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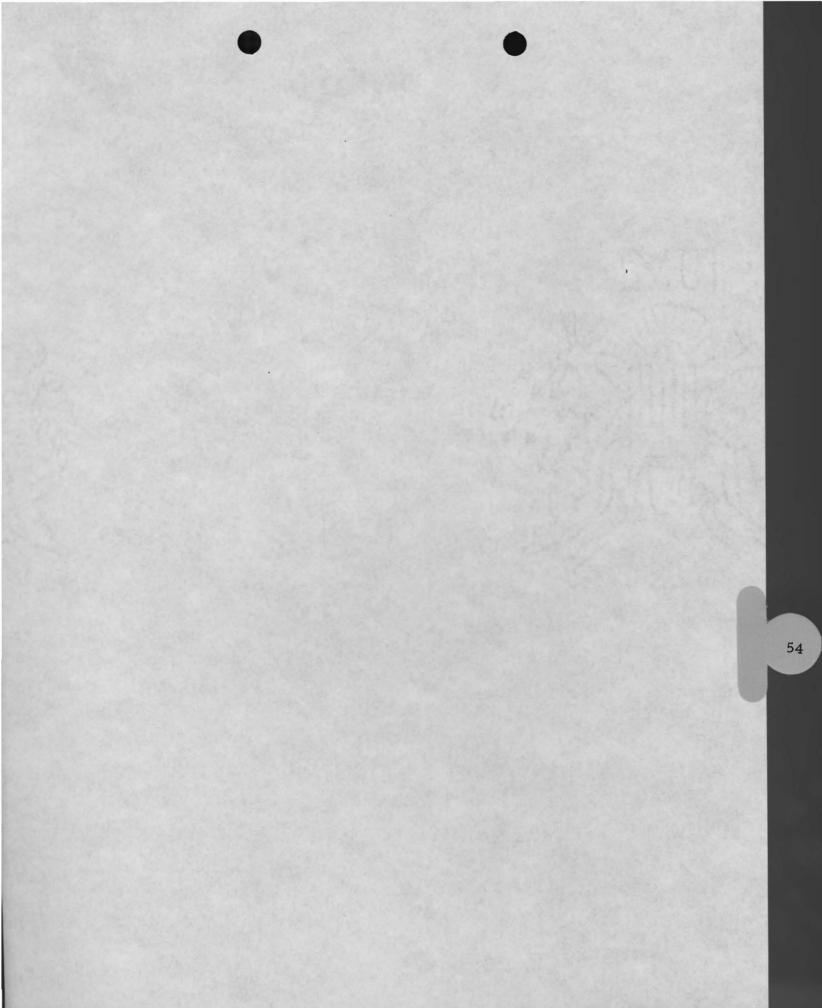
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While discussing with the U.S. side the question of the special plane going to the U.S., the U.S. side without any reason whatsoever raised the question of the private claims issue between the Chinese and the U.S. which has nothing to do with this matter of the flights. The U.S. side even went to length of declaring that in the absence of a settlement of private claims issue, it is possible our planes could be attached or there could result in a minimum some delay in the planes departure. This is obviously blackmail against the Chinese side and the Chinese side resolutely will not accept it. The U.S. Government has the responsibility to guarantee complete security to the flight to the U.S. of our special planes. The U.S. side itself also admitted that these are diplomatic flights of a governmental nature and there should be no attachment. Therefore, if the question of attachment of our special plane or other similar incidents happen, the Chinese Government would have reason to believe that it was deliberately planned and directed by the U.S. Government in undermining normal international activities. This will inevitably have an extremely unfavorable effect on Sino-U.S. relations. Our trial flight special plane has already taken off according to schedule.



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Handed to Han Hou Dy Gan. Scowcroft 4:30 pm 3-30-74

The United States attaches the utmost significance to its relationship with the Peoples Republic of China and is deeply concerned that nothing occur which could adversely affect that relationship. It was in that spirit that the U.S. side informed the Chinese side of the possibility of an attempted attachment of the Chinese aircraft making special flights to the U.S.

