

"Unity is the only hope of survival for the free world. Anything that is said or done at this time by any of us, as nations or individuals, which will weaken that unity will be a service to the U.S.S.R.

"Unity to the Western World has built the great defensive alliance of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization without which Soviet aggression and domination would have pressed forward to overwhelm the free peoples of Europe and America.

#### SHAKEN COMPLACENCY

"The West has been shaken from whatever complacency may have been developing in the minds of some people about the ruthlessness of the methods and the reality of the objectives of Communist strategy in world affairs. Their ultimate and declared aim is world domination. It must now be clear to all how suddenly the proffered handshake can become the shaking fist; how quickly the smile of professed friendship can become the scowl of terrible hatred.

"We must not now give way to fear or panic. The need of the hour is cool heads, calm decisions and the determination to maintain our defences against aggression, while losing no opportunity to bring about peace through negotiation. Defence is costly and expenditures must be carefully watched to assure the highest returns. While much public emphasis in the press and Parliament has been given to the development of the 'Bomarc', how many Canadians realize that the amount that will be spent on the 'Bomarc', if and when proceeded with, will be a total of \$15 million in three years, or, to put it another way, 35 cents out of every \$100 of defence expenditure.

"We hear argument about the cost of cancelled weapons. What are the facts? Let me assure you at once that cancellations are not due to lack of planning. Our Canadian record in this matter is worthy of comparison with that of other countries. Defence is not static nor can defence planning be static. Often the most advanced weapon of today is obsolete tomorrow. Indeed, a common axiom of research is 'if it works, it's obsolete'....

"We cancelled the 'Arrow', whose combat radius was only 407 miles, because of changes emphasis by the U.S.S.R. from bombers to intercontinental missiles and because of the terrific cost. It would have cost \$7.8 million for each aircraft, or a total of \$500 million to complete.

"Yesterday, in the House of Commons, it was heartwarming to have the essential unity of Canadians expressed by all parties, when I gave the views of the Government of Canada on the situation resulting from the break-up of the summit conference. Although disappointed, the Canadian Government will continue to press for disarmament, while maintaining our defences until there is adequate inspection. We shall continue to give leadership to the end-

ing of nuclear tests. We shall continue to press for negotiation instead of force in the settlement of international difficulties. Until these aims are attained our defences must be maintained.

"While there are some who contend that we should provide our defence by ourselves that is impossible for any nation in the free world.

#### COMMONWEALTH P.M.'s CONFERENCE

"Now I shall say something of the Prime Ministers' Conference in London, where eleven leaders of one-fourth of the World's population met in family conference.

"Much has been said regarding the question of South Africa and the policy of *apartheid* which has been in effect since 1948. Through the years I have taken a strong stand against racial discrimination.

"I abhor discrimination and always have. As I said in the House of Commons several weeks ago, no nation can win a race war. The equality of man, whatever his race and colour is a principle that must be accepted. This is so because the brotherhood of man denies any other view, and because Communism is advanced whenever Christians allow themselves to practice discrimination.

"Before the Conference several of the Commonwealth Prime Ministers, including Mr. Macmillan, Mr. Menzies, and Mr. Nash (the latter the leader of a socialist government), took a strong stand, which was also my view, against having the subject discussed formally or placed on the agenda of the Conference. To have done this would have been to bring about a departure from a principle that has always been accepted that the affairs of any one country are not discussed officially at Prime Ministers' Conferences by the other member countries.

"The Commonwealth Prime Ministers' Conference met, and all of its representatives - of various colours and races - unanimously agreed that this was the proper and only course to take.

#### INFORMAL DISCUSSION

"Mr. Nehru, President Ayub Khan of Pakistan, Tunka Rahman of Malaya, the Minister of Justice of Ceylon and Dr. Nkrumah of Ghana discussed this matter informally with the representative of South Africa with dignity and restraint, and out of the Conference came a unanimous -- and I emphasize *unanimous* -- expression of view by all the countries that the Commonwealth being multi-racial, requires 'the need to ensure good relations between all member states and people of the Commonwealth'.

"In informal meeting, I told Mr. Louw that Canadians repudiated the South African policy as a denial of the principle that human dignity and the worth of the individual, whatever his race or colour, must be respected.

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