

"Joint Space Plan Urged For World

"U.S. and Soviet Aides Speak at Session in Capital"

The report goes on to say:

"Top officials in the United States and Soviet space programmes appealed today for greater international co-operation in the peaceful exploration of space.

"The appeals were made by Dr. Hugh L. Dryden, deputy director of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, and Dr. Leonard I. Sedov, Chairman of the Interdepartmental Commission on Interplanetary Communication in the Soviet Academy of Sciences.

"They spoke at opening ceremonies of the twelfth World Congress of the International Astronautical Federation."

Now Mr. President, it looks as if the International Astronautical Federation is more progressive and more powerful than the United Nations; down in Washington the Russians and the Americans are able to agree on this -- about doing something concerning outer space. I do suggest that it is time we got busy here and did something about it ourselves.

Unless there is some body of law, outer space could be exploited for aggressive purposes with greatly increased danger for all nations on this earth. Priority should be given to specific studies to determine in particular -- and here I list some of the studies:

- the limits of outer space;
- the rules prohibiting military uses and the appropriation of outer space bodies;
- means for registering and identifying space launchings;
- the allocation of radio frequencies for space research;
- methods for terminating radio transmission from outworn space vehicles --

Apparently, when these space vehicles are outworn they go on transmitting messages:

- rules governing the re-entry into the atmosphere and recovery of space vehicles; and
- principles of legal liability for the damage arising out of national activity in outer space.