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TELECON

General Scowcroft/The Secretary

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Time: 1:00 p. m.

K: How is the weather? It had better be sunny.

S: It has been very spotty but today is magnificent.

K: It had better be a tolerable house.

S: The man who designed it was the chief architect in Vail.

K: That is like saying it is the best house in Bangladesh. There will be a cook only tonight?

S: No, there will be one for breakfast and lunch every day and one on for tonight.

K: O. K. Have you seen the Evans and Novack article?

S: About the Defense thing?

K: Yes. It has two major points -- the story that I scared Defense -- that there were only two people in the room. Second that Defense needs someone there if they have cruise and backfire.

S: I hadn't seen that part, it wasn't in the summary I received. You know it is a Schlesinger piece.

K: Yes. They are setting me up for the agreement -- if it is a success, they have imposed it on me -- if not then I did it.

S: It is unmanageable. I don't think he is doing it for himself but because of the allies he perceives he has in the White House.

K: Yes. It says that too. It says the White House is asking Ford to rely more on him.

S: I hadn't seen that either.

K: I will send it to you.



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S: No, that's o. k. I will have Bud send it out.

K: On the detente speech of Hartman's, I am having my comments sent out to you. Have you gotten them?

S: I haven't seen it yet.

K: There is a rule here that anything that annoys me is done quickly.

S: What do you think about it?

K: I think it is an outrage. He cannot say that detente is a relationship among mortal enemies. What can the Soviets do with that? What do you think?

S: I think it is overblown.

K: The beginning and end I have no problems with but the central part is impossible.

S: Can it be remedied?

K: It is totally stupid to do it that way. It fans the fires of the anti-detentists. It is granting them 90% of their argument.

S: It isn't a matter of the phrasing of it?

K: He has to make up his mind if he is going to be positive or not. Maybe I will get Hyland to rewrite that part.

S: That would be a better idea.

K: O.K. Good. Let me get going on that. Are they- going to get my baggage on the same helicopter?

S: We will get 90% of it on for the four of you. The rest will be one hour behind you.

K: Good. I have to go over to see the President as soon as I arrive. He has the Aspen people coming tonight, and he wants me to drop by.

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S: They are to go by 8:30.

K: Yes, but I am to stop by and say hello.

S: You could drop by when you arrive -- you should arrive by 8:15.

K: I think I will be there before then if I leave by 3:30.

S: Right. You should be here by 7:30 or 7:45. You could time a drop by at 8:30 so you don't have to get involved.

K: Well, you know, they could have been invited for Saturday.

S: This is a Nessen operation.

K: O.K. See you tonight.

S: Good.

K: Bye.