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Nixon Assesses Brezhnev MAY 1 2 1977 On TV Tonight

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Richard Nixon, in his second television interview, portrays Soviet leader Leonid I. Brezhnev as a firm and sophisticated adversary as the two superpowers pursued a mutual policy of detente.

Nixon, sources said, credits Brezhnev with being less volatile and having a firmer grasp than his predecessor, the late Nikita Khrushchev, who broke up the 1960 summit meeting in Paris with a denunciation of American spyplane reconnaissance of the Soviet Union.

David Frost's second interview show with Nixon is scheduled for broadcast tonight over 155 stations. The show is devoted to foreign policy.

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