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# World and Nation

## Soviet media say missiles offer is too good for U.S. to turn down

MOSCOW (AP) — State-run Soviet news media Sunday hailed Mikhail S. Gorbachev's offer to rid Europe of superpower medium-range nuclear missiles as a "historic chance" which the United States could not legitimately pass up.

"There is the possibility in a short time to free our common European home from a significant share of the nuclear burden," Soviet journalist Tomas Kolesnichenko said on the television program "International Panorama."

Broadcast media and the Tass news agency also highlighted statements from foreign leaders backing the new Soviet proposal.

The media reaction, similar to previous campaigns to marshal support for Kremlin positions, was

clearly designed to put pressure on the United States to respond quickly to the Soviet offer.

Gorbachev announced Saturday that the Soviets were willing to negotiate a separate accord with the United States on medium-range missiles in Europe. The Kremlin had previously linked such an agreement to a demand that the United States limit testing on its Strategic Defense Initiative, or "Star Wars."

Speculation arose that the new Soviet position is linked to Gorbachev's campaign for economic and social reforms in the Soviet Union and the need to trim defense spending so allocations can be increased for other uses.

Why Gorbachev chose Saturday night to make the announcement

was not immediately clear. It came at a time when U.S. newspapers were preoccupied with reporting on the Tower Commission's investigation of U.S. arms sales to Iran, and it came too late for most European papers to comment in Sunday editions.

The new Soviet position seemed sure to win support in Western Europe, where opposition to nuclear weapons is widespread.

Gorbachev has met with officials from several NATO countries in recent months to discuss European security, the latest being Italian Foreign Minister Giulio Andreotti on Friday.

The governments of West Germany, Denmark and Belgium on Sunday welcomed the Soviet offer. Britain, France, the Netherlands

and Italy said they needed more time to study it.

In Geneva, U.S. officials said they believed the Soviets made the new offer in hopes it would increase Western European opposition to the so-called "broad interpretation" of the 1972 anti-ballistic missile treaty.

This interpretation would allow expanded testing of Star Wars, a space-based missile defense system. The dispute over testing of space weapons caused the breakdown of the Iceland summit in October.

Kolesnichenko told Soviet TV viewers that the decision to seek a separate accord on European missiles would nullify the U.S. claim that no agreement was possible because Moscow insisted on linking medium-range missiles and space weapons.

## Mississippi blacks boycott schools for political gains

CANTON, Miss. (AP) — Blacks in several Mississippi towns have revived a tactic of the 1960s by boycotting schools and white-owned businesses in what they call a last resort to achieve political goals.

"I think this is something we felt we had to do," said the Rev. Michael Cathey, a leader of a black parents group that wants a black assistant superintendent of schools in Senatobia. Blacks set up an economic boycott because "nobody was listening," Cathey said, "and we will be out until they do."

In Canton, where Martin Luther King Jr. once organized against white supremacy, blacks postponed an economic boycott set for Friday when the town's mayor promised to put a black on the school board.

"We have done this before," said Jimmie Lee Van Buren, one of three Canton residents who filed a federal suit Feb. 23 to force the school board selection in a district where 97 percent of its 3,500 pupils are black.

"As far back as the 1960s, Canton has been dealing with boycotts," Van Buren said.

But the success of a 1986 economic boycott in Indianola and a feeling that no other route for

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change exists has inspired the recent surge of activity in at least five Mississippi towns, protesters say.

Organizers of the 37-day Indianola boycott say they received calls from black groups throughout the state and from Tennessee and Alabama. The boycott ended last May after businessmen agreed to pay a white school superintendent \$90,000 to leave and replaced him with a black superintendent.

But both sides in Indianola see the closed businesses and residual bitterness that linger.

"A boycott must be the last resort," said Willie Spurlock, spokesman of a parents group that sponsored the Indianola boycott. "We had exhausted all channels that we thought were available to us. After we exhausted those, we had to move to a more abrasive approach."

Tommy McWilliams, a white lawyer who worked with Spurlock to settle the protest, acknowledged that Spurlock and others may have had no other choice.

"But it hurt the blacks as much as the whites," McWilliams said. "Now, industrial prospects look at you with a jaundiced eye. But instead of letting it drain us, we are trying to build on it."

McWilliams and Spurlock point to solutions that the boycott has fostered, including a biracial committee and a jump in community involvement in the school system, where 93 percent of the pupils are black.

