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THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEN

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

4.20.76 9 P.M.

Mr. President —

This is a copy of the
speech as we still are
waiting to hear from
Secy. Kissinger &
Rumsfeld. This draft
includes Bryce Harlow's
changes.

Bob Oshen

THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEN....

REMARKS ON NATIONAL SECURITY BEFORE THE

DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION,

APRIL 21, 1976

DAR ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

● THANK YOU, MRS. SMITH.

● MEMBERS AND GUESTS OF THE DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN
REVOLUTION

IT IS A GREAT HONOR AND PRIVILEGE FOR ME TO MEET

on this historic hall

WITH YOU AGAIN.

IN THIS BICENTENNIAL YEAR

↓

WE HAVE A SPECIAL REASON FOR REDEDICATION TO THE IDEALS

AND PRINCIPLES THAT MOTIVATED AMERICAN PATRIOTS IN 1776.

I AM PROUD THAT MY MOTHER WAS A VERY ACTIVE AND
DEDICATED MEMBER OF THE SOPHIE DE MARSAC CAMPAU (KAM-POW)
CHAPTER OF THE DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION.

THE PRINCIPLES OF LOYALTY AND LOVE OF COUNTRY WHICH SHE
CULTIVATED IN HER CHILDREN ARE JUST AS IMPORTANT TODAY AS THEY
WERE THROUGHOUT HER LIFE. THEY WILL CONTINUE TO BE
IMPORTANT THROUGHOUT OUR THIRD CENTURY OF FREEDOM.

THE PATRIOTS OF 1776 } MEN LIKE GEORGE WASHINGTON

AND PATRICK HENRY } -- DID NOT MINCE WORDS.

NOR WILL I } 200 YEARS LATER } -- IN REPORTING TO YOU

ON A MATTER OF GROWING NATIONAL CONCERN.

OVER THE PAST SEVERAL WEEKS, AS THE 1976

POLITICAL CAMPAIGNS HAVE BEGUN TO HEAT UP, MORE AND MORE

ATTENTION HAS FOCUSED ON THE ISSUE OF AMERICA'S MILITARY

I presume this has happened

STRENGTH. FRANKLY, ~~I SUPPOSE~~, BECAUSE A GRAB-BAG

OF OTHER ISSUES HAS BEEN TRIED AND FAILED.

HOWEVER THIS SHOULD NOT BE A PARTISAN DISCUSSION.

ON NATIONAL DEFENSE MATTERS, SOME OF MY SUPPORTERS

ARE DEMOCRATS; SOME OF MY CRITICS ARE REPUBLICANS.

NEVERTHELESS, POLITICS DOES HAVE A WAY OF CONFUSING

THE EXTREMELY COMPLEX ISSUES OF NATIONAL SECURITY.

THIS IS PARTICULARLY EVIDENT EVERY FOUR YEARS WHEN WE HAVE

A PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION CAMPAIGN.

I WELCOME THE EMERGENCE OF THIS DEBATE

BECAUSE DURING THE NEXT FOUR YEARS MANY CRUCIAL DECISIONS

MUST BE MADE ABOUT OUR ARMED FORCES -- DECISIONS THAT

WILL AFFECT OUR FREEDOMS UNTIL THE END OF THIS CENTURY

AND BEYOND. NOTHING IS MORE VITAL TO OUR INDIVIDUAL

PERSONAL SECURITY THAN THE SECURITY OF OUR NATION.

AT THE SAME TIME, HOWEVER, THE GRAVITY
OF THIS SUBJECT DEMANDS THAT IT BE ADDRESSED HONESTLY,
FACTUALLY AND FAIRLY.

UNFORTUNATELY, TOO MUCH OF THE DEBATE SO FAR

HAS BEEN CAST IN EXAGGERATED RHETORIC THAT TENDS TO MISLEAD

AND CONFUSE, NOT TO ENLIGHTEN AND CLARIFY.

I BELIEVE THE AMERICAN PEOPLE - AS WELL AS OUR FRIENDS

AND ADVERSARIES ABROAD - HAVE TOO MUCH COMMON SENSE

TO FALL FOR THESE OVERSIMPLIFICATIONS, BUT AS YOUR PRESIDENT

AND AS COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF, I DO HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY

TO SET THE RECORD STRAIGHT. AND OBVIOUSLY,

IT IS TIME FOR A LITTLE STRAIGHT TALK.

