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GLOBAL ISSUES CONFRONTING THE UNITED STATES

NARRATIVE:

- 1. Title
- 2. Have you noticed world has become
- smaller
- 4. crowded
- 5. interdependent
- 6. complex
- 7. dangerous

8. DC/People

Have you noticed the world has become smaller,

more complex, more crowded and interdependent, and

more dangerous?

Voice begins:

So too the demands upon all branches of government, and upon the American people, have become more urgent and increasingly complicated.

The global issues confronting us do not have simple solutions. But, with understanding, foresight, and perseverence, perhaps they can be resolved.

9. Issues splatted on background

In reviewing major global issues confronting
the United States, one may focus on potential
military conflicts, or on another equally fundamental set of problems. These concern the emerging

world food and fresh water shortages, global energy and resource distribution, and environmental degradation.

10. Photo tanks and soldiers

Let's look first at some current and potential crisis situations. In the Middle East -- war could resume at any moment.

11. ME map

The Middle East -- as in Biblical times -- is a major crossroads between Asia and Europe, East and West. It is one of the busiest airline hubs in the world. The eastern Mediterranean is the terminal end of three major pipelines from the Arabian and Persian Gulf oil fields; those pipelines can deliver more than 1 million barrels of oil daily for the European market. And the Suez Canal, closed in 1967 by Egypt, but now reopened, is again becoming a critical choke point in ocean shipping. It is still vulnerable to sabotage or closure for political reasons.

12. Montage of headlines

In ten years there have been two major wars and hundreds of armed skirmishes between Israel and its Arab neighbors. Protracted and delicate negotiations, facilitated by the United States, have brought only an uncertain peace -- not solutions to deep-rooted problems such as Arab-Israeli antagonism and the unsolved Middle East refugee problem.

13. Photo --Beirut Lebanon, in 1975, barely averted full-scale civil war between rival Christian and Moslem groups.

Renewal of fighting can take place at any time, with the attendant risk of escalation to a regional war.

14. Global prospectives map

Not only are the vital interests of the nations of the immediate area engaged in Middle East issues; the United States and the Soviet Union also have very important political, economic, and strategic stakes there.

15. Africa map

The situation throughout most of the continent of Africa is unstable and inflammable. The last remnants of the colonial era are disappearing and struggles are underway for dominance -- Angola and the Spanish Sahara are recent examples. There is little necessarily stable or secure about the political systems, the national boundaries, or international ties of most of the nations of the African Continent. There are 42 independent countries in Africa; almost every one of them gained independence since 1943. Few of their borders are based on any rational social, ethnic, or geographic criteria. Tribal loyalties are more important than national ties in most of the African states; there are over 5,000 different tribes in Africa; 800 separate

16. Photo --African contrast

languages are spoken there.



17. Photo --Africa contrast

Photo --

Africa contrast

It appears almost certain that Africa faces a long period of strife and turmoil within and among its various countries, and from outside interference. The direction, nature, and outcome of that turmoil is a matter of global interest and concern. The fate of no single African country is likely to affect significantly vital U.S. interests,

19. Photo --Africa contrast but the future of the continent as a whole would.

20. Korea map

18.

In the Far East, tensions between North and South Korea continue, and incidents along the ceasefire line keep the pot simmering. South Korea now has the sixth largest military force in the world, and North Korea the ninth.

21. Locator map w/men on them

Along the Sino-Soviet border, shooting incidents have occurred between Soviet and Chinese soldiers over seemingly worthless small islands in the rivers that mark the national borders. This hostility reflects not only tensions between

the two major Communist powers seeking leadership primacy; it also reflects historic national antagonism and suspicion between Russia and China.

In recent years, two million armed forces have been moved into the troubled border areas. Each suspects the other of contemplating attack.

22. Sketch or cartoon

Over all these many world tension points hangs
the uncertainty of relations between the United
States and the Soviet Union with their large arsenals
of complex nuclear weapons.

23. Al Ward'soverkill
-- Raid's bugs?
Photo
Mushroom

The experts calculate that, with its present array of nuclear weapons, the United States could destroy the urban and industrial areas of the Soviet Union 34 times over; the Soviet Union could destroy ours 13 times over. Both sides, understandably have some sense of insecurity, and constantly wonder, "Is my retaliatory capability



sufficient to deter any possibility of a first
attack?" And also wondering, one must add,
"What is the likelihood of an attack being launched
accidentally or as the act of an irrational man?"

Vital missing ingredients are mutual trust,

common understanding, and shared objectives. Thus

far the world has avoided a nuclear holocaust

despite those missing ingredients. Can it continue
to do so?

24. SALT Ward graphic

Part of the answer may lie in the outcome of the US-USSR Strategic Arms Limitation Talks, called SALT. Since the talks began in 1969, there have been eight extensive meetings. The aim is to stop the nuclear arms race and, then, move gradually toward mutual nuclear disarmament. Needless to say, both sides have acted with great caution.



25. Maps w/ABM silhouette

SALT, thus far, has produced an agreement to limit the defensive anti-ballistic missiles (ABM's) to 100 for each side. This is intended as a restraint against either side launching an attack on the other. The reasoning is that 100 ABM's are far too few to guarantee any kind of effective defense against the diversified, widely deployed, and well-protected retaliatory nuclear missiles that both nations possess. In other words, while an attacking nation might well devastate the other by a sneak nuclear attack, it could not knock out the other's retaliatory missiles and therefore it would face the same kind of destruction moments later.

26. Chart showing the "balance" figures

SALT also agreed, in 1972, to freeze each country's offensive nuclear missiles at specified levels for an interim five-year period. These

levels are designed to create an <u>overall</u> balance of nuclear arms power between the two countries.

