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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT FOR NATIONAL F6006-12

SECURITY AFFAIRS

SUBJECT: NATO Air Chiefs Visit

The NATO Air Chiefs will visit the United States from May 27th to June 7th, 1987, with meetings scheduled for May 28th and 29th in Washington. They represent the senior military air commanders of our nation's most important military alliance; their biennial tour to the US provides an important opportunity to meet with key US officials and to visit selected Air Force installations.

The biennial tour of NATO's Air Chiefs to the US provides them an opportunity to visit selected Air Force facilities and meet with key officials to discuss issues of interest. It is these meetings with senior US officials which the Air Chiefs have traditionally found to be most important.

In May of 1986 the Latin American Air Chiefs (CONJEFAMER) visited Washington, D.C., and met with the Vice President, the National Security Advisor, and other prominent Administration and Cabinet officials. The meetings proved to be the highlight of their tour and served to underscore the importance of the visit as well as the US commitment to the region.

Our commitment to NATO and to addressing the Alliance's important challenges is unquestioned. In view of President Reagan's interest in NATO, I believe it would be beneficial to arrange for a few brief moments on the Presidential calendar, so that he might underscore the trust and mutual understanding we rely upon to assure NATO's future. I appreciate your assistance in forwarding this request to the President.

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April 22, 1987

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MEMORANDUM FOR COL JAMES F. LEMON

Executive Secretary
Department of Defense

SUBJECT:

Draft SECDEF Speech on NATO

Subject speech has been reviewed and recommended changes have been noted on the attached copy. Subject to these changes, the draft is cleared by NSC.

Attachment

Tab A Draft Speech

Grant S. Green, Jr. Executive Secretary

#### NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506



ACTION

April 22, 1987

MEMORANDUM FOR GRANT S. GREEN, JR.

FROM:

WILLIAM A. COCKELL

SUBJECT:

Draft Weinberger Speech on NATO

Recommended changes to the draft Weinberger speech are provided on the copy at Tab A.

#### RECOMMENDATION

That you transmit to Colonel Lemon the memorandum at Tab I, with the speech draft containing NSC proposed changes.

Disapprove \_\_\_\_

Disapproximate Fritz Ermarth and Peter Sommer concur.

Attachments

Tab I Memo to Lemon

Tab A Draft Speech with NSC Comments

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

April 21, 1987

MEMO FOR EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, NSC

Attached is a draft speech on NATO that Secretary Weinberger is planning to give in San Francisco. If you have any comments on the text, please provide them to John Duncan or Steve Aubin at 693-2068 by 5:00 P.M., Wednesday, April 22.

James F. Lemon

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# REMARKS BY SECRETARY WEINBERGER TO A SAN FRANCISCO AUDIENCE

NATO: MORE THAN JUST A MILITARY ALLIANCE

SAN FRANCISCO, SYMBOLIZED BY THE GOLDEN GATE BRIDGE, IS

OFTEN REFERRED TO AS "THE GATEWAY TO THE PACIFIC." INDEED,

WHEN IT COMES TO INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS--ESPECIALLY TRADE--THE

ATTENTION OF THIS COMMUNITY IS OFTEN FOCUSED ACROSS THE PACIFIC

ON COUNTRIES SUCH AS JAPAN, CHINA, KOREA, AND THE PHILIPPINES.

IN FACT, ACROSS THE WESTERN UNITED STATES THERE SEEMS TO BE ALMOST AN OBSESSION WITH THE ECONOMIC DYNAMISM AND VITALITY OF ASIA, IN CONTRAST TO A MORE DETACHED FEELING TOWARD, AND INTEREST IN, EUROPE.

WELL, TODAY I WOULD LIKE TO TALK ABOUT NATO. FOR I BELIEVE
THAT THE WESTERN UNITED STATES AND INDEED ALL OF THE U.S. HAS
THE SAME VITAL STAKE IN NATO AND EUROPE AS IT HAS IN THE IMPORTANT
COUNTRIES OF THE PACIFIC. AS THE RECENT TRADE PROBLEMS WITH JAPAN
ATTRACT OUR ATTENTION, WE MUST BE CAREFUL NOT TO IGNORE ONE PART OF
THE WORLD AT THE EXPENSE OF ANOTHER. WE CANNOT RETREAT FROM OUR
WORLD RESPONSIBILITIES, NOR AFFORD TO IGNORE OUR VITAL INTERESTS
AROUND THE GLOBE.

