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MEMORANDUM OF CONVERSATION:

PARTICIPANTS: President Ford
Marquita Maytag, Ambassador to
Nepal
Marquita and Dana Maytag, Daughters
Brent Scowcroft, Assistant to the President
for National Security Affairs

DATE AND TIME: Monday, April 26, 1976
12:30 - 12:55 a.m.

PLACE: The Oval Office

President: Very nice to see you.

Maytag: Thank you for making time for me and for letting me bring my daughters.

President: Are they going with you?

Maytag: No. Dana has one more year of school, so she will come over after that. Marquita will stay with her at Sun Valley through the summer and come over in the fall.

President: I hope you will give my regards to the King.

Maytag: I would be happy to. We missed you last winter at Vail. We couldn't get there.

[Discussion of skiing at Vail versus Sun Valley]

President: How are you going?

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Maytag: Across the Pacific. I will stop a bit with the Saxbes on the way in.

President: What kind of facilities are there?

Maytag: [Describes the residence and Embassy]

President: Is Kathmandu a typical far east city?

Maytag: Yes, it is. There is a lot of poverty, but the people are happy looking -- not scowling like they are in India.

President: Were you ever there prior to the coronation?

Maytag: Yes, I was there first in 1960. I went there to see a friend from Sun Valley who was working on an aerial team. Then I went in 1970 as a friend of Lowell Thomas. Then the coronation, after which I went on to Bhutan. It is really exotic; it takes seven hairraising hours by car from the nearest airport.

President: I know you will enjoy your assignment. Please give His Majesty my regards. Perhaps I can get there after this election frenzy is over.

Maytag: I'll do my best for you.

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- M Thank you for making time for me & for letting me bring my daughter on staying w/ you
- M No. Susan has one more year of school so she will come over after that. Margyite will stay w/ her at Sun Valley thru summer & come over in fall
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(Discussion of ~~that~~ skiing at Vail vs Sun Valley)

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- M Across the Pacific. I will stop a bit w/c Sussex and way in.
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- M (Describes a residence & E. Embassy)
- P Is Kethmaru a typical fascist city?
- M Yes, it is. lots of poverty, but people are happy working - not screaming like they are in India.
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