

incidents, some of the things that they did in order to bring this about are absolutely deplorable. For instance, prior to initiating a war, they convinced Prime Minister Amin that for his own security he should move out to a country estate where he had, in fact, far less security than he had in the main city downtown, and then when the invasion began after five hours they attacked the estate, they executed Prime Minister Amin and his family and brutally took over the country. What else did they do? Well, the Soviet advisors to the Afghan troops convinced them to put their tank batteries in winter storage and they convinced them to check in their tank armaments for inventory, and then when the Soviet troops approached the Afghan regular army units the Soviet advisors indicated that the Soviet troops were coming to render assistance, to reinforce them in their battle against the rebels. And what did the Soviet troops do? They totally destroyed at least two major elements of the Afghan army, which had no tanks to use, which had no tank ammunition to use against the Soviets and which were expecting the Soviets to come and reinforce them. Now those kinds of tactics obviously are deplorable. They killed thousands of soldiers unsuspectingly. Ten days ago news reports indicated that the Soviets have executed in a mass execution 2600 Afghan civilians and buried them in mass graves with bulldozers. Now this is incredible...these are incredible acts needless to say, and who knows what is going to come next. I don't think any of us expect the Ayatollah to remain in Iran in power for more than six months, and what are the Soviets going to do in Iran? Do they intend to move into that country? How about Pakistan, which is also very unstable? And how about recent indications of instability we found that we have seen in Saudi Arabia when their main religious shrine was taken over by conservative religious fanatics not a month ago? There is an enormous amount of instability in the Middle East. We have no clear idea of what the Soviet intentions are. I think we have got to speak with one voice in this nation of ours and we can't send confusing signals. I think that the population of the state of Nebraska is behind the administration's decision in this area. And what they are asking for is not that we discontinue the embargo, they are asking that everybody in the United States equally shoulder the burden, and I think that it would be a mistake for the Nebraska Legislature to call upon the President to reverse the embargo. I think particularly it makes me wonder what has happened since the days of World War II when Winston Churchill said things like, never give in, never, never, never, never yield in any way great or small, large or petty, except to the convictions of honor and good sense. I mean that was the attitude of the British in World War II, and really what is the attitude of our state? Now I understand this is really