MEMORANDUM OF CONVERSATION

PARTICIPANTS:  
- Amb. Anatoliy F. Dobrynin, Ambassador of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics
- Soviet Pilots:
  - General Aleksandr V. Belyakov
  - Georgi F. Baidukov
  - Col. Igor V. Chkalov
- President Ford
- Lt. General Brent Scowcroft, Deputy Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs

DATE AND TIME: Monday, June 23, 1975
12:50 - 1:12 p.m.

PLACE: The Oval Office
The White House

President: I heard about your welcome in Vancouver.

Baidukov: The welcome was great. We were shown photos and clippings. It was very touching.

[The President gives a wooden mead bowl as a gift.]

Baidukov: This is the model of the plane we flew. It had one motor, and big wings. We flew for 63 hours nonstop, Moscow to Vancouver.

President: Just the three of you?

Baidukov: Just three in the crew.

President: How was the ice?

Baidukov: Very bad. The airports from Seattle to San Francisco were not being used for two days, so we used military airfields.

President: No de-icing equipment?
Baidukov: Just on the propeller.

President: Did you fly it back?

Baidukov: No, it was dismantled and exhibited at the New York World's Fair. It is now in a museum in Gorky dedicated to flight.

President: How long does it take now to fly that route?

Baidukov: Ten hours.

President: Are both of you jet pilots?

Baidukov: We don't fly anymore.

Belyakov: Here is a copy of the navigation log book of the flight. [He gives the President copies in Russian and English. The President looks it over; then escorts his guests into the Rose Garden for the public presentation].
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P. Charley and company well in Cameroun

Bec. Welcome was guest. We were invited to dinner with Captain. It was very

Bec. This is a model of a plane we flew.

P. Very good. The arrogant Scot has been very

P. Washington, so we went with

P. We Kirigirgy?

B. Just in Punjab.

P. And your flight back.

B. We'd. It was diminished and exhibited at

N.Y. world's fair, now in museum.

P. Have you done any work.

B. 10 lines.

P. On book of jeep gift packets.

B. We did not get any more
gift books to P. Beag of Cherlow

Beggs. Here is a copy of a cantonment map book if

Beggs. (Copied in Russian & Cey),

(Plus books at lot)

(All maps made from Gordon map mostly)

P. presentation.