



The Maginot Line: The History of the Fortifications That Failed to Protect France from Nazi Germany During World War II

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