## U.S. Catholics gearing up for pope's visit

(AP) — One of the hottest tickets in the country this year is a seat at one of the Masses which Pope John Paul II will celebrate in September.

Though stadiums may be full, they won't be sold out — the tickets are free. Local church officials are depending on the generosity of Roman Catholics and corporations to defray millions of dollars in expenses for the 10-day, nine-city visit.

"There are more than a million Catholics in this diocese," said the Rev. Jose Nickse, the spokesman for the Archdiocese of Miami, where the costs are estimated at up to \$2 million. "I am sure we will be able to come up with the money."

There was more trepidation in San Francisco, where the pope's two-day visit is anticipated to cost \$4 million.

## U.S. sub may have collided with Soviet sub

WASHINGTON (AP) — One of the Navy's nuclear-powered attack submarines was damaged more extensively last fall than originally thought in what Pentagon sources say was most likely a collision with a Soviet submarine.

The sources, who agreed to discuss the matter only if not identified, said the Navy's internal investigation of what happened to the attack sub Augusta last October is still "open" but has been classified secret.

The officials added, however, the Navy had ruled out the possibility the submarine could have struck an unmapped underwater obstruction and said at least one and possibly more Soviet submarines were nearby at the time of the collision.

"There has already been a very thorough investigation in a lot of ways," one official said.

"The only plausible explanation, and the most likely one, is that somehow two submarines collided. As to how it could happen, we don't know."

Meanwhile, the Navy now has disclosed the damage sustained by the Augusta cost almost twice as much to repair as originally estimated.

The service acknowledged the accident last November and confirmed the submarine had returned to Groton, Conn., for repairs at the General Dynamics Corp.'s Electric Boat Division. At the time, it estimated the damage at about \$1.5 million.

The Augusta "struck a submerged object which resulted in minor damage to the underside of the ship" while operating in the northern Atlantic, the Navy said at the time.

Last week, the Navy issued a statement saying, "The cost of repairs totaled \$2.7 million. The repairs were completed on Dec. 13 and the submarine has returned to service."

The Navy added that repairs had been required to the sub's external ballast tank plates and to its sonar dome covering and sonar equipment.

The Augusta is one of the Navy's newer attack submarines. Such vessels have been designed primarily to locate, and in the event of war, destroy enemy submarines.

Navy officials, in the wake of the so-called Walker spy ring scandal, have acknowledged in the past year that the Soviet Union has made tre-

mendous strides in "quieting" its submarines, reducing the American advantage in such technology.

Last November, after the Navy confirmed the collision had occurred, NBC News quoted unidentified sources as saying "that chances are good" the Augusta collided with a Soviet submarine "during a deep-sea game of tag."

The network said some Navy officials thought the Augusta may have been "blindsided" by a Soviet sub that went undetected while the Augusta maneuvered to evade another Russian submarine.

Sources contacted by the Associated Press declined to say precisely how many submarines the Navy now believes were operating in the area. But they agreed that the Augusta had been "working a contact" with a Soviet vessel.

Such cat-and-mouse games under the sea have become routine for the Navy's submarines and provide "real-life training," the sources said.

Efforts to determine whether the Augusta might have suffered some type of failure with its acoustic listening gear were unsuccessful.

## Ski-lift accident in France leaves 5 dead, 41 injured

TARBES, France (AP) — A damaged chairlift pitched dozens of skiers onto rocks and snow far below Sunday, killing five and seriously injuring 41 at the Pyrenees resort of Luz-Ardiden, officials reported.

They said 76 other people on the lift were treated for lesser injuries or shock.

All of the victims who perished were French except one Spaniard.

He was identified by the Tarbes regional governor's office as Francisco Pako San Sebastian of Isasondo-Alcubda, Spain.

Some victims reportedly fell from heights of up to 130 feet.

The accident occurred at about 4:30 p.m., but the cause was not clear. Local news media gave conflicting reports, saying the lift cable snapped, that it jumped off a pulley,

or that a support pylon may have collapsed.

The lift could carry 200 skiers at a time.

The chairlift, on the resort's upper slopes at an altitude of nearly 10,000 feet, was new and opened just two weeks ago.

It was built by Montaz-Mautino of Grenoble, which has constructed cable car and chairlifts in Spain and

the French Alps, notably at Champanix, according to the Pyrenees branch of the French National Association of Chairlift Manufacturers.

The resort is high in the Pyrenees mountains running along the border between France and Spain.

The casualty count came from the office of the regional governor in Tarbes, which mobilized all civilian rescue services in the area.

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