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BY SENATOR HUBERT HUMPHREY
COLUMBUS DAY RALLY, NEWARK, NEW JERSEY
Monday, October 12, 1964

Buongiorno Discendenti di Colombo!

What a great day for America!

What a scene to warm the heart of every patriot, of every human being who admires greatness.

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You honor the man who transformed the history of the world.

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Today, we are all honorary Italians. I would be proud to be so--365 days a year.

I would be proud to have this day be a National Holiday. The Senate has approved the Columbus Day Bill.

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Whatever this country gave them, they--you--have returned a thousandfold.

In peace and in war, Italian-Americans have yielded to no group in proving their - your - love of this Nation.

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Godspeed in the , voyage of your lives.

Thank you, my fellow Americans. Thank you, for permitting me to share this great occasion with you. Buono Fortuna!

Arrivederci!

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Address prepared for delivery
By Senator Hubert H. Humphrey
At Columbus Day Rally
Newark, New Jersey
Monday, October 12, 1964
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~~("Doe Sherd De T-Dee Colone-Bo")~~

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Remarks of Senator Humbert H. Humphrey
at the City Hall
Newark, New Jersey
October 12, 1964

Senator Humphrey. Thank you very much.

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Congressman Rodino, and my good friends, buon giorno,
arisi mi amici.

And Mayor Addonizio, Senator Williams, Governor Hughes,
Congressman Minish, and our good friend Paul Krebs.

Ladies and gentlemen of this great City of Newark and
this great State of New Jersey, two years ago, as I recall, a
great American, a brave and brilliant, courageous young man, the
President of the United States, John F. Kennedy, stood on this
platform and was greeted by you.

(Applause.)

He told you then that he felt that his ancestry came
from the Geraldines; that is, the John Fitzgeraldines, and today
the best that I can say is that my name should be changed to
Umberto Humphriano.

(Applause.)

What a great day this is for America and what a scene
I have before me to warm the heart of every patriot, of every
human being who admires greatness.

Your march today to honor the great discoverer, Christopher
Columbus, is a great landmark in the history of our country.
You honor the man who transformed the history of the world. He
truly was the first immigrant and look what has happened since.

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I say that the United States Senate in this recent session approved a bill that establishes Columbus Day as a national holiday and the 89th Congress should enact it into law next year.

(Applause.)

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(Applause.)

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And your distinguished Grand Marshal, Congressman Joseph Minish, is another one that we can point to with great pride.

And there are so many others.

I say to this great audience that our Italian-American friends and fellow citizens are living proof of the success of the American dream, the dream of yesterday's immigrant who has become today's leader.

Now, we call it a dream, but it is no fantasy. It is in fact a fact of American life.

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(Applause.)

And my fellow Americans, with your help we are going to take this wall down. The wall is a disgrace to our country's good name and it is a blot on our image abroad.

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I say as a member of Congress and as a fellow American that we are ever grateful for the "Italian navigators". They have led us into new ages of discovery and the greatest discoveries and the most exciting adventures of America are still ahead.

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God speed the American people in the voyage of our lives, and I say thank you, my fellow Americans. Thank you for permitting me to share in this great occasion with you.

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Thank you very much.

(Applause.)

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Remarks of Senator Humbert H. Humphrey
at Robert Trent Hotel, Press Conference
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Senator Humphrey. Thank you very much. For just a moment there I thought that was the press and I thought somebody might -- press being too biased. But we know you are very objective.

Governor, I am very honored and pleased once again to be in your State, be here with many good friends. I saw my friend Pete Williams. We are going to rename Pete as Pietro for today so that he will be in tune with this great Columbus Day.

Well, go right ahead with your questions.

Question: Senator, this is Columbus Day. I wonder if you would give us your views on what you plan to do on wiping out the immigration quotas, your stand on this?

Senator Humphrey: I trust that a statement that I am going to make, at the steps of City Hall has been circulated among the members of the press, that is -- if it hasn't, I would ask my staff to see that it has been.

In that statement I make some comments in reference to present immigration policy.

The immigration policy of today is based upon the census of 1920 and the Act of 1952 which maintains what I consider to be and what President Johnson considers to be discriminatory features that discrimination against Eastern Europeans and Southern Europeans.

