

Nationalism

To fear the world we have organized
and led for three-quarters of a century,
to abandon the ideals we
have advanced around the globe,
to refuse the obligations of international
leadership and our duty to remain
“the last best hope of earth”
for the sake of some half-baked,
spurious nationalism cooked up by people
who would rather find scapegoats than
solve problems is as unpatriotic as an
attachment to any other tired dogma
of the past that America consigned to
the ash heap of history.

John McCain, 2017 Liberty Medal speech