MEMORANDUM OF CONVERSATION

PARTICIPANTS:

PRESIDENT FORD
Dr. Henry A. Kissinger, Secretary of State
Ambassador Malcolm Toon, Israel
Lt. Gen. Brent Scowcroft, Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs

DATE AND TIME: Friday, November 28, 1975
10:15 a.m.

PLACE: The Oval Office
The White House

President: How do you like it?

Toon: That is not the right word. The Israelis are a formidable people. It is a tough job.

Kissinger: He has done a magnificent job.

President: I know that. We have had our problems here. Henry has told me of our troubles with their attitude over the past weeks. We don't like their behavior. We will live up to our agreements, but we expect proper behavior.

Toon: I will do my best to get this across. There is a serious leakage problem, but I can talk to Rabin. They are suspicious.

Kissinger: Nothing is going on.

Toon: I know that but they are suspicious.

Kissinger: Your instructions are good now. They must be told that their behavior must change; we will keep our agreements and there must be movement on Golan and a concept for a settlement.
Toon: Their concept is to sit tight. Rabin said he is committed only to "consider" a unilateral movement.

Kissinger: Hell, it was Rabin's idea.

President: Instead of the Israelis thinking they have a problem with the President and the Secretary of State, their problem is what might happen to our request to the Hill. We lived up to our commitment -- we sent the whole package up there.

Kissinger: They bitched that the Housing Guarantee was in the $2.3 billion.

President: That takes the credit away from the U.S. I reluctantly approved that. We will fight for the $2.3 billion but there are mumblings on the Hill.

Scowcroft: OMB recommended only $400 million in military aid next year.

Kissinger: That is based on their assessment of the real need.

President: The request is hanging in there not because of the Jewish community, but because I am saying it is in the national interest.

I also insist that Egypt's program is of equal need. They can't propose cutting Egypt and keeping Israel at full level.

Toon: I'll do my best, Mr. President.
P How did you feel about it?
F That is not the right word. The I am a
prominent person. It is a Trojan job.
K It was done in a way.

P So when that. We have had over five years to
talk about these things. I think that this is
not really what we should do. We don't like
this solution. We will have to do something,
but we

must do something.
F I don't think that we should do this again. There is
a reason that we have not. We can talk to
K It's going on.
F How about it? I think it is a good idea.
K Your instructions are good ones. They must
be what they are. I don't think we can change.
We will have to agree on this, and we want to
move on. Adam and Egon must get
up.
F Their concept is a good idea. Why
should be unnecessary for "second" unnecessary
moment.
K Well, it was Adam's idea.

P Instead of this. I think they have a

need. This is what they want. Hopkins

on question, yes. We can't right

question and sentence without packaging

them.

K They didn't think that the missing man was in 2B.
That takes me away from US. I reluctantly agreed that we will fight for 2-3 but that there are meaningful things in the US.

The report is changing since last summer for several reasons but because of keeping it in uncertainty.

Governor Ezeugwu = dead. They can't prepare meeting F + keeping I at full level.

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