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to. where I am

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THE FIRST CENTURY OF OUR NATION BROUGHT A COMMITMENT
TO SECURE THE BASIC POLITICAL RIGHTS OF AMERICANS. THE
century
SECOND, ADDED ECONOMIC RIGHTS AS FUNDAMENTAL TO MAN'S
FULFILLMENT,

THESE RIGHTS HAVE NOT FINALLY BEEN SECURED IN AMERICA.
BUT THE OVERWHELMING MAJORITY OF AMERICANS WANT TO MAKE
THEM REALITIES FOR ALL OUR CITIZENS.

I SUGGEST TODAY A NEW BILL OF RIGHTS FOR AMERICA --

A BILL OF RIGHTS TO SOCIAL JUSTICE AND HUMAN DIGNITY:

-- THE RIGHT TO PEACE;

-- THE RIGHT TO EMPLOYMENT;

-- THE RIGHT TO HEALTH;

-- THE RIGHT TO EDUCATION;

-- THE RIGHT TO A CLEAN ENVIRONMENT;

-- THE RIGHT TO PUBLIC COMPASSION;

-- THE RIGHT TO JUSTICE;

-- THE RIGHT TO A DECENT HOME;

-- THE RIGHT TO A SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD;

-- THE RIGHT TO EQUAL OPPORTUNITY;

-- THE RIGHT TO RECREATION;

-- THE RIGHT TO PRIVACY.

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WHAT A TRIBUTE IT WOULD BE TO AMERICANS ALIVE
 TODAY, TO AMERICA ~~HERSELF~~, AND ~~HER~~ FOUNDERS, IF 1976 FINDS
 A NATION FULLY COMMITTED TO THIS NEW BILL OF RIGHTS, WE
 HAVE FIVE YEARS IN WHICH TO PRESENT OURSELVES WITH THIS
 COMMITMENT ON OUR 200TH BIRTHDAY AS A FREE NATION.

 WOULDN'T IT BE FAR BETTER TO CREATE RATHER THAN
 CHRONICLE HISTORY? WOULDN'T WE RATHER HAVE A HAND IN
 SHAPING WHAT WILL COME ABOUT? I THINK WE CAN, I KNOW
 WE MUST. BUT BEFORE MAKING HISTORY, INSTEAD OF ENDURING
 IT, WE MUST HAVE THE VISION.

History

Peace
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ONE OF THE GREAT TRAGEDIES OF THE VIETNAM WAR IS

THAT IT HAS SO DRAINED OUR ENERGIES, OUR RESOURCES AND

OUR ATTENTION THAT IT HAS DIVERTED US FROM THE VISION

TO SEEK THESE RIGHTS AND MAKE THEM REALITIES.

L SO THE FIRST OF THE NEW RIGHTS IS THE RIGHT TO PEACE!

THE WAR IN VIETNAM VIOLATES THE RIGHT TO PEACE OF ALL AMERICANS,

indeed of
~~ALL ASIANS, ALL AMERICANS, ALL EUROPEANS~~ -- OF ALL MANKIND!

Pursuit of Peace - Difficult - Campaign -

L WE MUST WITHDRAW FROM IT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE -- THIS YEAR.

L JUST AS IMPORTANT IS THE RIGHT TO BE FREE FROM THE

THREATS TO PEACE -- FREE FROM FEAR OF NUCLEAR ANNIHILATION --

FREE FROM THE PSYCHOLOGICAL AND ECONOMIC COSTS OF AN EVER

INCREASING ESCALATION OF THE NUCLEAR ARMS RACE.

Threat to Peace
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*SALT Talks
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↳ NEXT IS THE RIGHT TO A JOB -- THE RIGHT TO SUITABLE, *Constant*

EMPLOYMENT FOR EVERY AMERICAN

I AM SORRY TO SAY THERE IS INADEQUATE COMMITMENT
TO THAT BASIC RIGHT BY THIS ADMINISTRATION.

↳ THERE ARE WELL OVER 5 MILLION AMERICANS OUT OF WORK

TODAY. ↳ UNEMPLOYMENT STANDS AT 6.1 PER CENT -- AND IT IS

DISPROPORTIONATELY HIGHER AMONG SOME ELEMENTS OF OUR

POPULATION -- YOUTH, MINORITIES, VIETNAM VETERANS. INFLATION

CONTINUES TO RISE.