This Immigration Act was the subject, as you know, of concern by President Kennedy. When I was in the Senate, privileged to serve in the Senate with President Kennedy when he was a United States Senator from Massachusetts, we co-sponsored what we called a short immigration bill which would have pooled the unused quotas, which would have abolished the so-called quota system based upon ethnic origin, and which would have permitted a much more equitable immigration policy.

Now, that bill that was the Kennedy-Humphrey bill during the 36th Congress and the 35th Congress has become the Administration's immigration bill and it has been introduced in the Senate by Senator Philip Hart of Michigan, along with a number of other Senators, and in the House of Representatives by

Congressman Celler, Congressman Rodino -- and others have demonstrated their interest in it by producing similar legislation.

What the immigration bill of the Administration does is not to open the flood gates. It merely makes the gates fair so that there is not discrimination on the basis of ethnic origin. It abolishes the restrictive quota system. It limits the total number of immigrants to a very reasonable figure, I think some five thousand more than the present law. It permits family reunification.

To put it quite simply, there are many people here in the United States right in this district, in this area, of Italian extraction. Under present law the Italian quota is used up. It is very limited.

The new bill, the Administration bill, would permit, for example, a larger number of Italians to come into the United States but it would also permit family reunification.

If there was a grandfather or grandmother or a father or a mother in Italy, that would be a priority group so that they could -- a younger family here could bring in the relative, providing that that person could be provided for.

It would also permit the entrance into the United States of qualified people of skills and scientific background, people that were needed in our commercial, industrial, scientific, professional areas of American life.

Simply put, it abolishes bigotry, discrimination, and it recognizes that America was built upon the sons and daughters of immigrants and immigrants themselves.

And the State that I am privileged to represent in the United States Senate, sir, has been frequently called the little United Nations.

We have in our State over fifty different races, creeds and nationalities. There are maybe more than that in New Jersey. And we have built a great economy and a fine social structure on the basis of the great symphony of the many Americans from different nationalities and groups.

I am very shocked at the comments of our political opposition on minorities, comments of Senator Goldwater about minorities, makes the word minority sound ugly, unwanted.

Well, let me make it quite clear, every part of America is filled with a minority. There are no majorities in America except the majority of American citizens.

You have to add up the minorities to get the majority. And when you speak of minorities, what you are really speaking about are different groups of people, of different backgrounds, different ethnic origins, different nationalities, all of which become fine American citizens if given the opportunity.

So, this Party that I represent on this platform today feels that the minorities make the majority and we are mighty happy that America has diversity at the same time that it has national unity.

Question: Senator, do you have any comments on the launching of the three-man Soviet space ship this morning?

Senator Humphrey. Well, it demonstrates once again that there is a great competition going on in the world between the United States and the Soviet Union and other countries in the field of science and scientific development, space exploration.

We have known for sometime that the Soviets had great capabilities in terms particularly of the thrust of their rockets. Essentially this is what has taken place.

I mean, it is the power of the rocket to be able to put that capsule of such size, capable of carrying three men into orbit.

This shows great proficiency and efficiency and competence on the part of the Soviet scientists and engineers.

It also demonstrates the importance of the continuity and the expansion of our own space program, and I am happy to be able to stand on this platform and say that I have been one of its staunchest advocates, voting for the necessary funds, never voting to reduce them, and never making disparaging remarks, may I say, about them.

I know that the Senator from Arizona, when questioned about space in the United States Senate, was quoted as having said, "I don't want to hit the moon. I just want to lob one in the men's room in the Kremlin."

Speaking of the attitude on space programs, well, I

think that is a very crude way of dismissing a very important scientific endeavor.

You don't lob things into the men's room of the Kremlin or any place else unless you have the competence to do it and the space program that was given the impetus by President Kennedy and by President Johnson and President Johnson above all since he was the Chairman of the space program as Vice-President, he emphasized the importance of adequate funds for the research activities which are necessary for the development of our space activities.

I haven't any doubt but what we will be able to do the same as the Soviet. I don't think this is a matter of great military importance at the present moment.