26a Slide MIRV

For instance, the USSR is permitted higher numbers of land and sea-based missiles to offset U.S. superiority in bombers and multiple-warhead technology (MIRV). The U.S. has a 3-to-1 lead in number of warheads and is deploying MIRV's on more than 1000 missiles, including those on the POSEIDON submarine. Also, the U.S. strategic bomber force is 3 times larger than that of the USSR and has some 16 times more nuclear weapons. On the other hand, the Soviets have much greater destructive power in their largest land-based missiles (ICBM's).

The current round of SALT meetings is aimed at agreement on a comprehensive, permanent treaty limiting offensive nuclear arms. In the absence of such a treaty, both sides continue

a costly and dangerous competition to improve the quality of their respective nuclear arms.

27. Map graphic of "Nuclear Club" and little mushrooms

To further complicate the global nuclear picture, four additional nations have developed their own nuclear weapons: the UK in 1952, France in 1960, China in 1964, and India in 1974. Israel may have developed a nuclear weapon. Others have or are developing the potential to do so.

India's nuclear device used plutonium fuel

diverted from a nuclear power plant purchased from

Canada. There are now nearly 600 nuclear power

plants in operation or under construction in more

than 30 countries. It takes only 10 pounds of

plutonium to make a simple atomic bomb. Thirty

years ago all the world's plutonium was in the

possession of the U.S. and was stored in a container the size of a cigar box. By 1980, approximately

28. Graphic showing contrast of plutonium availability



I million pounds will have been accumulated from nuclear power reactors the world over.

In 1968 a majority of the nations of the world agreed to a Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty. The nuclear powers promised not to export nuclear weapons or weapons technology; the non-nuclear nations agreed not to develop nuclear arms; safeguards were devised to prevent secret use of nuclear power reactors and plutonium to make nuclear weapons. Although signed by 90 countries, the treaty has not been fully effective; many who signed have not yet ratified the treaty. And among the non-signatories are several of the nations most likely and able to make nuclear arms.

29. Graphic
Genter stage
dancers
mushrooms

Thus the Soviet-U.S. relationship, and the nuclear weapons problems that have been with us since the end of the Second World War continue to occupy center stage among the major global issues.

30. Graphic Issues waiting
in the wings

However, another set of global issues equally serious and complex -- and in some ways more insidious because they are difficult to perceive -- are waiting in the wings.

31. Graph Food production
Population growth

The imbalance in world food supply and world population is nearing crisis proportions. Some experts question the capacity of the earth to sustain human life much beyond the end of the present century, given current population trends and the resulting food-to-population ratios.

In 1975 there were about 4 billion people in the world and the global rate of population increase was 1.9%. At that rate, by the year 2010 -- in just 35 years -- the population will double to 8 billion.

32. Map
w/elevation
distortion
showing
population
rate of increase

The highest rates of population increase are in Latin America and Africa (2.7%) and in Asia (2.1%)

The U. S. rate is .8%; USSR .9%, and China 1.7%.

The rate of increase is highest in the poorer nations which can neither produce sufficient food for their own people nor pay to import food from surplus producers.

33. Photo:
Malnutrition

Much of the world's population is undernourished; famine and starvation are regular
occurrences in many areas. Only a few nations
produce large surpluses of basic foods, such as
wheat, rice, and soybeans, and meats, for export.
Among the major exporters of basic food crops are
Canada, Argentina, Australia, France and the
United States.

34. Photo of wheat fields or harvests

35. Graph showing changing trends in food self-sufficiency and dependence (Al Ward)

55% of the world's grain exports originate
in the U.S.; the amount is increasing. In 1975-76
the U.S. will export about 84 million tons of grain;
Canada about 15 million tons; Argentina 12.5 million;
and Australia and New Zealand combined 11 million.



As the gap between food production and need continues to widen, can the U.S. continue to provide so large a share for the food-deficient nations? How is the world to cope with this dilemma?

36. Split slide:
Export - food
Import - minerals

Although the United States produces surpluses in agricultural products, it has serious shortages in essential mineral resources, as do many other advanced, industrial nations -- Japan, Germany, Italy, France, for example.

37. Photo --Strip mine Just 35 years ago, almost all minerals used in the U.S. were produced domestically. We exported petroleum; the Minnesota iron deposits were the largest in the world; the world's most productive copper mine was in Utah. Now many of our prime reserves have been severely drawn down, and exploitation of remaining marginal deposits is very expensive.

Four decades of economic boom, three wars, and a standard of living far above any other in the world have taken their toll of U.S. mineral resources.

With 6% of the world's population, the U.S. uses

38. Chart/graphic showing percentages

With 6% of the world's population, the U.S. uses
30% of the world's energy, and 40% of its non-energy
minerals. Two hundred and ten million Americans own
and operate more than 125 million motor vehicles. Gas
consumption in 1950 was 40,280,000,000; in 1973 it rose

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Graphic showing

gas consumption

Photo - stacked

- to 110,473,000,000. A total of 10 million automobiles
- 41. Photo on-rush of traffic or car transportation

junked cars

- are produced in the U.S. annually; although hundreds
- of thousands are junked, they are gaining on us.

42. Chart showing imports/dependence on foreign oil

In the past 30 years there has been largescale conversion from coal to oil for household
heat, industrial uses, and to generate electricity,
thus further increasing our dependence upon oil.

43. Graphic w/pie charts showing % of dependence and source We must depend upon imports for all or critical amounts of many minerals essential to our national life.

Most of the nations that supply primary products to the U.S. and to other industrial nations of the world are underdeveloped, are dependent upon one resource, and some are very poor. They are seeking to get the greatest possible return for their exports, aware that their natural resources are limited and will one day be used up, and aware also of the increasing need in the wealthy, industrial nations for their products. The Arab oil embargo of 1973 was a dramatic example; it was a watershed in the policies and attitudes of primary resource producers around the world.

