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The Front by Vini Carbona

President Reagan was in Des Moines this week explaining his one-year grain sales program to the USSR, and he was faced by justly angry and disillusioned farmers who said it would not be enough. Also, U.S.-European relations are being strained to a point never thought possible, because the U.S. has asked its allies not to participate in the proposed pipeline to the Soviet Union.

It is possible to be the greatest nation in the world and experience great lapses in foreign relations. One need not have a college degree in international relations to notice

that American foreign policy has gone badly in the last few years. This is not an attack on Ronald Reagan's administration; rather, I would like to point out the disturbing aspects of how American foreign policy has worked against America.

One needs little proof to be assured that the Soviet Union has a horrible record of human rights violations. Their form of government, the "dictatorship of the proletariat" is oppressive and unfair even to its own people. The U.S. campaigns around the world to show how the Soviets violate human rights, but a large portion of the world

views, why should the U.S. tell its allies not to enter an agreement with the Soviets, while it unilaterally decides to resume grain sales? Both of America's closest and oldest allies, Britain and France, disagree with this policy. There may indeed be good reasons for this position, but the U.S. has failed to point them out successfully.

These and other discrepancies, such as looking away while Israel bombs civilian areas in Lebanon with supposedly "for defensive purposes only" American weaponry, give

rise to the question of American well-being in an honest attack on Soviet violations of global peace, but it must be certain to be in the right. The Founding Fathers had a pure, unequivocal vision of a just and even-handed society. Now, more than ever, the Western world is looking for strong leadership: America can, and should, assume the responsibility. Freedom is defined as the right to defend it.

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