RECENT CHARGES THAT THE UNITED STATES IS

IN A POSITION OF MILITARY INFERIORITY AND THAT WE HAVE

ACCEPTED SOVIET WORLD DOMINATION ARE COMPLETE AND

UTTER NONSENSE.

IF THERE IS ANY SINGLE STANDARD WHICH HAS GUIDED

MY YEARS IN PUBLIC SERVICE, IT HAS BEEN THIS:

THE FREEDOM AND SECURITY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

MUST ALWAYS BE PRESERVED. AMERICA IS THE GREATEST NATION

ON EARTH AND WE WILL KEEP IT THAT WAY. I KNOW THE

D.A.R.'s RECORD ON NATIONAL DEFENSE AND YOU KNOW MINE.

They are virtually identical.

MY KNOWLEDGE, MY CONCERN AND MY RECORD

IN SUPPORT OF A STRONG NATIONAL DEFENSE DOES NOT GO BACK

MERELY A FEW DAYS, WEEKS OR MONTHS -- BUT ALL THE WAY BACK

TO 1949 WHEN I FIRST WENT TO THE CONGRESS.

-- FOR 25 YEARS IN THE CONGRESS I STOOD FOR,

I SPOKE FOR AND I VOTED FOR A STRONG DEFENSE FORCE.

on Appropriations

-- FOR 14 YEARS, I SERVED ON THE HOUSE SUBCOMMITTEE [^]

THAT EACH YEAR EXAMINED IN GREAT DETAIL EVERY ONE OF THE

PROGRAMS AND THEN PROVIDED THE APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE ARMY,

THE NAVY, THE AIR FORCE AND THE MARINES. AND ALWAYS

IN ALL OF THOSE YEARS MY STANCE WAS ON THE SIDE OF

STRENGTH.

-- DURING THE YEARS BEFORE I BECAME VICE PRESIDENT,
AS MINORITY LEADER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
I FOUGHT OPENLY AND HARD, \ YEAR AFTER YEAR, \ FOR THE MAXIMUM
MILITARY STRENGTH RECOMMENDED -- WHETHER BY REPUBLICAN
PRESIDENTS OR DEMOCRATIC PRESIDENTS.

-- FOR THESE LAST TWO YEARS AS YOUR PRESIDENT,

I HAVE CALLED UPON THE CONGRESS TO APPROVE THE TWO BIGGEST
DEFENSE BUDGETS IN OUR ENTIRE HISTORY.

-- AND MY PLEDGE TO YOU TODAY IS THIS:

THAT AS LONG AS I HOLD THIS OFFICE, I INTEND TO SEE TO IT

THAT THE UNITED STATES WILL NEVER BECOME SECOND TO ANYBODY --

PERIOD.

LET'S LOOK AT THE RECORD MORE CLOSELY

FOR A FEW MOMENTS.

WHEN I BECAME PRESIDENT IN AUGUST OF 1974 -

SOME 20 MONTHS AGO -- I REAFFIRMED MY CONVICTION

THAT OUR MILITARY POWER MUST BE STRONG ENOUGH TO CARRY OUT

THREE ESSENTIAL OBJECTIVES, AND I FOUND THAT WE SUCCESSFULLY

MET ALL THREE:

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WE WERE -- \ AND REMAIN TODAY \-- READY AND ABLE

TO PROTECT OUR OWN VITAL SECURITY INTERESTS.

WE WERE -- \ AND REMAIN TODAY \-- READY AND ABLE

TO DETER AGGRESSION AGAINST OUR ALLIES.

AND WE WERE -- \ AND REMAIN TODAY \--

READY AND ABLE TO KEEP THE PEACE.

YET, AS I WAS SWORN INTO OFFICE, IT WAS ALSO

APPARENT THAT WE COULD NOT AFFORD COMPLACENCY ABOUT

OUR ARMED FORCES. QUITE THE CONTRARY.

FOR THE PAST 10-15 YEARS, THE SOVIET UNION HAD BEEN STRIVING
WITH DOGGED DETERMINATION TO OVERTAKE US IN MILITARY STRENGTH.