44. Photo -- Gas station line

The interdependence of the nations of the world is becoming increasingly apparent; yet the steps from realization of the fact to adjustment to it seem halting and unsure.



45. Photo --Sea scape The global issues involved in the exploitation and management of the resources of oceans reflect the same uncertainty. The oceans cover more than 70 percent of our earth's surface. For centuries they have provided man with seemingly an endless supply of fish and avenues for maritime transport and trade.

Recently there's been a tremendous increase in these traditional uses of the seas. The world's fish catch, spurred by the growth of distant water fishing fleets, the use of new technology, has dramatically increased from 20 million metric tons in 1950 to 70 million metric tons in 1970. Unfortunately, many fishing grounds around the world have been overfished, causing the world catch to drop in the last couple of years, and bringing on confrontations like the "Cod War" in the North Atlantic

46. Photo --Fishing trawler

47. Chart of fish catch -- 1950-1970

around Iceland.

48. Photo -Busy port or
big ship

Sea shipping, which carries over 90 percent of the world's trade, has also increased markedly. In 1950 some 500 million metric tons of cargo were moved by sea. By 1970 this had jumped about 5 times (to 2,500 million metric tons), many more ships, and much larger ships. This presents problems of crowding the world's sealanes. For example, _____

49. Chart --Increase in sea cargo

vessels transit the Straits of Dover every day.

50. Photo -Offshore
drilling rig

Modern technology has also made it possible for man to use the oceans in new and important ways. Offshore oil and natural gas drilling can now be carried out thousands of feet below the ocean's surface. In 1958 only 5 percent of our oil came from beneath the seas. It has grown to about 20 percent today, and petroleum geologists estimate that half of the world's future oil supply will come from these undersea sources. There are serious questions as to who owns some of the rich offshore oil.

51. Sketch of nodule-harvester

Another fascinating ocean development has

been the discovery on the deep ocean beds of

potato-size lumps that are rich in copper,

manganese, nickel, and cobalt. A whole new

industry led by the U.S. is getting underway

in order to scoop up these valuable metals, from

2-3 miles beneath the oceans' surface. The international question is, "Who owns these deep seabed minerals?"

52. L.A. - map w/200-mile line

Coastal countries are recognizing the value of these offshore resources and are making seaward claims over them -- some out to 200 miles. These claims threaten historic fishing rights and navigational freedoms that are so essential for world shipping and the movement of naval forces.

53. Photo --Landsat shot of Gibraltar

Free nagivation through international straits is also threatened. A 12-mile territorial sea -- instead of the historic 3-mile limit -- has been

54. Photo --Landsat shot of Malacca widely accepted. That brings under potential national sovereignty over 100 straits, a dozen or more of which -- such as Malacca and Gibraltar -- are extremely important to world trade. Some states desire to impose their control over ships transiting straits and offshore waters adjacent to their territories.

55. Cartoon or?

Nations of the world are attempting to cope
with these and other complex ocean problems by
negotiating a set of rules covering the uses of
the oceans in a series of international law of
the sea conferences. This is one of the most
important and far-reaching of current global issues
-- a successful outcome is far from certain.

56. Photo -- Scene showing good water, air, and earth

We have become accustomed to taking water, and air, and good earth for granted. We know that mankind's survival depends upon them, but we do



not appreciate their vulnerability or the extent to which they have been degraded by neglect.

The oceans are the final dump for the waste of all mankind. Industrial waste, human waste, air borne pollutants, oil spills, toxic chemicals, trash, and garbage by the millions of tons per day are dumped into the oceans. Large as they are, the oceans cannot absorb waste in such amounts forever without ill effects. The Baltic Sea and the Mediterranean Sea, for example, are deteriorating rapidly. Though they are semi-closed seas, they provide a preview to the ultimate fate of the oceans. example closer to home, Lake Erie, in the span of one life time, was transformed from a beautiful fresh-water lake to a dead inland sea incapable of supporting life.

- 57. Photo of Garbage scow or similar
- 58, Skylab shot of industrial waste runoff into ocean

59. Photo --View from tanker bridge The world oil tanker fleet now numbers 4,000 vessels, some of them supertankers as long as three

football fields. One billion, two hundred and fifty million tons of oil per year are transported by tanker. Intentional discharges, to flush the tanks, and accidental oil spills, dump one and one-half million tons of oil into the oceans each year. A few ocean areas, where tanker traffic is especially heavy, suffer an exceptionally large amount of oil spill, to the detrement of the quality of the water and to the natural animal and vegetable life.

60. Photo --Oil spill

61. Photo --Smog over Manhattan

62. Graph -Air pollutants
amount of;
increase of

Air pollution, well known to all of us, is increasing worldwide at rapid rates, caused chiefly by automobile exhaust and industrial smoke. The ill effects go beyond respiratory ailments and eye discomfort; crops are affected; and alterations in the atmosphere may have even more serious long-term ill effects.



63. Chart -- Biosphere

Air, water, and land pollution are not local events. Man is reliant upon a narrow band of atmosphere, a thin crust of land, and a limited quantity of water. Within this closed system, organic and inorganic matter are continuously recycled to sustain life.

Pollution, degradation of the environment,

can be controlled, but it requires much work,

careful planning, and it is expensive. Prevention

would be cheaper in the long run than attempting to

reduce damage already being done.

