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Subject: AMERICA'S WMD

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The ability to destroy the world several times over was a necessity, because of the fear that about 90% of our nukes would get destroyed by the other side before they could get launched. The idea was that we could still launch a counterattack if most of our nukes got wiped out by a Soviet first strike.

Yes, battlefeild nukes are not new, but 5- kiloton ones that can takes out a bunker and leave most of the surface intact are. Current "battlefield" nukes are 20 kilotons, the size of the Hiroshima bomb, and in reality too lagre for tactical use.[/i]

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