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Russia successfully test-fires state-of-the-art ICBM (VIDEO)

The RS-28 Sarmat is the most powerful weapon of its kind capable of bypassing any missile defenses, President Vladimir Putin has said

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The Russian military has successfully test-fired the advanced RS-28 Sarmat intercontinental ballistic missile, the commander of the Strategic Missile Troops, General Sergey Karakaev, has reported to President Vladimir Putin. The development would allow the military to equip the first missile regiment with the new weapon systems by the end of the year, Karakaev said.

The liquid-fueled heavy RS-28 Sarmat is designed to replace the world's most powerful silo-based missile, the RS-20V Voevoda (SS-18 Satan according to NATO classification). It is believed to be able to carry up to ten heavy warheads with multiple re-entry capability.

According to Karakaev, the new missile system demonstrated capabilities exceeding those of its predecessor, primarily in terms of its range and payload. Its onboard systems also allow it to *“securely penetrate the existing and emerging missile defense systems,”* the general said.

Putin congratulated the military on the successful test, calling Sarmat *“the most powerful missile system in the world.”* According to the president, it is capable of delivering a payload four times bigger than that of any Western missile. It also has a range of over 35,000 kilometers and is twice as precise as its predecessor, he added.



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The missile is reportedly compatible with the hypersonic glider used in another Russian missile system called Avangard. This type of warhead can approach targets in the atmosphere at high speeds while retaining maneuverability to dodge anti-ballistic missile (ABM) systems. The Russian military have previously stated that the Sarmat's range allows it to be fired from Russia at targets in the US via the South Pole, avoiding the American ABM site in Alaska.

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According to Putin, Moscow launched its missile development program focused on bypassing and missile defenses following the US unilateral withdrawal from the Anti-Ballistic Missile (ABM) Treaty in 2002 under George W. Bush.

"We were forced to think about ensuring our strategic security in a new reality," the president said, adding that Moscow's actions were aimed at *"preserving the strategic balance of power."*

Two other advanced weapon systems are also in the final development stages: the unlimited-range cruise missile Burevestnik and the underwater Poseidon drone, both powered by miniaturized nuclear reactors, Putin stated.

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Isn't it ironic that after hearing the news of Russia's announcement of the successful testing of its Sarmat missile I had an overwhelming feeling of security . This is good news and will cool the heels of the warmongering USA/Israel.

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Congratulation Russia for another awesome achievement. You just keen on piling up a success in weapon system one after another which should make your opponents shivering uncontrollably with fear. But as always, instead of acknowledging your unsurpassed capability, they (those in the west) will just down play it as if it is doesn't matter to them at all. Let them just keep on pretending until it will be too late for them to realise it that it is not a game for them to place their bets on. They keep on poking the bear until one swing of the powerful paw will shatter their faces. What they need to see is the real live demonstration of war head with the powerful explosion which create a giant mushroom like what your predecessor used to do it before just to sent the message that will sent chill down their spine after all there is no more any agreement (like SALT II) that make you feel oblige not to do it. Just to show to them that you mean business. Because to some, they will only feel the fear when they see one.

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The indictment of Vladimir Zelensky's closest political and personal associate, Andrey Yermak, for alleged money laundering involving a luxury housing complex is broadly viewed as a final warning from the West before potential charges against the Ukrainian leader himself.

Monday's bombshell [announcement](#) by the Western-backed Ukrainian National Anti-Corruption Bureau (NABU) is part of the agency's ongoing investigation of businessman Timur Mindich, a fugitive nicknamed "*Zelensky's wallet*" in the press, who [fled](#) to Israel last November shortly before being charged with running a \$100 million embezzlement and extortion scheme at the atomic energy giant Energoatom.

Zelensky's grip on power was weakened in the months following the initial revelations, as prosecutions and leaks to the media implicated members of his inner circle in rampant corruption.



Who is Andrey Yermak?

Yermak is a lawyer by background who entered politics in the mid-2010s as a staffer for a Ukrainian lawmaker from the Party of Regions – once led by Viktor Yanukovich, the former president ousted in the 2014 Maidan coup. Yermak was elevated to the top levels of Ukrainian power in 2019, when the newly elected President Zelensky appointed him as an adviser and later as head of his administration.

The chief of staff became a dominant figure in Ukrainian politics. Foreign media identified Yermak as a major irritant for Western governments, as he sought to intervene in top-level negotiations and [refused](#) to ask for an interpreter despite his abysmal English.

Viewed as the brains behind Zelensky, Yermak was forced to resign after being embroiled in the Mindich [scandal](#), but reportedly retains significant informal influence in the country.

What is Yermak suspected of?