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VIA VOYAGER CHANNEL
PEKING 65

AUGUST 9, 1974

TO: SECRETARY KISSINGER
FROM: DAVID BRUCE
REF: PEKING 64

IN REFERENCE TO PREVIOUS MESSAGE TO YOU RE CAMBODIA IN THIS CHANNEL.

IN VIEW OF PRESIDENTIAL CHANGE WOULD IT NOT PERHAPS BE HELPFUL AND APPROPRIATE TO SAY IF AND WHEN I SEE CHIAO KUAN HUA THAT I HAVE JUST RECEIVED FROM YOU INSTRUCTIONS TO DISCUSS CAMBODIAN PROBLEM WITH HIM. I WILL NOT ASK FOR APPOINTMENT UNTIL IN RECEIPT OF REPLY BY YOU. SORRY TO INFLICT THIS ADDITION TO YOUR MORE IMPORTANT PREOCCUPATIONS.

WARM REGARDS.

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Mao

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AUGUST 9, 1974

FROM: BRENT SCOWCROFT

TO: AMBASSADOR BRUCE

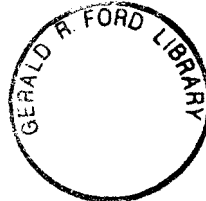
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REFERENCE YOUR PEKING 64 AND 65, SECRETARY BELIEVES THAT, IN LIGHT OF THE SITUATION WHICH HAS DEVELOPED HERE, YOU SHOULD HOLD OFF A WEEK IN APPROACHING CHIAO KUAN HUA ABOUT CAMBODIA.

I SUGGEST WE CHECK WITH EACH OTHER AGAIN IN ABOUT A WEEK, PRIOR TO YOUR CONTACTING CHINESE FOR AN APPOINTMENT.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON



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MEMORANDUM OF CONVERSATION

PARTICIPANTS: Huang Chen, Chief of the Liaison Office of the People's Republic of China
Chi Ch'ao-chu, Interpreter

Henry A. Kissinger, Secretary of State
Winston Lord, Director of Policy Planning, Department of State
Arthur W. Hummel, Jr., Deputy Assistant Secretary for East Asian and Pacific Affairs, Department of State
Richard H. Solomon, Senior Staff Member, NSC

DATE, TIME, AND PLACE: August 9, 1974; 4:50 p.m. - 5:20 p.m.
The White House

SUBJECT: The Secretary's Reassurances to the PRC Upon Mr. Ford's Assumption of the Presidency

Secretary Kissinger: Welcome, Mr. Ambassador. I've just started eating again. You ruined my diet.

Ambassador Huang: You didn't eat very much that evening.

Secretary Kissinger: Only three or four spoonfuls of each course of an eight or nine course dinner!

Ambassador Huang: First let me extend congratulations to you on continuing as Secretary of State. Please also convey my congratulations to President Ford on taking over.

Secretary Kissinger: I'm sure he'll be pleased to hear your congratulations. You may have an opportunity for a few minutes to tell him in person.

Ambassador Huang: I'd be glad to have an opportunity to do so.

Secretary Kissinger: In fact, I asked for the meeting to be held here in order to have this opportunity. [The Secretary checks on the telephone regarding the status of the Presidential meeting.]

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The President asked me to see you in order to tell you on his behalf -- he'll be telling you this himself -- that all discussions, understandings, and commitments made with President Nixon, as well as by me on behalf of President Nixon, are confirmed.

He also has written to Chairman Mao in a letter which will be delivered in Peking. [The Secretary hands Ambassador Huang a copy of this letter, and a letter from him to Premier Chou En-lai. See the end of this memcon for copies.]

Mr. Chi: So Ambassador Bruce will convey this letter in Peking, and there is no need for us to send it?

Secretary Kissinger: Here is also a letter from me to the Prime Minister. This is not being delivered in Peking.

Mr. Chi: So you would like us to convey this letter to Peking? Let me briefly translate for the Ambassador the contents of the two letters. [There is a brief break while Mr. Chi translates the two letters for the Ambassador.]

