

THE SOVIET CHALLENGE

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In October and November, 1957, the world had a spectacular demonstration of the great technical competence of the Soviet Union. But to those who have been closely following developments in the Soviet Union, the launching of the sputniks came as no great surprise.

Contrary to what may be the generally accepted view, these happenings have not caused us to make any basic changes in our earlier estimates of the Soviet challenge. It was serious before. It appears to be slightly more so today.

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