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1. (S-ENTIRE TEXT.)

2. ON MONDAY JUNE 8 I HAD LUNCHEON IN PARIS WITH RICHARD EVANS AND NICOLAS BAINE OF THE U.K. FOREIGN OFFICE. BOTH MEN WERE FOR LORD THOMAS BRIDGES WITH WHOM YOU WILL HAVE BREAKFAST ON FRIDAY. LUNCHEON WAS AT BRITISH SUGGESTION BUT OUR HOSPITALITY. BRIDGES IS BRIEFED ON JUNE 8 LUNCHEON DISCUSSION AND IS EXPECTED TO RAISE THE SUBJECT WITH YOU. LUNCHEON DISCUSSIONS WERE BASED ON PERSONAL THOUGHTS NOT GOVERNMENT POSITIONS. IN FACT, THE CONVERSATIONS REFLECT PRE-DISPOSITIONS HELD IN EACH GOVERNMENT. MICHAEL ELY ATTENDED THE LUNCHEON WITH ME.

3. THE U.S. BELIEVES THAT THE LAUNCHING OF GLOBAL NEGOTIATIONS IN THE UNITED NATIONS IN NEW YORK IS NOT IN THEIR INTEREST. THEY SHARE THE U.S. CONCERN THAT THE PROCEDURES DO NOT AND WILL NOT ADEQUATELY PROTECT THE SPECIALIZED AGENCIES OF THE UN SYSTEM (IMF, IBRD AND GATT) AND THE AGENDA AS FORMULATED IS A LIST OF 4-77 DEMANDS RATHER THAN GLOBAL ECONOMIC ISSUES OF MUTUAL CONCERN. THEY BELIEVE THAT THE INTERNATIONAL POLITICAL MOMENTUM WILL BRING BIRTH TO GLOBAL NEGOTIATIONS UNLESS AN ALTERNATIVE IS FORMED. THEY SEE THE CANCUN SUMMIT AS A VEHICLE TO CREATE AN ALTERNATIVE AND HOPE THAT PRESIDENT REAGAN

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WILL PROPOSE SUCH AN IDEA WHICH P.M. THATCHER WOULD THEN OPENLY SUPPORT.

4. I RESPONDED THAT NO DECISIONS HAD BEEN MADE ON WHETHER THE U.S. WOULD JOIN IN LAUNCHING GLOBAL NEGOTIATION OR UNDER WHAT CONDITIONS. I THOUGHT, HOWEVER, THAT THE U.S. WOULD NOT JOIN UNLESS THE SPECIALIZED AGENCIES WERE ADEQUATELY PROTECTED AND THE AGENDA REVISED TO REFLECT MUTUALLY SHARED CONCERNS. FURTHERMORE WE HAD NOT FOCUSED ON POSSIBLE OUTCOMES FROM CANCUN BECAUSE THE PRESIDENT HAD NOT RECEIVED AN INVITATION AS YET AND IT WAS OUR UNDERSTANDING THAT THERE WOULD BE NO DECISIONS OR COMMUNIQUE EMANATING FROM THE MEETING. I DID SAY, HOWEVER, THAT WE HAD DISCUSSED THE IDEA INTERNALLY IN THE U.S. GOVERNMENT THAT CANCUN MIGHT PRESENT AN OPPORTUNITY TO CREATE A PROCESS MORE TO OUR LIKING AND LESS DANGEROUS TO OUR INTERESTS THAN GLOBAL NEGOTIATIONS IN NEW YORK.

5. I SAID THE U.S. WOULD BE WILLING TO EXPLORE SUCH AN OPTION WITH THE U.K. GOVERNMENT BUT A SCENARIO THAT WOULD PLACE THE BLAME FOR THE DEATH OF GN'S SOLELY ON THE U.S. WAS NOT ACCEPTABLE. FURTHER IT WAS MY VIEW THAT A DIRECT REAGAN/THATCHER SUGGESTION FOR AN ALTERNATIVE TO GN'S WOULD DIE BECAUSE OTHER PARTICIPANTS COULD NOT POLITICALLY ACCEPT IT. ASSUMING THE U.S. AND U.K. WOULD DECIDE ON A STRATEGY TO CREATE ANOTHER FORUM, THE FOLLOWING SCENARIO WAS DISCUSSED:

1) IN OTTAWA THE U.S., U.K., AND POSSIBLE FRG WOULD VOICE STRONG NEGATIVE CONCERN OVER GN'S WHILE PRAISING THE IDEA OF A SMALLER, MORE LIMITED FORUM FOR CONSULTATIONS AMONG DEVELOPED AND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

2) THE SIX OTTAWA PARTICIPANTS THAT WILL BE ATTENDING CANCUN WOULD AGREE THAT AN ALTERNATIVE FORUM FOR CONSULTATIONS (NOT NEGOTIATIONS) SHOULD COME OUT OF CANCUN.