IN OUR OWN COUNTRY, ON THE OTHER HAND, MANY PEOPLE
ESPECIALLY IN THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS -- SEEMED OBLIVIOUS
TO THE GROWING SOVIET MILITARY CAPABILITY. INSTEAD,

Congress

~~THEY~~ SEEMED TO BELIEVE THAT WE COULD CHANNEL MORE AND MORE
OF OUR TAX DOLLARS INTO RAPIDLY GROWING SOCIAL PROGRAMS
AND THAT OUR MILITARY SHOULD RECEIVE A SMALLER AND SMALLER
SHARE OF OUR FINANCIAL RESOURCES.

IN THE 10-YEAR PERIOD FROM 1964 TO 1974,
ESTIMATED IN REAL DOLLAR TERMS, THE SOVIETS EXPANDED
THEIR DEFENSE SPENDING BY FULLY ONE THIRD. BY STARK CONTRAST,
MILITARY REQUESTS OF SUCCESSIVE PRESIDENTS WERE SLASHED BY
50 BILLION DOLLARS IN THE CONGRESS DURING THAT SAME PERIOD.
WHEN I BECAME PRESIDENT, DEFENSE SPENDING REPRESENTED
THE LOWEST SHARE OF OUR G.N.P. SINCE 1947.

THERE WAS CAUSE TO BE CONCERNED ABOUT THE FUTURE
SECURITY OF THE COUNTRY, PARTICULARLY IF THE CONGRESS
CONTINUED TO HACK AWAY AT OUR MILITARY BUDGETS.
IF THE SOVIET UNION CONTINUED TO EXPAND ITS CAPABILITIES AND
WE CONTINUED TO BLEED OUR OWN DEFENSE FORCES, IT WAS
INEVITABLE THAT THE UNITED STATES WOULD EVENTUALLY BECOME
A SECOND RATE POWER.

CLEARLY THE ADVERSE TREND HAD TO BE REVERSED, AND I SET OUT
TO MAKE THAT ONE OF THE FOREMOST OBJECTIVES OF MY
ADMINISTRATION.

IN JANUARY OF 1975 - FIVE MONTHS AFTER I CAME
INTO OFFICE - I SUBMITTED MY FIRST BUDGET TO THE CONGRESS,
CALLING FOR A TEN PERCENT INCREASE IN OVERALL DEFENSE SPENDING.

HOWEVER, THAT YEAR THE CONGRESS CUT MY
DEFENSE BUDGET REQUEST BY 6.5 BILLION DOLLARS,
WHICH INCLUDED REDUCTIONS OF MORE THAN 1.5 BILLION DOLLARS
IN OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE FOR OUR FORCES,
MORE THAN THREE BILLION DOLLARS IN PROCUREMENT OF WEAPONS AND
OTHER EQUIPMENT, AND MORE THAN 700 MILLION DOLLARS IN RESEARCH
AND DEVELOPMENT. SPECIFICALLY THE CONGRESS:

-- REFUSED TO PROVIDE THE FULL FUNDING I REQUESTED

FOR NEW NAVAL SHIPS;

-- TOOK AWAY FUNDS FOR TWO OF OUR NEW

AIRBORNE WARNING AND CONTROL SYSTEMS AIRCRAFT / DESIGNED

TO VASTLY IMPROVE OUR SURVEILLANCE, WARNING AND CONTROL

CAPABILITIES;

-- DENIED US ADDITIONAL ATTACK AIRCRAFT;

-- REDUCED THE FUNDS FOR MODIFYING CIVIL RESERVE
AIR FLEET AIRCRAFT, DELAYING OUR BACK-UP AIRLIFT CAPABILITY
FOR SUPPORT IN MILITARY CONTINGENCIES;

-- CUT OUR INTELLIGENCE AND COMMUNICATIONS
PROGRAMS;

-- REDUCED THE PROGRAM FOR OUR NEW B-1 STRATEGIC
BOMBER;

-- CUT INTO THE AIR FORCE PROGRAM FOR DEVELOPMENT
OF A NEW AIR COMBAT FIGHTER TO MAINTAIN OUR AIR SUPERIORITY
IN THE FUTURE.

-- REDUCED OUR BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE

TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM;

-- REDUCED THE FUND REQUEST FOR WAR RESERVE STOCKS

AND SPARE PARTS NEEDED TO SUSTAIN OUR FIGHTING MEN IN COMBAT.