↳ WE ARE IN THE MIDST OF A HEARTLESS AND MANUFACTURED

RECESSION. THE PRICE OF COOLING INFLATION HAS BEEN

DECREED BY THE ADMINISTRATION. IT IS ECONOMIC AND PSYCHIC

SUFFERING FOR MILLIONS OF UNEMPLOYED AND THEIR FAMILIES.

It IS ECONOMICALLY AND ETHICALLY INDEFENSIBLE TO EXPECT THESE WORKERS AND THEIR FAMILIES -- AN ESTIMATED 15 MILLION OR MORE AMERICANS -- TO BEAR THE WHOLE BURDEN FOR THE REST OF US.

We MUST FIND WAYS IN WHICH THIS BURDEN IS BORNE BY US ALL. We MUST MAINTAIN THE ACTIVE PARTICIPATION OF THESE MILLIONS IN THE ECONOMY INSTEAD OF REDUCING THEM TO BARE SUBSISTENCE, AS THIS ADMINISTRATION HAS DONE IN ITS MISMANAGEMENT OF THE AMERICAN ECONOMY.

What ARE THE OTHER ELEMENTS OF THIS NEW AMERICAN BILL OF RIGHTS?

L THE RIGHT TO A WHOLESOME ENVIRONMENT -- CLEAN AIR,
 CLEAN WATER, PURE FOOD, PEACE AND QUIET, AND THE
 REFRESHING TOUCH OF UNSPOILED NATURE.

L THE RIGHT TO PUBLIC COMPASSION -- SO THAT MAN MAY
 LIVE WITH THE KNOWLEDGE THAT HIS HEALTH, HIS WELL-BEING,
 HIS OLD AGE AND LONELINESS ARE THE CONCERN OF HIS SOCIETY.

L THE RIGHT TO JUSTICE -- SO THAT MAN MAY STAND BEFORE
 HIS PEERS AND HIS SOCIETY ON A TRULY JUST AND EQUAL BASIS
 WITH HIS NEIGHBOR.

L THE RIGHT TO A DECENT HOME -- HOUSING THAT CRADLES
 A CHILD'S SOUL -- NOT CRUSHES IT UNDER MASSIVE CONCRETE
 AND DESPAIR.

Welfare

THE RIGHT TO A SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD -- SO THAT one

MAY MOVE ABOUT FREELY WITHOUT FEAR OF LIFE, LIMB OR

PROPERTY. - Law + Justice

↳ THE RIGHT TO EQUAL OPPORTUNITY -- SO THAT MAN MAY

LIFT HIMSELF TO THE LIMITS OF HIS ABILITY, NO MATTER

WHAT THE COLOR OF HIS SKIN, THE TENETS OF HIS RELIGION,

OR HIS SO-CALLED SOCIAL STATUS.

↳ THE RIGHT TO REST AND RECREATION -- SO THAT THE

NECESSITY OF LABOR NOT BE PERMITTED TO CRIPPLE HUMAN

DEVELOPMENT.

↳ THE RIGHT TO PRIVACY -- SO THAT MAN MAY BE FREE OF

THE HEAVY HAND OF THE WATCHERS AND LISTENERS - public
or private

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WE HAVE THE VISION TO SEEK THESE RIGHTS AND TO MAKE
THEM REAL. WE HAVE THE RESOURCES TO ATTAIN AND GUARANTEE
THESE RIGHTS. AND WE HAVE THE PERSEVERANCE TO CONTINUE
THE STRUGGLE TO SAFEGUARD THESE RIGHTS FROM ANY AND ALL
WHO WOULD WAKEN OR THREATEN THEM OR US.

I HAVE FAITH THAT THE YEAR 2000 WILL DAWN ON A
WORLD NOT TORN BY DISSENSION NOR DEVASTATED BY NUCLEAR
CONFLAGRATION. IT MUST AND WILL BE A WORLD IN WHICH
WISDOM, HUMANENESS, DIGNITY, AND PROGRESS FOR MANKIND
PREVAIL.

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THE GLORY OF PLANET EARTH IS MAN. LET THE GROWTH
AND EVOLUTION OF MAN CONTINUE -- AN EVOLUTION OF THE
SPIRIT OF MAN, EVER DEVISING, EVER SEEKING A HIGHER
PERFECTION.

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