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$$\Delta U = Q - W = 0 \Rightarrow Q = W = \int_{V_i}^{V_f} P dV$$

$$\Rightarrow NkT \int_{V_i}^{V_f} \frac{dV}{V} = NkT \ln \frac{V_f}{V_i} = NkT \ln \frac{\frac{1}{2} V_i}{V_i} = NkT \ln(1/2) = -NkT \ln(2)$$

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