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MEMORANDUM OF CONVERSATION

PARTICIPANTS: President Ford
Dr. Henry A. Kissinger, Sec. of State
Brent Scowcroft, Assistant to the President
for National Security Affairs

DATE AND TIME: ^{Sat} ~~Friday~~, December ^{4,} ~~3,~~ 1976 ?

PLACE: Oval Office

Kissinger: Well, we did it in Japan [referring to results of Japanese election]. Frank Church should be proud of himself.

President: Was it really Lockheed?

Kissinger: Oh yes. It will gradually lead to a polarization between right and left. It'll be the first time Japan has needed a coalition.

Joe Kraft called. He said for the first six months they will compare Vance favorably with me and for 3-1/2 years they will scream "where is Kissinger/"

President: I know Vance well. He's a nice man but he doesn't have the vision or the drive to do the job.

Kissinger: I am deeply worried. Vance is the best of the lot and they can ride on our achievements for six months, but all the things they stand for will be a disaster. The deadlock in Geneva comes from our visiting Congressmen.

President: They think Diggs represents the new Administration.

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XGDS (1,3)
Per: Brent Scowcroft



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Kissinger: Exactly.

On the Philippine base negotiations, there are so many stories, let me tell you. We had agreed in the government on \$1 billion but had told the Philippines \$900 million. Then there was a question about defenses, which we solved. They had asked for \$2 billion but Romulo came to me in Mexico and accepted \$1 billion -- but said it should all be military aid. I said that was impossible, and he said "okay, we'll accept your offer. Let's announce it right away." Then either Marcos hadn't been involved and reneged, or maybe the Democrats talked him out of it, or maybe Sullivan -- a fair-haired boy of Harriman -- did it. He has a scheme for REA and wanted to use the money for that.

On Andreotti, there is nothing unusual. Talk about the Communists, the IMF negotiations, and OPEC. I am going to NATO tomorrow. It'll be nothing unusual. I will spend one day in London on Rhodesia and that is all.

President: How is Rhodesia going?

Kissinger: Not well. The blacks are now arguing for a very defferent interim government. They oppose the Council of State. Instead they want a British commissioner and a Cabinet -- with whites having only five seats out of 25.

President: Smith will never buy it.

Kissinger: It would be suicide. But I am telling the South Africans to keep it going into February. Let them have the burden of a collapse. Diggs, Clark, etc., are making it impossible to get a reasonable settlement



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P They think Depps is a nice Admin.

K Exactly.

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K. Not well. The blacks are now arguing a very diff. interim govt. They oppose a council of state - instead a Brit commission + a cabinet - as/whites having only 5 seats of 25

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