

arrived at with dispatch and where everyone was amicable to the result. Unfortunately, I do not live in such a world. Nor do they, and they do not seem to know it.

Let me talk about Saddam Hussein for just a moment to begin with. This man, with his uncle, killed his first man at the age of 15. At 20, he headed up the execution squads of the party. At 25, he placed himself in a position where he was in charge of security for his government and then, by murder, finally achieved the dictatorship which he now controls in Iraq.

This is not a man whom you can negotiate with. This is not a man who deserves consideration at all. There has been six months of so-called diplomacy with Iraq. He said exactly the same thing at the end of the six months as he said to begin with despite peace proposals and conferences of all kinds proposed by all people.

Finally, in desperation, the United Nations passed resolution 678, which meant that after January 15 there could be force used to remove him from Kuwait.

The major argument I hear is that the sanctions should have been allowed to work and that they should have been continued. It might take another six months, another year or year and a half. Even those who most firmly believe in sanctions were not prepared to set a time limit on it. That, or war.

If we have sanctions, of course there is no war, no great piles of dead and no great war machine moving into action. It sounds good, but let's also look at what sanctions mean.

In the small countries such as Senegal, from one day to the next its energy bill doubled, which meant hardly any money left over for health or education. That happened in many Third World countries.

Let us talk about Kuwait itself. We have seen six months of brutalization, rape and pillage take place there, and it is continuing. All right, if you want sanctions, you must be prepared to see that total kind of destruction and suffering in the rest of the world, you must be prepared to see Kuwait utterly destroyed as more and more citizens are killed, and so on.

There is no easy answer here; there is no easy answer at all. Sanctions mean suffering to some other people and, quite frankly, if you feel as I do that sanctions would never work with this kind of barbarian, this jackal, as he is called, then I think you understand that sanctions also mean tragedy in Iraq itself. It will not be the military that suffers, it will be the poor people of Iraq that the sanctions will affect. You pay your money, you can have.

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your choice. I prefer what has now happened, with an attack on Iraq by the United Nations, by the four major powers. There is an old line that states: "All that is necessary for evil to triumph is that good men do nothing". Well, we did everything we could for six months; it amounted to nothing and now something else is taking place.

If we go back in history to Manchuria, 1931; if the League of Nations had done something then who knows what the world would be like today. In 1935, in the case of Ethiopia, had the League of Nations been able to act, we might not have had the Second World War. In 1936, the Rhineland, and on, of course to Czechoslovakia. Had the major western powers acted at that time, history now tells us Hitler would have been destroyed, he would have backed down and been replaced and we might not have had the Second World War. You can appease but if you do you threaten to repeat history.

I am slightly annoyed, more than that I think, with many of my colleagues who wish to damn the Americans. My only thought is, thank God for the Americans. Without the Americans in 1950 in Korea, without the Americans today, fighting in Iraq, without their great strength, I do not know what the world would be like. I would also point out that some things they do we do not like but they have not been empire builders. They have gone into countries but they have come out and left those countries to run their own affairs. This is not the case in terms of Iraq and Kuwait. Frankly, this barbarian must be stopped; he must be destroyed.

The attack with nerve gas, as reported in Israel tonight, is another indication of the kind of individual that you are dealing with. You are not dealing with the Iraqi people, you are dealing with a despot and a total barbarian. I only hope he can be destroyed and destroyed quickly, with a minimum loss of life so that the world can continue on.

**Mr. Marcel Prud'homme (Saint-Denis):** Madam Speaker, my very good hon. friend, who has a very good knowledge of history, has given us good examples of how the outcomes might have been had the world acted differently. Would he very kindly comment on another historical fact that took place and tell me where the world would be tonight when, on November 29, 1947, the United Nations, that all of this party is so pleased to acclaim today, and rightly so, decided that the time had come to create in the land of Palestine two states, one for the Jew and one for the Palestinian. Would my friend, who is highly knowledgeable about history, care