He Insists Arms Accord Must Limit All Missiles

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WASHINGTON, Feb. 25 - missiles turne out to be no President Nixon insisted today more than preparation for a that any strategic-arms agreement with the Soviet Union would have to order new limit both offensive and defen-American arms systems. sive missiles. He thus rebuffed

agreement which is as broad that it was intended as a faand comprehensive as possi-ble," Mr. Nixon said in his But he also expressed worry State of the World Message to in public for the first time that Congress. "It must deal with the delay might be intended to the interrelationship between permit the Soviet Union to inoffensive and defensive limita-stall new technical advances,

curtail it," Mr. Nixon said.

The President also warned will be necessary for us to rethat if the current pause in

Several times he asserted a Soviet proposal made last that the significance of the So-December for defensive limita-viet delay was "unclear" or "ambiguous," virtually appeal-"We shall strive for an initial ing for the Kremlin to signal

such as multiple warheads, on "To limit only one side of the missiles. This, Mr. Nixon the offense-defense equation said, could provide Moscow could rechannel the arms com- with "first-strike" capability petition rather than effectively against American land - based missiles. If so, he warned, "it

Soviet deployment of giant SS-9 Continued on Page 14, Column 5

and 350 submarine-based mis-

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act appropriately."

Mr. Nixon did not go into specifics but Secretary of Defense Melvin R. Laird has previously said that the Administration must decide fairly soon whether to accelerate development of the B-1 intercontinental bomber and a new longrange missile to be fired from submarines.

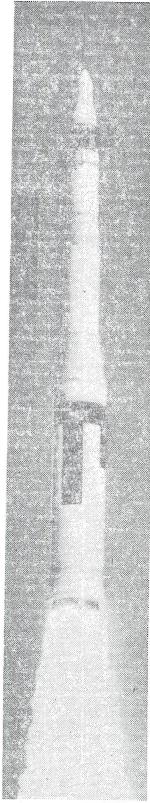
In his message, Mr. Nixon reported that despite the slowdown, the Soviet Union had 1,440 intercontinental missiles and 350 submarine-based missiles, compared with 1054 compared wi

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On the negative side, he said that "certain Soviet actions

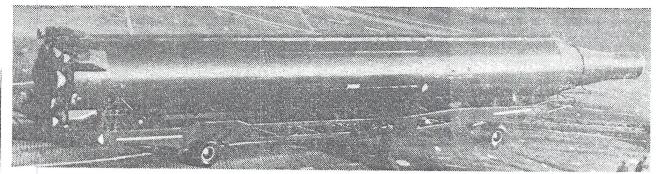
and 350 submarine-based missiles, compared with 1,054 American Intercontinental missiles and 656 submarine-based missiles.

In more explicit language than he has used previously, the President accepted the "relative equality" of merican and Soviet strategic arms systems and asked pointedly whether the Soviet leadership was pre
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Mr. Nixon spoke of Soviet-said that "certain Soviet actions in the Middle East, Berlin and Cuba are not encouraging." "Taken against a background of intensive and unrestrained anti-American propastrained anti-A



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in Safeguard defenses.



The Soviet SS-9. The President revealed that the Soviet Union has 1,440 intercontinental missiles to U.S.'s 1,054.