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CDU Election Promises (January 22, 1990)

After casting off its longstanding collaboration with the communist regime, the East German CDU came together with other conservative groups in a so-called Alliance for Germany. With the help of the West German CDU, it mounted a professional election campaign promising freedom, a social market economy, and rapid unification.

CDU: The Party of the Middle

CDU: Turn to the Future

OPPOSED TO EXTREMISM FROM THE RIGHT AND THE LEFT

Fight with us:

For a free, democratic state under the rule of law, through a separation of powers between the executive, legislative, and judicial branches, and through control of them!

- Free elections with equal opportunities for all parties
- Elimination of the SED domination of the media
- No party organizations in factories and institutions
- Education based on parental rights and the individuality of the child
- Nonviolent resolution of conflicts between individuals, groups, and countries

For a social market economy – not socialist experiments!

- Performance should finally be able to flourish and should pay off
- Performance is the prerequisite for a genuine social policy
- Prosperity in a healthy environment
- Social justice instead of communist leveling
- Sound old age pension plans instead of meager pittance pensions
- A solidarity community of the elderly, the socially weak, and the disabled in the great family of all citizens
- An end to the state of emergency in the health care sector and the establishment of an effective health care system
- Preservation and reconstruction of our crumbling cities and villages

For German unity in freedom and self-determination!

- The growing together of the German states as the motor for the process of European unification
- Peace as domestic and foreign policy
- Step-by-step détente and disarmament
- Security for our neighbors – absolute acceptance of the existing borders

WITH THE CDU

FOR A UNITED, PEACEFUL, DEMOCRATIC, AND ECONOMICALLY SOUND GERMANY
WITHIN A UNITED EUROPE.

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