3) QUIET DIPLOMACY WOULD BE USED TO SEE IF MEXICO AND OTHER MODERATES WOULD SUPPORT AND POSSIBLE SUGGEST SOME FOLLOW ON TO CANCUN.

4) CANCUN DISCUSSION WOULD FOCUS ON DEVELOPING A SENSUS AMONG THE HEADS OF STATE ON A SHORT LIST OF SIX TO EIGHT ISSUES OF MUTUAL GLOBAL ECONOMIC CONCERN.

5) INDEPENDENT COMMITTEES WOULD HANDLE EACH OF THESE ISSUES AND ATTEMPT TO REACH RECOMMENDATIONS ON WHAT SHOULD BE DONE INCLUDING SPECIFIC INITIATIVES IN APPROPRIATE INTERNATIONAL FORA.

6) INDIVIDUAL GOVERNMENTS WOULD THEN TAKE THESE RECOMMENDATIONS INTO CONSIDERATION AND BRING THEM INTO

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THE APPROPRIATE FORA AS DESIRABLE.
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6. IT IS THIS SCENARIO THAT TOM BRIDGES MAY WISH TO DISCUSS WITH YOU.

7. I PICKED UP IN BRUSSELS THAT THE EC CONTINUES TO BE SPLIT ON GN'S WITH THE U.F. OPPOSED, FRG HAVING GRAVE DOUBTS EXCEPT IN THE FOREIGN MINISTRY AND THE FRENCH ONLY LUKE WARM TO GN'S AT THE BEST. THE EC HAS AGREED TO KEEP CONTINUOUS PRESSURE ON THE U.S. TO CHANGE ITS POSITION ON GN'S BUT THE LARGER MEMBERS ARE REALLY NEUTRAL IN THIS PROCESS.

8. IN SPEAKING WITH MY FRG COUNTERPART, IT WAS QUITE CLEAR THAT THE GERMANS FAVOR A DISCUSSION OF ISSUES AT CANCUN. SCHMIDT'S PERSONAL FOCUS IS ON ENERGY, FOOD AND POPULATION. MY FRENCH COUNTERPART MENTIONED THAT HIS GOVERNMENT HAS NO POSITION YET ON THE SUBSTANCE OF CANCUN. HOWEVER, CHEYSSON WOULD LIKE TO DEAL WITH A SERIES OF "PROVOCATIVE STATEMENTS" AND NOT THE "USUAL LIST OF ENERGY, FOOD AND FINANCE." THE PROVOCATIVE QUESTIONS OFFERED AS EXAMPLES WERE: THE CONDITIONS NECESSARY FOR COLLECTIVE ECONOMIC GROWTH; THE INTERDEPENDENCE OF THE MONETARY ORDER (SIC) AND THE INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER (SIC); AND THE LINK BETWEEN OIL PRODUCTION AND THE PROTECTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS.

9. MY GERMAN COUNTERPART TOLD ME THE MEXICANS HAVE PRODUCED A PAPER FOR THE CANCUN SUMMIT. THE FRG HAD THE DOCUMENT PASSED TO THEM BY A THIRD PARTY. THEY WILL SUPPLY IT TO US. (PLEASE PROTECT.)

10. I HAVE SEEN NO REPORTING ON YOUR VANCOUVER MEETINGS

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OR DISCUSSIONS WITH MEXICAN OFFICIALS IN WASHINGTON. YOU WILL WANT TO PUT THE ABOVE INFORMATION IN THE CONTEXT OF WHAT MAY HAVE TRANSPIRED OVER THE PAST 10 DAYS.

11. I HAVE TAKEN A VERY HARD LINE ON GM'S IN THE OECD AND AT MY MEETINGS IN BRUSSELS. IN COMBINATION WITH YOUR STATEMENT AT THE XCSS NO ONE BELIEVES THAT THE U.S. IS LOOKING KINDLY ON THIS PROCESS. CHAPMAN
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- IMF/IBRD MEETINGS