64. Photo --London shot The British have made great strides in reducing air pollution in London. . . . and have cleaned up the Thames. The Russians, at great effort, have protected Lake Baikal, the world's largest body of fresh water, from pollution, although major industrial plants are located on its shores. Some progress has been made in efforts to reduce the pollution of the

65. Photo --Lake Baikal

66, Photo--Potomac

Potomac River. -23-

67. Photo -Munich
terrorists

the United States could be mentioned. Terrorism,

for example, is not a new phenomenon, but one used

increasingly by dissident groups in the past ten

years. Today many of the terrorist groups have

international links; some nations are sympathetic

to certain groups and view terrorism as a legitimate

means of political activism. The more important

terrorist groups are motivated by political issues of

international scope.

Other important global issues confronting

- 68. Photo -- Drug addict
- 69. Map of drug smuggling routes

The increasing use of narcotics and dangerous drugs is another important international issue. Drug smuggling routes bind the globe in an intricate web.

Opium from the poppy fields of Mexico, Southeast Asia, and the Middle East is converted to heroin
in underground refineries and is smuggled into the
U.S. and Western Europe on a large scale. Drug
abuse in the United States is estimated to cost

the nation -- in crime, preventive measures,

medical and social costs -- about 19 billion

dollars a year. Only determined national efforts

and close international cooperation can curb the

rising addiction rates, reduce smuggling, and

bring this global problem under control.

Enough has been said, it would seem, to illustrate the profusion and the seriousness of major global issues confronting the United States and to suggest the complexity and urgency of the demands those issues place on the American government and the American people.



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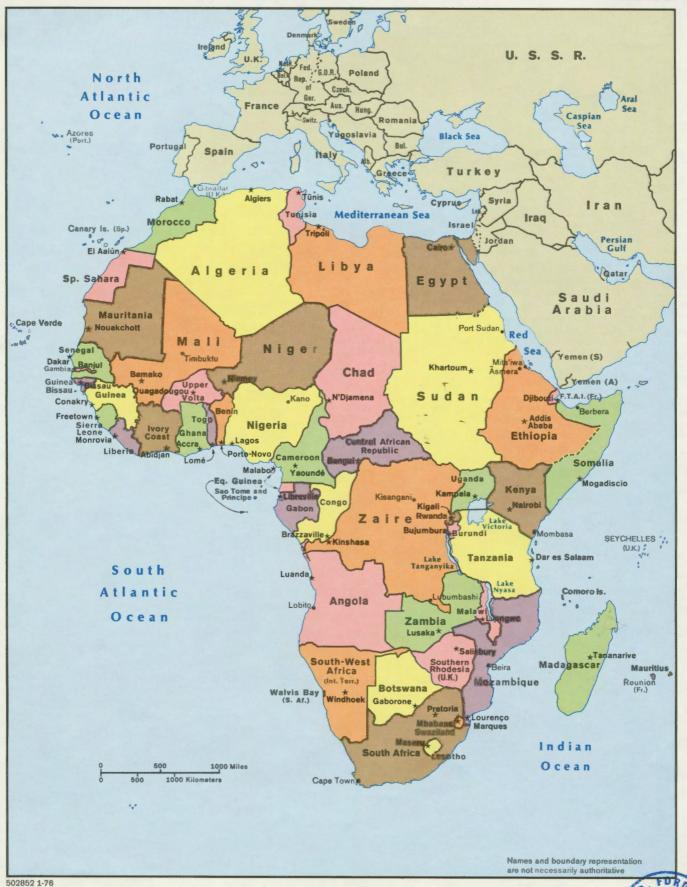
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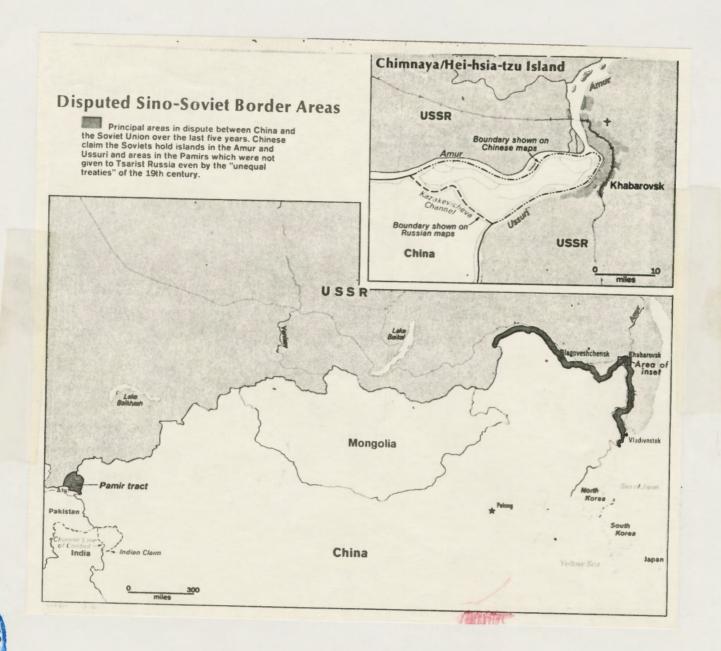




