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SENATOR PAUL TSONGAS TO PUBLISH BOOK ON THE FUTURE OF LIBERALISM IN AMERICA

Senator Paul Tsongas of Massachusetts has signed a contract with Alfred A. Knopf publishers of New York to write a book to be published early next fall on the future direction of liberalism in America, it was announced today. Knopf has long been known both here and abroad as one of the most distinguished publishing houses in America.

During the past year, Senator Tsongas' views have received wide attention beginning with a major speech before Americans for Democratic Action last June in which he asserted that "liberalism is at a crossroads. It will either evolve to meet the issues of the 1980's or it will be reduced to an interesting topic for Ph.D. writing historians."

The book will focus on what Senator Tsongas calls six basic realities, "the handling of which will determine our future, our children's future, and conceivably the future of life on this earth." They are: finite resources, biosphere overload, limited economic expansion, international trade competition, Third World strivings, and Soviet aggressiveness.

"Liberals hold a number of assumptions" says the Senator, "that are simply inoperative as we deal with some of these realities. We have been replaced by conservatives now who confront these issues with a differing set of assumptions that are equally unworkable. What we need is a synthesis."

Senator Tsongas, who is 39 years old, served for four years as a U.S. Representative from Massachusetts' fifth district before his election to the Senate in 1978. He is a member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee and the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. A graduate of Dartmouth College and Yale Law School, he is married, has two children and lives in Lowell, Massachusetts and Alexandria, Virginia.