

Senator Jim Inhofe recently described the importance of missile defense during an Armed Services Hearing on the U.S. European Command and the U.S. Joint Forces Command. "Today, more than 20 countries around the world have a ballistic missile capability," stated Inhofe during the hearing. General Craddock, Commander of the U.S. European Command agreed, saying "Ballistic missile defense must remain a priority so that we are postured to counter threats to the United States."

The Obama Administration is not taking the talk from U.S. military leaders seriously as Hillary Clinton continues to consider missile defense a bargaining chip for U.S. relations abroad. The United States has proven that missile defense is effective

and must be utilized against threats from rogue regimes. Recent events such as the Iranian satellite launch and the North Korean missile test prove that both states have or soon will have the capability to destroy other states and that missile defense is a necessity.

"When all else fails-when all the negotiations have broken down-you must be able to destroy a missile in the air. Otherwise, all you can do is apologize to those who died," stated Lt. Gen. Henry "Trey" Obering.

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