THEY CITE A GROWING TRADE DEFICIT AND CONTEND THAT WE COULD SAVE MONEY BY PULLING SOME TROOPS OUT OF EUROPE. APART FROM THE FACT THAT THAT IS SIMPLY NOT TRUE IN ECONOMIC TERMS, THE ATTITUDE BEHIND THESE SUGGESTIONS IS WHAT IS MOST DANGEROUS OF ALL: HERE, I SPEAK OF A TENDENCY TOWARD ISOLATIONISM, A TREND EXHIBITED IN CALLS FOR DISENGAGEMENT IN THE WORLD AND IN THE CALL FOR PROTECTIONISM AT HOME. THE LAST TIME THE UNITED STATES WAS SEDUCED BY THE ALLURE OF ISOLATIONISM,

THE RESULT WAS A WORLD WAR.

TODAY, WE ARE NOT IN EUROPE JUST BECAUSE OF SOME ANACHRONISM OF HISTORY. IN ADDITION TO THE DEMOCRATIC VALUES AND APPRECIATION FOR INDIVIDUAL FREEDOMS WE SHARE WITH THE EUROPEANS, WE MUST ALSO REALIZE THAT OUR NATION'S FIRST LINE OF DEFENSE IS EUROPE. AND WE CAN DEFEND OURSELVES BEST FROM EUROPE, IN COOPERATION WITH OUR ALLIES.

FRANKLY, I DO NOT BELIEVE THE UNITED STATES COULD SURVIVE IN A WORLD WHERE EUROPE WAS DOMINATED BY THE SOVIET UNION.

LET US LOOK BACK FOR A MINUTE TO THE WORLD IN 1945 THROUGH 1950. EUROPE HAD BEEN RAVAGED BY WAR. OLD EMPIRES WERE CRUMBLING: NATIONS WERE HARBORING OLD ANTIPATHIES AND DISTRUSTS. IT WAS A TIME WHEN AMERICA WAS SUDDENLY THE ONLY GREAT WESTERN POWER IN A VERY UNSTABLE WORLD. WE WERE RELUCTANTLY THRUST INTO A POSITION OF GLOBAL RESPONSIBILITY. THE CHALLENGE WAS TO REDESIGN A STABLE WORLD ORDER.

OF COURSE, ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE GLOBE WAS ANOTHER NEW

WORLD POWER WHOSE INTERESTS AND AMBITIONS COULD ONLY BE MET BY

CREATING INSTABILITY. THE SOVIETS HAD LEARNED THAT THE EXERTION

OF MILITARY POWER WAS THE KEY TO ACHIEVING THEIR GOALS.

THE FIRST MAJOR SOVIET CHALLENGE CAME IN EASTERN EUROPE.

AMERICAN DIPLOMATS MADE HONEST EFFORTS TO ACCOMMODATE SOVIET

SECURITY CUNCERNS, AND RAPIDLY LEARNED THAT SOVIET "SECURITY"

APPEARED TO HAVE UNLIMITED BOUNDS.

AS AMERICAN POLICYMAKERS CONSIDERED THIS WORLD, THEY ENGAGED
IN A DEBATE--THE CONSEQUENCES OF WHICH WOULD HAVE DRAMATIC EFFECT
ON THE SHAPE OF THE FUTURE. EACH NEW GENERATION MUST HAVE A VISION
FOR THEIR FUTURE--JUST AS OUR GENERATION OF YESTERYEAR RESPONDED
TO THE VISIONS OF ACHESON, TRUMAN, AND OTHER GREAT STATESMEN.

THERE IS TODAY A TENDENCY TO GLOSS OVER THE FUNDAMENTAL

DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE POLITICAL SYSTEMS OF THE SOVIET UNION

AND THE UNITED STATES, BETWEEN TOTALITARIANISM AND DEMOCRACY.

I HAVE REFERRED TO THIS IN THE PAST AS ASCRIBING A FALSE "MORAL"

EQUIVALENCE" TO THE TWO SYSTEMS.

OF KUNDAMENIAL CHANGES
BUT,

AS WE IN THE WEST CONFRONT A MORE ACTIVE SOVIET UNION UNDER THE ENERGETIC LEADERSHIP OF MIKHAIL GORBACHEV, WE MUST BEAR IN WE HAVE OSSEAVED THUSEAN, MIND THAT BEHIND THE VENEER OF CHANGE THERE IS STILL THE UNCHANGEABLE AND BANKRUPT COMMUNIST SYSTEM; BEHIND THE POLICY OF GLASNOST IS THE SPECTER OF THE KGB, WHOSE AGENTS DEFINE OPENNESS IN A VERY DIFFERENT MANNER THAN WE IN THE WEST; AND BEHIND THE WIDELY HAILED "REFORMS" IS A COMMUNIST PARTY MACHINERY WHICH IS INCOMPATIBLE WITH THE PLURALITY WE SO OFTEN TAKE FOR GRANTED. AS MUCH AS THE NEW SOVIET LEADERSHIP WOULD LIKE TO CONVINCE THE WORLD OTHERWISE, THE SOVIET UNION IS NOT JUST ANOTHER MEMBER OF THE COMMUNITY OF NATIONS: IS A TIGHTLY-CONTROLLED, TOTALITARIAN STATE WHOSE VALUES ARE ALIEN TO FREE SOCIETIES, AND WHOSE MILITARY MIGHT IS A CONSTANT THREAT TO OUR SURVIVAL. INDEED, THE BALANCE OF CONVENTIONAL FORCES IN EUROPE HAS HISTORICALLY FAVORED, AND STILL FAVORS, THE WARSAW PACT BY SIZEABLE MARGINS.

