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## NATO ENLARGEMENT Speaking of Support

"Today, I want to state America's goal: By 1999, NATO's 50th anniversary, and 10 years after the fall of the Berlin Wall, the first group of countries we invite should be full-fledged members of NATO."

-- President Bill Clinton, Detroit, Michigan  
October 22, 1996

"Let us begin by reaffirming that Europe's security is indispensable to the security of the United States, and that American leadership is absolutely indispensable to the security of Europe."

-- Bob Dole, Philadelphia, PA  
June 5, 1995

"Now the new NATO can do for Europe's east what the old NATO did for Europe's west: vanquish old hatreds, promote integration, create a secure environment for prosperity, and deter violence in the region where two world wars and the Cold War began."

-- Secretary of State Madeleine Albright, *The Economist*,  
February 15, 1997

"...NATO remains a force for stability, as it has been for five decades. It keeps America anchored to Europe and Germany peacefully anchored to its neighbors. And once you recognize NATO's value, there's no justification for excluding those reborn democracies of Central and Eastern Europe, which the Soviet Union forcibly cordoned off and which now want to resume their rightful places..."

-- *The Washington Post*, Editorial "A NATO-Russia Agreement", May 15, 1997