

Remarks of Vice President Humphrey - IACE/CAP Dinner - Sponsored by Pan Am
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My dear friends, and dear friend Barnee - My esteemed colleagues in the Senate - when I used to have that position as Senator - Senator Inouye and our friend Congressman Wolff - Members of the Armed Services that are here, and the members of the Departments of Government and the young people here, representing so many countries ----

I want to pay my respects to each and everyone of you, and of the countries you represent in this Exchange, and, above all, Pan Am for their sponsorship of this program.

I was looking for my good friend, Sam Pryor, but he is not around, and when you have my friend, Barnee, who needs anyone else?

You have a very fine speaker here this evening and two Members of Congress, and I know my friend from the Senate will give you a speech that will stir your hearts and minds.

Danny, I was out there meeting these young men (on the Capitol steps this morning), and it was a very stimulating thing.

I find tonite that I have got to go to another meeting of my good friends in my neighborhood yet tonite. I'm not complaining - I enjoy every minute of it and I love meeting my friends and being a part of this great country.

I met the President of the United States just about thirty minutes ago - on my way over here tonite to meet these kids. He said, "One nice thing about being Vice President, you get all the easy jobs." I said, "That's right, Mr. President, and I love every one of them." He wanted me to convey his greetings and thanks for your visiting here in the United States, and feel that it is worthy of your time and attention, and worthy of your efforts. We hope, when you go back to your countries that every one of you will take with you the message of friendship and

love of the people of the United States. Sir Walter ^{Scott} ~~Raleigh~~ said, "Is there a man with soul so dead, who to himself has never said, this is my own, my native land." Never was good at poetry, but each of you can not help but feel a sense of pride in your own country and culture. We have great pride in each of the countries represented here tonite.

The United States has a special sense of duty, because of its diversity. We have people of every race, creed and nationality -- every country with very few exceptions.

Carry our thoughts with you - over there.

There is a sense of harmony. There are differences in unity. Differences that demonstrate an opportunity for special qualities to stand out.

So when you go back to your countries, just be proud of who you are and when you get back, be proud of yourself and your country, and take with you our good wishes and that of the ^{Pres of} United States, the Vice President of the United States, Members of Congress of this country and from our great free enterprise system of this country and the free enterprise of this dinner tonite.

I am going to run along now and, somewhere along the line tonite - somewhere - somebody is going to feed me. Even ^{after} ~~in~~ elections, they feed us.

Goodnite!



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