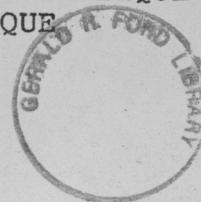


EXCHANGE OF REMARKS
BY THE HONORABLE HENRY A. KISSINGER
SECRETARY OF STATE
AND
THE HONORABLE JOACHIM ALBERTO CHISSANO
FOREIGN MINISTER OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF MOZAMBIQUE
FOLLOWING THE INITIALLING OF A COMMUNIQUE
ESTABLISHING DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS
WALDORF ASTORIA, NEW YORK
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SECRETARY KISSINGER: If I may, Mr. Foreign Minister, I would like to express the gratification of the Government of the United States in the establishment of diplomatic relations with Mozambique.

The Foreign Minister and I had a very good and friendly talk. I emphasized to him the good wishes of the American people for the future well-being and independence of his country. We will do what we can to establish cooperative and friendly relations. And I have indicated that we will be happy to discuss specific projects in which we might be of some assistance.

The major point is that we plan to establish our relationship on the basis of mutual respect and mutual benefit. We wish the country of Mozambique all the best.

FOREIGN MINISTER CHISSANO (Through the Interpreter):

With this signing, we initiate a new phase in relationships with the United States. My government, my party, the Frelimo Party, and the people of my country, sincerely hope that the United States and my country will

continue to develop relationships on a basis of equality, and that also the United States will move forward with the development of friendly relationships with the people of my country.

On our part, we will do all that we can so that any kind of cooperation that we receive from the United States will be based upon the interests of both peoples, with the promotion of peace and security.

We at this time would like to state that we feel that we can leave the past to history and look forward to the development of beneficial relationships between our two countries.

Thank you very much.

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