TELCON
Win Lord
Sec. Kissinger
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K: Are you redoing the African thing.

L: Yes. We had a versions which is in the front office and we are redoing it some more. You can look at what you have of wait for what is in the typewriter now. It will not be tremendously different. We gave you a draft about two days which was bounced back.

K: It was not much.

L: We don't have much of a policy.

K: What would be a policy.

L: That it is, I think, it is a sober, restrained...

K: I don't mind giving them what our intentions are. It is not always possible to do a hell of a lot.

L: Right. It is our lowest priority, but it cannot say that. But it is a fact of life.

K: We can say something about forthcoming aspirations.

L: You mean for development.

K: Right.

L: We have some of that in there already.

K: I have not got it in front of me. See if you can give it a little more lift without promising them much more. I am just starting on the speech. Can I assume that all sections are now approved by everybody.

L: There is one substantive problem on the World Food talk. I have that.

K: Is the Korean thing cleared with Habib.

L: There were two minor changes from the version that you have which are not substantive. There has been slight tinkering. I will show you that in the next go-round. He is happy with the section.
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K: Like what.

L: I don't have it in front of me. I will get it down to you in five minutes. It is how you refer to the essentialness of the UN thing.

K: I don't want go have to redo ...

L: I will phone it down within two minutes when I get it back.

K: I don't know how many changes I will make. Has Peter worked on this.

L: Yes. He has had one go around. And there has been a complete overhaul of the Middle East that I got from Sisco late yesterday. I attached it. I think we have to look at his version. I think our rhetoric is better.

K: On the Middle East -- Yes. I looked at that. What you have is a lift from my Cincinnati speech.

L: That didn't get much attention. I don't know whether there is something from Sisco's we should put in. I think it best to give you his thing cold and also our part we have worked over.

K: I don't know how much it can be cut.

L: I have left that for you. A page and half of torture is silly. I don't know how you feel about it.

K: I am in favor of it.

L: Tht would get a headline -- let's make this the international year of torture. The other minor substantive point is IO thinks the particular conviction in the UN is a dead letter and that we should not refer to that.

K: On terrorism?

L: Yes. You have to talk about it but they think the particular conviction is a dead letter.

K: I have seen your addition here and that may be true. I want two sentences on torture.

L: Yes. A page and a half is a bit much. I think it can be boiled down.
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K: It will be hard to get it below 50 pages. What do you think of it. Frankly I will not have a lot of time to do a lot to it.

L: It is not a great speech. It is a world tour.

K: One of the curious things as far as the press is concerned is what we thought not good gets attention. I think my Cincinnati speech one of the better ones and it got no attention.

L: The Washington press have heard all of this. It is in the record.

K: Also the where do we go from hear if read carefully was quite important.

L: I think it is well written. A couple of things of interest like Korea, the Middle East and it is a general statement. You made a lot of concrete proposals and you are worried about the UN's role in your last speeches there and I think it is time for a more general speech.

K: My problem is not to get publicity at this moment. Have you seen what the God-damned Pentagon is doing on the Pershing thing?
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L: What happened on the Jordan Hawk thing?

K: That got so screwed up. What happened is the King gave us assurances and Case, to be pleased, wanted him to provisions of the sales contract which the Jordanians have signed three times a year. When they saw it in a letter it looked like another condition.

L: Is it beyond repair.

K: No. It is over. It is sealed.

L: I did not see that. How are things with Gromyko.

K: Fairly well. Are you going to be in New York tomorrow?

L: I had not planned to be.

K: If you want to go to that dinner I would arrange it.

L: What time is it.

K: 8:00. I know you want to go to the football game. Let me know if you want to go and let my maniacs know.

L: Good. I would enjoy it.

K: My procedure is that I will give you the text back early in the afternoon and I would like a detailed edit from you and Peter and I would have to have it late tonight or the very first thing in the morning.

L: Will you work on it tonight or early in the morning.

K: I am getting up early in the morning.

L: Fine.

K: O.K.