vice, which are held contrary to Article I, Section 3, paragraph 17 of the U.S. Constitution, should be deeded to the respective states.

MARTIN LUTHER KING HOLIDAY: We oppose the observance of a national holiday in honor of Martin Luther King because of his incontrovertible close association with identified Communists and because, in view of his reprehensible private life, he is unworthy of an honor not accorded even such great Americans as Abraham Lincoln. Further, before any observance be legitimized, we call for disclosure of the material on the FBI tapes sealed by court order.

NATIONAL SECURITY: The United States must defend itself against espionage, sabotage, subversion, sedition, and terrorism, or it will succumb to its foreign and domestic enemies. The full power of the federal government should be applied to the apprehension, conviction and punishment of persons guilty of these high crimes. We call for the re-establishment of and vigorous support for the House Internal Security Committee, the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee, and the Subversive Activities Control Board. All loyalty and security risks should be dismissed from government service.

Treason is defined by the Constitution and specified as a capital crime. We call for the enforcement of this provision of the Constitution.

OPEN HOUSING: The sale or rent of any property must be a voluntary transaction by both buyer or renter and seller or landlord. The seller or landlord may not be coerced to sell or rent for any reason and no private buyer may be subsidized with public money.

PUBLIC MORALITY: Neither Congress nor the federal courts should infringe the rights of state and local governments to enact constitutional laws restricting public obscenity, pornography, and illicit sex acts, especially prostitution and homosexuality.

QUOTAS: Qualification for admissions, hirings or promotions within private organizations should only be by mutual agreement of the parties concerned. Tax-supported organizations should not determine admissions, hirings or promotions on the basis of race, religion, national origin or sex but on merit alone.

REGIONAL GOVERNMENT: Regional and metro government run by appointed bureaucrats is a device to impose direct federal control on metropolitan areas and to bypass state and local sovereignty; backers of the scheme themselves admit it. As such, it is a blow against local control of representative government and should be abolished. We believe that no appointed official should have authority equal to that of elected officials within the same jurisdiction.

REVENUE SHARING: Until the federal government gets out of debt, it has no revenue to share. Borrowing money to give to the states upon conditions set by the federal government is immoral and unconstitutional and should be stopped at once. The states could raise their needed revenues by taxes if the federal taxes were lower. We therefore favor reducing federal taxes.

SANCTITY OF LIFE: The paramount responsibility of any government is to protect the life of each person within its jurisdiction. Though it may be superficially plausible that a pregnant woman should have complete control over her own body, neither she nor anyone else may extend that right of control to the body of the unborn child she carries. Government is obligated to protect the life of both child and mother and, if necessary, to protect the life of the child from the mother.

A life may be taken according to the law only after conviction for a capital offense, or to save the mother's life.

SOCIAL SECURITY: Social Security is a bad bargain for those not already drawing benefits; future benefits will return only a small fraction of the values paid in and there is no guaranteed minimum, no cash value. Since it has proven to be impossible both politically and economically to fund it on a sound basis, it should be phased out. There is a moral obligation to honor all present liabilities to those who are dependent upon Social Security and to those who have been required to contribute but are not yet receiving payments. Immediate steps should be taken, however, to transfer the entire program to private companies, which offer both sounder and more advantageous retirement plans.

As long as Social Security remains in force, all earnings limitations upon those receiving payments should be removed and all federal employees, including the President, should be required to participate.

TAXES: Government which taxes some of its citizens in order to win elections by subsidizing favored factions of the electorate is incompatible with freedom and prosperity. It encourages fraud, sloth and disrespect for the law, and at the same time discourages potential employers, savers and investors. All taxes should be direct, highly visible and proportional in order that everyone have an equal interest in keeping them minimal.

Taxes should be levied and collected solely for the financing of the Constitutional functions of government. If every government program were to be judged by this criterion, and if those which could not be justified by constitutional sanction were eliminated, the cost of government would be drastically reduced. In this event, and only in this event, taxes could be and should be reduced. We call for such a scrutiny of federal programs and for the elimination of those which are unconstitutional, to be followed at once by a reduction of taxes to a level at which the federal budget would be balanced. Such a program should be carried out within the least period of time compatible with orderly reform and minimum economic disruption. Ideally, this would take no longer than one, or at most two, presidential terms. It can be done only by both a President and Congress which have been elected upon the explicit promise to do so.

Not only is the magnitude of taxation oppressive, but the manner of its exaction also. The Internal Revenue Service has used its powers arbitrarily, punitively and tyrannically to harass and in some cases destroy the lives of innocent citizens. So long as personal income taxes are assessed, we would require the IRS to operate in accordance with normal Constitutional legal procedures whereby the papers and property of all taxpayers would be safe from seizure until the taxpayer has been found guilty of a crime in a regular court of law.

Bank accounts should be immune to inspection by the federal government. We believe that the eventual solution to the injustices and intimidations committed by the IRS is the repeal of the Sixteenth Amendment, the income tax amendment. Only by this means can American citizens be protected from capricious intrusions by the federal government into their private financial affairs. Most taxpayers cannot risk possible financial ruin by contesting dubious or even outrageous IRS rulings in courts of law where the virtually inexhaustible legal resources of a powerful branch of the federal government can be pitted against them.

