

MEMORANDUM

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MEMORANDUM OF CONVERSATION

PARTICIPANTS: President Gerald R. Ford  
Ambassador George Bush, Chief-designate  
of U. S. Liaison Office, Peking  
Lt. General Brent Scowcroft, Deputy Assistant  
to the President for National Security Affairs

TIME AND DATE: Tuesday, October 15, 1974  
12:30 - 12:40 p. m.

PLACE: The Oval Office  
The White House

President: You will be leaving soon.

Bush: The day after tomorrow. Don't ask me about China! I had a good dinner last night with Ambassador Scali, Secretary Kissinger and the Chinese. They said they approved me quickly. The big thing will be the Kissinger trip in November. David Bruce said the big thing was the one thing that was never discussed with him--Taiwan.

President: That will be a political issue to manage domestically here.

Bush: I konw you're busy. I just wanted to say goodbye.

President: We couldn't have found anyone more qualified.

Bush: If there is anything I can do to help you politically as '76 approaches, just let me know.

President: Thanks. I may try to visit you there by then.

Bush: That would be great! Many thanks for the time.



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P You being soon

B Day after tomorrow. Sent a letter to China.

Had good dinner last night. I said. Every w/  
China.

They said they approved very quickly.

Big thing will be K trip in Nov.

Bush said big thing was a one thing that  
was never discussed w/ him - Taiwan

P That will be a political issue to manage  
domestically here.

B Know your history. Just wanted to say goodbye

P Couldn't have found any one more grateful.

B Anything I can do to help you politically as  
'76 approaches, just let me know.

P Thanks. I may try to visit you there by then.

B That would be great. <sup>man</sup> Thanks for this time.