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REMARKS

VICE PRESIDENT HUBERT HUMPHREY

NATO PARLIAMENTARIANS

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Report

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↳ The needs of emerging countries continue to grow.  
As in <sup>the case of</sup> Europe after World War II, their security as well as their growth must be assured, if they are not become a focus of ever widening conflict.

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Atlantic nations which mount such effort will have done much to carry forward the purpose of their partnership: creating a better world *- a more peaceful world.*

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The need is clear.

It is for each of us here to help decide whether it will be met. The Nuclear Age - The Space Age - is characterized by common dangers and common hopes. It is the age of interdependence in which ~~war is~~ as JFK said.

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<sup>1</sup> Made before the annual meeting of the NATO Parliamentarians at New York, N.Y., on Oct. 5.

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be assured if they are not to become a focus  
of ever-widening conflict.

All of us have a stake in that security.  
The Atlantic nations cannot survive as  
islands of stability in a world of chaos. The  
threats to this security may be subtle or  
brutal, but they do not make them any less  
real.

Arriving at Common Action

A better world cannot be built by turning  
away from the difficult and dangerous busi-  
ness of meeting these needs. This is com-  
mon business, because all our interests are  
at stake.

Political consultation should be the means  
of discharging common business—the means  
of arriving at common action. Such consul-  
tation, in its truest way, is gradually becom-  
ing a habit in the alliance. There are now  
few subjects of international importance  
which are not discussed, say it and say out,  
by the North Atlantic Council.

More needs to be done. The practice of  
bringing together the senior officials who  
have responsibility in home governments  
has been successful in the OECD. It may  
prove increasingly rewarding in NATO.

Intimate and continuing concert of action  
is also fostered by parliamentary meetings  
such as this. The proposal for an Atlantic  
Assembly, which has been approved by this

group, looks to the same end. I hope it can be fulfilled.

But let us be clear. Consultation will not be assured by effective mechanisms alone. The responsibilities and burdens of common effort go hand in hand. Consultation will be effective in the degree that it looks to action. Common decisions will come most readily to those countries willing to share in the effort that these decisions govern.

#### Averting Spread of Nuclear Weapons

I turn now to a second area in which joint action is needed—averting spread of nuclear weapons under national control. There will be no security for any of our countries if the authority to let loose these weapons proliferates.

There are three ways in which the Atlantic nations can—and must—act together to avert this peril:

First, we must assure that Atlantic nuclear arrangements offer our European partners an effective alternative to national systems of deterrence. It is natural that European countries, with new strength and confidence, should wish to play a larger role in their own defense. My country is ready to join with them in effective action to this end. There will be continuing discussion of such action among interested nations in the period ahead.

We must also consider how best to meet the concerns of key nonnuclear countries outside the Atlantic area—concerns which might otherwise move these countries to consider national deterrence.

Last October President Johnson said, in speaking of the first Chinese Communist nuclear explosion, "The nations that do not seek national nuclear weapons can be sure that, if they need our strong support against some threat of nuclear blackmail, then they will have it."<sup>3</sup> I hope that interested Atlantic nations can work together—in the United Nations, in disarmament negotiations, and elsewhere—in seeking ways to fulfill this pledge.

#### Common Approach to Arms Negotiations

We must also continue to seek a common approach to arms negotiations with the U.S.S.R. In the recent Geneva conference a large measure of Western agreement was reached on a proposed nonproliferation treaty.<sup>4</sup> We hope that the Soviet Union will, over time, reconsider its abrupt rejection of this proposal.

At this same conference key nuclear-capable countries made clear that reductions of existing nuclear armaments could play an important part in encouraging and insuring nonproliferation. Ambassador Goldberg recently laid before the United Nations American proposals for freezing and reducing nuclear capabilities.<sup>5</sup>

In seeking to reduce armaments, as in other areas of negotiation with the U.S.S.R., Western unity will be essential if there is to be any chance of success. Atlantic nations that come together to share in mutual defense should share, no less, in the search for prudent ways of limiting the burdens and dangers of that defense.

But defense of the *status quo* is not enough as a purpose of Atlantic action. In trying to build a better world we must seek peacefully to erode the tragic and unnecessary division of Europe.

The nations of Eastern Europe are finding new paths. Closer contacts between these nations and the Atlantic world must best be sought on a basis of common understanding in the West. The effort to develop such closer contacts is not directed against any nation, least of all the Soviet Union. We seek to end existing divisions in Europe and not to create new ones.

The most grievous of these existing divisions is the enforced partition of Germany. The German people, like any other, must be allowed to choose and shape its own future. The need is to afford the German people that choice, while meeting the security concerns of all with a stake in European peace.

<sup>3</sup> For text of a U.S. draft treaty, see *ibid.*, 20, 1965, p. 474.

<sup>5</sup> *Ibid.*, Oct. 11, 1965, p. 578.

have spoken of fields in which action is needed. There is need, as well, for our alliance to greatly develop our cooperation in fields as outer space. For we must to insure that space will be a source of peaceful progress and not a threat to progress.

In each of these things the key to success will be common effort. Atlantic nations which mount such effort will have done much to carry forward the purpose of their membership—creating a better world.

If we fail and fall apart, future generations may well look back on our time as we look back on the period between the wars: a period in which men forgot the harsh lessons of disaster and thus lost the chance to build anew.

The need is clear. It is for each of us here to help decide whether it will be met.

## Dr. Ball Discusses U.S. Relations with Europe on BBC

Following is the transcript of an interview of Under Secretary Ball by Alistair Cooke, editor of the London Economist, conducted in Washington on October 2 and broadcast on BBC radio on October 3.

The interview was dated October 6.

**Q.** Mr. Ball, I am very glad to have this chance to talk to you in the middle of your own preoccupations, and in particular to ask you about problems affecting Europe in particular. I think later on we are going to have a word with Mr. [W. Averell] Harriman in a later program.

**A.** Good.

**Q.** What I would like to take up with you first of all is the whole position of East-West relations as they affect Europe. I think many people in Western Europe have been worried about the coming together of the United States and the Soviet Union.

India and China, but it does seem to us that if China is now regarded as the one disturbing and dissatisfied power in the world, it is a very good thing that Moscow and Washington should see their common interest.

But, of course, how does this leave Europe? And there is a certain feeling and perhaps a certain fear in Western Europe that from now on America's main interest and its main initiative will be directed toward Moscow, and just possibly at the expense of some of the European interests that the United States has supported through thick and thin in the past 10 or 15 years.

**Q.** What is your reaction to this kind of European fear?

**A.** Mr. Burnet, I think that you have to be very careful in making any large generalizations about the degree of cooperation or the degree of common interest which the United States and the Soviet Union may have. In the last few weeks, for example, in the case of the subcontinent we have each found it desirable in our own individual national interests to follow courses which have been roughly parallel in the Security Council of the United Nations in trying to bring about a cease-fire.<sup>1</sup> On the other hand, in Southeast Asia the Soviet Union is actively supporting the regime in North Viet-Nam whereas the United States is, of course, giving full support to the South Vietnamese in their struggle against the aggressions from the North.

**Q.** Yes.

**A.** I mention this because there are areas, as there have been in the past, for example, in the case of the limited test ban agreement, where we can find a common interest which could result in some constructive initiative being supported by both sides, but we have also vast areas of disagreement, and I am sure that we are going to continue to have for a very considerable period to come



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