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MEMORANDUM OF CONVERSATION

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By dal NARA, Date 10/11/01

**PARTICIPANTS:** President Ford  
Dr. Henry A. Kissinger, Secretary of State and  
Special Assistant to the President for  
National Security Affairs  
Lt. General Brent Scowcroft, Deputy Assistant  
to the President for National Security Affairs

**DATE AND TIME:** Thursday, May 15, 1975  
9:45 a. m.

**PLACE:** Oval Office  
The White House

Kissinger: The shah is a tough, unemotional, and able guy. He has a geopolitical view.

President: Would he be interested in an analysis of the [Mayaguez] operation?

Kissinger: Good. Tell him you used more force than necessary.

Iran has now raised its trade figures from \$15 billion to \$26 billion over five years.

On the oil deal, he will do it if we can do it secretly. We haven't figured how to do that. One way would be to pay in non-interest-bearing notes, if we could do it secretly. He would prefer a swap of military equipment for oil, with high prices for the equipment. But we haven't figured that out.

I would go over the energy thing. He will slap you down, but it would be good.

Ask him about the Middle East. He is worried about Saudi Arabia. We told him we would support a paratroop operation in Saudi Arabia in a crisis. You could say you are aware of this contingency planning.

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- Knowledge of entire operation - BDA photos -  
\* Refer to 25 bit in the Transit

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K Shah is tough, unsubtle, able guy. Has geographical view.

P Would he be interested in an analysis of op?

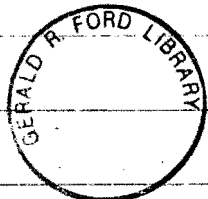
K Good. Tell him you need more for the message.

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Once oil deal, he will do it if we can do it secretly. We haven't figured how that. One way would be to pay in non-interest notes if we could do it secretly. He would prefer swap of unit eqpt for oil, but high price for eqpt. But we ~~are~~ haven't figured that.

I would produce a message thing. He will stop you down, but it would be good.

Ask about M.E. He worried about S.A. We told him we would support para troops op in S.A. You could say you aware of this - something.



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