The U.S. side is hopeful that no such attempt will be made and has made every preparation for dealing with the situation expeditiously should any legal moves be made. The U.S. side wishes the Chinese side to know however that under the U.S. legal system this is a matter which is not within the control of the U.S. Government. Should an attempt at attachment occur the U.S. Government will immediately assert the diplomatic immunity of the Chinese aircraft and act with the utmost dispatch to terminate the legal proceeding in the shortest possible time and with an absolute minimum of inconvenience to the Chinese side.

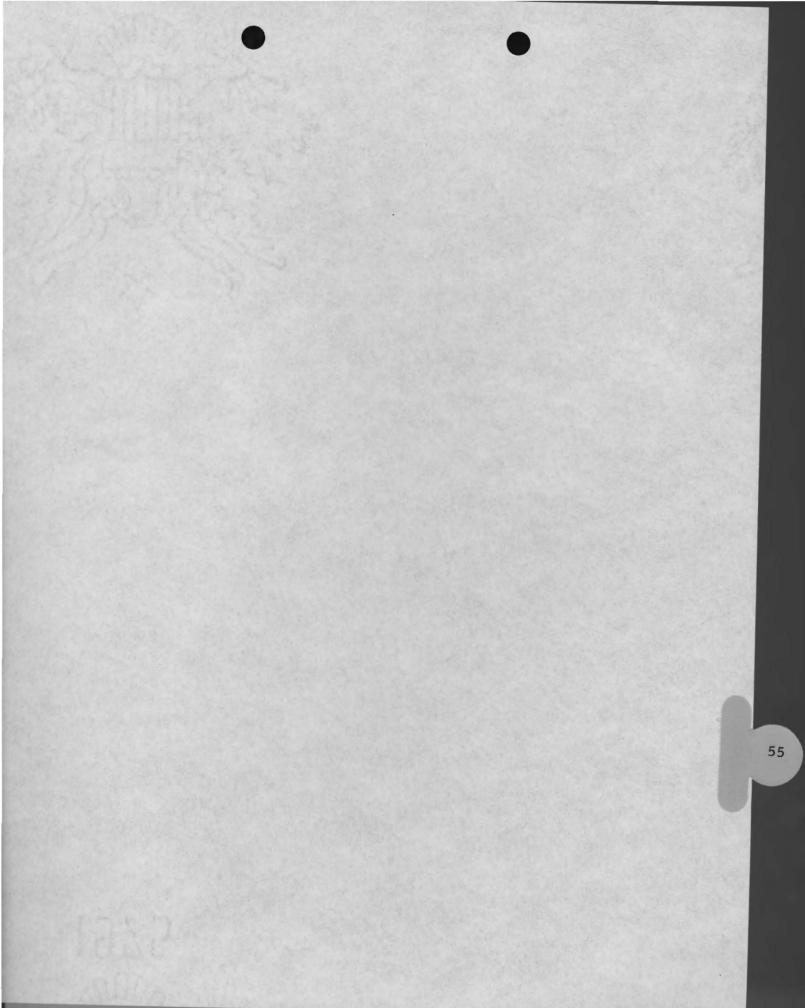
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Thus there cannot be any question of attempted blackmail or deliberate plans by the U.S. side. On the contrary the U.S. side in this whole matter has been motivated solely by the desire to be of the utmost assistance to the Chinese side and to avoid any misunderstanding in connection with the flight of the Chinese aircraft.



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[Read over phone by Mr. Chi to General Scowcroft, 6:10 p.m., May 15, 1974]

We agree to Senator Jackson visiting China June 28 - July 8. Last October we had already agreed to the visit of Senator Jackson, but because he was busy with various bills before the Senate he was unable to go. At that time, we expressed agreement to Senator Buckley.

In view of the recent public statements made by Senator Buckley and the unwillingness of the Chinese side to involve itself in U.S. internal affairs, and also in view of the fact that Senator Buckley has been very unfriendly to China, the Chinese side is not prepared to invite Senator Buckley, but we do welcome Senator Jackson to come at that time.