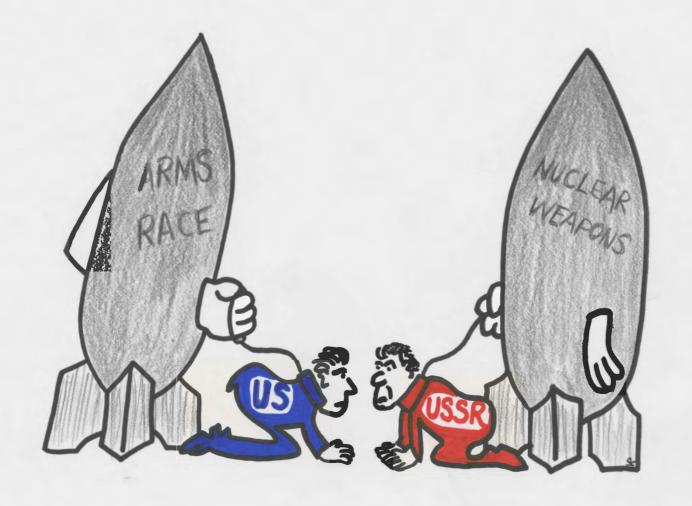


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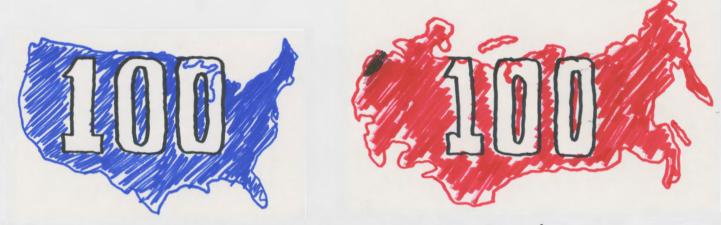
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SALT Defense Limitations



100 Anti Ballistic Missisles (ABMs) each



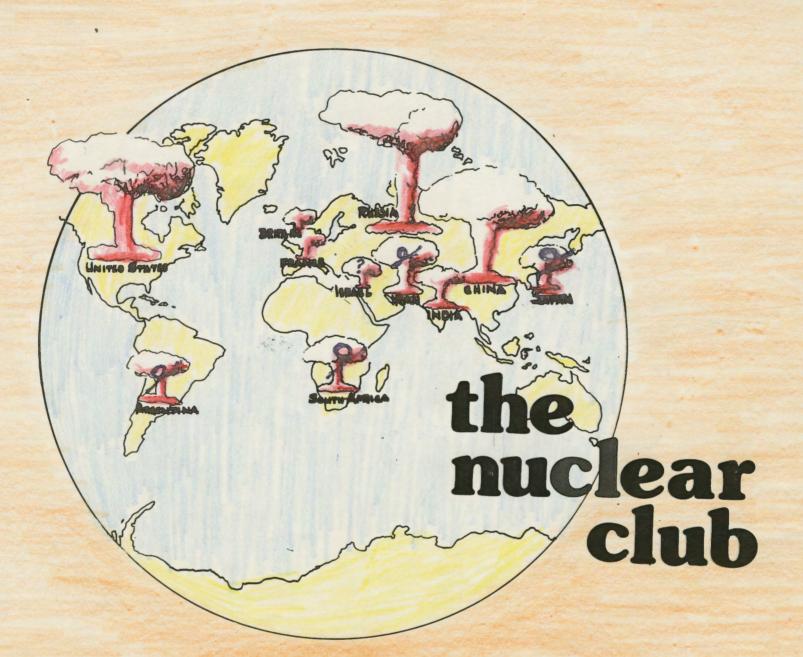
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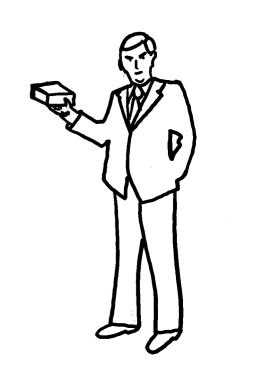
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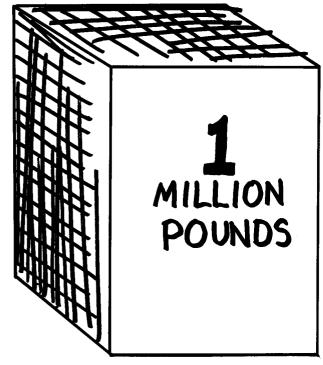
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Land-based long-range missiles (ICBMs)	1,054	1,618 1,408
Sea-based long-range missiles (SLBMs)	710	740 950
(Total offensive long-range missiles)	(1,764)	(2,358)
Submarines equipped with nuclear missiles	44	62
Defensive missiles (ABMo)	100	100





