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MEMORANDUM OF CONVERSATION

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

DATE AND TIME: Friday, December 6, 1974

PLACE: The Oval Office

Kissinger: Schmidt said he wants you to come to Germany. It would be good to go before the Security Conference. I would go to Berlin. Your meeting went well. He was not impressed with your economic advisers.

President: Is it Simon and Greenspan, or all of them?

Kissinger: He is a friend of Shultz. Simon he thinks is two notches below Shultz. Burns is good but cautious. Greenspan, I think he doesn't know for sure.

On energy: On a consumer-producers conference we must hold firm. We need to manage the energy thing for the political unity of the West. Military defense is not enough. We must have a big joint effort. The Japanese have in effect bit it. We can't go to a preliminary conference. We can agree to it in principle and a target date. But tell him we won't go to a badly prepared producers' conference. The faster we get consumer cooperation, the quicker we can have a consumer-producer conference. If he wants to do something with Giscard, we can immediately work on the consumer efforts.

Let's reverse his steps one and two. We could accept his private group idea. Keep it to you and me and designate Shultz. Start with consumers only, then add producers. He could take this to Giscard.

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Tell him you will give Giscard a triumph at Martinique, but you can't give Gaullists a victory that they could kick the U.S. around and then get their way. The consumer-producer meeting could be held in Paris.

As progress is made in consumer solidarity, we can move into preparatory work for the consumer-producer conference.

On the \$25 billion facility, he is bleeding all over. Say that to us it is essential that financial solidarity be guaranteed. He says he can't do \$3.5-4 billion, but can do \$2 billion.

President: Hell, he gave Italy two.

Kissinger: He says he couldn't again. We can probably get at least 2.5. He can sell it at home if he can say you insisted.

We are having massive problems with Israel.

President: The letter didn't answer anything.

Kissinger: The comment about the West Bank is just wrong. But that is not the worst part of it. They have announced the secret agreement about Suez cargoes. That hurt Sadat, and we can't use that in the next public agreement. Now he is saying the negotiation must be to gain time, isolate Syria, and keep Egypt from going to war if Syria does. This may blow up the negotiation.

Allon will be here. Maybe you should tell him we can't tolerate any more of this.

President: Fine.

Kissinger: Dinitz has asked to brief Rumsfeld. They always try a private pipeline to the President. Let them do it. Don is absolutely trustworthy. He could even be an asset.

With the Soviets -- the aide memoire. They want to count all missiles on the aide memoire. We could say we would take it out of the aide memoire but interpret it that way at Geneva. If we hang on it, we will get killed. I doubt they will give in.



I talked to Buckley last night. I will send Brown to talk to him. Also, the Badger is useless, but if you put cruise missiles on it, it could be dangerous. We used the word "ballistic" but it is not too clear whether it went over Brezhnev's head or not.

Tell the PFIAB to support Vladivostok. It is a big concession by Brezhnev. We can't say it to head off Jackson.



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K He said he wants you in Germany. Would he
want to go to see Security Conf. I would go to Berlin &
your party would call. He was not impressed w/
your administration.

P Is he serious, Genscher, & all?

K He's afraid of Schultz. Genscher he thinks is a nutcase
but Schultz is better. Genscher is
I think he doesn't know for sure.

Our message: P. Conf. no longer hold firm.

We need a strong thing for a potential market
for West. Will def. not enough - we must
have a big joint effort. Japan has an effort
but it. We can't go to public conf. We
can agree to principle & a target date. But
tell him we want to do daily progress
conf. Then Genscher get Com. Conf. & quinquennial
a c-p conf. If he wants to do something w/
Council, would make Com. efforts.

Let's reverse his steps 1+2. We could accept
his private group idea. Keep it to your use &
designate Schultz. Start w/ Com. only, then add
progress. He could take this to Council. Tell him
you will give Council a triumph at Munich.
but don't give Councilists a victory, that
they could kick us around & then get their way.
C-p party could be held in Paris.

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prep work for c-p conf.

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all missile or aid memor. We could say we
would take it out of aid memor but intercept
it that way at Geneva. If we bring on it at all
we will get hilled & don't they will give in
I talked to Buddy last night. Will send Don to
tell to him. Also Badger is useless but
if you just missile out on it, it could
be dumped. We used a small and bulletin
but it not too clear whether it went over Buy
head or not.

Tell VE, AB to support Vlad, Buy mission by
Buy. Can't say it to head of Jackson.