A THOSE CHANGES SAIND THE FORMULATION INTO CLOSE A
CONFORMANCE WITH THE TENON OF THE PAGINENT'S NOTENT
SAN FRANCISCO SPECH, WITHOUT HURGING THE SUGGESTION OF
FUNDAMENTAL SKEPPICISM REDAPOING "POTENTS" TO PART.

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BE WEN BEITER.

WRITING IN 1835, ALEX DE TOCQUEVILLE NOTED THAT DEMOCRATIC GOVERNMENTS TEND TO BE MORE PROSPEROUS AND TEND TO BUILD THE REAL STRENGTH OF SOCIETY THAT ELUDES DESPOTIC STATES. HOWEVER, HE ALSO WARNED THAT IN SPITE OF THEIR PROSPERITY, DEMOCRACIES CONSTANTLY RUN THE RISK OF BEING CONQUERED BY DESPOTIC STATES. THE CONSTANT AND ENORMOUS GROWTH IN SOVIET MILITARY SPENDING AT THE EXPENSE OF DOMESTIC WELL-BEING UNDERSCORES THIS POINT.

IT IS NO SECRET THAT DEMOCRACY AND COMMUNISM ARE

FUNDAMENTALLY INCOMPATIBLE. BUT WHAT MANY FAIL TO REALIZE IS

THAT THEY CAN COEXIST ONLY TO THE EXTENT THAT THE DEMOCRACY

IS STRONG ENOUGH TO COMPEL THE COMMUNIST STATE TO RESPECT ITS

EXISTENCE. THIS IS THE STARK REALITY OF OUR TIME. AND THIS

REALITY HAS BEEN RECOGNIZED BY THE GREAT STATESMEN OF THE TWENTIETH

CENTURY. IN HIS REMARKABLE SPEECH AT FULTON, MISSOURI IN MARCH

1946, WINSTON CHURCHILL SOUNDED A WARNING: "...IF THE WESTERN

DEMOCRACIES STAND TOGETHER IN STRICT ADHERENCE TO THE PRINCIPLES

OF THE UNITED NATIONS CHARTER, THEIR INFLUENCE FOR FURTHERING

THOSE PRINCIPLES WILL BE IMMENSE AND NO ONE IS LIKELY TO MOLEST
THEM. IF, HOWEVER, THEY BECOME DIVIDED OR FALTER IN THEIR DUTY,
AND IF THESE ALL-IMPORTANT YEARS ARE ALLOWED TO SLIP AWAY, THEN
INDEED CATASTROPHES MAY OVERWHELM US ALL."

IN HIS SPEECH, CHURCHILL OUTLINED THE NEED FOR A COLLECTIVE DEFENSIVE ARRANGEMENT FOR DEMOCRATIC NATIONS. AND FORTUNATELY, THE WESTERN NATIONS DID NOT ALLOW THOSE "ALL-IMPORTANT" YEARS TO SLIP AWAY. IN FACT, IN THE FOLLOWING FEW YEARS THE WORLD WITNESSED THE PROCLAMATION OF THE TRUMAN DOCTRINE, WHICH STATED THAT THE UNITED STATES WOULD "SUPPORT FREE PEOPLES WHO ARE RESISTING ATTEMPTED SUBJUGATION," THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MARSHALL PLAN AIMED AT REVITALIZING THE ECONOMIES OF EUROPE, AND THE SIGNING OF THE BRUSSELS PACT BY THE EUROPEANS, A FIRST STEP TOWARD COLLECTIVE DEFENSE. SHORTLY THEREAFTER, CANADA AND THE EUROPEANS APPROACHED THE UNITED STATES ABOUT ENLARGING THE SCOPE OF THE COLLECTIVE DEFENSE ARRANGEMENT.