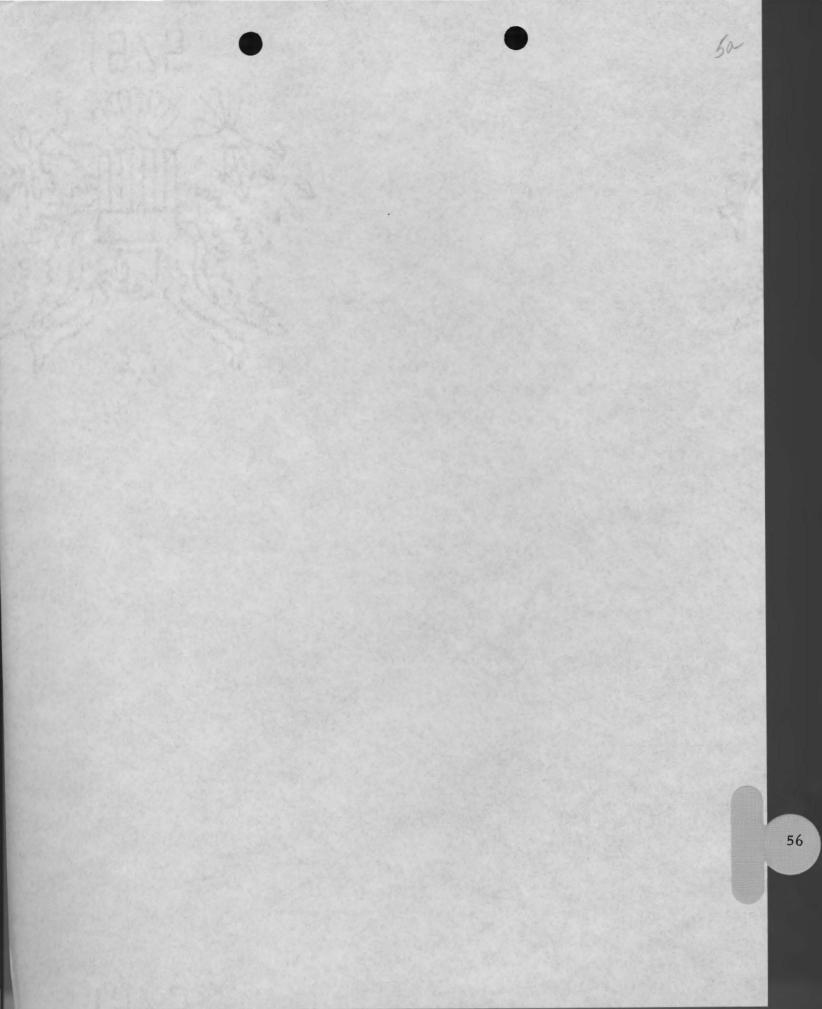
With regard to this latter point, actually Senator Jackson's assistant, Dr. Dorothy Fosdick phoned us on the 7th of May that the Senator thought in view of the current situation it would be better for the Senator to go alone and not bring any other Senators. He will go with some of his assistants.



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The U.S. side put forward a proposal on June 13 indicating that it is prepared to consider abolition of the U.N. Command in Norca, and this is something which should be considered to be positive. But in the so-called alternative arrangement which put forward, it linked up the entering into of a non-aggression agreement between the North and South Korean sides with the tex mination of the U.N. Command and asked China and the Democratic Fcorle's Republic of Korea to agree to the continued presence of the U.S. forces in South Korea until there is a so-called stabilization of the security situation on the Korean peninsula. This is in actuality wanting to use the abolition of the empty name of the U.N. Command in exchange for the prolonged stay of the U.S. forces in South Korea and the perpetual congealing of the slit cituation of "two Koreas." thus increasing difficulties to the inepondent peaceful reunification of Korea. Such an alternative arrangement is naturally something to which the Korean and Chines sides cannot agree.

