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News of the Day

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REGULUS FIRED FROM SHIP!

Regulus Two guided missile, about to be launched from a test ship that simulates the Halibut nuclear submarine. The missile is the length of a five-story building and can pack an atomic warhead.

The Regulus can be guided from the mother ship, from an aircraft or by its own navigational system. Preparations for launching are viewed on video monitors.

In this test, it blasts toward California at twice the speed of sound.

Note to taxpayers: the one-and-a-half-million-dollar missile is landed safely for re-use.