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STATE DINNER TOAST: SALZBURG

SUNDAY, JUNE 1, 1975

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CHANCELLOR KREISKY, PRESIDENT SADAT, HONORED GUESTS,
LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

IN THE FEW HOURS I HAVE BEEN HERE, I HAVE BEEN STRUCK BY
THE REMARKABLE CHARM AND CHARACTER OF SALZBURG.

AUSTRIA AND THE UNITED STATES HAVE ENJOYED WARM AND FRIENDLY TIES OVER A LONG SPAN OF HISTORY.

OUR RELATIONSHIP DURING THE POST-WAR PERIOD HAS BEEN ESPECIALLY CLOSE AND

MUTUALLY SUSTAINING.

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STABILITY IN THE WORLD - FOR ITS CONTRIBUTIONS IN THE MIDDLE EAST.

IN CYPRUS, AND ELSEWHERE IN THE EFFORT TO PRESERVE PEACE AND WORK

TOWARD THE NEGOTIATED RESOLUTION OF INTERNATIONAL CONFLICTS.

WHEN I ARRIVED TODAY, I SPOKE OF THE RE-ESTABLISHMENT

OF A SOVEREIGN AUSTRIA, THE TWENTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF WHICH WAS

CELEBRATED JUST A FEW WEEKS AGO. THE STATE TREATY AND SUBSEQUENT

REBUILDING OF AUSTRIA SERVE AS A LANDMARK IN THE POST-WAR WORLD.

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THIS LANDMARK DEMONSTRATES THE POSSIBILITY OF A CHIEVING STABILITY

AND SECURITY THROUGH NEGOTIATION AND STRICT ADHERENCE TO THE

PRINCIPLES OF DEMOCRATIC SELF-DETERMINATION AND NATIONAL SOVEREIGNTY.

THE CONCILIATION DEMONSTRATED BY ALL SIDES HELPED

PRODUCE THE VIGOROUS, DYNAMIC, AND PROSPEROUS AUSTRIA WE SEE

TODAY. IT CONTRIBUTED TO A STABLE REGIONAL POLITICAL ENVIRONMENT.

THIS EXPERIENCE TODAY PROVIDES A USEFUL LESSON IN THE SEARCH FOR

PEACE IN OTHER REGIONS.

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I AM PARTICULARLY GRATEFUL TO YOU AND YOUR GOVERNMENT,

MR. CHANCELLOR, FOR PROVIDING THESE HOSPITABLE SURROUNDINGS FOR

MY MEETING WITH PRESIDENT SADAT. IN OUR TALKS TODAY, WE

HAVE HAD A WELCOME OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW THE RECENT POSITIVE TRENDS

IN RELATIONS BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND EGYPT.

WE HAVE ALSO BEGUN A VERY USEFUL REVIEW OF DEVELOPMENTS IN THE MIDDLE EAST, AND THE EXCHANGE OF VIEWS HAS BEEN MOST HELPFUL.

IT IS MY FERVENT HOPE THAT OUR TALKS WILL CONTRIBUTE TOWARD A SETTLEMENT IN THE MIDDLE EAST.

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MR. CHANCELLOR, I RAISE MY GLASS TO AUSTRIA AND TO THE OBJECTIVE WE SHARE -- WORLD PEACE.

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