IN ADDITION TO THE ACTIVE STATESMENSHIP OF U.S. GOVERNMENT

REPRESENTATIVES, THEN-SECRETARY OF STATE DEAN ACHESON POINTED OUT THAT OUR CONGRESS WAS ALSO INSTRUMENTAL IN PAVING THE WAY FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT IN APRIL 1949 OF THE NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY ORGANIZATION. IN JUNE 1948, SENATOR ARTHUR VANDENBERG, CHAIRMAN OF THE SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE, HELPED CRAFT THE RESOLUTION THAT BEARS HIS NAME, AND WHICH STATES THAT THE UNITED STATES SHOULD PURSUE COLLECTIVE ARRANGEMENTS FOR SELF-DEFENSE. IN HIS MEMOIRS, ACHESON NOTES THAT VANDERBERG "GOT THE SENATE TO GIVE GOOD ADVICE," WHICH MEANT THAT THE SENATE ACCEPTED RESPONSIBILITY IN ADVANCE OF GIVING ITS CONSENT TO UNDENCONE3 (SUGGEST) THE IMPORTANT ROLE OF THE RATIFICATION . HIS POINT CONGRESS IN SUPPORTING THE KIND OF ENGAGEMENT IN WORLD AFFAIRS WHICH IS NECESSARY IF WE ARE TO AVOID THE GRAVE ERRORS THE UNITED STATES COMMITTED DURING THE PERIOD BETWEEN THE WORLD WARS. ISOLATIONISM DID NOT SERVE US WELL THEN AND WILL NOT SERVE US WELL NOW. FORTRESS AMERICA IS AN ILLUSION. GEORGE WASHINGTON WARNED THE NEWLY ESTABLISHED UNITED STATES

OF "ENTANGLING ALLIANCES," CONDITIONS WERE VERY DIFFERENT. AT

THE TIME, THE TWO OCEANS DID PROVIDE PROTECTION FOR OUR FLEDGLING

DEMOCRACY. WE NEEDED THE TIME, WHICH THE GREAT DISTANCE PROVIDED

US, TO BUILD A GOVERNMENT UNLIKE ANY OTHER IN THE HISTORY OF THE

WORLD.

TODAY, ON THE OTHER HAND, OUR VERY FUTURE DEPENDS UPON OUR TRADE AND SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS WITH OTHER NATIONS WHICH SHARE OUR VALUES AND DEMOCRATIC WAY OF LIFE. ONE WRITER IN THE 1950s, WHILE COMMENTING ON THE NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY, OBSERVED: "... THE CONCEPT OF A FREE MAN AND A FREE MIND IN AN OPEN AND FREE SOCIETY, WHICH AROSE IN THE SEVENTEENTH CENTURY IN THE NORTH ATLANTIC COUNTRIES, IS A DARING AND RARE PHENOMENON IN HISTORY.... SUCH A NEW AND DIFFICULT CIVILISATION CAN BE PRESERVED, DEVELOPED, AND SPREAD ONLY IF ITS MEMBERS BECOME UNITED IN A COMMON EFFORT, CONSCIOUS OF THE NATURE OF THEIR COMMON VALUES AND WAY OF LIFE." HE WENT ON TO SAY, "TO THE FUTURE HISTORIAN, THE UNITY AND NEW VITALITY OF THE WEST FORGED BY THE CHALLENGES AND MISFORTUNES OF

OUR TIME, MAY WELL APPEAR TO BE THE OUTSTANDING EVENT OF THE TWENTIETH CENTURY."

A FEW WEEKS BEFORE THE NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY WAS SIGNED,

DEAN ACHESON ADDRESSED THE AMERICAN PEOPLE ON THE RADIO TO

EXPLAIN THE MEANING OF THE NATO PACT, STATING THAT THE TREATY

WAS THE PRODUCT OF AT LAST 350 YEARS OF HISTORY. HE REMARKED,

"THE PARAMOUNT PURPOSES OF THE PACT ARE PEACE AND SECURITY.

IF PEACE AND SECURITY CAN BE ACHIEVED IN THE NORTH ATLANTIC

AREA, WE SHALL HAVE GONE A LONG WAY TO ASSURE PEACE AND SECURITY

IN OTHER AREAS AS WELL."

HE CLOSED HIS ADDRESS BY SAYING THAT "TO HAVE THIS GENUINE

PEACE WE MUST CONSTANTLY WORK FOR IT. BUT WE MUST DO EVEN MORE.

WE MUST MAKE IT CLEAR THAT ARMED ATTACK WILL BE MET BY COLLECTIVE

DEFENSE, PROMPT AND EFFECTIVE." THAT POINT HAS NOT CHANGED IN

ALMOST 40 YEARS, CONTRARY TO WHAT IS SAID AND WRITTEN BY THOSE

WHO ARE ENGAGED IN WHAT HAS BEEN POPULARLY CALLED "NATO-BASHING."

