The Two Worlds: a Day-Long Debate

Nixon: ‘I am for Peace’
Premier: ‘Eliminate Bases’

Nixon (pointing to American workmen): ‘With men like that we are strong. But these men, Soviet workmen, would work together for peace, even as they have worked together in building this exhibition. This is the way it should be.

‘Your remarks are in the tradition of what we have come to expect—sweeping and extemporaneous. Later on we will both have an opportunity to speak and consequently I will confine my statement on the various points that you raised, except to say this—our policy is one of the most advanced developments in communication that we have.

‘I can only say that if this competence is to which you plan, to upset us is to do the best for both of our peoples and for all peoples, we cannot be a free exchange of ideas. After all, you don’t know everything.

Khrushchev: ‘If I don’t know everything, you don’t know anything about communism except fear of it.’

Nixon: ‘There are some instances where you may be ahead of us, in the development of the thrust of your rockets for the investigation of outer space, there may be some real friends in which we are afraid of you—in color television, for instance.

Khrushchev: ‘No, we are up with you on this, too. We have bestowed in one technique and also in others.

Nixon: ‘You see, you never deceive anything.’

Khrushchev: ‘I don’t give up.’

Appearances on TV
Are Suggested

Nixon: ‘Wait till you see the picture. Let’s have far more communication and exchange in this very area that we speak of. We should hear you more on our television. You should hear us more on yours.’

‘That’s a good idea. Let’s do it like this. You appear before our people. We appear before your people. People will see and appreciate this.

Nixon: ‘There is not a day in the history of any nation that the American people did not read what you said. When Krasinov was speaking in California about peace, you were talking here in somewhat different terms. This was reported extensively in the American press. You cannot promise every word you say will be translated into English.

Khrushchev: ‘I doubt it. I want you to give your word that this speech of mine will be heard by the American people.’

Nixon (shaking hands): ‘If the same holds and I am not afraid of what I say. I will change my mind if you want me to change it.

Khrushchev: ‘We are telling you not to be afraid of ideas. We have no reason to be afraid. We have already broken free from this situation.’
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