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NORMANDY

June 6, 1969, marks the Twenty-Fifth anniversary of the D-Day landing in Normandy in World War II.

Communique No. 1, from Supreme Headquarters Allied Expeditionary Force, announced the following to the World, "Under the command of General Eisenhower, allied Naval forces, supported by strong Air Forces began landing allied armies this morning on the Northern Coast of France." Today we are once again called upon to stand in the cause of freedom and justice. Again we reflect upon the steadfast heroism of our Armed Forces which on that day in 1944 kindled in the hearts of all Americans a bright light of courage rallying them to supreme effort and sacrifice, and sustaining them throughout the terrible, lonely ordeal until final victory.

On this day let us all pause to reflect upon the supreme sacrifice made by so many Americans and their Allies at Normandy and during the grim struggle which followed.

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