

1969-1974

Terms

TTBT	Watergate	SALT
Nixon Doctrine	War Powers Act	All Volunteer Force
detente	Backchannel system	Limited Nuclear Options
NTM	“Vietnamization”	linkage

National Security Issues

- How do we get out of Vietnam?
- How do we counter Soviet & Chinese Power in the Wake of Declining US Power?
- How do we keep Europe in NATO?
- How do we calm US Domestic Security?

National Security Innovations

- Nixon Doctrine
- Triangular Diplomacy
- War Powers Act
- Limited Nuclear Options
- Bilateral Strategic Arms Control
- All Volunteer Force
- NSC Advisor as Foreign Policy Manager

Strategic Balance-- 1971

	US	Soviet Union
ICBMs/rvs(MIRVs)	1050/1074(30)	1420/1420(0)
SSBNs/SLBMs/rvs(MIRVs)	41/656/800(160)	20/289/289(0)
Bombers	465	140
EMT		

Events

- Vietnam (1969-1972)
- Sino-Soviet War (1969)
- Indo-Pakistani War (1971)
- SALT I and the ABM Treaty (1972)
- Biological Weapons Treaty (1972)
- US-China Rapprochement (1972)
- US Pulls out of Vietnam (1973)
- Chile (1973)
- Watergate Crisis (1973/1974)
- Middle East War (1973)
- Threshold Test Ban Treaty (1974)
- Indian A-bomb (1974)
- Nixon Resigns (8/1974)

