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After reading Senator Gaylord Nelson's blatantly political news release #77-167, I decided, in the short time available for reply, to fight fire with fire.

Although present Government patent policies are not solely responsible for the closing of the technology gap, unemployment, and balance-of-payment deficits, I think we should push hard with this type of argument as well as the rational scholarly approach that Howard Bremer has taken and we have used in the past. I'm not sure that the public understands the more sophisticated arguments on technology transfer, and since Senator Nelson is obviously making a public appeal through his news release, there is a good basis for taking both a high road and a low road to achieve our objective - passage of the legislation on uniform Government patent policies.

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