

New START Treaty

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Recently, US President Donald Trump said that Russian President Vladimir Putin's idea of the New START Treaty was a good one.

About New START Treaty

- It is known as The **New Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty** (New START).
- It is the last remaining nuclear arms deal between **Russia and the United States of America**, and it was extended for **five years in 2021**. (Extended the treaty till February 4 2026.)
- **Objective:** The New START caps the number of nuclear warheads well below **Cold War** limits.
- This treaty entered into **force on February 5, 2011**.
- The treaty concerns strategic weapons: usually **long-range weapons designed** to influence the outcome of a war, not merely a battle, by destroying power centres, command and control facilities, or key infrastructure.
- **Timeline of Treaty**

- It was signed by then-presidents Barack Obama and Dmitry Medvedev in Prague in 2010; it came into force in 2011.
- **New START** replaced the **1991 START I treaty**, which expired in December 2009, and superseded the 2002 **Strategic Offensive Reductions Treaty** (SORT), which terminated when New START entered into force.
- Both Russia and the United States announced that they met New START limitations by Feb. 5, 2018.

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