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Stock#: 54849 Map Maker: Shallo

Date: 1961

Place: Philadelphia

Color: Color **Condition:** VG

Size: 27 x 21 inches

Price: SOLD



Description:

Cold War Image of the US Strategic Air Command's Reach Into Soviet Russia and China Published 1 Week Before the Berlin Wall

Cold war era propaganda map, illustrating the US Strategic Air Command's preparedness for "a decisive counterattack should an aggressor dare strike," and explaining that "the retaliatory power of the Strategic Air Command rests on three foundations. . ."

Published less than 4 months after the failed Bay of Pigs invasion of Cuba and 14 months before the Cuban Missile Crisis.

The map illustrates the various point from which the US can strike Russia and China, with illustrations of a B2 Bomber, Snark Intercontinental Missile (5000 mile range) and a B47 Stratojet Medium Range Bomber.

The map illustrates the capacity of the US for Aerial Refueling, and the paths of the weaponry noted above.

The map was undoubtedly a means of calming American anxieties (or fomenting the feelings of long term risk) during a particularly sensitive time of the cold war.

Detailed Condition:

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