

MEMORANDUM

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MEMORANDUM OF CONVERSATION

PARTICIPANTS: President Ford
Amb. Willard A. DePree, Ambassador to Mozambique
Brent Scowcroft, Assistant to the President for
National Security Affairs

DATE AND TIME: Tuesday, February 24, 1976
2:45 - 2:53 p.m.

PLACE: The Oval Office

President: It is good to see you. I was telling Brent that you come from my part of Michigan.

DePree: I used to see you come down the street in Zeeland with my dad. [More talk about Michigan.]

President: You have a fascinating experience ahead.

DePree: I have been studying Portuguese. I hope they will talk to me. They are quite hostile.

President: How long did it belong to Portugal?

DePree: Five centuries. It is largely unexplored, for raw materials.

President: Did many Portuguese stay?

DePree: Not many left, and many of those would like to leave if they could get out. As you know, there are three missionaries in jail. I will do what I can for them.

President: What is the charge?

DePree: None. They are just being held.

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President: What are the economic conditions?

DePree: They are having trouble. Most of their economic relations are with South Africa.

President: What are the Embassy facilities?

DePree: There was a consulate, so it won't be too bad. I am taking most of my family.

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P/Armb. ^{Wm} DePaul (Mozambique)

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- P Good to see you, I was telling ~~you~~ Brent that you come from my part of Mich.
- D I would see you come down & that in Zeland w/ my Dad.
(Zmore talk about Michigan)
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- D I have studying Port. I hope they will talk to me. They are quite hostile.
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- P Did many Port stay?
- D Not many left & many of those would like to leave if they could get out.
As you know there are 3 missionaries in jail. I will do what I can for them.
- P What charge?
- D None. Just being held.
- P What are the conditions?
- D Having trouble. Most of their close relations are w/ South Africa. Despite their distance they make their contacts w/ SA.
- P What Embassy facilities?
- D There was a consulate ~~see~~ want to be the head I taking most of my family.

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