MEMORANDUM OF CONVERSATION

PARTICIPANTS: The President
Dr. Henry A. Kissinger, Secretary of State and Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs
Lt. Gen. Brent Scowcroft, Deputy Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs

DATE AND TIME: Wednesday, July 9, 1975
10:02 - 10:40 a.m.

PLACE: The Oval Office
The White House

Kissinger: I had Dobrynin in yesterday. He said if the harassing of the Soviet Union doesn't stop, the anti-U.S. forces in the Soviet Union will mount a major offensive against detente. He pointed out Schlesinger, the arrest of the spies....

President: We can and will take care of the FBI. I will talk to Schlesinger.

Kissinger: I think we have to have political things cleared through the NSC.

President: I agree. When is Schlesinger going to get that memo in?

Scowcroft: He just got back today.

Kissinger: Oil prices is another thing. We are moving along on the Iranian deal. If OPEC prices go up as estimated $1 now and $1 in January, we are in good shape.

President: How about the Saudis?
Kissinger: If we get to that point with the Saudis, we are in good shape. That is a problem we should want to have. Whether we give them the same deal or a different one is irrelevant. Of it they make a deal with Europe.

Ted Kennedy says he really doesn't want to run. I believe him.

President: So do I. I still think it will be Humphrey.

Kissinger: We are okay on this Chile thing. There is a document which shows that I turned off contact with the group which was tied to the kidnapping.

President: If Nixon testifies, what will he say?

Kissinger: He is not entirely rational. He called me at Caneel Bay. It was vintage Nixon. [He described the records on Chile.]

I would like to go over the Israeli thing. De Borchgrave says we would be better going for an overall agreement. This thing looks like it is developing into something for which we will pay an exorbitant price. I don't think we can agree to shifts in the line to put the passes in a bag.

I also don't think we can concur to do nothing for 3-4 years without their agreement.

On the four American points, they can't be checkpoints, but just warning posts, with simple radar.

We also can't promise we won't push them on Syria. Informally we can agree to what you and Rabin discussed. If it blow up, we should not be bitter but just move to an overall.

If Rabin will agree not to bend the lines west, there is a chance. But there is still a problem with the south. If they acted with some generosity toward Sadat, they would have a real chance. For the Egyptians to have a road, with the Israelis on the heights looking down on them.....
President: Make sure you tell them we will put our people into the warning station, so if we have to go public....

Kissinger: If it breaks down I would go on television and say it hasn't worked and we will go for an overall settlement. Don't describe it in detail then. I could the next day give a detailed briefing. Then four to six weeks later we can put out our plan.

I had Buckley and some conservative Congressmen in. There is some vicious briefing going on that we are getting soft on the Soviet Union.

I think we will have to give ground on cruise missiles and Backfire; they will have to give on verification.

I suggested to Dobrynin that you meet with Brezhnev twice at Helsinki, the first day and the last day. That is better than trying to drive to a conclusion in one meeting.

President: What about CSCE?

Kissinger: It is hung up on things that are out of our hands. The Finns are getting mad. It may have to be postponed until the end of August.

There was a demonstration in India against the USIS. The Indian police didn't intervene, and I want to make a stiff protest. Saxbe has been a great, tough Ambassador.

President: What about the Soviet wheat purchases?

Kissinger: They're buying some in Canada, but nothing we knew about here.

President: It's good. It's getting the farmers off my back.

Kissinger: We have gotten Venezuela to agree to our scheme for a consumer-producer conference. We are now in the driver's seat on the conference. The French are out of it and we have split OPEC by getting Iran, Venezuela, and Saudi Arabia on board.

We have a UN Special Session in August. We will have to make another speech and we will have the usual interagency fight.
On Colonel Morgan, Arafat has condemned the kidnapping. The Lebanese think there is a good chance to get him released. I think we should agree only that after his release, we agree to carry their letter on VOA.
K. Being in yesterday by Taney - must get some of your US files. The US files will contain major differences against what INSC has. The president, Senate, congress, etc...

K. We can come up tomorrow. If I, we will talk to INSC.

K. I think we have to come up to thing about

K. I agree. What is INSC going to put that

K. That is just not realistic.

K. Oil prices is another thing. We are moving

K. I agree, but I can understand it from an

K. Another thing?

K. If we get to that point, we are going
to deals. That is a problem we should want to

K. We have this whole thing. There is a document

K. Where are we with this?

K. Who is writing what will be in?

K. We will handle whatever. He called me at

K. We will handle whatever. He called me at
Unknown signature

Sweat. Check morning

Came by. It was vintage Rijin.

(Declaration a week on made)

I asked him to go on a 2 thing. He declined very
courteously. We would be better paying for something
else. This thing here is sleeping with zero pay.

I don't think we can agree to shift in a line to
get points in on toy.

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for 3-4 years for their agreement.

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Informally we can agree to what you and Robin things
just blow up, we should not be better but just
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Once I points, they can't be check points, but
just warning points, of single value.

If Robin will agree not to blow c levels west,
then is a chance. But there still a part of a
country. If they are central some government thinks.

Salad, they would have a real chance. For the
E to happen and with 4 or 5 on the knight's looking
down on them...

P We have you. All time we will put a
people into a running station, so if we have
to go faster.

R If it saves down. I would go on TV + say
it hasn't worked + we will go for small
settlement. Don't mention it directly
in detail then. I could a next day find...
a detailed trip. Then 4-5 this later we
are just out of plane.

I had Buckley's last emergency lay in. There
is some version of being gone. But we are
getting off on a SU.

I think we will have to go good on marry
to middle & backhaul. They will have to go
an announcement.

I was suggested to log that you must off
and twice as it done last day. That better than
trying to drive the conclusion in only.

P. What about CSS?

K. It is long over storm out from bones. The
fines are getting much. It may have to be
goodness the end of any.

There was a dream in the air yesterday.

Indians that close to there & I sold a make
a stiff protect. Saffle has been a great, commun
And,

P. What about 3 Sun about purchased.

K. Some in Brazil, but nothing we know about.

P. If you D. Austin has an offer. You

K. We have gotten there rest to agent to own

scheme for 6 p long. We are now in the
rest on least. The round we only 24 & we
have stop to deals by getting away from.

S. In broad.

We have a UN special dinner in Am. We
will have to make another effort as we will have missed another opportunity.

On Oct. 20, an effort has continued to send a message that it's possible to get
an answer. I think we should consider only that of the his release, we agree to
consider the letter on VCM (3).