

'It's Good for Whole World'

New York

The ending of the Nixon presidency was widely viewed abroad yesterday as a praiseworthy working of American democracy.

There were expressions of hope that U.S. foreign policy world."

Some concern was voiced over the advent of a leader untried in foreign affairs. There was praise for the accomplishments during the Nixon years.

Ugo La Malfa, political secretary of the Italian Republican party, which supports the center-left coalition government, said the Washington developments indicated "the strength of democratic institutions in the United States as well as the moral commitment of the American people and their leaders."

In Greece, a senior official of the new government of Premier Constantine Caramanlis said:

"I think it's a good thing. It puts your politics on a sound basis now. That's good for you, and it's good for the whole world."

Israel's defense minister, Shimon Peres, told a Tel Aviv audience that his government was confident of continued bipartisan support of Israel in the United States Congress.

Some Arabs indicated wariness of Vice President Gerald Ford as successor to Mr. Nixon, noting Ford's support of Israel when he was in Congress. A source close to the Palestinian guerrilla movement in Beirut asserted, "Ford is more Israeli than the Israelis."

Prime Minister Pierre Elliott Trudeau of Canada said President Nixon's international policies have been, "by and large, good for the world."

The Soviet people were informed by Moscow's main evening television news program, without comment, that Mr. Nixon had called Ford to the White House to disclose his intentions.

In China, the official press agency, Hsinhua, had been ignoring the Washington crisis. However a publication called Tsan Kao Shuo Hsi, a daily compendium of items from foreign publications, has described the events promptly, briefly and factually.

The official Chinese view,

as described recently by Premier Chou En-lai, is that the U.S. scandals are an internal affair, according to a dispatch from Peking yesterday by John Burns, of the Toronto Globe and Mail.

Reports from Tokyo said the government of Premier Kakuei Tanaka was believed to be relieved that Mr. Nixon would not be making a trip to Japan as planned.

Jose Maria Armero, president of the Spanish news agency, Europa Press, said "it will tell politicians everywhere to be more honest because it shows how they can be found out." "The American system," he added, "with all its controls, has functioned—parliamentary control, the press, the courts."

The Paris newspaper France-Soir said the world was seeing "the vigor and the effectiveness of the machinery of American democracy."

The French state television network carried a report from its Washington correspondent, who said:

"President Nixon, despite Watergate, has restored America and its currency to the center of the planet. In history he probably will be noted as a great President because of his achievements."