INDEED, THERE ARE THOSE ON THE LEFT, ON THE RIGHT, AND IN

DETWEEN, WHO QUESTION THE UTILITY OF OUR COMMITMENT TO NATO. SOME

ON THE RIGHT SAY EUROPEANS SHOULD MAKE A GREATER CONTRIBUTION TO

THEIR OWN DEFENSE; THAT U.S. INTERESTS NO LONGER REVOLVE AROUND

WESTERN EUROPE; AND THAT NATO TENDS TO DIMINISH U.S. RESOLVE TOWARD

THE SOVIET UNION. THOSE ON THE LEFT BELIEVE THERE WOULD BE GREAT FOR EUROPE. THEY

ALSO CLAIM THAT THE SOVIET THREAT IS GREATLY EXAGGERATED AND THAT

WAR IN EUROPE IS UNLIKELY ANYWAY. AND EVEN MORE TRADITONAL THINKERS

ARE TALKING ABOUT A NEED TO REFORM NATO AND REDEFINE ROLES.

WELL, THE ANSWER TO ALL OF THESE CRITICS IS SIMPLE: THE DEFENSE OF EUROPE CONTINUES TO BE THE CENTERPIECE OF WESTERN DEFENSE STRATEGY. THE BULK OF SOVIET FORCES ARE ARRAYED AGAINST WESTERN EUROPE; AND THE THREAT IS NOT EXAGGERATED. EUROPEAN SECURITY IS ABSOLUTELY VITAL TO AMERICAN SECURITY; AND EUROPEANS DO MAKE A TREMENDOUS CONTRIBUTION TO THE DEFENSE OF THE WEST. UNFORTUNATELY THE CRITICS TEND TO IGNORE THE FACT THAT THE EUROPEAN NATO ALLIES PROVIDE ABOUT 60% OF THE GROUND FORCES AND OVER HALF OF THE COMBAT AIR FORCES OF THE ALLIANCE.

MOREOVER, WE IN THE UNITED STATES MIGHT NOT APPRECIATE THE SIGNIFICANT POLITICAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL COSTS BORNE BY SOME OF OUR EUROPEAN ALLIES. FOR INSTANCE, THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY IS THE SIZE OF OREGON, YET IT HOSTS 400,000 FOREIGN TROOPS ON ITS SOIL IN ADDITION TO ITS OWN HALF-MILLION ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY AND 800,000 RESERVISTS. ADD TO THAT OVER 100,000 LOW LEVEL FLIGHTS AND SOME 5,000 MANEUVERS AND EXERCISES A YEAR--CONDUCTED ON FARMERS' LAND--ALL OF WHICH CAUSES ABOUT \$100 MILLION DOLLARS IN DAMAGE EACH YEAR.

THOSE WHO SAY THAT BRINGING TROOPS HOME WOULD SAVE MONEY ALSO OVERLOOK THE HARD FACTS: FOR A WITHDRAWAL OF 100,000 TROOPS, AS SOME HAVE SUGGESTED, WE ESTIMATE A ONE-TIME COST FOR TRANSPORTING AND BASING THEM IN THE UNITED STATES OF \$5 BILLION. LARGE ADDITIONAL COSTS WOULD ALSO BE ASSOCIATED WITH A RAPID DEPLOYMENT IN TIMES OF CRISIS OR WAR. BUT BEYOND THESE ECONOMIC CONSIDERATIONS, THERE IS A FAR MORE IMPORTANT ASPECT TO THE QUESTION OF U.S. TROOPS IN IN EUROPE. WE NEED TO MAINTAIN OUR PRESENCE AS A VISIBLE SIGN OF OUR COMMITMENT, ESPECIALLY AT A TIME WHEN WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO

REDUCE OUR RELIANCE ON NUCLEAR WEAPONS IN EUROPE.

ANY WITHDRAWAL OF TROOPS AT THIS TIME WOULD HAVE VERY

NEGATIVE COSEQUENCES. FIRST OF ALL, IT WOULD STRENGTHEN THE

HAND OF THOSE IN EUROPE WHO CLAIM THAT THE SOVIET UNION IS NOT

REALLY A THREAT AND WHO USE SUCH REASONING TO CALL FOR A DECREASE

IN EUROPEAN DEFENSE SPENDING. IN FACT, MAJOR OPPOSITION PARTIES

IN SEVERAL EUROPEAN COUNTRIES OPENLY ADVOCATE ALTERNATIVE DEFENSE

STRATEGIES THAT IN MANY INSTANCES AMOUNT TO LITTLE MORE THAN

"DEFENSELESS DEFENSE."

