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THE WHITE HOUSE

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THE FOLLOWING EXCHANGE OF MESSAGES
BETWEEN THE PRESIDENT AND THE
PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS
OF THE REPUBLIC OF ITALY

His Excellency
Amintore Fanfani
President of the Council of Ministers
of the Republic of Italy
Rome

I greatly appreciate your most cordial message on the successful voyage of the Nautilus. Our sincere hope is that this voyage will have opened a new avenue for world trade and communication which will serve to promote not only the closer association of the nations of the world, but also the well-being of their peoples. The congratulations of the Italian people whose captains of the sea figured so prominently in the discovery of America are particularly gratifying.

DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

The President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

With the bold undertaking of the Nautilus which takes its place in the glorious tradition of the greatest sea voyages of all time, the American Navy has opened a new path for mankind. The fact that it has been opened by free and democratic America constitutes a guarantee that it will be dedicated to the progress of humanity and the peaceful bringing together of the peoples of the world. Allow me, Mr. President, to express the most cordial congratulations of the Italian Government and of the Italian people who have been particularly associated in the course of history with great conquests of the sea.

AMINTORE FANFANI