

## Excerpts from Inaugural Suggestions and Delivered Speech

Suggestions by Galbraith and Stevenson	Final Copy
united for common purposes there is little we cannot do to advance peace and well-being; disunited, there is little we can do... we cannot deal with the Communist challenge divided and in disarray. (Stevenson)	To those old allies whose cultural and spiritual origins we share, we pledge the loyalty of faithful friends. United there is little we cannot do in a host of cooperative ventures. Divided there is little we can do--for we dare not meet a powerful challenge at odds and split asunder.
We have not seen one form of colonial control superceded simply to see another far more iron and more implacable system take its place. We cannot expect them to be actively on our side. Why should they be? We do want them to be vigilantly and intelligently on the side of their own freedom and integrity. (Stevenson)	To those new states whom we welcome to the ranks of the free, we pledge our word that one form of colonial control shall not have passed away merely to be replaced by a far more iron tyranny. We shall not always expect to find them supporting our view. But we shall always hope to find them strongly supporting their own freedom--and to remember that, in the past, those who foolishly sought power by riding the back of the tiger ended up inside.
We will help these countries do so not as a part of an ideological struggle, not because they are pawns in a cold war, not to buy friendship. We will help them because to do so is right. (Galbraith) if the free way of life doesn't help the many poor of this world it will never save the few rich. (Stevenson)	To those people in the huts and villages of half the globe struggling to break the bonds of mass misery, we pledge our best efforts to help them help themselves, for whatever period is required--not because the communists may be doing it, not because we seek their votes, but because it is right. If a free society cannot help the many who are poor, it cannot save the few who are rich.
We shall never negotiate out of fear. But we shall never fear to negotiate. (Galbraith)	So let us begin anew--remembering on both sides that civility is not a sign of weakness, and sincerity is always subject to proof. Let us never negotiate out of fear. But let us never fear to negotiate.
I would like to see permanent joint commissions at work... to undertake interstellar exploration, to conquer the deserts and tap the riches of the oceans...(Stevenson)	Let both sides seek to invoke the wonders of science instead of its terrors. Together let us explore the stars, conquer the deserts, eradicate disease, tap the ocean depths and encourage the arts and commerce.
the work of this new Administration will not be over in a hundred days, or in five hundred days, or in a thousand days. Its works will continue without surcease for all of the next four years. (Galbraith)	All this will not be finished in the first one hundred days. Nor will it be finished in the first one thousand days, nor in the life of this Administration, nor even perhaps in our lifetime on this planet. But let us begin.

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