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WELCOMING REMARKS - CHANCELLOR KREISKY (CRY-SKI)
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 1974

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MR. CHANCELLOR, IT IS A PRIVILEGE AND AN HONOR
TO WELCOME YOU TO THE UNITED STATES. SPEAKING ON BEHALF
OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE LET ME SAY HOW HAPPY WE ALL ARE FOR THIS
FURTHER OPPORTUNITY TO STRENGTHEN THE TIES OF AFFECTION AND
RESPECT THAT BIND OUR TWO NATIONS, AND OUR TWO PEOPLES,
TOGETHER.

LIKE ALL OF THE WORLD, AMERICA HAS PROFITED FROM
AUSTRIA'S GREAT PAST CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE ARTS, ~~LAW~~, ~~EDUCATION~~,
~~MEDICINE~~ AND ~~PSYCHOLOGY~~. AND OF COURSE, THERE IS THE
GREAT MUSICAL LEGACY OF VIENNA THAT THE WHOLE WORLD TREASURES --
THE MUSIC OF MOZART, THE STRAUSSES AND SO MANY OTHERS.

ADDITIONALLY, AND OF GREAT IMPORTANCE, AUSTRIA HAS SERVED
AS A CONTINUING FORCE FOR PEACE AND STABILITY IN THE WORLD.

MR. CHANCELLOR, MODERN AUSTRIA HAS PROVEN
AGAIN AND AGAIN IN RECENT YEARS THAT A SMALL COUNTRY CAN
MAKE BIG CONTRIBUTIONS TO WORLD PEACE AND UNDERSTANDING.

YOUR POSITIVE INVOLVEMENT IN WORLD AFFAIRS; YOUR GENEROUS
SUPPORT OF THE UNITED NATIONS, INCLUDING AN IMPORTANT ROLE
IN THE PEACEKEEPING FORCES IN THE MIDDLE EAST AND CYPRUS;
YOUR GRACIOUS HOSTING OF IMPORTANT INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES
SUCH AS THE INITIAL PHASE OF THE SOVIET-AMERICAN STRATEGIC
ARMS NEGOTIATIONS AND THE FORCE REDUCTION TALKS NOW IN PROGRESS--

ALL OF THESE AUSTRIAN CONTRIBUTIONS ARE HELPING TO BUILD A
BETTER, MORE PEACEFUL WORLD. WE AMERICANS ARE PROUD OF
OUR LONG AND SINCERE FRIENDSHIP WITH AUSTRIA. WE CHERISH
OUR MANY AMERICAN CITIZENS OF AUSTRIAN ANCESTRY. AND WE
LOOK WITH SATISFACTION AND ADMIRATION AT AUSTRIA'S IMPRESSIVE
ECONOMIC ACHIEVEMENTS OVER THE PAST TEN YEARS.

WE ALSO LOOK FORWARD TO OUR DISCUSSIONS, MR.
CHANCELLOR, AND TO THE FUTURE GOOD RELATIONS OF AUSTRIA AND THE
UNITED STATES. THE NATIONS OF THE WORLD FACE MANY CHALLENGES
TODAY -- CHALLENGES IN THE FIELDS OF FINANCE, FOOD AND ENERGY TO
NAME ONLY A FEW. MEETING THEM WILL REQUIRE OUR BEST COMMON
EFFORTS, AND THE COUNSEL AND UNDERSTANDING OF OUR FRIENDS.

SO, MR. CHANCELLOR, IN ANTICIPATION OF OUR
SESSION TOGETHER, AND WITH OUR TRADITIONAL AUSTRO-AMERICAN
FRIENDSHIP IN MIND, AMERICA BIDS YOU WELCOME, AND WISHES
YOU AN ENJOYABLE, PRODUCTIVE VISIT.

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