SECONDLY, A U.S. WITHDRAWAL COULD CONVEY THE MESSAGE THAT

THE U.S. IS EITHER NO LONGER CONCERNED ABOUT THE THREAT OR HAS

LOST THE WILL TO MAINTAIN EFFECTIVE DEFENSE AGAINST THE THREAT.

THE RESULT OVER TIME COULD WELL BE AN UNRAVELING OF THE POLITICAL

SOLIDARITY OF THE ATLANTIC ALLIANCE, THUS ENABLING THE SOVIETS TO

FINALLY ACHIEVE THEIR LONGSTANDING OBJECTIVE OF SPLITTING EUROPE

FROM THE UNITED STATES. WE MUST NOT ALLOW THAT TO HAPPEN.

INSTEAD, ALL THE WESTERN ALLIES, INCLUDING THE UNITED

STATES, NEED TO MAKE A MORE DETERMINED EFFORT TO DEVOTE THE LEVEL OF RESOURCES WHICH ARE REQUIRED TO ENSURE OUR COLLECTIVE DEFENSE.

TO THOSE WHO SAY THAT NATO HAS CHANGED AND THAT RELATIONSHIPS
WITHIN THE ALLIANCE NEED TO BE REDEFINED, I WOULD REMIND THEM THAT
ONE OF THE STRENGTHS OF FREE SOCIETIES IS THE ABILITY AND WILLINGNESS
TO CHANGE. THINGS ARE NOT THE SAME AS THEY WERE IN 1949, AND WE
HOPE NEVER WILL BE AGAIN.

AT THE INCEPTION OF NATO, THE ECONOMIES OF WESTERN EUROPE

WERE WEAK. TODAY THEY ARE VIBRANT AND PROSPEROUS. IN 1949, A

CERTAIN DISTRUST LINGERED BETWEEN DIFFERENT NATIONS, SUCH AS

BETWEEN FRANCE AND WEST GERMANY. TODAY, THERE EXISTS COOPERATION,

NOT ONLY IN THE MILITARY DOMAIN, BUT IN THE POLITICAL, ECONOMIC,

AND CULTURAL AREAS AS WELL. THIS IS NOT TO SUGGEST THAT THERE

ARE NO DIFFERENCES BETWEEN MEMBERS OF THE ALLIANCE. INDEED, THERE

WILL ALWAYS BE DISAGREEMENTS WITHIN AND BETWEEN FREE GOVERNMENTS

ON A HOST OF POLICY ISSUES, AND ESPECIALLY ON HOW TO PROVIDE FOR THEIR DEFENSE. BUT FAR FROM INDICATING A MORIBUND STATE, THIS DYNAMIC AND FREE-WHEELING INTERACTION SIGNIFIES THE STRENGTH OF AN ALLIANCE BUILT ON A FOUNDATION OF SHARED VALUES, KINDRED INSTITUTIONS, AND A BELIEF IN THE DEMOCRATIC WAY OF LIFE. ONE NEED ONLY VIEW THE LACK OF REAL DEBATE, AND THE FALSE UNANIMITY OF THE WARSAW PACT NATIONS TO UNDERSTAND THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN AN IMPOSED SECURITY ARRANGEMENT AND AN ARRANGEMENT FREELY ENTERED INTO. FREE PEOPLES CAN CREATE UNITY IN THE MIDST OF INTENSE AND VIBRANT INTERACTION: OUR VERY DEMOCATIC PROCESS OF GOVERNMENT EXEMPLIFIES THIS TRUTH. YET, TO AN OUTSIDER, THE EXERCISE OF FREEDOM OFTEN APPEARS TO BE NOTHING MORE THAN CONFUSION. ALL FREE PEOPLES, HOWEVER, KNOW OTHERWISE.

NATO IS MORE THAN JUST A COLLECTIVE SECURITY ARRANGEMENT.
HISTORY ILLUSTRATES THAT IF ITS ONLY REASON FOR BEING WERE BASED

ON MUTUAL FEAR OF A POTENTIAL ADVERSARY, IT WOULD HAVE PERISHED

ALONG WITH THE MANY OTHER ALLIANCES WHOSE UTILITY AND EFFECTIVENESS

FOUNDATION FOR YEART CONTINUED CHISTINGS.

HAD RUN THEIR COURSE?

