DEAN RUSK, Secretary of State of the United States, Georgian by birth, Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Davidson College, Rhodes Scholar, holder of two degrees from Oxford and numerous honorary degrees, brings to his high office all the wisdom and skill of the fine art of diplomacy.

Matured as a professor of government and Dean of the Faculty of Mills College, as an officer in the Army in World War II, and as successively, Assistant Chief, Director of a Division, Deputy Undersecretary, and Assistant Secretary of State in the Department of State, he was no stranger to the Department he now heads when, in 1961, he was appointed to his present position in the cabinet of the late President Kennedy after nine years as President of the Rockefeller Foundation.

Warm, sincere, and genuine in his personal relationships; distinguished for his wise and tactful management of our foreign affairs, for his uncompromising stand for peace and justice for all peoples, for his deep interest in international education, and for his positive approach to the problems of our complicated modern world, he has, by word and action displayed those qualities of statesmanship which will forever place his name among the great Secretaries of State in the history of this republic.

A graduate of our sister institution, a friend of this university, and now a devoted servant of his nation, he does honor to all Americans; and in recognition of his achievements, the University of North Carolina is proud to bestow on him the degree of Doctor of Laws.

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