I COULD GO ON, BUT THE POINT IS CLEAR;

NO PRESIDENT COULD COUNTENANCE SUCH DISREGARD FOR

THE NATION'S SECURITY NEEDS.

SO IN JANUARY OF THIS YEAR ONLY THREE MONTHS

AGO I SUBMITTED AN EVEN BIGGER DEFENSE BUDGET:

112.7 BILLION DOLLARS, OR 14 PERCENT BIGGER THAN THE

DEFENSE BUDGET OF THE YEAR BEFORE.

I ALSO MADE IT CLEAR THAT IF THE CONGRESS SENT ME

A DEFENSE BILL THAT SHORTCHANGED THE NEEDS OF THE COUNTRY,

I WOULD TAKE THE UNPRECEDENTED STEP OF VETOING IT.

*because
Congressional action was
inadequate.*

FURTHERMORE, I HAVE GONE TO THE AMERICAN PEOPLE ON THE ISSUE.

TO MY SATISFACTION, IT SEEMS THE AMERICAN PEOPLE

SHARE MY CONCERN AND ARE COMMUNICATING THAT MESSAGE

TO THE CONGRESS. AND THEIR MESSAGE WAS LOUD AND CLEAR.

STOP CHEATING THE COUNTRY'S DEFENSES.

TWO WEEKS AGO, THE CONGRESS TOOK THE FIRST STEPS TOWARD

COMMITTING US TO THE BIGGEST SINGLE INCREASE IN DEFENSE

SPENDING SINCE THE KOREAN WAR. I THANK YOU AND MILLIONS

OF OTHER AMERICANS FOR YOUR HELP ON THIS CRUCIAL MATTER.

I HOPE YOU WILL KEEP THE PRESSURE ON.

THE DEFENSE PROGRAM THAT I AM ADVANCING

WILL MEAN THAT THE UNITED STATES WILL REMAIN UNSURPASSED

FOR YEARS TO COME.

-- JUST ABOUT TWO WEEKS AGO WE LAID THE KEEL
FOR THE FIRST OF A NEW CLASS OF NUCLEAR SUBMARINES TO BE ARMED
WITH THE MOST ACCURATE SUBMARINE BALLISTIC MISSILES
IN THE WORLD. THIS TRIDENT MISSILE FLEET WILL BE THE
FOUNDATION FOR A FORMIDABLE, TECHNOLOGICALLY SUPERIOR FORCE
THROUGH THE 1980s;

-- WE ARE NOW COMPLETING THE FINAL TESTING

OF THE WORLD'S MOST MODERN AND CAPABLE STRATEGIC BOMBER,

THE B-1.

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-- WE ARE ALSO ACCELERATING WORK ON A NEW

INTERCONTINENTAL BALLISTIC MISSILE FOR THE 1980s;

-- WE ARE DEVELOPING A NEW CRUISE MISSILE FOR

OUR AIR AND NAVAL FORCES.

-- NOR DOES OUR EFFORT STOP WITH WEAPONS,

FOR WE ARE ALSO EXPANDING OUR ARMY FROM 13 TO 16 COMBAT

DIVISIONS.

WE ARE SEEKING TO ACHIEVE NEW EFFICIENCIES ACROSS
THE BOARD -- BETTER WAYS TO CARRY OUT OUR MILITARY MISSIONS
THAT WILL NOT ONLY SAVE TAXPAYERS OVER 2.8 BILLION DOLLARS
FOR THE NEXT FISCAL YEAR, BUT WILL ALSO IMPROVE OUR
READINESS CAPABILITY.

THIS IS A PROGRAM DESIGNED TO ENSURE THAT AMERICA
WILL NEVER BECOME NUMBER TWO IN MILITARY POWER.

IT IS A SOUND INVESTMENT IN OUR FUTURE, AND I INTEND TO
SEE IT THROUGH -- THIS YEAR, NEXT YEAR, RIGHT THROUGH
TO THE END OF THIS DECADE.

I HAVE SPOKEN OF OUR MILITARY STRENGTH.

LET US NEVER FORGET THAT OUR STRENGTH WILL BE MEANINGFUL
ONLY IF IT IS MATCHED BY OUR RESOLVE -- OUR RESOLVE TO
KEEP THE PEACE, OUR RESOLVE TO PRESERVE OUR PRECIOUS FREEDOM.

