

President's visit

President Richard M. Nixon paid a state visit to Ottawa in April. In addition to discussions with Prime Minister Trudeau, the President addressed Parliament and indicated the approach the United States would take in its relations with Canada and with the rest of the world. Mr. Nixon commented that "no self-respecting nation can or should accept the proposition that it should always be economically dependent upon any other nation". The new U.S. approach to international relations, now known as the Nixon Doctrine, was described by Mr. Nixon as resting "on the . . .

premise that mature partners must have autonomous independent policies:

- each nation must define the nature of its own interests;
- each nation must decide the requirements of its own security;
- each nation must determine the path of its own progress.

What we seek is a policy which enables us to share international responsibilities in a spirit of international partnership".



The Prime Minister of Canada, the Right Honourable Pierre Elliott Trudeau, applauds the President of the United States after Mr. Nixon's address to the Canadian Parliament.