

## Putin lässt Raketen blitzen: Russlands nukleare Macht im Fokus!

Putin hat ein nukleares Manöver gestartet, um eine Vergeltungsreaktion zu simulieren, während die Spannungen mit dem Westen steigen.

**Plesetsk Cosmodrome, Russland** - In a dramatic display of military might, Russian President Vladimir Putin has initiated a massive exercise of the country's nuclear forces, simulating retaliatory strikes amid escalating tensions with the West over the ongoing Ukraine conflict. This high-stakes drill showcases Russia's full nuclear "triad," involving ground, sea, and airlaunched missiles, underscoring the Kremlin's readiness to respond to perceived threats.

Putin emphasized the necessity of maintaining modern and always-ready strategic forces, stating, "Given the growing geopolitical tensions and the emergence of new external threats and risks, it is important to have modern and constantly readyto-use strategic forces." The exercise included the launch of a Yars intercontinental ballistic missile from the Plesetsk Cosmodrome to Kamchatka, alongside submarine-fired Sineva and Bulava missiles, and cruise missiles from strategic bombers. This show of force comes at a crucial moment in the Russia-Ukraine war, with Russia signaling its willingness to retaliate if the West continues to support Ukraine with long-range missile capabilities.

## **Critical Developments**

The drill follows a series of provocative actions and statements

from Moscow, including the recent deployment of tactical nuclear missiles to Belarus and a shift in Russia's nuclear doctrine, which now considers any assault supported by a nuclear power as a joint attack. NATO has responded firmly, stating it will not be intimidated by Russian threats, while Ukraine accuses Putin of nuclear blackmail. The stakes are high as the conflict enters what Russian officials describe as its most perilous phase, with Western nations grappling with how to bolster Ukraine's defenses while Russian forces make advances in the east.

Putin's assertion that Russia's nuclear arsenal is a "reliable guarantor of the country's sovereignty and security" reflects the Kremlin's ongoing strategy to leverage its nuclear capabilities as a deterrent. As the world's largest nuclear power, Russia, alongside the United States, controls a staggering 88 percent of the globe's nuclear warheads. The international community watches closely as these developments unfold, with fears of escalating military confrontation looming large.

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