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Dear Mr. Gardia:

Thank you for your interest in the American Security Council. I am pleased to have this opportunity to tell you about our organization and our programs.

The American Security Council is a nonprofit research and educational organization devoted to: 1) improving public understanding of national security issues and 2) organizing effective cooperation between different segments of society on behalf of a stronger and safer America.

Our primary concern is that for over a decade, official Washington has been unilaterally disarming the United States. Unfortunately, during this period while our strength has been steadily eroded, the Soviets have continually increased their conventional and strategic forces.

As a result, America is no longer the world's number one military power. The Soviets are now militarily superior to us.

Yet, this is not what the American people want. The most recent public opinion survey which we funded showed that 98 percent of all Americans want the U.S. to be at least equal to or superior to the Soviets in military strength.

Simply stated, the Congress and past Administrations have been ignoring the views of a majority of Americans.

The reason for this is that anti-defense groups are so vocal and so well financed they have convinced the media and top Washington officials that they represent majority opinion. The anti-defense groups have been more successful than pro-defense groups because they have worked closely together on major issues to achieve their objectives.

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