

PAN AMERICAN DAY AND PAN AMERICAN WEEK, 1967

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

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The cooperative spirit of the Alliance is bringing new-found confidence and hope into this house.

- Per capita growth rates show that more and more countries are breaking the economic stagnation of earlier years.
- Men, women and children are alive today who would otherwise have died. In ten countries, deaths caused by malaria dropped from 10,810 to 2,280 in three years' time. Smallpox cases declined almost as sharply. And new health centers and hospitals are growing everywhere.
- Men whose fathers for generations toiled on land owned by others are now working it as their own. With U.S. assistance, 1.1 million acres have been irrigated and 106,000 acres reclaimed. 15,000 miles of road have been built or improved, many of them farm-to-market access roads.

-- For tens of thousands of families, the most fundamental conditions of life are improving. 350,000 housing units have been, or are now being constructed. New and modernized water supply systems have been built to benefit some 20 million people.

So as we assemble under the banner of the Alliance for Progress, we are cheered by success and encouraged in the task that lies ahead.

With the confidence born of achievement, we know that we can prepare a better world for the new generation of Americans who will come after us.

We look to the 60% of Latin America's 245 million people who are now under the age of 25, and we know that the task of meeting their aspirations is great. But we also know that we have forged the tools to do the task. And there is promise in what we see.

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-- Since the Alliance was formed, school enrollments have increased at an average annual rate of over 6%. This rate represents more than twice the rate of increase in the total population.

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And more than this, what statistics cannot adequately relay is the emergence of a generation of vigorous, confident and responsible leaders throughout Latin America -- leaders who are ready to help their countries help themselves. These leaders are beginning to include more and more women doers in their ranks. And since women comprise over half the population of Latin America, there is new potential in this leadership.

The successes scored by the Alliance have been aided by the United States -- but they have been realized by the co-operative spirit that resides in the commitment and dedication of the Latin American nations themselves. Their unrelenting perseverance has been a keystone in the firm foundation of our house of hemispheric progress.

So as together we seek to strengthen -- we seek a realistic goal.

As together we build to better -- we build on solid ground.

Bound by geography, born of a common revolutionary heritage, nurtured by common ideals, committed to the dignity of man, and sustained by the youth and vigor that have been our common strength, we will project our traditions into a promising future -- and we will prevail.

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Further, I call upon this Nation to rededicate itself to the fundamental goal of the Inter-American system, embodied in the Charter of the Organization of American States and in the Charter of Punta del Este: social justice and economic progress within the framework of individual freedom and political liberty.

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This is a day of rededication to those goals. The Summit Meeting at Punta del Este confirms the sincerity of our mission.

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Over the period 1966-65 central government expenditures on education have grown faster than population, gross product and public revenues in most of the region. Nine governments have increased their expenditures at a rate 2-3 times the rate of their GNP . While much remains to be done such self-help accomplishments encourage the hemisphere to believe that adequate funds can be -- and are being-- raised locally for investment in human resources/

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The Public Affairs office of the American Republics Area (a combined State Department and AID outfit) offers the following brand new figure from Latin America:

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(American Republics area) - DOS and AID combined

They say the 95% is a brand new figure - never used before, x

They are working on Education Expenditure figures