

Kissinger Issues a Warning

Washington

Warning that the consensus that sustained America's foreign policy advances "is in danger of being exhausted" presidential adviser Henry A. Kissinger said yesterday "domestic problems must not be used as an excuse for abandoning our international responsibilities."

"There can be no moratorium in a quest for a peaceful world," Kissinger said in a speech prepared for the International Platform Association convention here.

President Nixon's assistant for national security affairs cited "a series of tragic events over the past decade" — such as the assassination of John and Robert Kennedy and massive riots — as well as "the present ordeal of the whole nation that is too obvious to require commentary."

"The impact of this decade of tragedy and trauma has been profound," Kissinger said. "We are tired of turmoil and exhausted by effort. The once apparent reservoir of faith in our ability to do and of confidence that the future would be better than the past, has been seriously taxed."

Kissinger said, "Foreign policy must not become an alibi or a distraction from domestic ills. But equally, domestic problems must not be used as an excuse for abandoning our international responsibilities."

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