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21 years after the armistice in Korea, long after the with drawal of the Chinese People's Volunteers and after the Joint Stapment of July 4, 1972 by the North and South Korean sides, it is untenable and most unpopular to continue to maintain the U.N. Command and to let the U.S. forces who entered into South Korea under the U.N. Command flag to continue their stay there for a long period of time. The Chinese side hopes that the U.S. side will fulfill its premise to settle within this year the question of abolition of the U.N. Command and speedily withdraw the U.S. forces from South Korea DECLASSIFIED After CLASSIFIED BY MENGAR Kiscupar

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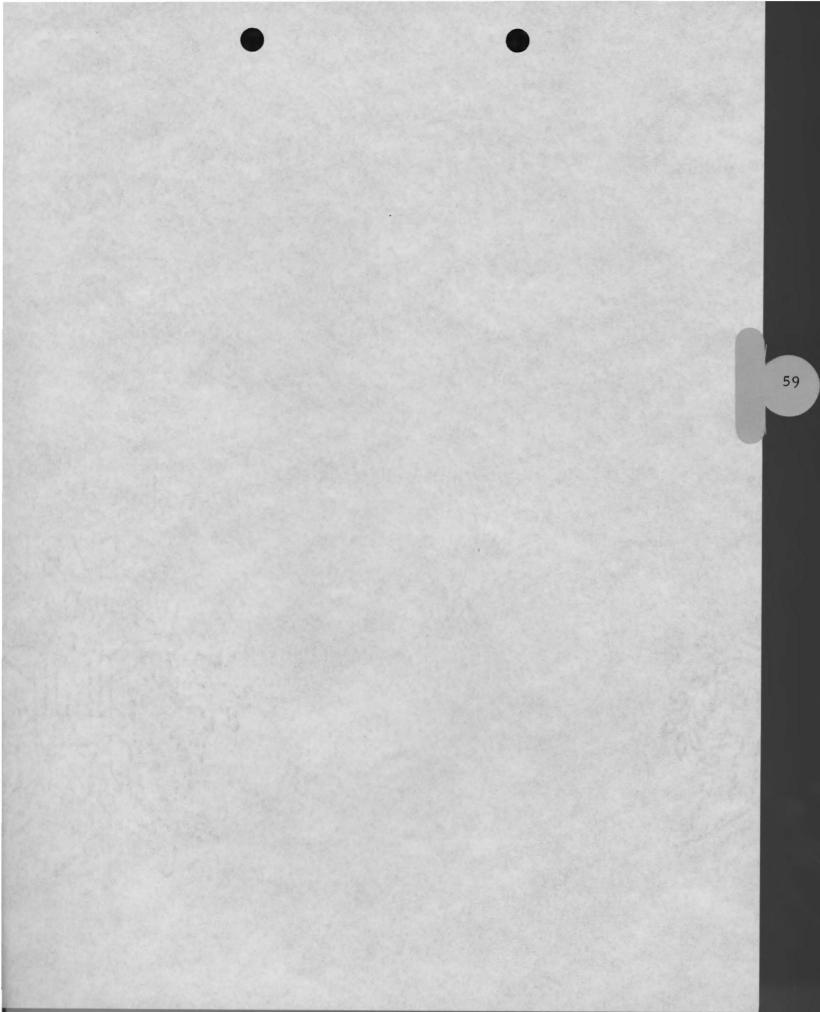
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The U.S. side wishes to inform the Chinese side of its concern about indications of greatly increased military activity within the Republic of Vietnam. In the face of evidence now available of heightened North Vietnamese military preparations directed against the South, we can only assume that there is now a serious prospect of the renewal of major military operations. Should such a development occur, it could not but have the most harmful impact on the progress which has been made in the past two years toward resolving the remaining problems of Indochina by political means.

