Later today, Navajo Nation President Russell Begaye will address the Oxford Union, a speaking and debating society at Oxford University in Oxford, England. The Oxford Union has hosted world leaders in virtually every field, including, Albert Einstein, Sir Winston Churchill, former US Presidents Reagan, Nixon, and Carter, Malcolm X, Mother Teresa, and the Dalai Lama to name a few. President Begaye will be the first Native American leader to address this group.

President Begaye plans to speak about the Navajo and other Indian Nations, their relationship with the U.S. government, and the need to recognize and practice true Native sovereignty.

The Oxford Union often focuses on international political discourse. Much of this discourse is led by U.S. actions, such as actions in Russia, Cuba, or the Middle East. However, there is little discussion about U.S. actions and policy towards its own Native American people. President Begaye will focus on this relationship and the need to bring this relationship into the 21st century by acknowledging true Native nation sovereignty.

The speech will take place on October 25th, and will be available on the Oxford Union Youtube channel which has 29 million views in this past year.

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