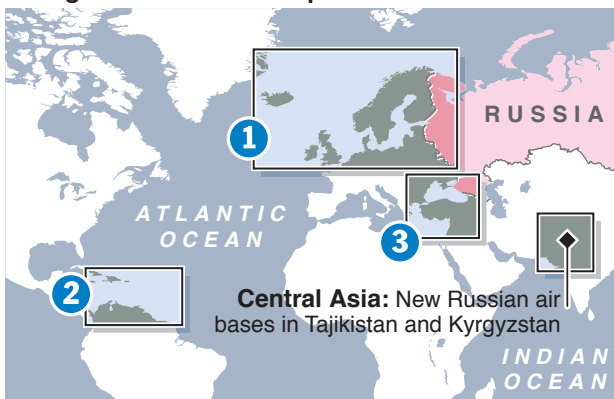
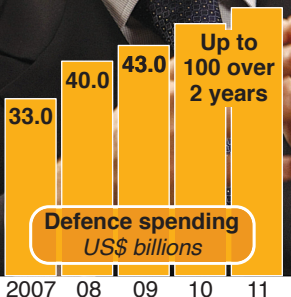
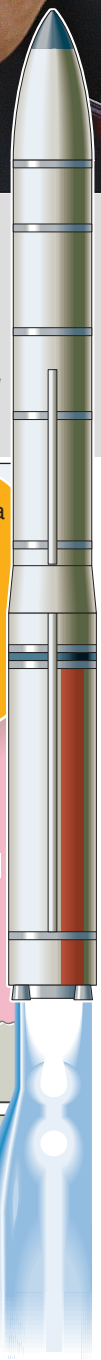


Russian military expansion

Russian President Dmitry Medvedev has announced a comprehensive modernization of Russia's armed forces and its nuclear arsenal, including a new generation of nuclear submarines and missiles. Russia plans to spend up to \$140bn by 2011, the highest since the collapse of the Soviet Union



2007: Russia's then President, **Vladimir Putin**, announces Moscow is to pull out of CFE – Cold War-era **Treaty on Conventional Armed Forces in Europe**



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ICELAND
Reykjavik

Keflavik: Icelandic President **Olafur Ragnar Grimsson** has invited Russia to use strategic Keflavik Air Base in exchange for financial bailout of government. Keflavik controls Russian naval access to Atlantic through so-called **GIUK gap**

ATLANTIC OCEAN

High North: Norwegian fighters scramble weekly to intercept aggressive air sorties by Russian warplanes and naval manoeuvres among Norway's oil and gas platforms

NORWEGIAN SEA

NORWAY
Oslo

Bodo: Norway's northern command centre

SWEDEN

FINLAND

RUSSIA
Moscow

Kaliningrad: Medvedev plans to deploy short-range missiles to counter U.S. missile shield in Poland

UK

GERMANY

POLAND

500km
250 miles

May 2007: Russia successfully tests **RS-24**, new multiple warhead ballistic missile capable of penetrating U.S. missile shield

2

Caribbean:
Russian missile cruiser **Pyotr Velikiy** deployed for exercises with Venezuelan Navy

Venezuela:
Russian TU-160 strategic bombers take part in training flights in U.S. backyard

3

Abkhazia: Black Sea Fleet HQ to relocate to Sukhumi following refusal by Ukraine to extend lease on Sevastopol

Syria: Russia to develop Mediterranean deep water port at Tarsus

UKRAINE
Sevastopol

RUSSIA

BLACK SEA

GEORGIA
Sukhumi

ABKHAZIA

TURKEY
Tarsus

SYRIA

Yury Dolgoruky: First of 12 new **Borei-class (955 project)** submarines launched April 2007. Submarine due to begin sea trials in November 2008

Borei-class will be armed with 12 new **Bulava** missiles, each with six warheads

