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us united against the dangers of war and oppression. The great Oxford don Sir Isaiah Berlin once said, "Men do not live only by fighting evils; they live by positive goals, a vast variety of them, seldom predictable, at times incompatible."

History does not always give us grand crusades, but it always gives us opportunities. It is time to bring a spirit of renewal to the work of freedom—to work at home to tap the full potential of our citizens, to strengthen our families and communities, to fight indifference and intolerance; and beyond our borders, to keep our nations strong so that we can create a new security, here especially, all across Europe; to reverse the environmental destruction that feeds the civil wars in Africa; to halt the spread of nuclear weapons and terrorism; to light the lives of those still dwelling in the darkness of undemocratic rule.

Our work in this world, all of it, will surely take all of our lifetimes and more. But we must keep at it, working together with steadiness and

wisdom, with ingenuity and simple faith. To those of you here in this ancient temple of learning and those beyond who are of a younger generation, I urge you to join this work with enthusiasm and high hope.

This week, at the gravesites of the generation that fought and died to make us the children of their sacrifice, I promised that we would be the new pathfinders, lighting the way in a new and still uncertain age, striving in peace as they struggled in war. There is no greater tribute to give to those who have gone before than to build for those who follow. Surely, that is the timeless mission of freedom and civilization itself. It is what binds together the past, the present, and the future. It is our clear duty, and we must do our best to fulfill it.

Thank you very much for this wonderful day.

NOTE: The President spoke at 3:32 p.m. in the Sheldonian Theater. In his remarks, he referred to the Right Honorable Lord Jenkins of Hillhead, chancellor of the university.

## Message to the Congress on the Elections in South Africa

June 8, 1994

*To the Congress of the United States:*

Pursuant to sections 4(a)(2) and 5(b)(1) of the South African Democratic Transition Support Act of 1993 (Public Law 103-149; 22 U.S.C. 5001 note), I hereby certify that an interim government, elected on a nonracial basis

through free and fair elections, has taken office in South Africa.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON

The White House,  
June 8, 1994.

## Message to the Congress Reporting Budget Deferrals

June 8, 1994

*To the Congress of the United States:*

In accordance with the Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974, I herewith report two revised deferrals of budget authority, now totaling \$555.2 million.

The deferrals affect the Department of Agriculture. The details of the two revised deferrals are contained in the attached report.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON

The White House,

June 8, 1994.

NOTE: The report detailing the deferrals was published in the *Federal Register* on June 21.