It has military potentialities, but what is most important is the scientific development that has taken place.

We will, I believe, demonstrate our capacity to get to the moon. I think our moon shot will succeed.

I think we will be able to do that before the Soviets do, and we will be able to come forth with a good deal of scientific observation that is worthwhile.

Question: Senator, Mr. Miller says he has found a rising tide of support for the Republicans in his travels around the country and the latest polls, published polls, show an increase in support for Senator Goldwater. Do you have any reaction to that?

Senator Humphrey. Well, those of us that have been in public life understand that polls do fluctuate some, but may I say if we do no worse than the present poll shows, we will have the greatest victory in the history of American politics.

I would expect that we would not do that well. I would hope that in American public life there was enough good, honest competition to make the race highly competitive, but a two-to-one or almost a two-to-one majority is, I believe -- it really works out about a five-to-three, is about the ratio, or a majority, very substantial one in the recent poll.

I am pleased that the Republican candidates find something to be happy about.

May I say that the President of the United States, Mr.

Johnson, and his candidate for Vice-President, are not at all unhappy with what we read in the polls. I would hope, however, that it would be a warning to Democrats and to supporters of President Johnson to redouble their efforts, to get out and go to work.

The one thing I have worried about in this campaign is lethargy on our part, on the part of our supporters. I have worried about the people might take this election for granted, that a victory was just in the offing and there was no need to do any additional work.

So, let the warning flags fly. Let the storm warnings be clear and unmistakable. We have work to do. We had better get busy and get the job done.

Our main task is to get people out to vote and to have them understand the issues.

Question: Mr. Humphrey, do you think that in view of the fact that the Russians are able to put three up and our next step is to put two up and that is next year, that that is any such thing as a space gap at this point?

Senator Humphrey. I couldn't answer that question honestly and scientifically. I can only say that we have had some advances in space that the Soviets have not had. We have made many more flights of unmanned objects.

Our satellites in the sky, those that are for the purpose of weather observation and international inspection, are the best in the world. They are far superior to anything that the Soviets have launched.

They may have some competence in one area that we do not have and we have it in another area.

Actually, in much of this space endeavor there is a good deal of international cooperation and there ought to be in the so-called peaceful exploration of space, and this I believe is where we need a good deal of emphasis because as a result of the peaceful exploration in scientific developments, you also gain defense information and security competence or security information.

Question: Senator, Senator Goldwater is quoted as saying that political pledges of a better material life have no

place in a Presidential campaign; that the issue is morals and religion. What is your opinion on that?

Senator Humphrey. Well, Mr. Goldwater obviously would like to ignore the matter of material benefits because the record of the Republican Party doesn't do much to demonstrate any fulfillment of those pledges.

But the fact of the matter is that America today has unprecedented prosperity, production, distribution, profits, dividends, wages, farm income, and workers' income.

We have reduced unemployment. Our country is better today. It is stronger today. It is richer today. In the meantime, we have been able to exercise frugality in government.

The President held his budget to the commitment that he had made to the Congress which was a budget below \$100 billions which was substantially less than had been predicted earlier.

The President is a man of frugality. He is a man of prudence.

Now, when it comes to this issue of morals and of deceit, I would say that President Johnson and the Democratic Party will stand well in comparison to the others.

I did not feel that I needed spiritual guidance from the spokesman of the opposition. I was in my own church yesterday and I got my guidance there and I feel that Mr. Goldwater would do well to have a little introspection just like all the rest of us.

We all need it. The issue of morality in government deals also with how you treat people, the compassion that you have for the unfortunate, the sense of concern that you have for the afflicted, the concern you have for the unemployed, the children, the dependent children of unemployed fathers, the concern that you have for the sick.

Morality is a very broad concept. It includes not only the morality of the purse but of the soul and of the mind and of the concern for other people, charity.

Question: Senator Humphrey, in New York State there has been a good deal of speculation that Robert Kennedy is having some problems with voters of Italian descent because of

the Velacchi hearings in the Senate. Many people say the hearings were dragged on too long and were not properly handled. What is your feeling about the conduct of the hearings?

Senator Humphrey. I really have no comment to make on that. I wasn't particularly familiar with the proceedings. I had other things to do with the Senate.

