

times in magazines and newspapers, played on radio stations and even in nightclubs in my country. It touched the American people deeply that anyone should think so kindly of us. But I don't think it surprised us to learn that the journalist who wrote those very kind words was a Canadian.

And so Mr. Prime Minister, before we discuss the other important matters before us, I want to take this occasion not to talk about the affairs of state but to speak from the heart to the heart to say to the Canadian people, the people of the United States do not merely value your friendship, we cherish it. We are here today not just to seek friendly ties with a neighboring nation and a world power, but to strengthen instead the deep unbending bonds of trust between old and devoted friends. Merci, C'est un plaisir to be here with you today. Thank you. (Applause.)

PRIME MINISTER TRUDEAU: Hey, guys, when I go to the United States, I'm not met with these kinds of signs. You know, the Americans have some beefs against us, too, but they receive them politely. Now, how about a great cheer for President Reagan. (Cheers. Applause.)

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