

"The peoples of many of these areas confront the legacy of centuries of neglect; they are in many cases desperately poor, defenceless before famine and disease, disabled by illiteracy. At the same time they have a new and burning determination to improve their living standards, to fulfil their desire for self-government, to control their own futures. As old social structures have failed to meet the basic needs of their peoples, the popular energy, so long pent up, is bursting forth in fierce nationalism and in fierce demands for real economic change.

These conditions would exist even if there were no Soviet threat to world peace. But the pressure of Soviet Communism, working overtime to exploit the turbulence of the under-developed areas, greatly increases the necessity for speed in meeting these conditions - speed in the interest, not alone of orderly and democratic development, but of the security of the whole free world."

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