The U.S. side reiterates its deep hope that the Paris accords of 1973 will be maintained as a framework for the political resolution of the outstanding problems of Indochina. There should be no doubt that the United States will not shrink from actions which will prevent an overturning of the Paris Agreements by military force. It is hoped that all states with influence in the region will urge the parties directly involved to exercise the greatest restraint and return to the resolution of remaining differences by political means.

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Respected President Ford:

Your letter to Chairman Mao has been received. I would like on behalf of Chairman Mao and in my own name to extend to you our congratulations on your assumption of the office of the President of the United States. We are glad to note your indication that you will continue to adhere to the principles of the Shanghai Communique, and we would like to avail ourselves of this opportunity to reiterate that, as in the past, we shall act according to the spirit and principles of the Shanghai Communique which we jointly released during President Nixon's visit to China.

With best greetings,

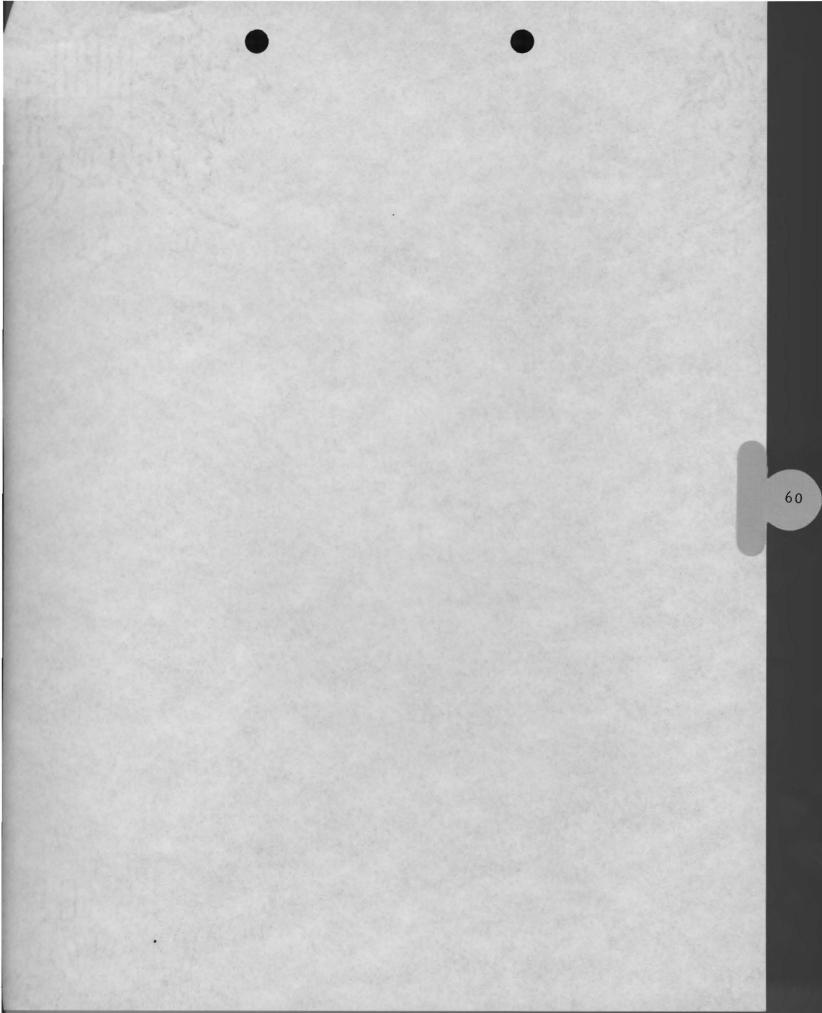


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FROM: BRENT SCOWCROFT

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520



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August 20, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR MAJOR GENERAL BRENT SCOWCROFT THE WHITE HOUSE

Subject: Premier Chou's Letter to President Nixon

The attached letter from Premier Chou to President Nixon was handed to Deputy Secretary Ingersoll today by PRCLO Ambassador Huang Chen, who requested that it be forwarded to President Nixon.

The letter acknowledges the message that President Nixon had sent to the Premier on August 12.

