

Romano Prodi

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I am not a newcomer, you know, so I want to be judged for what I did when I was prime minister last time in Italy and president of the European Commission for more than five years.

~Romano Prodi

We must now face the difficult task of moving towards a single economy, a single political entity .. For the first time since the fall of the Roman Empire we have the opportunity to unite Europe.

~Romano Prodi

Democracies must have equilibrium... and the entanglement of politics and information must be minimized.

~Romano Prodi

Are we all clear that we want to build something that can aspire to be a world power - not just a trading bloc, but a political entity?

~Romano Prodi

I don't want to pass a punitive law, or use politics as a vendetta.

~Romano Prodi

The EU must take on new responsibilities. And these new responsibilities call for intensifying the integration process.

~Romano Prodi

Foreign policy can mean several things, not only foreign policy in the narrow sense. It can cover foreign policy, relations with the developing world, and enlargement as well.

~Romano Prodi

Moreover, resolving the mother of all problems - the Israeli-Palestinian question - requires cooperation between Europe and the U.S.

~Romano Prodi

We have to give ourselves a constitution which marks the birth of Europe as a political entity.

~Romano Prodi

But Italy can only have any real influence on world affairs if it carries weight in Europe.

~Romano Prodi

There are terrible living conditions and unhappiness, (even) where everybody is Italian.

~Romano Prodi

It is becoming more widely acknowledged that it is better to have a good constitution than not having a perfect one.

~Romano Prodi

Italy is divided between us and them, rich and poor, north and south, young and old, employed and unemployed.

~Romano Prodi

Berlusconi is no longer fit to lead our country.

~Romano Prodi

Nobody can be rich and stupid for more than one generation.

~Romano Prodi

The problem of Italy is not really a question of age. Japan has an older population, and it is now in full economic recovery. The problem is that Italy is old in the structure of the society.

~Romano Prodi

Think what a revolution it will be if we manage to get everyone to pay their taxes.

~Romano Prodi

Our continents unification is at hand and we must stand to account.

~Romano Prodi

In the darkest days of European history, America stood close by us and today we stand close by America. Nothing will ever be the same.

~Romano Prodi

There are times when the welfare system may appear as an impediment to growth. Yet the drive for growth should always bear in mind the fact that people also need security

~Romano Prodi

The extremist, isolationist policies of Jean-Marie Le Pen have been rejected and crushed

~Romano Prodi

No one wants to lose their job, or cede the power they've acquired.

~Romano Prodi

The Italian economy is certainly the weakest of the big European countries.

~Romano Prodi

We are involved in a constitution-building process of historic importance. The Convention should mark a new stage in European integration.

~Romano Prodi

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