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The birth of the State of Israel reminds us of our own American history and of the birth of our own nation. Today Israel has joined the free nations of the world in a determined effort to establish freedom and political democracy for all peoples.

Israel, like the United States, is a nation committed to the political expression of the Judaic-Christian ideal of human brother-hood and the fatherhood of God.

Israel today represents a beacon light in the darkness of the feudalistic past. It is a light which must not falter, and which we must constantly rekindle, refuel, and perpetuate.

Here, too, Israel is like the United States. We in the United States gained our independence, our national integrity, and our strength through the assistance of people from abroad who came here to share our ideals and to strengthen the fabric of our society. I refer not only to the immigrants but also to the heroic soldiers like Lafayette, General Pulaski, and others. In our revolution we were strengthened by the expression of the faith from great Englishmen like Edmund Burke. These helping hands, these expressions of

solidarity, gave us even more encouragement than treaties and the official promises of friendly governments.

We Americans today have an opportunity to repay that debt.

We have an opportunity to give a demonstration of our individual faith in the enterprise and effectiveness of democracy in other areas of the world.

The struggle for the extension of democracy is everybody's business — an individual business. We cannot leave this just to the diplomats and just to the cold formality of official pronouncements.

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