I think Mr. Kennedy will take care of himself pretty well. I expect he will be elected as United States Senator in New York. All indications are that he will be. He will make a good Senator. He has a good record.

I think he will do a good job and when the votes are counted I expect to see a United States Senator from New York by the name of Robert Kennedy.

Question: Senator, do you think the issue of reapportionment will be a dead issue in Congress since the first move to redress the Supreme Court was dropped from the foreign aid bill?

Senator Humphrey. Yes, I would say that this is a matter now that will be handled by the respective State Legislatures.

There may be some efforts made in a constitutional amendment but so far as the legislative process is concerned, I think that what was done was the final chapter in that.

From here on out it is a matter of proper action on the part of legislative bodies and there is a possibility, as I said, of some effort at a constitutional amendment.

Question: Senator, did you confer over the weekend with the President on campaign strategy?

Senator Humphrey. No, I did not, sir. I conferred with my own staff. I conferred with members of the President's staff. But the President was en route to Phoenix, as I recall, and then into San Francisco.

I would hope to be in touch with him before the next day or so.

Question: Senator, if Red China does explode a nuclear device, what would be a realistic United States policy?

Senator Humphrey. Well, of course --

Question: What was the question?

Question: The question concerns Red China exploding a nuclear device as it has been predicted will happen in a few years.

What would be a realistic U. S. policy?

Senator Humphrey. As I was about to say to you, the President and others have indicated that we would like to make the nuclear test ban treaty inclusive of all nations so that there would be no further testing of nuclear devices or nuclear weapons in the air, on the surface, or underwater.

The Soviets to date have not shown considerable interest in this nor have the French, but our policy remains the same and it has been my view that a nuclear test ban treaty should be all inclusive and we would surely press for that.

In the meantime, it should be clearly understood that the detonation of a device does not mean nuclear weaponry overnight. Weaponry -- the technology of weaponry and the capacity to deliver with any degree of accuracy the weapon is a very complicated matter and requires a high degree of industrial efficiency and technical competence.

Question: Senator, with the election three weeks away, will you assess what you feel the Democratic prospects are in the South right now?

Senator Humphrey. I think the President will carry, the Democratic Party will carry most of the southern States.

It is my view that the South will not turn its back upon the first southerner to be elected President in a hundred years. They are very proud of President Johnson.

President Johnson understands the South. He has a sympathetic understanding of their problems as he does of the problems of the nation. And I have a feeling that the strength of sentiment, the ties of blood and of region will overcome the temporary flirtation, this last weekend, that some of these southerners are having with Senator Goldwater.

When it is all through, they will come home to the

Party of their fathers and leave this temporary flirtation back in the blinds.

Question: Would you include Mississippi and Alabama in this?

Senator Goldwater. No. Obviously Alabama you can't because President Johnson's name and the Democratic Party electors are not on the ballot. I doubt though that we could carry Mississippi. But I wouldn't exclude any other States.

I am of the opinion that President Johnson will sweep every southern State with the exception of those two.

Question: What about New Jersey, Senator? Are you carrying that firmly in your column, or is that a doubtful State?

Senator Humphrey. Well, I talked to your New Jersey political leaders and with a fine Governor such as you have here and with Pete Williams up for reelection and doing very well, and with your Congressional delegation of enlightened Democrats, plus the great county leadership and State leadership that you have here, I expect that President Johnson will be able to send an early note of congratulations and thanks to the State of New Jersey provided that everybody gets in and goes to work.

There is no substitute for work, may I say. W-O-R-K. That sign ought to be in the home of every Democrat and every political independent and every Republican, and that is going to vote for Lyndon Johnson and Hubert Humphrey between now and November 3, and just look at it about 20 times a day.

When I see a Democrat that is perspiring, I will know that we are getting something done.

If I see any of them looking too comfortable, I will know that we are in trouble.

Question: Senator, do you have any preference in regard to the outcome of the British election?

Senator Humphrey. We have enough problems to take care of our own elections. I want to leave the British handle their own problems, thank you.

Question: Thank you, Senator.

(Press conference terminated at 10:35 a.m.)



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