

US - 2ND ADD DEMOCRAT COMMITTEE (CN 57) XXX WORLD

IT ADDED: "IN ASIA, THE TRAGIC VIETNAM WAR HAS OFTEN BLINDED US TO THE QUIET AND CONSTRUCTIVE DEVELOPMENTS WHICH AFFECT DIRECTLY THE LIVES OF OVER A BILLION PEOPLE AND THE PROSPECTS FOR PEACE EVERYWHERE."

OF LATIN AMERICAN, IT SAID THAT "THOUGH CASTRO'S CUBA IS STILL A SOURCE OF SUBVERSION, THE OTHER LATIN AMERICAN STATES ARE MOVING AHEAD UNDER THE ALLIANCE FOR PROGRESS."

IN AFRICA, MANY NEW STATES HAD CHOSEN MODERATE LEADERS AND WERE BEGINNING TO COOPERATE WITH THEIR NEIGHBORS.

THE PLATFORM MADE THESE OTHER POINTS:

NATO: THE NORTH ATLANTIC COMMUNITY IS STRONG AND FREE. "SOVIET TROOPS HAVE NEVER STEPPED ACROSS THE BORDER OF A NATO COUNTRY. BY HARASSMENT AND THREAT THE KREMLIN HAS REPEATEDLY ATTEMPTED TO PUSH THE WEST OUT OF BERLIN. BUT WEST BERLIN IS STILL FREE. WESTERN EUROPE IS STILL FREE.

"THIS IS A LIVING TRIBUTE TO THE STRENGTH AND VALIDITY OF THE NATO ALLIANCE."

ARMS CONTROL: VIGILANCE CALLS FOR THE TWIN DISCIPLINES OF DEFENSE AND ARMS CONTROL. THE SOVIET UNION AND THE UNITED STATES STILL HAVE A COMMON INTEREST IN AVOIDING NUCLEAR WAR AND PREVENTING THE SPREAD OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS. "WE ALSO SHARE A COMMON INTEREST IN REDUCING THE COST OF NATIONAL DEFENSE. WE MUST CONTINUE TO WORK TOGETHER."

MIDDLE EAST: "THE MIDDLE EAST REMAINS A POWDER KEG. NOTING THAT SOVIET RUSSIA IS RUSHING ARMS TO "CERTAIN ARAB STATES," THE PLATFORM ADDED: "AS LONG AS ISRAEL IS THREATENED BY HOSTILE AND WELL-ARMED NEIGHBORS, WE WILL ASSIST HER WITH ESSENTIAL MILITARY EQUIPMENT NEEDED FOR HER DEFENSE, INCLUDING THE MOST ADVANCED TYPES OF COMBAT AIRCRAFT."