



THE FIRST STEP HAS BEEN TAKEN!

The first four of the 926 Soviet OTR-22 shorter-range missiles to be eliminated were destroyed on August 1, 1988, at 12:00 Moscow time in the village of Saryozek in Kazakhstan. Thus, in accordance with the agreement between the USSR and the USA on the elimination of intermediate- and shorter-range missiles the USSR was the first to begin destroying its nuclear armaments.

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