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Letter as specified.



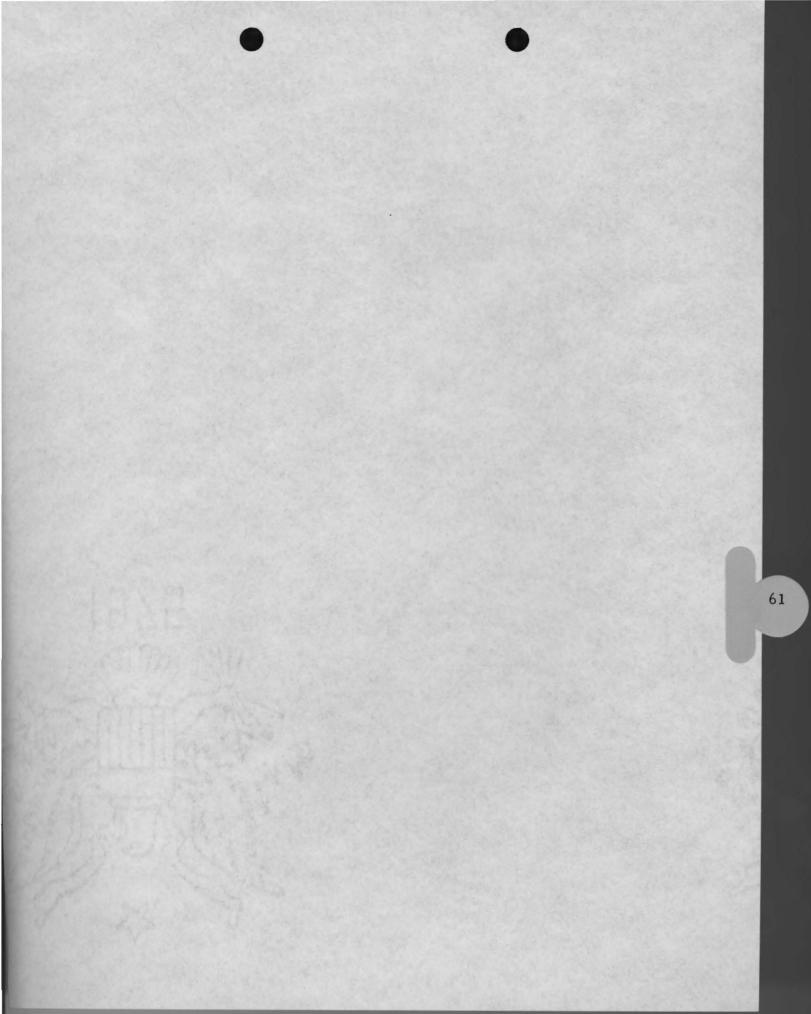
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DECLASSIFIED E.O. 12959, SEC. 3.5 STATE DEPT, GUIDELINES BY______, NARA, DATE 6/30/08 Respected Mr. Nixon:

I was glad to receive your letter of August 12.

Both Chairman Mao and I have happy memories of your 1972 visit to China, during which we held frank and beneficial talks and issued the Shanghai Communique. The unlocking of the doors to friendly contacts between the Chinese and American peoples and the promotion of the relations between our two countries towards normalization are the common desire of our two peoples. The efforts which you have made in this connection will not be forgotten. Please accept my very best wishes to you and your family.

Premier Chou En-lai



October 15, 1974

Dear Mr. Ambassador:

Due to the fact that I have been hospitalized, this is the first opportunity I have had to respond to your very gracious invitation for me to attend the Chinese National Day reception in Washington. From all reports this is a very happy occasion, and I only regret that I was unable to join you and your guests.

Will you please extend my best wishes to Chairman Mao and Premier Chou En-Lai? I was pleased to hear, incidently, that Premier Chou was progressing satisfactorily in the hospital, and I hope that he will soon be returned to good health.