Ambassador Huang: I will speedily convey this message of yours, and also I would like to briefly say the following: We fully understand the present difficulty facing the American government. We will not forget the contribution President Nixon made in opening up Sino-U. S. relations, and in publishing the Shanghai Communique. We express our appreciation of the intent of the new U. S. administration to carry out the Shanghai Communique. Of course, we were very pleased that Dr. Kissinger will stay on as Secretary of State.

Secretary Kissinger: I can't say that for all my colleagues at the State Department. Winston Lord likes to suffer. Besides, he has a Chinese wife. She keeps him disciplined. Without her I'd get only half the amount of work out of him.

Ambassador Huang: Good.

So as I said, we are pleased that you are remaining as Secretary of State. It insures that both sides will act according to the Shanghai Communique. I am sure that you know we will continue according to the Shanghai Communique.

Secretary Kissinger: As far as we are concerned, all procedures are the same, all assurances will be maintained.



Of course, our China policy is not a domestic issue. But President Ford will have the broadest base of political support in this country which has existed for a long time.

Ambassador Huang: We were happy to note in the past that this policy received bipartisan support.

I heard that today you have met forty or fifty ambassadors.

Secretary Kissinger: No -- well, very few we see alone. Most are seen in groups. I only receive Liaison Office chiefs alone.

Ambassador Huang: Very good. There are not so many Liaison Office chiefs -- although it makes me feel a bit isolated.

Secretary Kissinger: The fact that I see you alone is not a bureaucratic matter. It reflects the importance we attach to our relationship.

Ambassador Huang: There is also this advantage [to being a Liaison Office chief]: I can invite the Secretary to dinner.

Secretary Kissinger: Right. I only go to Liaison Offices. Only the Indian Embassy has licked this problem. They invite some other individual as the guest of honor -- like Senator Fulbright -- so that when I receive an invitation I am embarrassed to refuse.

Ambassador Huang: So if in the future other embassies find out this method they will do what the Indians have done.

Secretary Kissinger: Right. So we keep it secret.

Your deputy is now in China?

Ambassador Huang: Yes. He was here for quite some time, so now he has gone back. I hope to go back next.

Secretary Kissinger: I only ask that the next time you go, don't go right after I have seen you -- it gives me a complex.

Ambassador Huang: But what can I do? I am a soldier. I obey orders.

Secretary Kissinger: If this is our only problem, we will do very well.



The President told me today that he was among the first officials to visit China after the President's trip -- at any rate he was in a very early group.

Mr. Lord: The Mansfield-Scott delegation preceeded the Boggs-Ford group.

Ambassador Huang: It was most unfortunate that Mr. Boggs lost his life.

Secretary Kissinger: Yes, he was a remarkable man.

[At this point General Scowcroft entered the room to escort the Secretary, Ambassador Huang, and Mr. Chi to see the President for a visit of about twenty minutes.]

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VIA VOYAGER CHANNEL
PEKING 66

AUGUST 10, 1974

TO: SECRETARY KISSINGER
FROM: DAVID BRUCE
SUBJECT: DELIVERY OF PRESIDENT FORD'S LETTER TO CHAIRMAN MAO
REF: WASH 68

1. I CALLED ON CH'IAO KUAN-HUA AT 4:00 P.M. TODAY TO DELIVER PRESIDENT FORD'S LETTER TO CHAIRMAN MAO, HAVING BEEN INFORMED BY FOREIGN MINISTRY THAT CH'IAO HAD BEEN ENTRUSTED BY PRIME MINISTER CHOU TO RECEIVE ME. JOHN HOLDRIDGE ACCOMPANIED ME. ON CHINESE SIDE WERE CH'IAO, LIN P'ING, TING YUAN-HUNG, CHAO CH'I-HUA, AND CHANG HAN-CHIH, WHO INTERPRETED.



