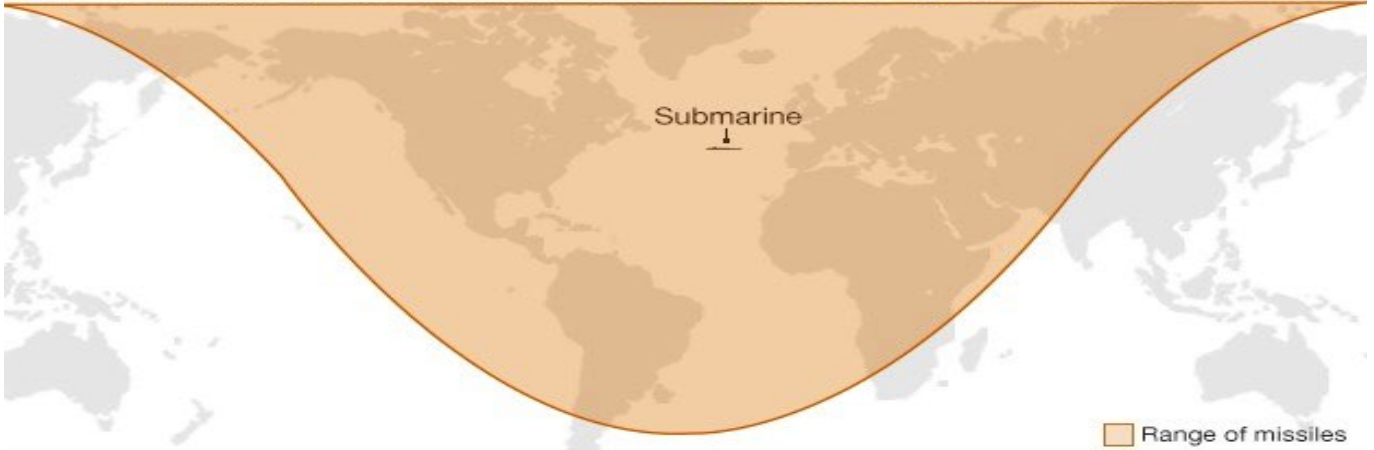




TRIDENT



The UK has 4 Trident submarines

At any one time there is:

- 1 Armed and at sea 
- 1 Undergoing maintenance 
- 2 In port or on training manoeuvres 

Size of submarine

Vanguard  492ft (150m) 135 crew 16 missiles, 3 warheads	Boeing 747  231ft (70m)
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SOURCE: Federation of American Scientists

What is it? A sea-based nuclear weapons system.

Why is it controversial? At a time when the UK Government is cutting welfare and hurting the most vulnerable in society, they remain committed to spend **£100 billion** on a new nuclear weapons system.

What is the SNP's position? **Stopping the renewal of Trident** will be an “absolute priority” for a team of SNP MPs elected on 7th May and would divert the approximately £3 billion a year saved to health and education, including childcare. A survey conducted by CND in the New Statesman magazine showed **75% of Labour's prospective parliamentary candidates across the UK for the General Election are opposed to renewing Trident.**