

POINTS FOR SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE

PLEASURE TO BE WITH YOU.

GRATEFUL FOR YOUR WORDS OF WELCOME.

IN NEXT FEW MONTHS, FACING A PARTICULARLY TESTING TIME,

THE BACKCLOTH REMAINS - AS ALWAYS -

- THE EXPANSIONIST POLICIES OF SOVIET UNION
- THEIR MASSIVE MILITARY BUILD-UP
- THE NATURE OF THE SOVIET REGIME AS TYPIFIED BY THE BRUTAL SHOOTING DOWN OF THE KAL AIRLINER
- THE SOVIET PROPAGANDA CAMPAIGN DIRECTED OVER THE HEADS OF GOVERNMENT TO THE PEOPLES OF EUROPE

THE SOVIET LEADERS MUST BE BEGINNING TO REALISE THAT THEIR PROPAGANDA HAS FAILED. I AND CHANCELLOR KOHL FOUGHT OUR ELECTIONS ON THE CLEAR AND UNEQUIVOCAL POLICY OF THE NATO DOUBLE DECISION - AND WON WITH INCREASED MAJORITIES. EUROPE WILL STAND FIRM. BUT THE FIRMNESS AND UNITY OF THE NATO ALLIANCE MORE VITAL THAN EVER. OUR RESOLVE MUST NOT WAIVER NOW.

THE RIGHT POLICY IS -

- TO MAINTAIN OUR STRENGTH
- TO BE SINCERE IN THE SEARCH FOR BALANCED AND VERIFIABLE ARMS REDUCTIONS

NATO UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF THE UNITED STATES IS DOING BOTH - THE PROCESS OF CONSULTATION HAS BEEN GOOD.

IN ANSWER TO THE SOVIET PROPAGANDA INITIATIVES WHICH EVAPORATE WHEN TESTED AT THE NEGOTIATING TABLE, PRESIDENT REAGAN ON BEHALF OF THE ALLIANCE HAS PUT FORWARD TWO MAJOR PROPOSALS IN THE INF NEGOTIATIONS.

- THE ZERO OPTION
- THE INTERIM REDUCTIONS IF ZERO CANNOT BE ACHIEVED

AND ON MONDAY, AGAIN AFTER FULL CONSULTATION, HE PUT FORWARD THREE FURTHER PROPOSALS WHICH SHOW THE SINCERITY AND FLEXIBILITY OF OUR APPROACH. THAT IS THE RIGHT COURSE TO TAKE. THE RELATIONSHIP WITH THE SOVIET UNION IS THE MAJOR ISSUE FACING THE NATO ALLIANCE TODAY. LET US KEEP OUR PRIORITIES FIXED ON THAT.

AS IN ANY ALLIANCE OF INDIVIDUAL AND DEMOCRATIC COUNTRIES WE HAVE OUR DIFFERENCES AND OUR NATIONAL INTERESTS. IN THAT TOO LIES OUR STRENGTH. BUT WE MUST ENSURE THAT THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN US ARE KEPT IN PROPORTION AND DO NOT ESCALATE TO DAMAGE OUR WIDER UNITY OF PURPOSE. YOU KNOW THAT WE IN BRITAIN - AND OTHER COUNTRIES TOO - HAVE SERIOUS WORRIES ABOUT YOUR EXPORT ADMINISTRATION ACT

- YOUR UNITARY TAXATION
- OTHER PROTECTIONIST MEASURES (THOUGH NONE OF US ARE WHOLLY BLAMELESS IN THAT FIELD)

BUT LET US FORESEE THE ^{PROBLEMS} ~~PROBLEMS~~ AND EXAMINE THEM TOGETHER, WITH THE AIM OF EASING THEM - AND NOT WITH THE AIM OF ONE OR OTHER SIDE WINNING ITS POINT OF VIEW. AND LET US KEEP OUR EYES FIXED ON THE MAIN THREAT TO OUR SECURITY AND WAY OF LIFE - AND ON THE NEED TO REMAIN STRONG AND UNITED.

THE WORLD IS A TROUBLED PLACE TODAY

- LEBANON AND THE MIDDLE EAST
- CENTRAL AMERICA
- SOUTHERN AFRICA

/ BRITAIN HAS

BRITAIN HAS HER OWN SPECIAL PROBLEMS - FALKLAND ISLANDS, HONG KONG,
NORTHERN IRELAND. I ^{WON'T}~~WANT TO~~ SAY MORE ABOUT THESE, NOW BUT WILL BE
HAPPY TO ANSWER QUESTIONS IF YOU WISH.

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Production

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Agreement

Ireland

Central America

- World today

Rebirth

Structure Learn

Nuclear control.

- Expansion -

- Non-proliferation -

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Nuclear war.

British France

Chavez

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