

to the resolution of these problems only when we recognize that we are all members of the human family, living on a planet too small and too fragile to continue to sustain the belligerent, fractious nature of the population that has inhabited it thus far.

The new, totally destructive character of nuclear weapons demands that law, religion and education emphasize new codes and clear teachings that respond to the new conditions of planetary life. In calling upon law, religion and education to assert the underlying necessity of protecting human life, I am not diminishing the responsibility of politicians. But the political process by itself cannot solve this grave disorder that jeopardizes God's creation. A new outpouring of intellectual and spiritual energy is required on behalf of the whole of society.

The long-term solution lies in the education of today's youth. Education cannot carry the total burden in bringing about a new concept of global existence, but it is and will be the foundation upon which we can build and develop a new global awareness. We must teach our children to recognize the fundamental twentieth-century reality of co-existence. Are our children being educated for the world of yesterday or the world as it will be in their immediate future?

As we move toward the 21st century, it becomes obvious that the next generation will need more knowledge and understanding about the rest of the world than their elders presently possess. We are here talking about much more than the development of a few specialists. There must be millions of contacts between individuals which will help to develop an awareness of other people and a sense of shared interests. The interdependent nature of today's world, and the world of the future, must become as inherently understood by today's youth as the world of the isolationist, independent sovereign state has been by the last.

We have long been conscious of the interdependence of national economies and commerce. We have been made aware, in graphic detail, of the interdependence of the global environment and planetary eco-system. To that we must add the interdependence of physical security in this age of omnipotent nuclear weapons.