

The practical measure of our common beliefs is that great system of defence now in the making which will span the Atlantic. Let nothing thwart us in our task. We shall doubtless hear voices in the East whose aim will be to make our plans seem needless, - Beware of voices which cry "Peace, peace, when there is no peace". One thing alone can give us peace - the array of force on the side of right. Negotiations with dictators will always be futile and perilous save when they are conducted - as Mr. Eden reminded us the other night - on the only basis the dictator understands - negotiation from strength. The free world has been deceived more than once in this generation. This time, pray God, let us recognise danger when we see it.

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