

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

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MEMORANDUM OF CONVERSATION

PARTICIPANTS: President Ford  
Amb. Rosemany Ginn, U.S. Ambassador  
to Luxembourg  
Brent Scowcroft, Assistant to the President  
for National Security Affairs

DATE AND TIME: Saturday, June 5, 1976  
9:00 a.m.

PLACE: The Oval Office

The President: When do you leave?

Ginn: This afternoon.

The President: Where are you going to?

Ginn: We will be going to Paris first for a day.

The President: I have never been there but I know you will enjoy it.  
Have you ever been there?

Scowcroft: No, I haven't. But we have been talking about Prime  
Minister Thorn and what an unusual man he is.

The President: He is a most attractive man. Very intelligent and  
charming. I met with him at NATO and at Helsinki.

Scowcroft: And here last November.

The President: Yes, for a working dinner. Too bad he doesn't have a  
larger country to work from.

Ginn: You know my first question.



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The President: What is that?

Ginn: Why isn't Luxembourg invited to Puerto Rico?

The President: There are several other members of the Economic Community with the same question.

[There is political discussion about Missouri and how the convention delegates would break out.]



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June 4, 1976

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MEETING WITH ROSEMARY L. GINN  
U.S. AMBASSADOR TO LUXEMBOURG

Saturday, June 5, 1976  
9:00 a. m. (5 minutes)  
The Oval Office

From: Brent Scowcroft



I. PURPOSE

You have named Mrs. Ginn as the new U.S. Ambassador to Luxembourg. She will succeed Ambassador Ruth Farkas and will arrive at her new post in Luxembourg on June 8.

Your purpose in this meeting will be to:

- congratulate her on her appointment and assure her of your full support in her new post;
- review the excellent state of relations between the United States and Luxembourg; and
- emphasize the importance you attach to continuing close consultations with Prime Minister Thorn and his government on bilateral relations, US-EC relations and NATO affairs.

II. BACKGROUND, PARTICIPANTS AND PRESS ARRANGEMENTS

A. Background: Ambassador Ginn will arrive in Luxembourg soon after Secretary of State Kissinger's very successful May 25 ministerial level visit to Luxembourg, and at a time when US-Luxembourg relations -- usually good -- have never been better.

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Prime Minister Thorn greatly values the attention which the United States has shown Luxembourg in recent months. He attached very great importance to his November 12 meeting with you at the White House, and he continues to value our consultations with Luxembourg for the importance they give to his country both in the US-European and the NATO contexts.

Prime Minister Thorn, on June 30, finishes his six month tour as President of the European Communities Council of Ministers. He continues in his capacity as President of the United Nations General Assembly until September 1976.

Mrs. Ginn (biographic sketch at Tab A) will be accompanied to Luxembourg by her husband. It is our understanding that during her tour as Ambassador he will plan to reside in Luxembourg, returning occasionally to the United States to look after his business interests.

- B. Participants: Ambassador Rosemary L. Ginn, Mr. M. Stanley Ginn and Brent Scowcroft.
- C. Press Arrangements: The meeting will be announced; White House photographer only.

### III. TALKING POINTS

1. Ambassador Ginn and Mr. Ginn, I am delighted to have this opportunity to meet with you before you depart for Luxembourg to assume your important new responsibilities there.
2. While Luxembourg may be small physically, we attach very real importance to our bilateral relations and to our ties in the US-European and NATO contexts.
3. I have very great personal respect for Prime Minister Thorn. We have met several times over the past two years. Most recently, he came to Washington in November 1975 for a very successful working visit.

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4. Prime Minister Thorn, as I am sure you know, is also Foreign Minister, Minister of the Commerce, President of the United Nations General Assembly and outgoing President of the EC Council -- a truly remarkable man and one of Europe's best statesmen.
5. Secretary Kissinger has just had a good visit to Luxembourg in which he again reaffirmed the importance we attach to continuing outstanding relations.
6. I am confident that as Ambassador you will contribute to further improvements in the many ties between our two countries.
7. Please convey my best wishes to the Prime Minister. You have my full support in your new assignment.

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ROSEMARY L. GINN

Mrs. Rosemary L. Ginn was nominated by President Ford to be American Ambassador to Luxembourg on May 10, 1976. Mrs. Ginn has been President of the Lucas Brothers Publishing Company in Columbia, Missouri since 1971.

Born August 28, 1912, in Columbia, Missouri, Mrs. Ginn received the B.A. degree from the University of Missouri in 1933. She also did additional graduate work during 1933-34. In 1939, Mrs. Ginn became a member of the Board of Directors of the Missouri Bookstores Company. She served as Republican National Committeewoman for Missouri from 1960 until 1976.

Mrs. Ginn has long been active in the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO). She was elected as a member at large to the U.S. Commission for UNESCO in 1971 and became Vice Chairman of the National Commission of UNESCO in 1973. She was the U.S. representative to the annual meeting for the Canadian Commission for UNESCO in 1974 and was elected Chairman of the United States Commission for UNESCO during that year. She was the U.S. representative to the 18th Session of the General Conference of UNESCO in Paris in 1974. In 1975 Mrs. Ginn was the Representative for the United States at the UNESCO meeting on Exchange of Information and Experience Between Women in Member States and the Encouragement of Women's Efforts for Peace.

Mrs. Ginn received the University of Missouri Faculty Alumni Award for Distinguished Service in 1971. In addition she was National President of Mortar Board and of the National Association of College Honor Societies. She was also the first woman trustee of the Kemper Military School, Boonville, Missouri.

Mrs. Ginn is married to M. Stanley Ginn. They have two children: Nancy Almond (Mrs. Carl Almond) of Columbia, Missouri, and Sally Hood (Mrs. Mike Hood) of Des Moines, Iowa.

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ACTION

June 4, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR BRENT SCOWCROFT

FROM:

Mr. Clift 

SUBJECT:

President's June 5 Meeting with  
U.S. Ambassador to Luxembourg  
Rosemary L. Ginn

The memorandum for your signature to the President at Tab I would forward background information and talking points for his meeting with Ambassador Rosemary Ginn on Saturday, June 5, 1976 at 9:00 a.m.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign the memorandum at Tab I.

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P/Armb Ginn

5 June 76

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