NO ONE SHOULD MISTAKE OUR INTERNAL DEBATES AS
A WEAKENING OF OUR INTENTION TO PROTECT OUR INTERESTS AND
TO LIVE UP TO OUR OBLIGATIONS TO OUR FRIENDS. THE
UNITED STATES WILL NOT ONLY REMAIN SECURE IN ITS POWER,
BUT I ASSURE YOU, WE SHALL NOT HESITATE TO USE THAT POWER
WHEN IT MUST BE USED IN OUR NATIONAL INTEREST.

EVEN AS WE ARE DETERMINED IN OUR DEFENSE,
WE SHALL ALSO BE DETERMINED IN OUR EFFORTS TO REDUCE
THE POTENTIAL FOR NUCLEAR HOLOCAUST.

WE ARE CONTINUING THE STRATEGIC ARMS LIMITATION
TALKS WITH THE SOVIET UNION FOR THE SIMPLE BUT GOOD REASON
THAT THESE NEGOTIATIONS OFFER THE BEST HOPE FOR SANITY IN
SUPERPOWER RELATIONS.

EVER SINCE THE BEGINNING OF SERIOUS ARMS NEGOTIATIONS WITH
THE RUSSIANS YEARS AGO, THERE HAVE BEEN POLITICAL PRESSURES
EITHER TO SPEED UP OR SLOW DOWN THE NEGOTIATIONS AND THOSE
PRESSURES CONTINUE.

INSTEAD, I HAVE CHOSEN A STEADY BUT PERSISTENT
COURSE BASED ON A REALISTIC APPRECIATION OF OUR NATIONAL
INTERESTS.

THOSE INTERESTS DO NOT LIE IN AN UNCONTROLLED NUCLEAR ARMS
RACE BUT IN MAINTAINING AN EQUITABLE STRATEGIC BALANCE
AT THE LOWEST POSSIBLE LEVEL.

THOSE WHO ARGUE THAT THE SALT TALKS JEOPARDIZE
THE SECURITY OF THE UNITED STATES ARE MISTAKEN.

IN VLADIVOSTOK, WE BEGAN NEGOTIATING AN AGREEMENT WHICH IF
SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED WILL PLACE EQUAL CEILINGS ON MISSILES,
HEAVY BOMBERS AND MULTIWARHEAD MISSILES.

THERE ARE STILL IMPORTANT ISSUES TO RESOLVE IN
THE SALT TALKS. I DO NOT KNOW WHETHER WE WILL SUCCEED.
BUT UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES WILL WE BE STAMPEDED BY
ARBITRARY DEADLINES OR DEMOGOGIC POLITICAL CHARGES.

WE WILL BE GUIDED SOLELY BY THE NATIONAL INTERESTS OF THE

UNITED STATES. IF A SOUND AGREEMENT IS REACHED, I WILL

SUBMIT IT TO THE SENATE FOR RATIFICATION.

MY FRIENDS, THIS ELECTION YEAR IS STILL YOUNG.

THERE IS STILL TIME TO RESTORE REASON AND PERSPECTIVE TO OUR

DEBATES OVER NATIONAL SECURITY.

THOSE WHO SEEK OUR NATION'S HIGHEST OFFICE HAVE AN
OBLIGATION, I BELIEVE, TO SPELL OUT THE ALTERNATIVE
DIRECTIONS THEY PROPOSE IN OUR FOREIGN POLICY AND OUR
DEFENSE POLICY. IT IS NOT GOOD ENOUGH TO CRITICIZE
CURRENT POLICIES WHILE REFUSING TO PROPOSE SPECIFIC
ALTERNATIVES. THOSE WHO SEEK THE PRESIDENCY MUST BE
EQUAL TO ITS BURDENS.

TO CHARGE THAT THIS ADMINISTRATION } AN ADMINISTRATION

THAT HAS FOUGHT FOR THE TWO BIGGEST DEFENSE BUDGETS IN

HISTORY AND FOR THE FIRST TIME IN TEN YEARS IS CONVINCING

THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO SPEND ENOUGH FOR DEFENSE --

TO CHARGE THAT WE HAVE LED OUR NATION INTO MILITARY

INFERIORITY IS PREPOSTEROUS ON ITS FACE.

THE AMERICAN PEOPLE HAVE HAD ENOUGH DISTORTED

ALLEGATIONS THAT WE HAVE BECOME A SECOND-RATE NATION.