2. CH'IAO CONFIRMED THAT HE HAD BEEN DESIGNATED BY CHOU EN-LAI TO SEE ME, AFTER WHICH I SAID I HAD BEEN ASKED TO DELIVER A LETTER FROM OUR NEW PRESIDENT, PRESIDENT FORD, TO CHAIRMAN MAO TSE-TUNG. I ALSO MENTIONED THAT YOU HAD SENT A LETTER TO CHOU VIA THE PRCLD ABOUT THE CONTINUITY OF U.S. FOREIGN POLICY, NOTING PARTICULARLY THAT THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE U.S. AND THE PRC WOULD REMAIN UNCHANGED AS FAR AS WE WERE CONCERNED. I SAID THAT THE LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT TO CHAIRMAN MAO WAS GENERALLY ALONG THE SAME LINES.

3. CH'IAO ANSWERED THAT HE WISHED FIRST TO THANK ME FOR BRINGING THE LETTER AND ASSURED ME IT WOULD BE SENT IMMEDIATELY TO THE CHAIRMAN. A COPY OF THE LETTER HAD ALSO BEEN DELIVERED TO THE PRCLD AND SENT TO PEKING ALONG WITH THE LETTER FROM YOU TO CHOU WHICH I HAD MENTIONED; THEREFORE, THEY ALREADY KNEW THE CONTENT. THIS WAS OUR FIRST MEETING AFTER THE CHANGES WITHIN THE U.S., AND HE WANTED ME TO CONVEY CONGRATULATIONS TO PRESIDENT FORD ON HAVING ASSUMED THE OFFICE OF PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES. CH'IAO RECALLED THAT HE HAD THE

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OPPORTUNITY TO MEET PRESIDENT FORD DURING THE LATTER'S VISIT TO CHINA IN 1972, AND "SO TO A CERTAIN EXTENT HE IS ONE OF OUR OLD FRIENDS." A NUMBER OF CH'IAO'S COLLEAGUES AT TODAY'S MEETING HAD ALSO MET THE PRESIDENT AT THAT TIME.

4. CH'IAO WENT ON TO REMARK THAT CONCERNING THE WORK OF OUR LAST PRESIDENT, PRESIDENT NIXON, PARTICULARLY IN OPENING UP SINO-U.S. RELATIONS AND ISSUING THE SHANGHAI COMMUNIQUE, THESE THINGS WERE IMPORTANT IN U.S.-PRC RELATIONS AND WOULD NOT BE FORGOTTEN BY THE CHINESE NO MATTER WHAT CHANGES OCCURRED INTERNALLY IN THE U.S. I THANKED CH'IAO FOR THESE WORDS.

5. CH'IAO THEN REFERRED TO CONTENTS OF BOTH PRESIDENT FORD'S AND YOUR LETTER HAVING EXPRESSED THE WISH THAT U.S.-PRC RELATIONS WOULD BE CONTINUED IN THE SPIRIT DEMONSTRATED BY THE SHANGHAI COMMUNIQUE, AND THAT THE FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF RELATIONS BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES WOULD BE SPEEDED UP. THEY APPRECIATED THIS VERY MUCH, AND BELIEVED THAT RELATIONS WOULD DEVELOP ALONG THESE LINES. I AGAIN THANKED CH'IAO FOR HIS WORDS.

6. I BROUGHT UP THE SUBJECT OF YOUR NEXT VISIT TO CHINA, AS MENTIONED IN THE LETTERS, AND CH'IAO SAID THAT THEY WERE READY TO WELCOME YOU. ON THEIR SIDE THEY HAD ALWAYS BEEN PLEASED TO RECEIVE YOU AND TO HOLD TALKS. AS FOR THE ACTUAL TIME OF YOUR VISIT, THERE WOULD BE FURTHER INTERCHANGES TO PICK A TIME CONVENIENT TO BOTH SIDES.

