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President: Mr. FIORIN (German Democratic Republic)

- Opening of the general debate [9]

Statement made by:

Mr. de Abreu Sodre (Brazil)

- Address by Mr. Ronald Reagan, President of the United States of America
- General debate [9] (continued)

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(President Reagan)

Can we and all nations not live in peace?

In our obsession with antagonisms of the moment, we often forget how much unites all the members of humanity. Perhaps we need some outside, universal threat to make us recognize this common bond. I occasionally think how quickly our differences worldwide would vanish if we were facing an alien threat from outside this world.* And yet, I ask, is not an alien force already among us? What could be more alien to the universal aspirations of our peoples than war and the threat of war?

Two centuries ago, in a hall much smaller than this one, in Philadelphia,



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...ON THE ADDRESS BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA - RONALD W. REAGAN TO THE 42ND SESSION OF THE UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY, WHICH VERBALLY CONFIRMS WITH THE ABOVE.

* Emphasis by ICUFON