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NOTICE TO THE PRESS

EXCERPT FROM THE PRESIDENT REMARKS TO THE VOTERS  
CONVOCAATION - UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Last night in the Debate I spoke of America's firm support for the aspirations for independence of the nations of Eastern Europe. The United States has never conceded and never will concede their domination by the Soviet Union.

I admire the courage of the Polish people and have always supported the hopes of Polish Americans for freedom for their ancestral homeland.

It is our policy to use every peaceful means to assist countries in Eastern Europe in their efforts to become less dependent on the Soviet Union and to establish closer ties with the West.

I am very much aware of the present plight of the Eastern European nations and, as I declared in this year's Captive Nations Proclamation:

"The United States supports the aspirations for freedom, independence, and national self-determination of all peoples. We do not accept foreign domination over any nation."

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