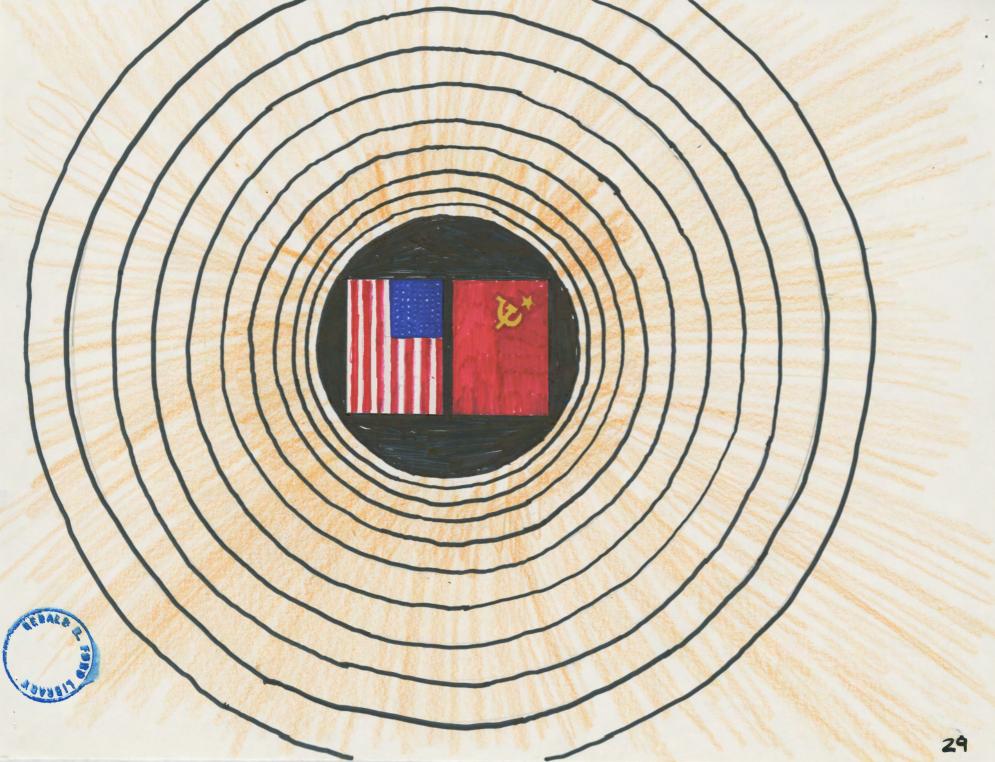


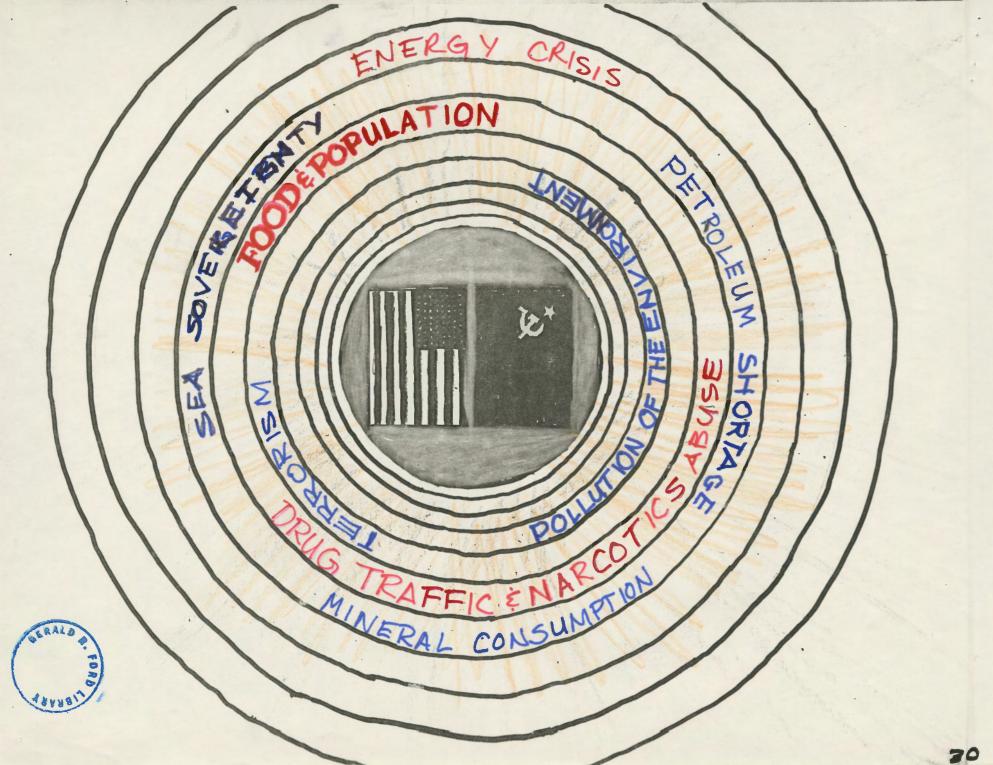




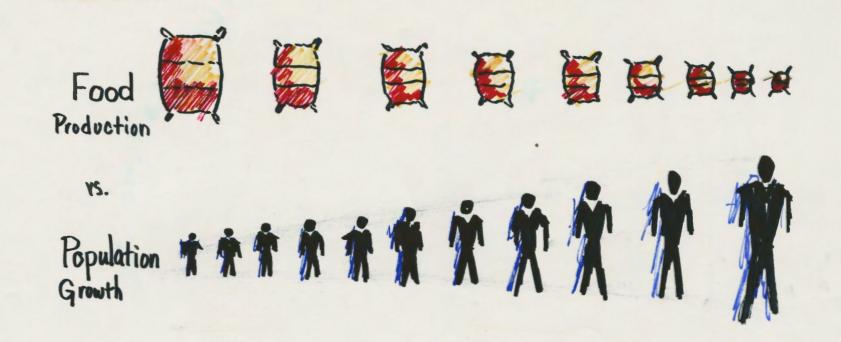






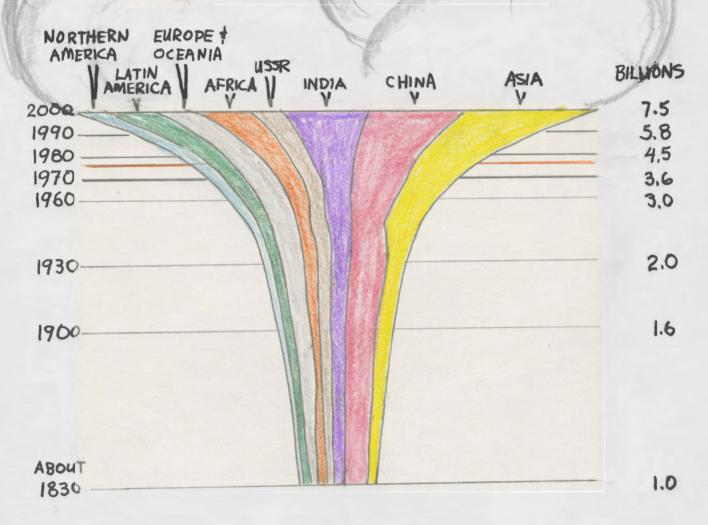


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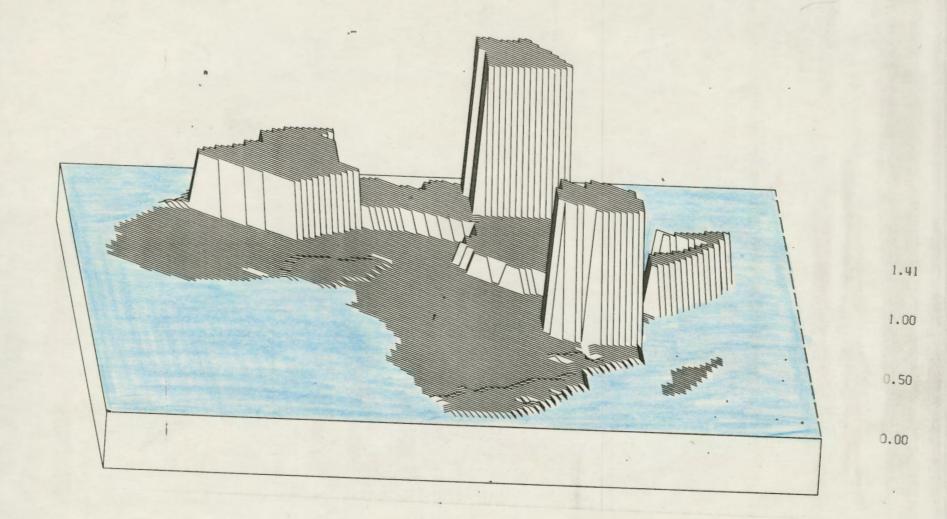




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FIG. 32A

US Foreign Agricultural Trade

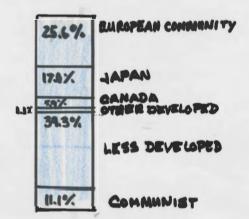