7. REMAINDER OF THE CONVERSATION CONSISTED OF PLEASANTRIES, WITH CH'IAO ASKING ME ABOUT MY LAST VISIT TO WASHINGTON AND COMMENTING THAT HE HAD BEEN ON THE POINT OF ASKING ME TO A DINNER WHEN HE LEARNED I HAD ALREADY LEFT PEKING. THIS, HE TOLD ME, WAS A DEBT WHICH HE INTENDED TO PAY. HE ALSO INTRODUCED ME TO CHANG HAN-CHIH AS HIS WIFE AS WELL AS HIS INTERPRETER.

8. COMMENT: THE ATMOSPHERICS OF THE MEETING WERE EXCELLENT, AND I BELIEVE THE SESSION WHILE BRIEF WAS USEFUL IN ILLUSTRATING THAT THE CHINESE LEADERSHIP HERE DOES NOT APPEAR DISTURBED OVER THE CHANGE IN LEADERSHIP IN WASHINGTON.

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VIA VOYAGER CHANNEL
PEKING 67

TO: BRENT SCOWCROFT
FROM: DAVID BRUCE
REFERENCE: WASHINGTON 69

ON AUGUST 12 USLO POLITICAL SECTION CHIEF DELIVERED TO MFA DIRECTOR OF UNITED STATES AFFAIRS, TING YUAN-HUNG, FORMER PRESIDENT NIXON'S MESSAGE TO PRIME MINISTER CHOU EN-LAI. TING EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR THE MESSAGE AND SAID IT WOULD BE TRANSMITTED TO THE PRIME MINISTER.

WARM REGARDS

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CREATOR'S TITLE Ambassador

RECEIVER'S NAME Brent Scowcroft

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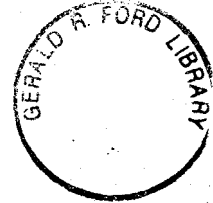
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TAGS: PFOR, CH
SUBJECT: HUANG CHEN CALL ON THE PRESIDENT

1. PRESIDENT FORD RECEIVED PROLO CHIEF HUANG CHEN IN THE OVAL OFFICE ON AUGUST 9 FOR FIFTEEN MINUTES. THE PRESIDENT COMMENTED ON HIS 1972 TRIP TO PRC. HE EXPRESSED COMMITMENT TO THE THINGS PRESIDENT NIXON AND SECRETARY KISSINGER HAD DONE WITH THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT AND AFFIRMED HIS BELIEF IN THE NEW RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE U.S. AND PRC.

2. HUANG REPLIED THAT PRC WOULD NOT FORGET MR. NIXON'S CONTRIBUTION IN VISITING CHINA AND ISSUING SHANGHAI COMMUNIQUE. HE EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR U.S. CARRYING OUT THE TERMS OF THE COMMUNIQUE AND SAID PRC WOULD OPERATE ON THAT SAME BASIS. HE ADDED THAT HE WAS PLEASED TO HAVE MET MR. FORD WHEN HE WAS MINORITY LEADER, AND BELIEVED U.S. CHINA POLICY HAD BIPARTISAN SUPPORT.

3. PRESIDENT ADDED U.S. WOULD NOT LET ITS OTHER INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS DISTURB NEW U.S.-PRC RELATIONSHIP, AND THAT AMERICAN PEOPLE LOOKED FORWARD TO THE STRENGTHENING OF THAT RELATIONSHIP.

4. IN CONCLUSION, HUANG ASKED THAT HIS WIFE'S GOOD WISHES BE EXTENDED TO MRS. FORD. WHEN PRESIDENT RECALLED

FIRST LADY HAD PREVIOUSLY VISITED MRS. HUANG AT HER NEW WASHINGTON HOME, HUANG REQUESTED OPPORTUNITY FOR HIS WIFE TO PAY COURTESY CALL ON MRS. FORD. KISSINGER

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8/13/74

S - MR. EAGLEBURGER

S/P: - MR. LORD
S/S - MR. MOFFAT

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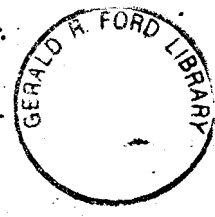
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SUBJECT: TRAVEL OF CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION TO PRC
REF: (A) STATE 163034; (B) PEKING 1269

