

Strategic Air Command – The Free World's

**First Line of Defense:** SAC's new commander, General Thomas Sarsfield Power, has ordered that one third of SAC's striking forces must be in a state of continuous alert. When an alert sounds minutes are saved because only take-off checking is necessary. If a plane does not leave the ground even for a day, the long pre-flight checking is done all over again before placing the bomber on a "ready" basis. Here maintenance men examine equipment in the tail section of a giant B-52. (52-23849)

Date

1957-1962

Primary Maker

Informations & Documents

Medium

gelatin silver print

Dimensions

25.8 × 20.4 cm (10 3/16 × 8 1/16 in.)