

reverses in foreign policy. Because of these differences, it has proved impossible...it has proved impossible to adopt or adhere to a national strategy. Without a national strategy to give it direction and coherence our foreign policy has been reactive, inconsistent and far weaker than it need be." Now, I am going to repeat that, no responsible American disputes the goal but the differences on how to achieve it has divided our nation and led to disastrous reverses in foreign policy. And that is what we are doing with this amendment and with this bill. Do you know who made these statements? On March the 8th, 1983, Senator Edward Zorinsky made these statements in a speech in a Peace Through Strength resolution in the United States Senate. Therefore, I ask you to defeat the Wesely amendment. Thank you, Mr. President.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Scofield, please.

SENATOR SCOFIELD: Mr. Speaker and members, I simply rise to reiterate the point that I made the other day and I appreciate the trouble that Senator Wesely took to incorporate my suggestions into this amendment. I made the point the other day that this is as much as anything an economic issue. Some of you may recall years ago in a presidential election race when President Johnson was ultimately elected, one of his opponents pointed out that you can't have guns and butter. That was about the time we embarked upon the Vietnam War. That is an old rule of economics, that there needs to be a balance between the kinds of money you spend on defense and the kinds of money that you spend on other needs in your society. The reason that I requested the kinds of changes that are incorporated in this amendment are that not only does a continued arms race negatively affect our agricultural economy, it affects all aspects of our economy and we need to be sensitive to the devastating economic impacts the continued arms race has not only on the United States but on any other nation in the world that also chooses to engage in such a weapons race. I think this amendment makes it clear that while we are very concerned about the agricultural economy, we are concerned about the total economy of the United States as well as the world economy. I would urge you to adopt the amendment. Thank you.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Wesely, would you like to close on your amendment, please.