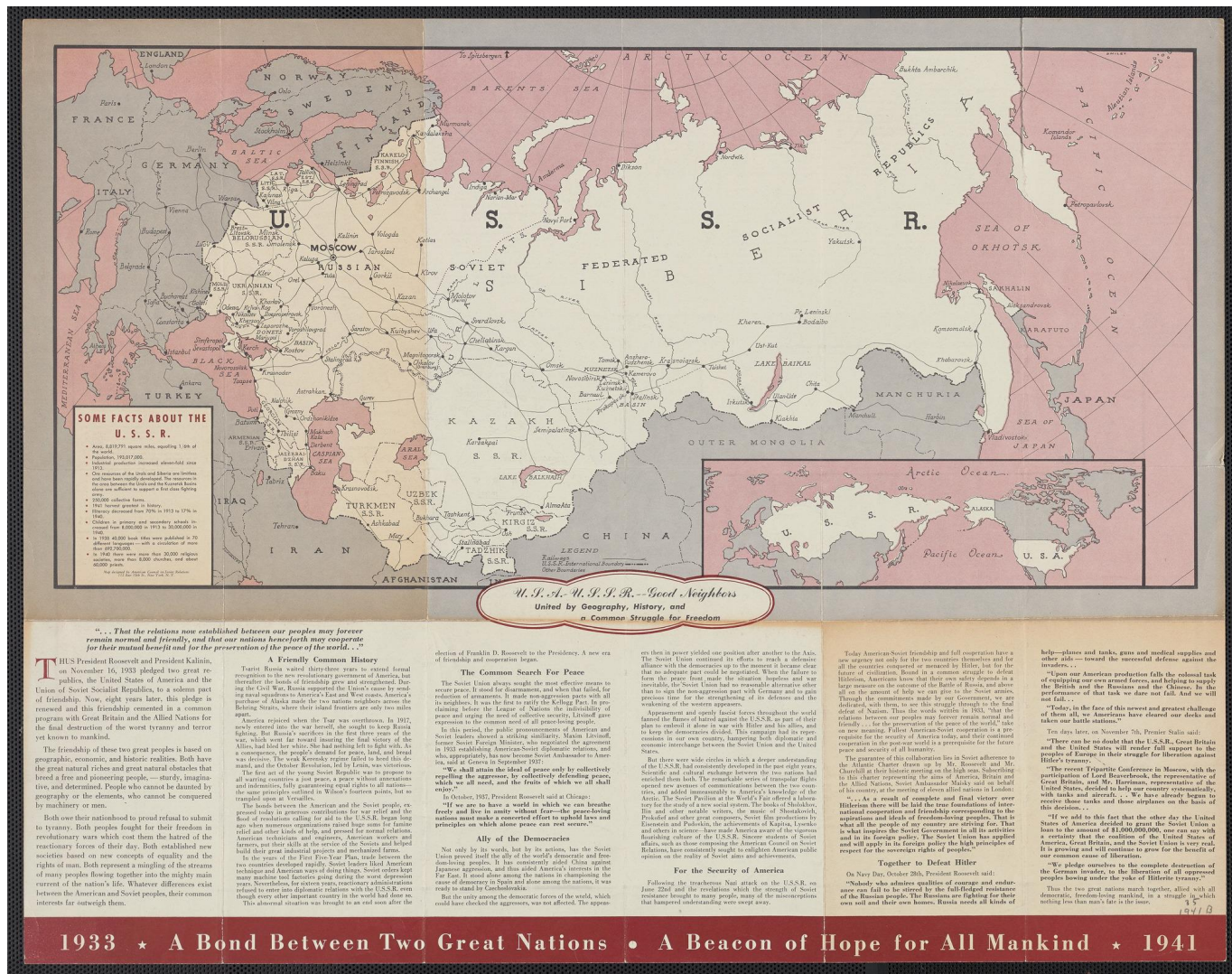


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THE PROGRAM OF THE AMERICAN COUNCIL ON SOVIET RELATIONS

The American Council on Soviet Relations was founded in 1940 for the following main purposes:

1. To show that the best interests of our country are served by maintaining friendly relations with the Soviet Union.
2. To develop and maintain mutual understanding between the United States and the Soviet Union.
3. To report and interpret developments in American and Soviet foreign policy that affect the relations between the two countries.
4. To facilitate public opinion in the United States with respect to the fundamental principles of the Soviet Union to world civilization.

In the present world situation this program takes on a new and vital urgency. Its full application and further development are literally a matter of life and death to both countries. Not only the future of the U.S.S.R., but of America and the whole world, depends on the outcome of the common struggle against Nazism, and the outcome of the struggle, the issue of which is borne to day by the Soviet Union, depends on the wisdom and quantity of the aid Great Britain and America can furnish the U.S.S.R. Therefore we believe that the best way to apply this program today is by:

1. Mobilizing full support for our Government's foreign policy of aid to the U.S.S.R. and all nations fighting against Hitler.
2. Using our influence to hasten and multiply all forms of aid to the Soviet Union, especially military and industrial supplies through government and business channels, and to meet the need for such aid through private channels.
3. Dispelling the ignorance and prejudice about the U.S.S.R. which the aggressive forces in their struggle to divide the democratic forces and weaken the anti-Hitler front.

The National Council is composed of a group of about thirty people from various parts of the country, representing different opinions, drawn together by a common conviction on the importance in America of close collaboration with the U.S.S.R. in a self-defending group.

The Council works not only with its own group, but with other special groups—such as labor, youth, scientific, religious, religious groups, etc. It sponsors national tours for its leaders and runs a speakers' bureau. It arranges special radio broadcasts, and arranges radio programs with speakers on subjects pertinent to its program. It organizes meetings of its own or special meetings of other groups, and arranges for public lectures and debates for the furtherance of its educational program. Its research committee stimulates reports to make special studies and organize conferences relating to American-Soviet relations.

Local Councils already exist or are in the process of formation in many cities. These local groups do not attempt to do more than a larger membership, but are made up of citizens of individual people in each community who understand the importance to our country of friendly American-Soviet relations.

The Local Councils aim to mobilize support around immediately important issues relating to American-Soviet relations as well as putting on special meetings of their own. Through these local Councils it is possible to bring about a more widespread campaign of letter writing to the best press, among the kind of aid to the U.S.S.R., reporting false agencies, correcting false statements about the U.S.S.R., etc. The National Council will gladly service local Councils with speakers, literature, and any other kind of help which may be required.

Americans who wish to see Hitler defeated will want to take part in the work of the American Council on Soviet Relations. Write to the further details about forming a Council in your community.

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JOSEPH STALIN

"We don't mind Mr. Lincoln! I think that the relations now established between our people may have become normal and friendly, and that our nations' friendship may cooperate for the preservation of the peace of the world."

"In this war of liberation we shall not be alone. In this great war we shall have loyal allies in the peoples of Europe and America, including the German people who are enslaved by the Hitlerite despots. . . . It is a fact that Great Britain, the United States of America, and the Soviet Union have united in a single camp, being no themselves the aim of meeting the Hitlerite imperialists and their invading armies. . . . It is growing and will continue to grow for the benefit of our common cause of liberation. . . . We pledge ourselves to the complete destruction of the German invader, to the liberation of all oppressed peoples living under the yoke of Hitler tyrants."

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