

For me, for every delegate who is sent to speak for the hopes and aspirations of his fellow-citizens, there can be no doubt about our resolution to make the United Nations and all its agencies serve the cause of humanity. Unfortunately, some delegates are sent by states in which individual men and women have little influence on policy. Indeed, it is this wide divergence of opinion on the rightful place of the individual human being that has created the great gulf between the free world and the godless empire of Soviet communism.

In closing, let me recall the fervent plea I addressed to the late Andrei Vyshinsky of the Soviet Union in an earnest effort to find some means of closing the gulf that now divides the free nations from the part of humanity that is held in the heartless grip of Communism:

"Cannot we remove these Iron Curtains?
Cannot we abandon these barriers which
seek to divide the people of the Soviet
Union from the rest of us?"

"Cannot we recognize that the basic reality
of international politics, as of village
affairs, is the individual man and woman?--..."

"It is the beginning of sanity and wisdom
to recognize that the individual man and
woman is never the personification of
categories, economic or otherwise. The
individual is nothing less than the image
of God. To the extent that this principle
is recognized, we will be on the path to
human brotherhood and the achievement of
lasting peace."

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