

Statsminister Willochs "arrival statement" ved vise-
president Bush' ankomst til Oslo onsdag 29. juni 1983.

It is a great pleasure and privilege for me, on behalf of the Norwegian Government, to welcome the Vice-President of the United States, George Bush, and Mrs. Bush to Oslo.

We are confident that your visit will further strengthen the already very close ties and cordial relations between our two countries. And we are happy that your visit will provide us with an opportunity to continue our discussions on the vital

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issue of peace and freedom, and of the possibilities for improved international economic cooperation.

Today, solidarity and firmness are more important than ever in the Atlantic community of nations. Together we shall make every effort possible to promote the dual objective of our Alliance: the defence of peace in freedom and the relaxation of international tension through negotiations.

I am pleased that our distinguished guests have already had an occasion during their stay in

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Norway to see parts of our country - a country in which there is a strong sense of affinity and friendship towards the United States. I hope that you have felt that already, and that the official part of your stay with us will be both useful and pleasant.

Heartily welcome!