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Memorandum of Conversation

DATE: Nov. 4, 1975
12:30 P.M.

SUBJECT: US-Romanian Relations

PARTICIPANTS:

American

President Ford
Secretary of Commerce Morton
Lt. Gen. Scowcroft, Assistant to the
President for National Security Affairs
Ambassador Harry Barnes, Jr. (Interpreter)

Romanian

Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of
Foreign Trade Ion Patan
Ambassador Bogdan
Petre Angel, Second Secretary (Interpreter)

PLACE: The White House



MINISTER PATAN: I want to express to you my warmest thanks for your receiving me, and at the same time, to convey to you on behalf of President Ceausescu his most cordial greetings to you and to the American people. In addition, he has asked me to tell you he is determined to carry out to the fullest extent all that the two of you agreed upon during your visit.

PRESIDENT FORD: May I say that I thoroughly enjoyed the trip to Romania, and I really enjoyed too the meeting with President Ceausescu. The trip to Bucharest and the train trip to Sinaia were among the highest points of the trip to Europe. It was a wonderful trip. The scenery and that castle. It was really worth doing. It was a high-light. Let me add that the US Government feels, as you have expressed it on behalf of President Ceausescu, the importance of the trade relations between our two countries. We are very pleased with the way they have developed and are anxious to expand them and broaden them more extensively.

~~EUR, Amb. Barnes~~
(Drafting Office and Officer)

MINISTER PATAN: I want to tell you that my friend Secretary Morton had a very good idea in organizing for me visits to different parts of the country, as well as chances to meet with different companies. Therefore, in the context of the Commission's work it was possible to reach some more definite conclusions and to work out a program for the next period. At the same time, I wanted to tell you that the atmosphere was very friendly. You do not have to be much of a psychologist to know whether it was forced or natural. This was for me the most important thing.

I visited the East Coast, the Central part of the country, and I want to tell you, as I did some members of Congress this morning, that the heads of firms with whom I talked are very worried that the Congress is not supporting the President on the energy problem. (The President laughs.) I am just passing these views on.

SECRETARY MORTON: We know this.

PRESIDENT FORD: I want to thank you. It is true that the Congress is not helping to solve the problem. I am going to keep the pressure on. The American people are on my side.

Whom did you see on the visits Secretary Morton scheduled in the United States?

MINISTER PATAN: Buchanan (Michigan) where we signed a long-term agreement with Clarke Equipment.

PRESIDENT FORD: That is a firm in my state.

MINISTER PATAN: That is what I heard. Chicago, where I saw Sears and Motorola, and met with fifty representatives in the economic and banking fields. Seattle, where we discussed questions of collaboration with Boeing, buying some aircraft and cooperating in the production of some sub assemblies in the aviation field. San Francisco, with Hewlett-Packard, which, as I have already raised with my colleague Secretary Morton, showed me a file thick with export license applications, to show me what a bureaucracy there is.

PRESIDENT FORD: Blame him (pointing to Secretary Morton).

MINISTER PATAN: In Los Angeles, Litton, Rockwell, Occidental, where the discussions are already very advanced on our investments in the United States in a coal mine.

AMBASSADOR BARNES: Mr. President, this is a pioneering effort for a socialist country to make investments in the United States.

PRESIDENT FORD: In the United States?

AMBASSADOR BARNES/AMBASSADOR BOGDAN: Yes.

MINISTER PATAN: With Hammer we discussed cooperation on a long-term basis, for example, phosphates in exchange for nitrogen fertilizers, secondary recovery of ore, third market cooperation. A good beginning, and it will develop. Then in New York ...

PRESIDENT FORD: Did you offer them a loan?

MINISTER PATAN: No, I think they can handle it themselves.

PRESIDENT FORD: I think they can too.

MINISTER PATAN: Gabriel Hauge talked to me about this. I asked his opinion as to what will be done about New York's financial problems. Hauge said in any case it is not something that cannot be solved, and with your help, he hoped. I talked also to Milton Rosenthal, and to Fribourg of Continental Grain. It was a very good program that Mr. Morton worked out for me--a program in the American style, very intensive.

SECRETARY MORTON: He also went to Sunday's game.

MINISTER PATAN: Yes, I was on the Dallas Cowboys' side.

PRESIDENT FORD: It was one of the most exciting games ever. In any event, the companies assembled for you by Secretary Morton are top US producers.

MINISTER PATAN: We have agreed on a program for the period ahead, and I want to tell you in all sincerity that the atmosphere with all the companies, in the meetings we had here, in the working groups, was very warm and friendly toward Romania. The conclusion I draw is that this obliges me all the more, in the context of the responsibilities I have in the Party and Government and on the Commission, to provide still more substance to our undertakings.

PRESIDENT FORD: I want you to know that the reception I received from the Romanian people was a great experience for Mrs. Ford and myself. I want to express to you how I appreciated also the opportunity to meet President Ceausescu. We wanted to show you the



reciprocal feelings the American people have for the Romanian people, for you and for your government. I hope that the relations we have will grow and that you will come back in the future for any meetings of the Joint Commission. The efforts of the Commission have my full support.

MINISTER PATAN: Thank you very much.

PRESIDENT FORD: Please give my best wishes to President Ceausescu and tell him we would welcome him again at any time.)

MINISTER PATAN: I will be glad to do so.



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MEMORANDUM FOR

George S. Springsteen
Executive Secretary
Department of State

SUBJECT: Memorandum of Conversation: The President and
Romanian Deputy Prime Minister Ion Patan
(S/S 7523290)

General
Mr. Scowcroft has reviewed and approved Ambassador Barnes' memorandum of conversation prepared on the occasion of the President's meeting with Romanian Deputy Prime Minister Ion Patan on November 4, 1975.

The Department of State is requested to reclassify all copies of the memorandum of conversation CONFIDENTIAL/NODIS/XGDS and to provide appropriate handling.

Jeanne W. Davis
Staff Secretary

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MEMORANDUM FOR BRENT SCOWCROFT

FROM:

Mr. Clift



SUBJECT:

Memorandum of Conversation: The President and Romanian Deputy Prime Minister Ion Patan

The Department of State has forwarded for your review (at Tab B) a memorandum of conversation prepared by Ambassador Barnes on the occasion of the President's November 4 meeting with Romanian Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Trade Ion Patan.

The memorandum for Jeanne Davis' signature to the Department would forward your approval of the memorandum of conversation and would request that it be reclassified Confidential/NODIS/XGDS -- "Limited Official Use" not being an official classification under E.O. 11652.

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That you approve Jeanne Davis' signature of the memorandum to State at Tab A.

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Washington, D.C. 20520

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THE WHITE HOUSE

Subject: Memorandum of Conversation: President Ford-
Romanian Deputy Prime Minister Ion Patan,
November 4, 1975

Enclosed for your review is a memorandum of conversation prepared by Ambassador Barnes on the occasion of the November 4, 1975 call on President Ford by Romanian Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Trade Ion Patan.

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