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Quotes about Arms Race

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Weapons are like money; no one knows the meaning of enough.

- Amis, Martin

If this phrase of the balance of power is to be always an argument for war, the pretext for war will never be wanting, and peace can never be secure.

- Bright, John

Next week Reagan will probably announce that American scientists have discovered that the entire U.S. agricultural surplus can be compacted into a giant tomato one thousand miles across, which will be suspended above the Kremlin from a cluster of U.S. satellites flying in geosynchronous orbit. At the first sign of trouble the satellites will drop the tomato on the Kremlin, drowning the fractious Muscovites in ketchup.

- Cockburn, Alexander

At the rate science proceeds, rockets and missiles will one day seem like buffalo -- slow, endangered grazers in the black pasture of outer space.

- Cooper, Bernard

The ability to get to the verge without getting into the war is the necessary art. If you try to run away from it, if you are scared to go to the brink, you are lost.

- Dulles, John Foster

Guns will make us powerful; butter will only make us fat.

- Goering, Hermann

We dare not tempt them with weakness. For only when our arms are sufficient beyond doubt can we be certain beyond doubt that they will never be employed.

- Kennedy, John F.

I would die for my country, but I could never let my country die for me.

- Kinnock, Neil

The superpowers often behave like two heavily armed blind men feeling their way around a room, each believing himself in mortal peril from the other, whom he assumes to have perfect vision.

- Kissinger, Henry

The emotional security and political stability in this country entitle us to be a nuclear power.

- Mason, Sir Ronald

So in your discussions of the nuclear freeze proposals, I urge you to beware the temptation of pride -- the temptation blithely to declare yourselves above it all and label

both sides equally at fault, to ignore the facts of history and the aggressive impulses of an evil empire, to simply call the arms race a giant misunderstanding and thereby remove yourself from the struggle between right and wrong, good and evil.

- Reagan, Ronald

Let him who desires peace prepare for war.

- Vegetius



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