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POOL REPORT
ON FINAL HEAD TO HEAD MEETING

At a few minutes after 11 the pool went in. Sitting around in oversized chairs were, left to right, Kissinger, Scowcroft, President Ford, President D'Estaing, the translator, and then the French Foreign Minister.

The first conversation I heard was President Ford saying, "I would like to see him sometime." There was no indication of who they were referring to. Ford said "he has been very cooperative between governmental and non-governmental efforts as far as --", and his voice trailed off.

Then President Giscard said that he would arrive home at 2:40 A.M. President Ford responded, "Fortunately we pick up an hour going the other way." Ford said, "Are you flying right back?" French President said "Yes, right back." Ford said, "It will be a short ride," and Giscard said, "Yes." Ford said, "Fortunately we pick up an hour. We will get back roughly at 3:30."

They were both wearing grayish suits with neckties. President Giscard was wearing a blue shirt, President Ford a white shirt. There was Schweppes Tonic Water and what appeared to be orange juice on the table in front of the men.

Kissinger said to Giscard that he would brief at 11:45 and Giscard replied, "So will I."

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