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Expanding the Vietnam War



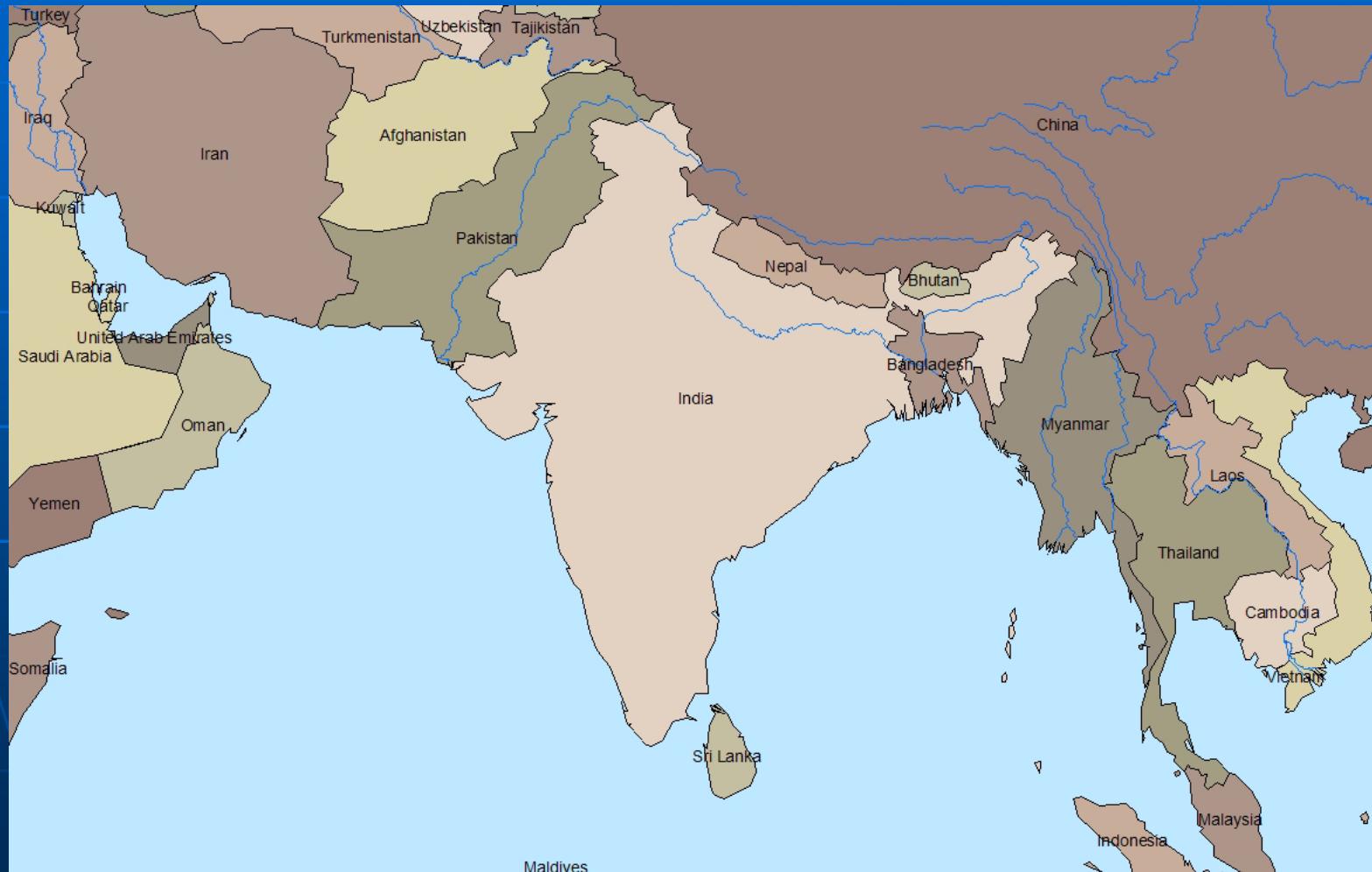
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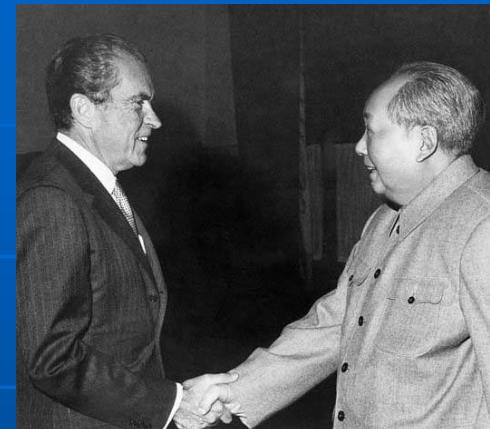
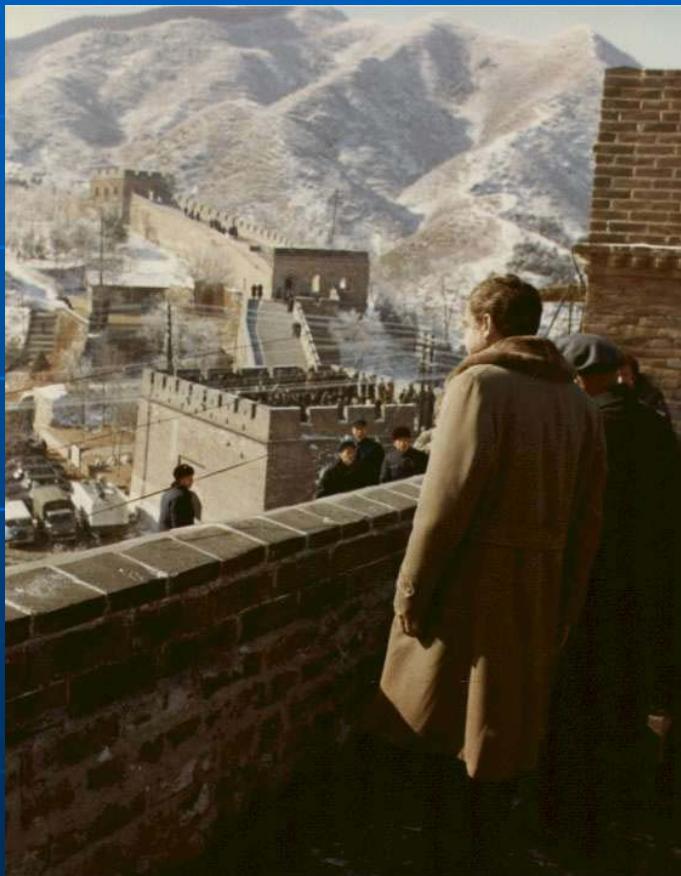
Sino-Soviet War (1969)



India-Pakistan War (1971)



Nixon in China (1972)



SALT-I

■ ABM Treaty

- 200 launchers @ two sites
 - NCA & missile field
- No air, space, or sea-based ABM

