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MAY 22, 1974

TO: HENRY A. KISSINGER
FROM: BRENT SCOWCROFT

1. THE PRESIDENT IS HAVING BREAKFAST WITH LONG/BENNETT TOMORROW TO URGE THEM TO BEGIN MARKUP OF THE TRADE BILL. I APPARENTLY WILL BE INCLUDED AND WILL TAKE IT AS MY TASK TO KEEP THE DISCUSSION AWAY FROM ANY SPECIFICS REGARDING COMPROMISES OR "REFORMULATION" OF JACKSON-VANIK.

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2. CALLAGHAN ASKED ME TO TELL YOU THAT, WHILE HE WOULD BE DELIGHTED TO SEE YOU IF YOU WERE ABLE TO COME THROUGH LONDON ON YOUR WAY HOME, HE WOULD NOT WISH YOU TO FEEL UNDER ANY OBLIGATION TO DO SO. AFTER YOUR EXHAUSTING EFFORTS, HE WOULD CERTAINLY UNDERSTAND IF YOU WANTED TO COME STRAIGHT BACK. IN AN INFORMAL TOAST AT LUNCH TODAY, CALLAGHAN STATED THAT THE ECONOMICS OF THE BRITISH ACCESSION TO THE EC WERE BAD AND THE BRITISH WOULD INSIST ON REVISION.

State Dept. review
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3. AS I INDICATED OVER THE PHONE, THE PLAN IS TO ANNOUNCE ON FRIDAY RUSH'S APPOINTMENT AS ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT FOR ECONOMIC POLICY.

4. WHEN I DISCUSSED THE LETTER TO GOLDA MEIR WITH THE PRESIDENT, HE OUTLINED A VERY HARSH RESPONSE AND TOLD ME TO DRAFT IT UP. WHEN I GAVE

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HIM MY REVISION, HOWEVER, HE ACCEPTED IT WITHOUT CHANGE AND SAID HE WAS VERY PLEASED WITH IT.

5. MY BRIEFING OF THE CONGRESSIONAL LEADERS ON YOUR NEGOTIATIONS IS COMPLETE, EXCEPT FOR FULBRIGHT, MORGAN AND ALBERT, WHO HAVE NOT RETURNED MY CALL. ALL INDICATED GRATIFICATION AT THE PROGRESS WHICH HAD BEEN MADE AND WISHED YOU WELL. I EMPHASIZED THE DIFFICULTIES STILL REMAINING AND I THINK LEFT EACH WITH AN UNDERSTANDING THAT, DESPITE THE BREAKTHROUGH ON THE LINE, YOUR JOB WAS FAR FROM FINISHED. JAVITS ESPECIALLY ASKED THAT I GIVE YOU HIS VERY BEST REGARDS.

6. THE POLITICAL PEOPLE HERE HAVE NOT TURNED UP ANYTHING UNSATISFACTORY ABOUT RICHARD COOPER. WHILE HE IS A REGISTERED DEMOCRAT, HE APPARENTLY HAS VOTED REPUBLICAN IN LOCAL AND STATE ELECTIONS.

7. THE HOUSE DEFEATED TROOP CUT AMENDMENTS TODAY, BUT ADOPTED MASF FUNDING AT 1.126 BILLION.

8. WARM REGARDS.

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