HOWEVER, NATO STILL EXISTS BECAUSE OF AN IDEA. AND THE IDEA WHICH UNITES US IS NOT SIMPLY THE DESIRE FOR PEACE. A SIMPLE LONGING FOR PEACE HAS LED MANY NATIONS DOWN THE ROAD TO APPEASEMENT AND SURRENDER. NO, NATO IS NOT JUST THE SYMBOL OF THE WEST'S DESIRE FOR PEACE: IT IS MUCH, MUCH MORE. NATO WAS BUILT AROUND ONE OF THE MOST NOVEL AND PROGRESSIVE IDEAS MAN HAS EVER KNOWN: THE ESTABLISHMENT OF LIBERTY IN A SOCIETY OF FREE AND EQUAL CITIZENS. IT IS AN IDEA WHICH CAN BE TRACED TO THE GREAT DEMOCRATIC EXPERIMENTS OF ATHENS AND ROME, AN IDEA WHICH EVENTUALLY SWEPT EUROPE, AND WAS FINALLY TRANSPLANTED TO THE SHORES OF NORTH AMERICA. IT IS AN IDEA WHOSE VERY EXPRESSION IS FOUND IN THE PREAMBLE ( ) THE CONSTITUTION, WHICH STATES AS ONE OF OUR FOUNDERS' AIMS TO "SECURE THE BLESSINGS OF LIBERTY."

IT IS THIS SIMPLE IDEA WHICH CONSTITUTES THE ONLY JUSTIFICATION

THIS IS DU RIGHT RIFETONICALY, BUT THE LOGIC IS
CHAUCHGEBBLE. IT IS THE CONTINUED EXISTENCE OF
THE SOULE THAT PLOVIDES THE FUNDAMENTAL
RAISON D'ETRE FON NATO. TO SUGGEST OTHERWISE IS A
GUESTION ARCE PROPOSITION. LANGUAGE INDICATED WOULD FIX PROBLEM.



NEEDED TO EXPLAIN TO THE CRITICS WHY WE STILL NEED NATO AND WHY

DEMOCRATIC NATIONS MUST MAKE SACRIFICES FOR THEIR COLLECTIVE

DEFENSE: NATO, ALONG WITH OUR OTHER SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS, EXISTS

TO PROTECT A WAY OF LIFE, THE ESSENCE OF WESTERN CIVILIZATION. IT

IS NOT, AND NEVER HAS BEEN, AN ARRANGEMENT OF SIMPLE CONVENIENCE:

IT HAS ALWAYS BEEN, AND CONTINUES TO BE, A VITAL INTEREST TO THE

UNITED STATES, AND THE FREE WORLD.

MOREOVER, SUCH A DEFENSIVE ARRANGEMENT SHOULD NOT FRIGHTEN,

AND IS NOT DESIGNED TO THREATEN, ANY POTENTIAL ADVERSARY. IT

IS, HOWEVER, DESIGNED TO DETER. WHAT THREATENS OUR ADVERSARIES

IS THE IDEA BEHIND NATO: LIBERTY. NO MATTER HOW MUCH THE

LEADERS IN THE KREMLIN SPEAK OF DEMOCRATIZATION, AND OPENESS, AND

REFORM, THEY ARE STILL DEATHLY AFRAID OF THAT IDEA. A SIMPLE

IDEA, NOT THE MILITARY MIGHT OF THE WEST, THREATENS THE TOTALITARIAN

SYSTEM. AS IT SHOULD.

FOR THOSE WHO DOUBT THE VITALITY OF THE WEST, AND ITS

ADHERENCE TO THE PRINCIPLES OF FREEDOM, THEY NEED ONLY LOOK AT

THE HISTORY OF THE PAST DECADE. AS THE DEMISE OF COMMUNIST

PARTIES IN WESTERN EUROPE SUGGESTS, COMMUNISM HAS BEEN DISCREDITED.

"EUROCOMMUNISM," THE GREAT HOPE OF THE LEFT, NEVER TOOK ROOT IN

FREE SOCIETIES. MOREOVER, THE VERY ATTEMPTS AT REFORM IN THE

SOVIET UNION SUGGEST SOMETHING IS FUNDAMENTALLY WRONG.

IN WESTERN EUROPE, WE HAVE SEEN THE REBIRTH OF DEMOCRACY
IN SPAIN, PORTUGAL, AND TURKEY. THIS CONTRASTS SHARPLY WITH
THE RECENT ATTEMPT BY THE POLISH PEOPLE TO DEMOCRATIZE THEIR
BANKRUPT COMMUNIST SYSTEM. WHO CAN FAIL TO SEE THE CONTRAST
BETWEEN THE FAILURE OF COMMUNISM AND THE SUCCESS OF THE
DEMOCRATIC WAY OF LIFE?

