

at our Council meeting. We agreed also that we should be very wary of false peace campaigns intended to weaken and divide us. On the other hand, we were equally convinced that we should never reject any genuine move for "peace"; that we should test each move by the deeds that follow it; that we must not seal ourselves off from the Soviet Union and its satellites since, ultimately, our way of life may even succeed in penetrating the isolation in which the Russian people have been placed by their Government.

That possibility, distant though it may be, is another reason why we must be careful about the quality of our own institutions and our own way of life. We have a responsibility to the future and to humanity to make sure in the North Atlantic community that our dealings with one another and with the rest of the world are marked by justice, tolerance and charity. If we can discharge that responsibility while at the same time building up energetically our defences, we will have the right to hope that the angels which men have seen always through anguish and turmoil will hover over the ramparts we are building. We may then also pray that Providence in its own good time will bring in a world where those ramparts can be dismantled, and where peace will prevail.

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