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MEMORANDUM OF CONVERSATION

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PARTICIPANTS:

THE PRESIDENT
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 & TIME:

Wednesday - November 5, 1975
10:00 a.m.

PLACE:

The Oval Office

Kissinger: The leaking is getting vicious.

President: I have told everyone not to say anything. I answered the questions at the press conference. I am catching hell, but I'm convinced I'm right and that things will be coming out right in the end. If we keep our cool, it will work out.

Kissinger: I have told my people to keep quiet and I am not talking to anyone.

President: The press think they have a license to use what people say for their own purposes.

Kissinger: Foreigners are wondering if we have a Cultural Revolution here. In the end we will be judged by performance, now how many hours I spend with you.

President: If we can keep cool for a few weeks, it will work out. Only Nessen should be talking.

Kissinger: On Franco's funeral, only three can go to the funeral itself.

President: I have looked at a list and will send it to Brent. More than three, it's just for the honor of going.



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Kissinger: The Economic Summit is going well. Do you have any problem about staff people going? I would like to take two or three. I thought I would ride the backup.

President: Betty is not going. You can sleep in her cabin.

Kissinger: Have we heard from the Chinese.

Scowcroft: Just that they have received our note and would study it.

President: I am speaking before the New England Conference. I would like to give a strong defense speech. I would like to make a strong pitch that I am tough, that you are, that Rumsfeld and Bush are -- look at the record.

Kissinger: Say: We want peace, but not at the sacrifice of our principles, nor our allies. We stayed in Vietnam until the very end, Mayaguez, Angola we can't talk about.

President: Brent, will you draft something?

Kissinger: You know about the coup in Bangladesh. It seems purely internal.

The Moroccans and Spanish are still talking. [redacted]
[redacted] They want to stimulate a compromise in Portugal. I am in favor of it, but not if it is amateurish. I have a day between NATO and the Consumer-Producers Conference in December. I may go to Spain for a day.

The Turks are speaking in Delphic terms and are cautious to move. The Greeks are stalling until the UN debate. The Turks are now willing to talk territorial concessions and bizonal consideration simultaneously.

The Germans have come up with an idea. Turkey has trouble giving territory directly to Greece. The idea is to create a third zone, administered by the central government, of the territory given back by the Turks. It has the advantage that the central government will have more power. The disadvantage is that the Turks demand equal representation and the Greeks say no.

Another idea is to send Wayne Hays to Ankara to lay down the law. My peoples are opposed to sending him.



President: I think it is a good idea. Hatfield got a PL-480 amendment making the MSA countries break out 80-20.

Kissinger: Elliot Richardson called to suggest Charles Adams for London. Did you also notice that Elliot said he would be a candidate for Secretary of State or Vice President if they were open?

President: [Laughs] And not for President?

Kissinger: What do you think about Resor for NATO?

President: I think it would be a prestigious appointment.

Kissinger: We could send someone like Vest or McCloskey to MBFR. It is sort of stagnated right now, and Resor might do better in pushing NATO on MBFR.



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