DEMOCRACIES, HOWEVER, WILL CONTINUE TO FACE CHALLENGES,
SUCH AS THAT POSED BY TERRORISM; YET, IN SPITE OF THE MANY
EXTERNAL THREATS THERE IS AN INTERNAL STRENGTH. FACED WITH A
TERRORIST ONSLAUGHT IN THE SEVENTIES, ONE WHICH IS STILL WITH
US, NO DEMOCRACY ABANDONED ITS COMMITMENT TO FREEDOM AND A
DEMOCRATIC FORM OF GOVERNMENT AND MOVED TOWARD AUTHORITARIANISM,

OR, WORSE STILL, TOTALITARIANISM. INDEED, THE DEMOCRACIES HAVE OCCASIONALLY DISAGREED ON POLICIES OR APPROACHES, BUT WE REMAIN UNITED BY THE FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLES EMBODIED IN THE IDEA OF LIBERTY.

SO, CHANGE AMONG AND WITHIN FREE SOCIETIES OUGHT TO BE EXPECTED--AND ALSO SHOULD THE CHALLENGES AND PROBLEMS ASSOCIATED WITH OUR DEMOCRATIC SYSTEMS. AFTER ALL, NATO GOVERNMENTS MUST CONSULT THE PEOPLE BEFORE ALLOCATING RESOURCES TO DEFENSE. THE SOVIET LEADERSHIP ON THE OTHER HAND, HAS NO SUCH CONSTRAINT TO MODERATE ITS MILITARY SPENDING.

BECAUSE OF THE CONTINUING THREAT, WE IN THE ALLIANCE ARE
WORKING IN A DEMOCRATIC MANNER TO COUNTER IT. WE ARE SEEKING
TO ESTABLISH COOPERATION IN A NUMBER OF AREAS, SUCH AS THE PLAN
ADOPTED BY THE ALLIED DEFENSE MINISTERS IN 1985 WHICH WILL ENSURE
CONVENTIONAL DEFENSE IMPROVEMENTS. A KEY ELEMENT OF THIS EFFORT
IS MORE EFFECTIVE COOPERATION WITH OUR ALLIES IN DEVELOPING,
PRODUCING, AND ACQUIRING MODERN WEAPONS. TO ACHIEVE MORE

EFFICIENT USE OF RESOURCES, A PILOT PROGRAM WAS LAUNCHED UNDER
THE QUAYLE AMENDMENT TO PROMOTE COOPERATIVE APPROACHES TO NATO

AMMUNITION. UNDER THE NUNN AMENDMENT FOR COOPERATIVE RESEARCH
AND DEVELOPMENT, TEN IMPORTANT AGREEMENTS ON SPECIFIC COOPERATIVE
PROJECTS HAVE BEEN NEGOTIATED AND SIGNED IN THE PAST YEAR ALONE.

INDEED, THESE RECENT EFFORTS ILLUSTRATE THE KIND OF COOPERATION
IN CONGRESS WHICH CAN BE TRACED BACK TO THE VANDENBERG RESOLUTION
AT THE INCEPTION OF NATO. TO THE CONTRARY, SUGGESTIONS FOR TROOP
WITHDRAWALS CONTRIBUTE VERY LITTLE AND ONLY SERVE TO CONFUSE THE
MOST IMPORTANT ISSUES.

IN THE AREA OF ARMS REDUCTION TALKS, WE ARE WORKING VERY CLOSELY WITH OUR ALLIES TO ENSURE AND MAINTAIN AN EFFECTIVE DETERRENT EVEN AS WE ATTEMPT TO REDUCE OUR RELIANCE ON NUCLEAR ARMS FOR DETERRENCE IN EUROPE.

OUR ALLIES RECOGNIZE THE IMPORTANCE OF COLLECTIVE DEFENSE.

EUROPEAN PUBLIC OPINION IS OVERWHELMINGLY IN FAVOR OF THE

EXISTENCE OF NATO, AND THE GOVERNMENTS IN THE ALLIANCE ARE

DOING MUCH MORE THAN THEY ARE OFTEN GIVEN CREDIT FOR IN TERMS

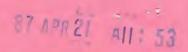
OF THEIR CONTRIBUTION TO WESTERN SECURITY. INDEED, WE CAN ALL

DO MORE--AND SHOULD DO MORE.

YET, BEFORE WE CAN DO MORE, WE MUST TOGETHER REAFFIRM THE COMMITMENT AND DEMONSTRATE THE POLITICAL WILL WHICH WILL BE REQUIRED TO PRESERVE THE TRADITION OF FREEDOM UPON WHICH OUR ALLIANCE IS BASED. BY DOING SO, THAT SIMPLE IDEA--LIBERTY--WILL NOT BE EXTINGUISHED.

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