

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

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MEMORANDUM OF CONVERSATION

PARTICIPANTS: President Nixon
Chuck Connors
Ray Block
Major General Brent Scowcroft, Deputy Assistant
to the President for National Security Affairs

DATE AND TIME: Monday, November 12, 1973
12:00 noon

PLACE: The Oval Office

[There were opening pleasantries.]

President: You picked up Brezhnev. You needn't duplicate that.

Connors: That was his idea!

President: We have to get a picture of you to show to Brezhnev.

Connors: You look great, Mr. President.

President: You are going over now to talk about a movie, not to make one. Right?

Connors: They asked me in April and I just received a call to come now. I don't know which to do.

President: Go now. The weather is frosty, but they will all be there to see you. You're eventually going to make a movie?

Connors: They are talking about it.

President: They are tough customers to do business with. The Russians and Japanese are the toughest. But you have a unique advantage.

Connors: I guess it's better than not having an entree.



President: It's the only way you could get it done. You give them my regards and tell them not to pay any attention to this anti-detente junk. These are malicious stories and rumors designed to get at me.

Connors: Mr. President, it is disgraceful the way they are going at you. I want you to know as a private citizen -- speaking for all the quiet and nice Americans -- we are with you, and we love it when you come out fighting. Like when you said "I will not resign." You should do that more -- come out swinging and give it to them. The people will be with you.

President: The tougher it comes, the tougher we are.

[The President handed them gifts, then called in Steve Bull to get 12 girls' and 12 boys' gifts for Connors to hand out in the USSR.]

President: Be careful of the Russian girls!

Connors: I'm taking my own girl with me.

President: Oh, yes. I met her at San Clemente. The Russian women in general are very heavy and padded in the wrong places. Unlike Japan. I was in a bar in 1965 and my Japanese host said Tokyo is a man's town. To come to Tokyo with a woman is like bringing a hamburger to a steak dinner.

Connors: If you talk to Pat Frawley, tell his ad agency to get off my back. I did a Shick ad in Canada which slopped over into the States. Now they are complaining it conflicts with the Sunbeam ads I do in the states.

President: Frawley has really changed. He used to be an alcoholic. Until a few years ago, I never saw him sober -- never.

Connors: Mr. President, thanks for seeing us. And remember, give em hell. You look great, just tough it out and go on the offensive.

President: Thanks.



Meeting Ray Block Pres- Chuck Cannon
(Ray Block) 12 NOV 1973 12:00 noon ^{at the house} _{with}

- P. You picked up Prez. You needn't duplicate that.
- C. + that was his idea?
- P. Have to get a picture of you to show to Prez.
- C. You look great Mr. P.
- P. You going over now to talk about ^{movie,} ~~work,~~ ^{int} make one right?
- C. They asked me in April + said we'd call & come now. Don't know what to do
- P. Go now. The weather is pretty, but they will all be there to see you. You are eventually going to make a movie?
- C. They talking about it. ^{Next days are tonight}
- P. They are tough customers to do business with. But you have a major advantage.
- C. I guess better than not having an outlet.
- P. It's the only way you could get it done. You give them my regards + tell them not to pay any attention to this detestable jerk. These are malicious, spiteful + vicious designs to get at me.
- C. Mr. P. it is disgraceful the way they are going at you. I want you to know as a proud citizen - speaking for all the ^{full} Americans we are with you, and we don't want when you come out fighting. Like when you said I will not resign. You should do that now - come out swinging + give it to them. The people will be w/you.
- P. The tougher it comes, the tougher we are. (Pres. handed them gifts, then called Steve Berlin to get 12 girls + 12 boys gifts for Comoro's birthday in USSR)
- P. Careful of the Russian girls.



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