WE MUST SEE THE WORLD AS IT IS.

WE MUST FORM OUR POLICIES OUT OF HARD FACTS,

NOT POLITICAL FICTION.

FIRST AND FOREMOST IS THE FACT THAT THE UNITED STATES

IS TODAY THE SINGLE MOST POWERFUL NATION ON EARTH --

INDEED, IN ALL OF HISTORY. AND WE'RE GOING TO KEEP IT

THAT WAY.

OUR ECONOMIC POWER IS FAR AND AWAY THE LARGEST
AND THE MOST PRODUCTIVE, PRODUCING AN ESTIMATED 24 PERCENT
OF THE WORLD'S WEALTH WITH LESS THAN SIX PERCENT
OF THE WORLD'S POPULATION.

AT A TIME WHEN THE NUMBER OF DEMOCRACIES
IN THE WORLD HAS DWINDLED TO LESS THAN TWO DOZEN OUT OF OVER
140 COUNTRIES, WE REMAIN THE BEST HOPE OF FREEDOM AND
THE INSPIRATION FOR LIBERTY OF MANKIND.

I SAY THAT THOSE WITH FAITH IN AMERICA MUST
SPEAK THE TRUTH TO THE AMERICAN PEOPLE;

-- THE TRUTH THAT WE ARE THE GREATEST NATION
ON EARTH;

-- THE TRUTH THAT WE HAVE THE STRENGTH TO DEFEND
OUR INTEREST AND THE RESOLVE TO UPHOLD OUR VALUES;

-- THE TRUTH THAT THOUGH WE ARE STRONG, WE
CAN NEVER RELAX OUR GUARD;

-- THE TRUTH THAT FOR THE FIRST TIME SINCE
THE DAYS OF DWIGHT EISENHOWER, A PRESIDENT STANDING FOR
ELECTION CAN SAY WE ARE AT PEACE; AND FINALLY,

-- THE TRUTH THAT WE MUST REMAIN ACTIVELY
ENGAGED IN MAINTAINING WORLD PEACE AND DEFENDING FREEDOM•

I PROMISE TO YOU THAT I WILL DO EVERYTHING

WITHIN THE POWER OF THE PRESIDENCY TO KEEP AMERICA STRONG

MILITARILY, ECONOMICALLY AND MORALLY AS I HAVE

THROUGHOUT MY PUBLIC LIFE.

BUT I NEED YOUR HELP.

WITHOUT YOUR SUPPORT - WITHOUT THE INFORMED,
INTELLIGENT, CONFIDENT, CONSTRUCTIVE SUPPORT OF ALL THE
AMERICAN PEOPLE - NO PRESIDENT CAN KEEP THE SHIP OF STATE
ON A SAFE, STEADY COURSE.

BUT WITH YOUR HELP, OUR 200th BIRTHDAY AS
A NATION CAN BE TRULY A REBIRTH OF AMERICA.

FOR 200 YEARS, WE HAVE MORE THAN JUSTIFIED
THE FAITH AND FAR EXCEEDED THE WILDEST DREAMS OF OUR
FOUNDING FATHERS. TIME AND TIME AGAIN WE HAVE REPEATED
THE HARDSHIPS OF VALLEY FORGE AND THE SACRIFICES OF IWO JIMA
TO PROTECT AND DEFEND OUR PRECIOUS FREEDOM. OUR
DEDICATED ARMED FORCES STAND GUARD TODAY IN THAT SAME SPIRIT.

AMERICA TODAY IS UNSURPASSED IN MILITARY

CAPABILITY• WE HAVE THE GREATEST INDUSTRIAL CAPACITY

IN THE HISTORY OF MANKIND• OUR FARMERS OUTPRODUCE

EVERYONE IN HISTORY• WE ARE AHEAD IN EDUCATION,

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY• WE HAVE THE GREATEST MORAL

AND SPIRITUAL RESOURCES OF ANY MODERN NATION•

LET US RESOLVE TODAY TO BUILD UPON THOSE GREAT
STRENGTHS SO THAT ONE HUNDRED YEARS FROM NOW, OUR GREAT
GRANDCHILDREN CAN LOOK BACK AND SAY THAT THEY, TOO,
ARE PROUD OF AMERICA AND PROUD TO BE AMERICANS.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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