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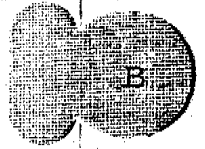
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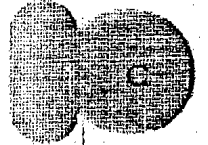
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By R.T. NARA Date 7-5-07

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

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ACTION

May 2, 1973

file China exchange

MEMORANDUM FOR: HENRY A. KISSINGER
FROM: WINSTON LORD *W*
SUBJECT: Message to the Chinese on American Newsmen

Per your request, at Tab A is a note to the Chinese making clear that we do not oppose the presence of American newsmen for the opening of our Liaison Office. This will confirm the verbal message that I gave Peter's girl friend last night.

On re-reading the relevant portion of the April 16 transcript, which I have attached at Tab B, it does look like you took a fairly negative slant on this question. On the other hand, in a subsequent ^{meeting} ~~lunch~~ with Han Hsu, it should have been clear that we did not oppose the presence of journalists - the relevant transcript excerpt is at Tab C.

Thus it is not clear whether or not the Chinese may be using the Trollope ploy.

RECOMMENDATION:

That you approve the message at Tab A.

Approve *(as amended & sent 4/2/73)*

Other _____

P.S. I was somewhat more positive than Tab A on the phone. You may wish to adjust Tab A in that direction - but it's somewhat awkward because of Tab B.

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TAB B

Excerpt from April 16, 1973 Transcript

Dr. Kissinger: That is all I have. Oh, one other matter re the Liaison Office. It has come to my attention about the desirability of having American newsmen come to Peking to see the opening of the Liaison Office. We are not opposed to it. But we have no interest whatsoever, and you will not offend us in turning down this request. Ambassador Bruce and I think it is not in the best interests to do it now. But if you would like to, you certainly may. And whoever raised it with you will be discouraged.

Ambassador Huang: We haven't received any information on this.

Dr. Kissinger: We have received information that Mr. Jenkins is active in regard to getting American people invited, but we want you to know that his enthusiasm is not shared in Washington.

Ambassador Huang: To correspondents this is the best opportunity to raise the request.

Dr. Kissinger: We have been told that your people raised some difficulties about it, and this has showed rather good judgment.

Ambassador Huang: We will report all this to Peking.

Dr. Kissinger: Good.

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TAB C

Excerpt from April 19, 1973 Transcript

Mr. Han informed Mr. Kissinger that his government had approved a limited amount of American press coverage for the arrival in Peking of Ambassador Bruce. There would be two correspondents each from the Associated Press and the United Press, and one from the Chicago Daily News; five in all. Mr. Kissinger expressed his delight at this news, but observed that the press coverage was a matter for the Chinese to decide. Mr. Kissinger inquired whether the American correspondents involved had been notified. Mr. Han replied that he did know the names of the individuals involved, adding that he assumed the Information Department of the Foreign Ministry would notify the newspaper men and also inform Mr. Jenkins as well.

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