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AND THE ATLANTA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
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Governor Busby, Mr. Mayor, Mr. Allen, distinguished members of the Consular Corps, ladies and gentlemen:

I must say I was extremely impressed by these fulsome introductions. And I do want to point out to both the Governor and the Mayor that however extended their remarks, for somebody that was brought up on the German language, it takes me that long to place my first verb. (Laughter)

As the Governor was going through my biographical material, I was terrified that his research had been too extensive. (Laughter)

And it nearly was.

I was very touched by the very warm tribute that was paid to my distinguished predecessor, partly because it is good to know that retired Secretaries of State are still recognized a few years afterwards (Laughter) but above all, because there are few men in public life that I have admired so much. He was in the best tradition of the greatest Secretaries of State and he set an example that his successors find difficult to emulate.

So it is a particular privilege for me to be able to share the platform with Dean Rusk. (Applause)

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