we are bound to understand that the ultimate questions of social and economic justice underlying all prospects for world or local peace cannot be answered by firepower. American values and American hopes depend ultimately not on the answers that come out of the barrel of a gun but out of a steady commitment to demonstrate their worth and their relevance in the daily lives of people.

We have temporarily forgotten that invaluable truism. Let us come back to its saving truth. Let us do what has to be done to make our Nation and our people whole. Our prime concern is not our balance of payments but the balance between our capabilities as a democratic society and our efforts to realize those capabilities within the Nation, where our writ runs without hindrance and our responsibility is therefore absolute.