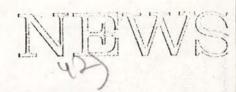


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(Ladies and) Gentlemen:

It has been a tremendous pleasure for me and Mrs. Volpe to visit your country. In two short days, I have had meetings with your President and two of your Ministers. I have seen with my own eyes your industrial capability and the results of your world-renowned planning process.

Finland is a delight to visit and, I'm sure, to live in. With the beginning of Finnair service to New York, an additional link has now been established between our two peoples. This is most fortunate for my visit has convinced me that our mutual respect and friendship will continue to grow in the years ahead.

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