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STATEMENT FOR ANDY SEAMANS, HUMAN EVENTS, 546-0856. July 30, 1971.  
SUBJECT: WHAT IS YOUR OPINION OF THE CONSERVATIVES WHO ARE SUSPENDING  
THEIR SUPPORT OF THE PRESIDENT?

These are good, concerned Americans. They have every right to keep their options open, but I sincerely believe they will support President Nixon in 1972.

In my opinion, they will, for the most part, agree with the President's efforts to improve relations with Mainland China. They recognize that one-fourth of the world's population cannot be ignored -- if we are to have peace -- particularly when that country may soon be a major nuclear power.

And, secondly, I am convinced that the war in Vietnam will be "wound down" and the economy will be "wound up". They will also find that President Nixon shares their view concerning a strong national defense, and that despite the efforts in Congress -- particularly in the Senate -- the President and his Administration have maintained that we must deal with potential aggressors from a position of strength -- not weakness. I would suggest these men read the President's speech at the graduation exercises of the Naval Officer Candidate School in Newport, Rhode Island, on March 12, if they doubt the President's commitment in this area.

Barry Goldwater suggested recently that it's time for conservatives to look at the alternatives, and, frankly, I see no potential Democrat nominee on the horizon who can possibly be acceptable to any of the conservatives who express temporary dissatisfaction with President Nixon.

Of course, there is room for disagreement, and many times it is a healthy thing. In any event, I am still convinced that the great majority of conservatives in America will be enthusiastic supporters of President Nixon in 1972.