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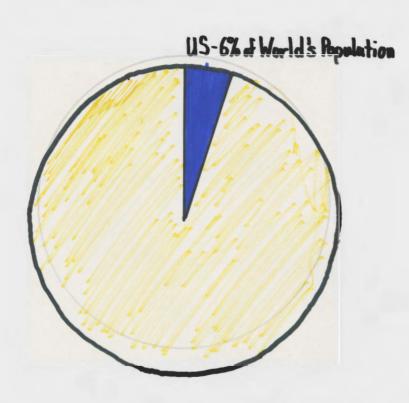
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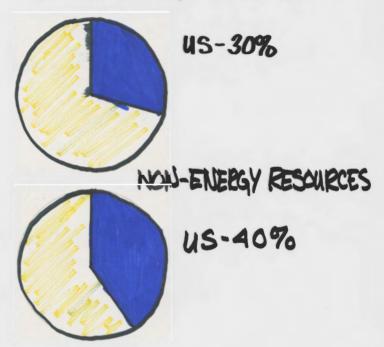
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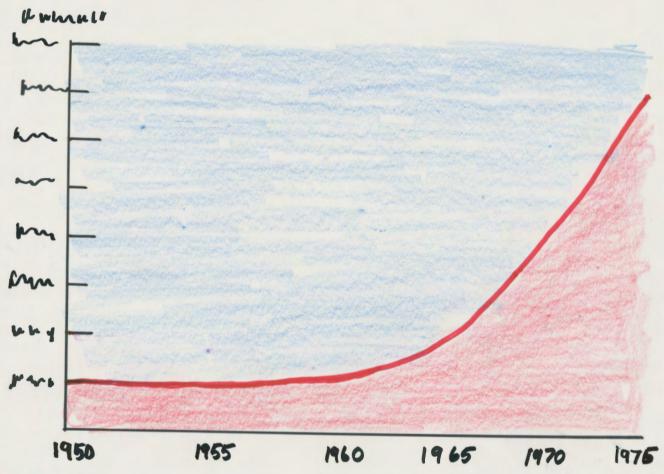


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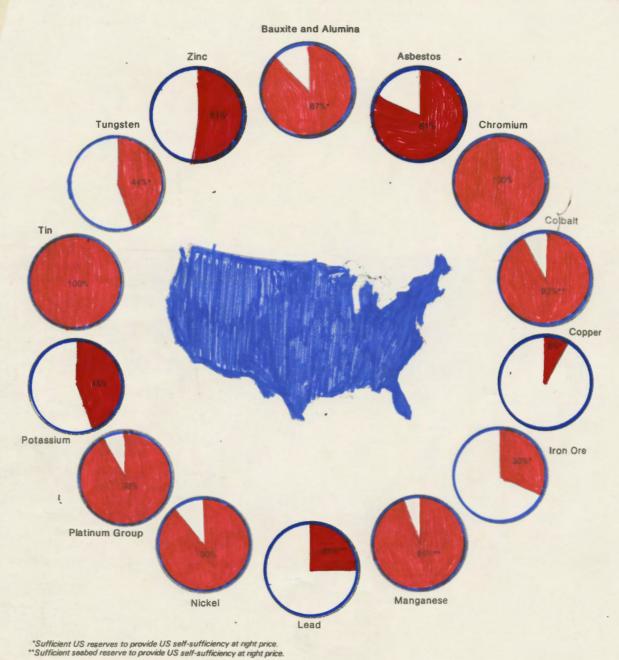