■ Interim Agreement on Offensive Arms

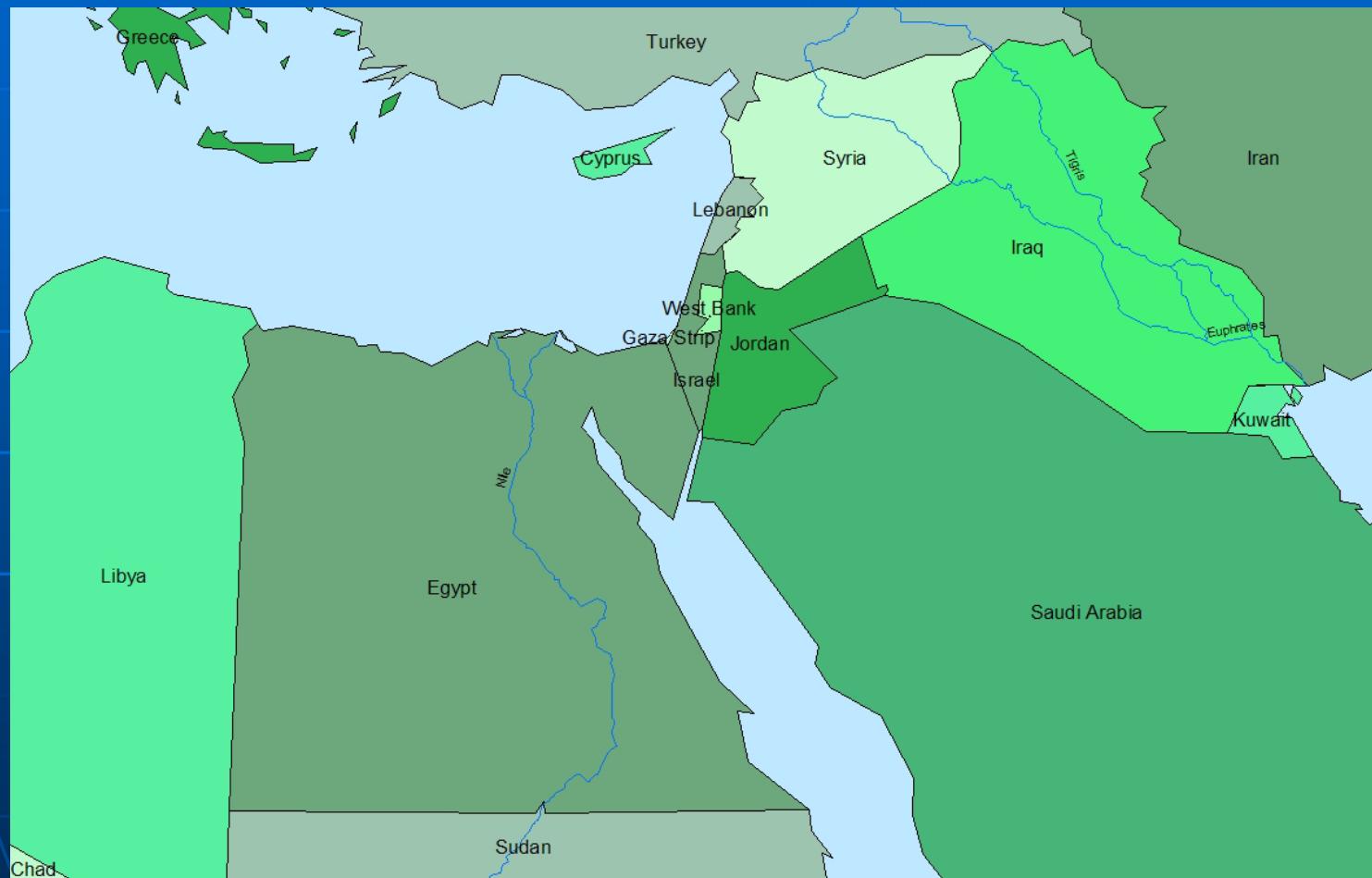
- Limits launchers (not weapons)
- Sets ceilings to match future plans
 - Not current levels
- “Heavy vs. Light” launchers

	US	USSR
ICBMs	1054	1618
SLBMs	710	950
Bombers	--	--

SALT-I

- Use of national technical means (NTM) for verification
 - Prohibits deliberate concealment
 - Establishes SCC

Middle East War 1973



Chile (1973)