I would appreciate it if you would assure both Chairman Mao and Premier Chou En-Lai, that while I am no longer in office, I shall continue to do everything that I can in my capacity as former President of the United States to work to further the cause of Chinese/American cooperation and friendship which we initiated on my visit to China in 1972.

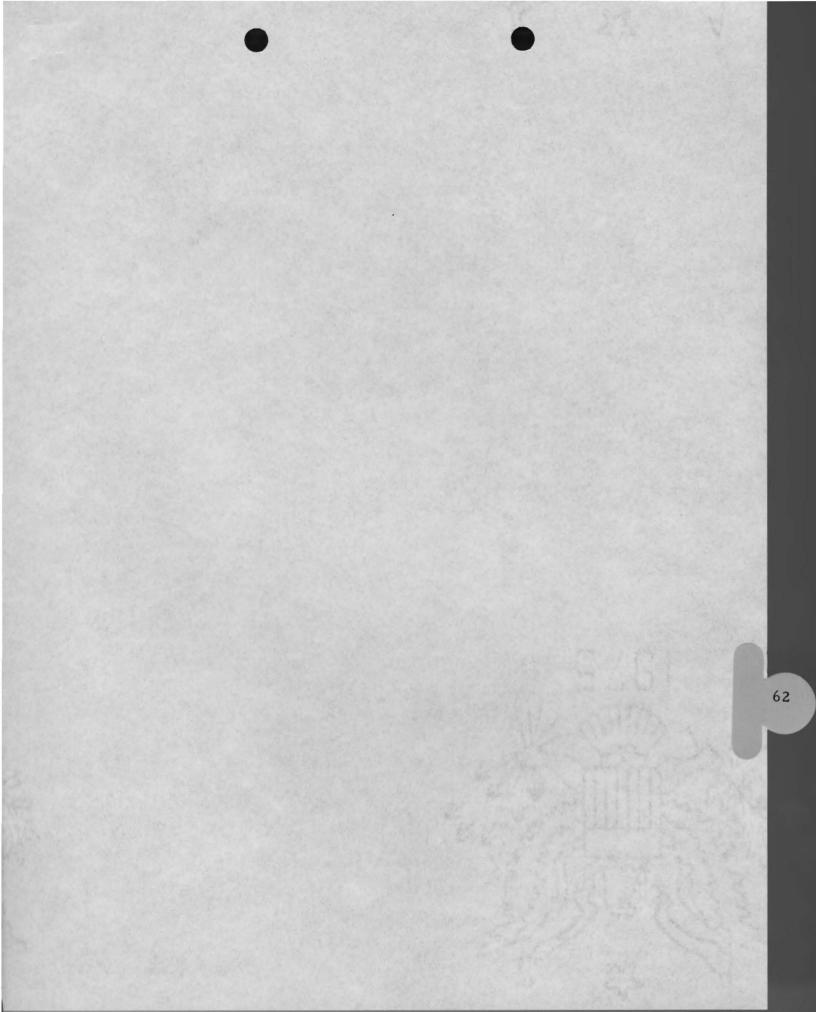
Should you ever be traveling to the west coast, and your schedule permit it, I would be very pleased to welcome you here at my home at La Casa Pacifica.

With every good wish,

Sincerely,

The Honorable Huang Chen The Liaison Office of the People's Republic of China 2300 Connecticut Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20008





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October 31, 1974

TO: LCOL JACK BRENNAN

FROM: LGEN BRENT SCOWCROFT

There follows a message for President Nixon from

Ambassador Huang Chen of the People's Republic of China: (Original will follow.)

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October 31, 1974

The Honorable Mr. Richard M. Nixon La Casa Pacifica San Clemente, California 92672

Respected Mr. Nixon:

I was concerned to learn about your re-hospitalization and your recent state of health, and I sincerely wish you a speedy and full recovery.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank you for your letter of October 15 and your kind wishes for Chairman Mao and Premier Chou En-lai. I have already conveyed the contents of your letter back to Peking.

My wife joins me in wishing you and your entire family health and happiness through the years.



Sincerely,



Huang Chen