To the limited extent that a substitute for income tax revenues is necessary to finance the Constitutional functions of the federal government, we propose as an alternative — *not* a supplement — a national sales tax on all tangible goods. It is the fairest and most uniform tax. Its immediate visibility and general unpopularity would guarantee that it remain minimal. Its directness would make it impossible to hide, as so many present taxes now are. In order that the collection of it not be an additional burden imposed unfairly on businesses, we advocate that they receive a small percentage for their services and as an incentive to fair and honest collection.

URBAN RENEWAL AND REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY: Urban renewal and redevelopment uses the power of government to condemn expensive private property for resale at a large discount to private purchasers and is therefore immoral. It results in the construction of elaborate new facilities by means of favoritism, discrimination, arbitrary use of the power of eminent domain, and at enormous cost to the taxpayers. It has been an expensive failure which has resulted in the forcible displacement of millions of citizens from their homes and businesses and in the destruction of hundreds of thousands of low-rent housing units. Its harmful effects have fallen most heavily on the poor and minorities. Urban renewal and redevelopment should be abolished.

UNEMPLOYMENT: Persistent unemployment is caused by unrealistic minimum wage laws enforced by government, abuse in payment of unemployment compensation, and higher than free market wage rates imposed by some unions. Unemployment may be made minimal by restoring freedom in the job market so that every potential worker will be free to compete for any job for which he is qualified.

WELFARE: Federal welfare programs are unconstitutional, needlessly expensive, and riddled with corruption. They should be abolished, leaving such concerns to the several states, counties, municipalities and private charities.

Much unemployment is caused by the special privileges granted labor unions by the federal government through its minimum wage laws and unemployment insurance. Abolishing or phasing out these pernicious laws will reduce the need for welfare to a level with which state and local governments can cope.

FOREIGN POLICY

COMMUNIST NATIONS: All Communist dictatorships have achieved power by force, deception and bloodshed and survive in power through terrorist rule. They do not represent the people they have enslaved and are therefore illegitimate. The United States should withdraw all recognition of these regimes. We favor the recognition of Free Governments in Exile.

We favor a discontinuation of all trade and commerce with any countries which do not allow the emigration of any citizen who wishes to leave or prohibit his taking his possessions with him.

FOREIGN AID: Foreign aid is an international welfare scheme by the federal government. It is wasteful and retards the sound economic growth of the people supposed to be aided. It has so far cost Americans over $2 trillion. Foreign aid must be stopped at once. To this end, we oppose all United States contributions to the International Monetary Fund, the Export-Import Bank and similar institutions. We oppose taxpayers' guarantees of foreign loans made by private banks, especially loans to our Communist enemies.

HEMISPHERIC DEFENSE: Failure to assert and apply the Monroe Doctrine led to the establishment of the first totalitarian state in the Western Hemisphere. The Monroe Doctrine must be reasserted by giving every possible non-military form of assistance to Cubans, Nicaraguans and others seeking to restore free governments in their countries.

We condemn the ceaseless efforts to embarrass, weaken and overthrow anti-Communist governments in Central and South America. We call for an about-face which would lead to the displacement of Marxist regimes in Cuba, Nicaragua, Guiana, Panama, etc., and their replacement by governments which rest upon genuine popular support rather than external subversion and rule by terror. We approve of the ousting of the Communist regime in Grenada and call for the ousting of all other Communist regimes in this hemisphere by full economic and diplomatic sanctions and by supporting non-Communist regimes with the military means to resist externally inspired subversion.

MIDDLE EAST: The United States must pursue America's true interests in all parts of the world. In the Middle East this requires non-intervention and non-involvement. The U.S. must not orient its foreign policy primarily to conform to the interests of any foreign nation.

United States troops should not be sent to the Middle East or anywhere else except to assert the legitimate rights of the U.S. Under no circumstances are our troops on foreign soil to be restricted to anything less than battle-ready status.

MILITARY STRENGTH: International Communism is an implacable enemy which has declared and repeated its fixed purpose to destroy America and the free world. It is suicidal for this country to disarm. We must have a military establishment able to defend us against any combination of enemies. To make such defense far less expensive and much more certain, we call for an unconditional embargo of all goods and technology to Communist nations or their suppliers.

We must denounce and repudiate both SALT I and SALT II as open invitations to Communist conquest and enslavement rather than the means to peace. Since the United States can win any arms race, we should not lose our freedom by surrender and default.

We repudiate the insane and immoral strategy of Mutually Assured Destruction which has been the cornerstone of national policy for two decades. We call for a concentration upon military systems such as the High Frontier Program which can and will defend this country even against massive Soviet nuclear arsenals. Strong civil defense is an essential component of national preparedness.

Our armed forces should treat as hostile all military craft of foreign nations which trespass our air space or coastal waters.

OFFSHORE RESOURCES: We must protect and enforce exclusive private American claims to offshore oil, gas and mineral resources, as well as fishing rights to a distance of 200 miles. Stern measures should be taken against Communist ships' harassment and destruction of American fishing in American waters.

PANAMA CANAL: The Panama Canal Treaties were not validly ratified by the Senate or with the necessary approval of the House: the treaties passed upon by the Senate differ from those signed by Panama. We therefore call for their denouncement and for the re-assertion of American sovereignty over the Panama Canal and Canal Zone.