1. ON BASIS OF GO-AHEAD FROM WHITE HOUSE, SOLOMON OF NSC CONTACTED PRCL0 AUGUST 14 TO REACTIVATE PLANNING ON CONGRESSIONAL TRIP. HE PROPOSED THAT DELEGATION ARRIVE APPROXIMATELY SEPTEMBER 2 AND DEPART APPROXIMATELY SEPTEMBER 14, WITH ITINERARY INCLUDING SHANGHAI, PEKING (THREE OR FOUR DAYS), SHENYANG, CHANGSHA, SHAOSHAN, HANGCHOW AND SHANGHAI. HE INFORMED PRCL0 THAT DELEGATION EXPECTED TO BE HEADED BY HOUSE MINORITY LEADER JOHN RHODES AND TO HAVE ABOUT TWELVE MEMBERS (FIVE TO SEVEN SENATORS AND CONGRESSMEN, SOME WITH WIVES) WITH STAFF OF FOUR TO SIX. CHINESE "TOOK NOTE" OF PROPOSAL AND INDICATED THEY WOULD REPORT TO PEKING.

2. IN ANSWER TO PARTS OF REFTEL B, IF CHINESE AGREE TO PROPOSAL, WE PLAN IN DISCUSSING DETAILS OF TRIP TO PROPOSE THAT AN OFFICER AND A WIFE FROM USLO ACCOMPANY GROUP ON TRAVELS WITHIN PRC. WE ARE EASY ON WHETHER THESE ARE A CHINESE-SPEAKING COUPLE OR A CHINESE-SPEAKING OFFICER AND ANOTHER OFFICER'S CHINESE-SPEAKING WIFE, BUT NEED NAMES ASAP FOR INCLUSION IN LIST TO BE SUBMITTED TO PRCL0. WE DO NOT NOW EXPECT THAT ANY STAFF MEMBERS OF

CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES, OR ANY NEWSMEN WILL ACCOMPANY. WILL KEEP YOU CLOSELY INFORMED ON DEVELOPMENTS.

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Memorandum of Conversation

DATE: August 15, 1974
4:30 p.m.
Mr. Hummel's office

SUBJECT: The Secretary's Travel Plans

PARTICIPANTS: PRCLC Ambassador Huang Chen
Interpreter Chi Chao-chu

Arthur W. Hummel, Jr., Acting Assistant Secretary, EA
Winston Lord, Director, S/P

COPIES TO: S/P-Mr. Lord

Mr. Hummel: Secretary Kissinger very much regrets that he was called to the White House and cannot see you at this time as he had hoped. He has asked us to see you with the following specific message:

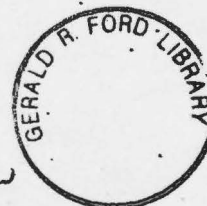
"I will be going to the Soviet Union about the end of October. The Soviets are also urging that President Ford should meet with them on neutral territory before the end of the year. However, we don't want so many initial meetings with the Soviets without any trip to China. Thus President Ford has asked me to see if I can go to China earlier. So I would like your government's views about my visiting Peking about September 10, both as to timing and on substance. The substantive consideration is that a September visit would be more symbolic than substantive. I suggested a November trip because we estimate that by that time we would be prepared to talk in concrete terms about carrying out the process of normalizing our relations. In September, I would have something to say about normalization and about Taiwan, but it would not be as definitive as I could be later, in November or December. Alternatively, I could possibly visit Peking in late November or early December. However, this would be after my visit to Moscow in October and

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possibly could also come after a meeting between President Ford and the Soviet leaders on neutral ground if this meeting is agreed to.

"Therefore, I would appreciate your government's views about the timing of my visit taking into account the considerations I have outlined to you in frankness.

"In any event, I want to emphasize that our whole policy toward China is firmly on course. President Ford's words in his message to the Chairman were most carefully chosen."

Ambassador Huang: I will report immediately to Peking.

