

ARRIVAL STATEMENT BY VICE PRESIDENT HUBERT HUMPHREY

LONDON, ENGLAND --- SUNDAY, APRIL 2, 1967

For all Americans coming to Great Britain is, in a sense, coming home.
Mrs. Humphrey and I welcome very much the opportunity to reaffirm
once more the admiration and good will which America feels for the
British people and for your gracious Queen.

Over the next few days, I will meet with Prime Minister Wilson
and other representatives of Her Majesty's Government, as well as
Members of Parliament.

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We shall be considering a number of important matters taking place
in and affecting all parts of the world.

We shall be discussing the nuclear nonproliferation treaty ...
the Kennedy Round trade negotiation ... the strengthening of the
Atlantic Alliance ... events in Europe ... East-West developments ...
and the situation in the Far East, among other things.

I look forward to gaining a first-hand understanding of British views
of these matters and also to clarify my own government's policies.

↳ In good times and in bad, Great Britain and America have stood together. And we shall continue to stand together -- speaking frankly and in a spirit of openness.

↳ I believe that this is the time in history when great opportunities lie ahead. I know that the British Government shares this view.

↳ Together, in these next few days, we shall get to the business of how to make the most of those opportunities and to make the future bright and free.

↳ I should like all the British people to know that we bring with us the good

wishes and friendship of President Johnson and the American people.

RESPONSE BY VICE PRESIDENT HUBERT HUMPHREY TO TOAST
BY PRIME MINISTER WILSON -- LONDON -- MONDAY, APRIL 3

Thank you, Mr. Prime Minister, for your generous remarks.

When an American comes to Great Britain, he experiences a renewed sense of the worth and durability of democratic institutions. After having appeared today on one of your television programs ... having met with British editors ... and having had some spirited talks with members of Her Majesty's government, I might also add that an American coming to

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Britain also gains a renewed sense of the worth of a quick wit and full and ready answers.

Over the past several days, I have sensed a renewed momentum and sense of purpose. I have felt a growing confidence that the goal of a united Europe and of a free and equal Atlantic Partnership may be nearer than we think. In this great venture, Britain has her chance to play a creative and leading role.

I have also sensed in my discussions a vision among the leaders in Europe of a larger and more ambitious goal than any of us have yet been able to seek: The achievement of an entire world in which a life of dignity and freedom will be the birthright of every man.

Your country and mine, Mr. Prime Minister, may each have had some failings from time to time. But those failings have not been ones which weakened our steadfastness in pursuit of human liberation.

We must work together with our partners in Europe, and with men who prize freedom over all the world, until that larger realization is finally achieved.

Then the day will come when the peoples of the world will stand upon those "sunlit uplands" of which Sir Winston Churchill so movingly spoke.

On behalf of my President and on behalf of the American people --
to Her Majesty the Queen.

Departure Statement by Vice President Humphrey
London, England --- April 5, 1967

Thank you, Mr. Lord Chancellor. Our visit to Great Britain has been one which we will always remember. The friendship and good will shown to us by Her Majesty,

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by members of her government, and by the British people has been more than we could have hoped for.

We particularly appreciate the dinner given by Her Majesty at Windsor Castle,

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the hospitality extended to us by Prime Minister Wilson at Chequers, and the spirit of openness and good will which has been a part of all my discussions here. I also had the honor to speak with former Prime Ministers Attlee and

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Macmillan during my visit here.

As I leave to return once more to the Continent, I shall carry the message of a Britain which is strong and growing stronger. I shall carry the message of a Britain which

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earnestly seeks to play her role in the building of a stronger and united Europe. I shall also carry with me the message of a Britain deeply committed to the work of peace -- the negotiation toward a nuclear non-proliferation

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treaty ... the Kennedy Round trade negotiation... the Atlantic Alliance ... the effort which is now being undertaken to narrow the gap between the rich and powerful nations and the poor and starving ones.

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These are exciting days for the peoples who live around the great Atlantic. These are days in which we face new opportunities and new challenges. The friendship and close cooperation that have always marked relations

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between the British people and the American
people will and must continue. It will continue
in the broader context of Atlantic partnership --
a partnership in which we who are strong and
free may work together to create new opportunity

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and justice not only around the Atlantic,
but around the world.

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