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**MESSAGE FOR THE NEW CENTURY**

It is my pleasure to represent one of America's greatest presidents, Ronald Reagan, whom I am proud to say is my father. He is very interested in this conference, and awaits my report.

Winston Churchill first used the term "summit" to describe the great conferences of World War II. He believed that the view from the summit lends perspective and makes it easier to see that which is really important.

We are here today because meetings important enough to be called summits now occur any time people of different backgrounds, traditions and outlooks meet to explore their common humanity.

The changes we have all seen throughout the world in this decade are not a victory or defeat. These vicissitudes are a tremendous opportunity for the world to review a century of distrust and upheaval, as we build a path toward harmony and understanding in the coming millennium.

Many of the leaders who have contributed to world understanding in these past few decades are part of this Second World Peace Conference. I want to extend greetings from a man who led my country to a new level of international understanding.

We must all thank Rev. and Mrs. Moon for their commitment to spiritual rebirth as a basis for world peace. Your optimism and your genuine affection for all humankind make you extraordinary allies in the battle to light even the darkest corners of the earth. President Reagan and I thank you both for your friendship.

Sir Edward Heath, Honorable Edward Schreyer and my good friend, His Excellency Kenneth Kaunda, have all made tremendous contributions in the world's quest for peace.

To Dr. Bo Hi Pak, President Reagan and I consider our association with you as one of the continuous bright moments in our Washington memories.

On May 4, 1992, President Reagan presented the Freedom Award to Mikhail Sergeevich Gorbachev. At the Presidential Library on that sunny Monday, President Reagan said, "We came from vastly different cultures...for many decades our nations had

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been divided by philosophy, torn by global struggle...living always in the fear of a terrible final conflict."

"And yet," President Reagan said, "Mikhail and I had something in common; our nations had chosen us for positions of leadership and placed upon us the burden and opportunity to make the world better. He is a man whose shining legacy will live forever; a man of great energy and principle and strength; a worthy competitor and a reliable ally; a true world statesman. I am proud to call him my friend." Once again President Gorbachev, your friend sends you his regards.

My father reminds us often that he has lived 83 years of this century and has seen the world torn by major conflict five times. His prayer has always been to see a time of peace when people would be free to live and work without the threat of world violence.

It is most relevant that we attend this conference here in Seoul, now more than at any other time. The swelling cancer of nuclear proliferation is upon us. God's plan has a reason for every moment. Our words, our prayers at this moment, in this place, focus attention on the political roadblocks to the wish of all people for peace. ■