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- New Year's Address to the Nation PRAGUE, JANUARY 1, 1990
- 22 The Polish Sejm and Senate
  WARSAW, JANUARY 25, 1990
  On the occasion of Václav Havel's first official visit to Poland.
- 31 A Joint Session of the U.S. Congress
  WASHINGTON, D.C., FEBRUARY 21, 1990
  On the occasion of Václav Havel's first official visit
  to the United States.
- The Visit of German President Richard von Weizsäcker PRAGUE, MARCH 15, 1990

  President von Weizsäcker's visit marked the fifty-first anniversary of the Nazi occupation of Czechoslovakia.
- A Meeting of Leaders of Three Neighboring Countries
  BRATISLAVA CASTLE, APRIL 9, 1990
  A meeting of Hungarian, Polish, and Czechoslovak presidents
  in Bratislava, Czechoslovakia.
- A Welcoming Address to the Pope PRAGUE CASTLE, APRIL 21, 1990 On the occasion of John Paul II's first official visit to Czechoslovakia.
- 71 The Hebrew University

  JERUSALEM, APRIL 26, 1990

  Václav Havel delivered this speech on being awarded an honorary doctorate by the university during a state visit to Israel.
- 74 The Council of Europe STRASBOURG, MAY 10, 1990 Vaclav Havel's address the oldest European intergovernmental organization of democratic states, Strasbourg, France.
- 91 The Salzburg Festival
  SALZBURG, JULY 26, 1990
  With this address, Václav Havel opened the 70th annual
  Salzburg music festival in Austria.
- 99 The Oslo Conference on "The Anatomy of Hate" OSLO, AUGUST 28, 1990 Sponsored by the Elie Wiesel Foundation for Humanity, and the Norwegian Nobel Committee, the theme

- of this conference was "The Anatomy of Hate: Resolving Conflict Through Dialogue and Democracy."
- The United Nations World Summit for Children
  NEW YORK, SEPTEMBER 30, 1990
  This was the first world summit conference devoted to children,
  with leaders from seventy one countries taking part.
- New Year's Address to the Nation PRAGUE, JANUARY 1, 1991
- The International Prize of Charles the Great

  AACHEN, MAY 9, 1991

  Awarded by the City of Aachen, Germany, since 1949, this prize
  recognizes outstanding contributions to international
  understanding and cooperation, and the fostering
  of the ideals of humanity and peace.
- The Sonning Prize
  COPENHAGEN, MAY 28, 1991
  Václav Havel accepted this prize, presented by the University of
  Copenhagen for contributions to European culture, during a
  state visit to Denmark.
- 141 150th Anniversary of the Birth of Antonín Dvořák NELAHOZEVES, SEPTEMBER 8, 1991 Václav Havel opened this celebration to honor Antonín Dvořák (1841-1904), one of the greatest Czech composers, best known for his "New World" symphony.
- 142 A Concert in Memory of Czechoslovak Holocaust Victims PRAGUE, OCTOBER 19, 1991

  This concert, in Prague's Smetana Hall, commemorated the death of a quarter of a million Czechoslovak Jews in the Holocaust, during a visit to Prague by Israeli Prime Minister Chaim Herzog.
- University of California
  LOS ANGELES, OCTOBER 25, 1991
  Václav Havel delivered UCLA's Tanner Lecture and received the university's gold medal during a state visit to the United States.
- New York University
  NEW YORK CITY, OCTOBER 27, 1991
  On this occasion, Václav Havel was given an honorary doctorate by the university.

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- New Year's Address to the Nation PRAGUE, JANUARY 1, 1992
- 175 World Economic Forum
  DAVOS, FEBRUARY 4, 1992
  The World Economic Forum has been meeting annually since
  1971 to discuss global and regional economic issues. In Davos,
  Switzerland, both Václav Havel and the Prince of Wales delivered
  concluding addresses.
- Dinner in Honor of German Chancellor Helmut Kohl PRAGUE, FEBRUARY 27, 1992 The dinner at which this address and toast were delivered followed talks at Lány Chateau and the signing of an agreement on mutual cooperation between Germany and Czechoslovakia.
- 191 Conference on Jan Amos Komenský (Comenius)
  PRAGUE, MARCH 23, 1992
  This international conference on the legacy of the theologian
  and educator Komenský (Comenius), which addressed the issue
  of preparing humanity for the 21st century, was held under the
  patronage of President Havel and Federico Mayor, Director
  General of UNESCO.
- 195 Asahi Hall TOKYO, APRIL 23, 1992 Delivered on the occasion of a state visit to Japan.
- The Academy of Humanities and Political Sciences
  PARIS, OCTOBER 27, 1992
  On this occasion Václav Havel was admitted to the Academie des
  Sciences Morales et Politiques as an associate member.
- Wrocław University
  WROCŁAW, DECEMBER 21, 1992
  On receiving an honorary doctorate in Poland.
- The George Washington University
  WASHINGTON, D.C., APRIL 22, 1993
  Václav Havel received the President's Medal from university
  president.
- 231 The Onassis Prize for Man and Mankind
  ATHENS, MAY 24, 1993
  This prize honors individuals or organizations whose
  contributions to contemporary life are characterized by their

- dedication to human values as conceived and promoted in Greek philosophy and culture. Václav Havel received his medal from Greek president Konstantinos Karamanlis.
- Unveiling the Memorial Plaque to Ludwig Czech

  TEREZÍN, SEPTEMBER 1, 1993

  Ludwig Czech was a Czechoslovak government minister in the
  1930s and head of the German Social Democratic Workers'
  Party. He died in the Terezín concentration camp,
  Czechoslovakia, in 1942.
- 240 Council of Europe Summit

  VIENNA, OCTOBER 8, 1993

  The address to a summit of the heads of states and governments of the member-states of the Council of Europe.
- The Co-responsibility of the West DECEMBER 22, 1993

  Written for the March-April, 1994 issue of Foreign Affairs, a New York-based magazine.
- New Year's Address to the Nation PRAGUE, JANUARY 1, 1994
- The Indira Gandhi Prize

  NEW DELHI, FEBRUARY 8, 1994

  The Indira Gandhi Prize for Peace, Disarmament

  and Development, was awarded to President Havel during

  a state visit to India for his "commitment to the principles

  of non-violence, his deep understanding of the moral dimension

  of politics, uncompromising struggle for the protection

  of human rights and liberties ... and his intellectual leadership

  and inspiration."
- 282 Chulalungkorn University
  BANGKOK, FEBRUARY 12, 1994
  President Havel was awarded an honorary doctorate from the university during a state visit to Thailand.
- European Parliament
  STRASBOURG, MARCH 8, 1994
  An address delivered to member-states of the European Union.

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## 304 International Theater Day PRAGUE, MARCH 27, 1994

Each year, the International Theater Institute asks a theater personality to write a message that is read in theaters around the world on International Theater Day, to bring attention to the theater and its role in society. Václav Havel read his own message in the Theater on the Balustrade in Prague, where he gained prominence as a dramatist in the 1960s.

## 307 The Philadelphia Liberty Medal

Established in 1988 on the 200th anniversary of the U.S. Constitution, this medal honors those who have "demonstrated leadership and vision in the pursuit of liberty of conscience or freedom from oppression, ignorance or deprivation." President Havel delivered this address outside Liberty Hall during the city's Independence Day celebrations.