U.S. Gasoline Consumption 1950-1975



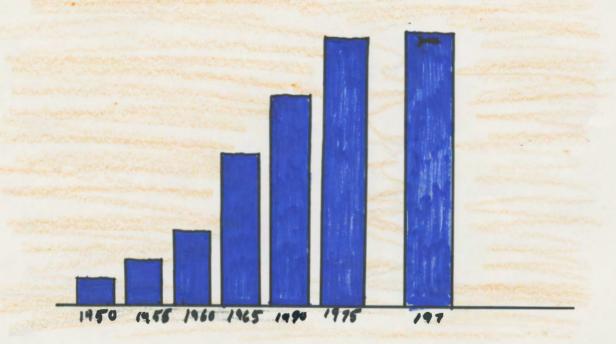


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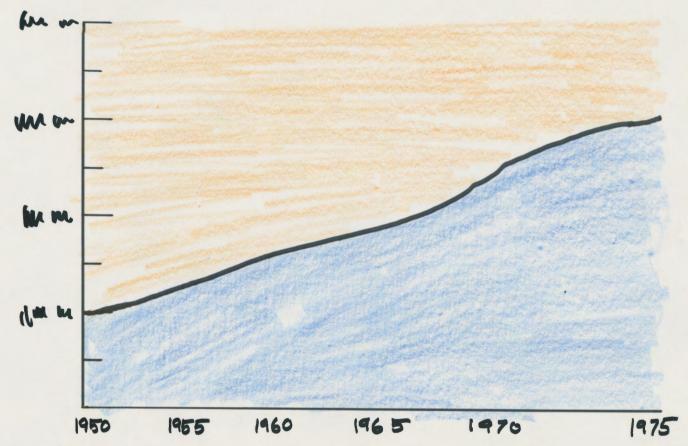


Fish Catch 1950-1975





Increase in Sea Cargo 1950-1975





Nodule Harvesting

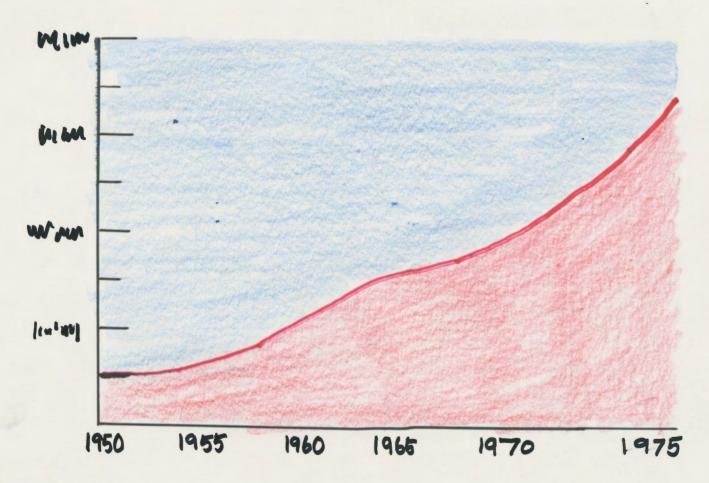






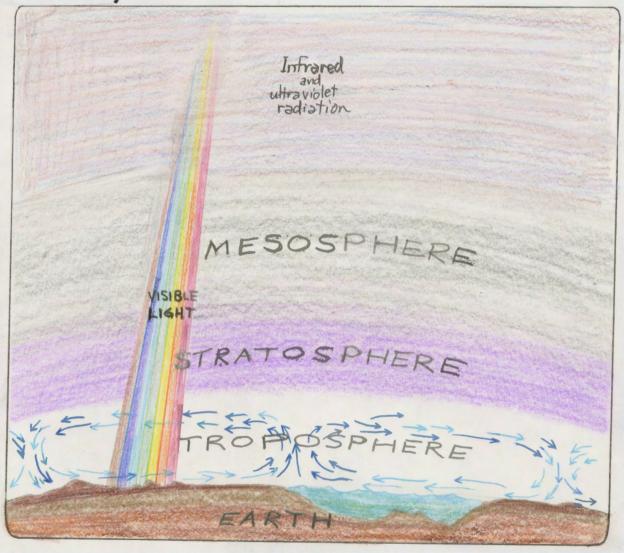


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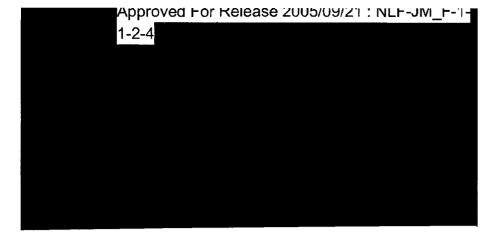
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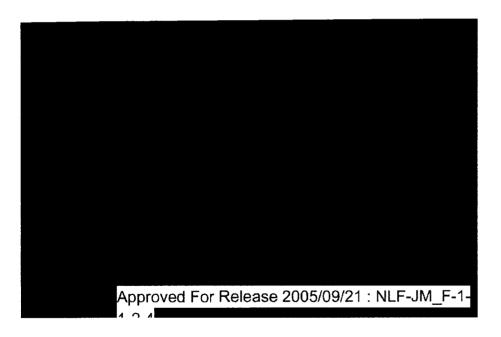
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MEMORANDUM FOR:

JACK MARSH

FROM:

RAY WALDMANN

SUBJECT:

CIA GEO-POLITICAL BRIEFING

This afternoon I met with the cIA to go over their revised presentation. They will have it ready for Friday, as you requested.

I believe it would be a good idea to assemble a group on Friday afternoon to take a look at the finished product. I have already told and others at CIA that we might do this. I would suggest bringing your staff, several from the NSC, Dave Gergen, Mike, Tim and Mason for the presentation. We have already reserved the Situation Room for 3:00 p.m. for an hour for this purpose. Shall we go ahead to set this up?

It might also be useful to bring in someone else from the CIA, for this briefing. The problem I foresee is handling future briefings around the White House and to Congressmen. We may want to have someone specifically identified from the CIA to give future briefings; otherwise, they will merely turn over copies of the text and the slides to us so that you, I or others will be able to use it.

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By dal NARA, Date 6/14/00