1. (ENTIRE TEXT)
2. SIR KENNETH COUZENS (PLEASE PROTECT AND TREAT COMMENTS AS NOFORN) RAISED SOME INITIAL IMPRESSIONS AND CONCERNS PRIOR TO THE CANGUN AND IMF/IBRD ANNUAL MEETINGS IN BRIEF CONVERSATION WITH ASST.FIN.ATT.
3. CANGUN. COUZENS WAS CONCERNED BY LACK OF FOCUS AND EQUALLY RELUCTANT TO BE PRESENTED WITH A SPECIFIC AGENDA. THIS WILL BE THE SIXTH SUMMIT MEETING FOR MRS. THATCHER THIS YEAR, AND IS TO BE FOLLOWED BY MEETINGS WITH SCHMIDT AND MITTERRAND BEFORE THE YEAR'S END. THE PROSPECT OF GATHERING HEADS OF STATE TOGETHER FOR "ANOTHER FAMILY PORTRAIT" WAS DISTASTEFUL AND SEEMED TO DEPRECIATE THE VALUE OF SUMMITS. HE WAS ALSO MILDLY IRRITATED THAT THE MEXICANS HAD NOT SPECIFIED WHAT CABINETOFFICERS THEY WISHED TO ACCOMPANY THE HEADS OF STATE. HE WAS SKEPTICAL THE MEETING WOULD DEFLATE LDC DEMANDS FOR GLOBAL NEGOTIATIONS OR OTHER PIECES OF THEIR "SHOPPING LIST," AND WAS CONCERNED THAT DEVELOPED COUNTRY FINANCE MINISTERS MIGHT BE EXPECTED TO COME "PREPARED WITH THEIR CHECKBOOKS." MOREOVER, THERE WAS ALSO THE POSSIBILITY THAT, DESPITE THE SHORT TIME-FRAME, HEADS OF STATE MIGHT BE "BOUNCED INTO SOME COMMITMENT," JUST WHEN THERE WAS SO LITTLE TO OFFER. HE HAD HOPED THE DEVELOPED COUNTRIES COULD SIMPLY "ARRIVE, MAKE SOME NOBLE LITTLE SPEECH, AND DEPART;" HOWEVER, HE HAD HEARD SOME LEAD SPEAKERS WERE BEING LINED UP AND HE WAS CONCERNED LEST SOME RESPONSE BE REQUIRED.
4. SDR ALLOCATIONS AND FUND LIQUIDITY. COUZENS THOUGHT THESE WOULD BE THE TWO SUBSTANTIVE IMF ISSUES AT THE ANNUAL MEETING. HE ACKNOWLEDGED THAT THE FIVE HAD HELD TOGETHER IN THE EXECUTIVE BOARD ON THE FIRST ISSUE, BUT THOUGHT THAT THE SIMILARITY OF THEIR POSITIONS HAD BEEN PAINFULLY OBVIOUS. HE WAS CONCERNED THAT THIS AGREEMENT MIGHT NOT BE SO SOLID THE NEXT TIME. HE DOUBTED THE GERMANS WOULD BE FOUND "IN THE LAST DITCH," AND THE FRENCH POSITIO WAS ALWAYS BASED PARADOXICALLY ON THE VIEW THAT IF THE COULDN'T HAVE THE SDR/AID LINK THEY WERE OPPOSED TO FURTHER ALLOCATIONS. HE SAID U.K. OPPOSITION HAD NOT CHANGED, BUT THAT IT WAS CRITICAL FOR THE AMERICANS AND AT LEAST

ONE OTHER EUROPEAN TO BE ON THE SAME SIDE OF THE ISSUE.

5. CALCULATED QOTAS. A PARTICULAR IRRITANT WITH COUZENS, AND ONE HE SAYS THE BRITISH ARE RAISING IN THE EXECUTIVE BOARD AND POSSIBLY ELSEWHERE, IS THE USE OF EXPORT VARIABILITY IN DERIVING IMF CALCULATED QUOTAS. HE RECOGNIZED SEVERAL MEASUREMENTS WERE POSSIBLE AND THAT THE CALCULATED QUOTA WAS NOT THE FINAL DETERMINANT, BUT WAS SHOCKED TO LEARN THAT EXPORT VARIABILITY ACCOUNTED FOR SOME 60 PERCENT OF THE SAUDI ARABIAN QUOTA. COUZENS FELT THIS WAS TANTAMOUNT TO REWARDING OPEC PRICE DECISIONS, EVEN THOUGH IT HAD BEEN DESIGNED TO ACCOMMODATE THE PROBLEMS OF OTHER COMMODITY PRODUCERS. HIS CONCERN SEEMED DIRECTED NOT SO MUCH AT PAST DECISIONS AS AT THE POTENTIAL USE OF THIS MEASUREMENT BY OTHER OIL PRODUCERS IN FUTURE QUDTA REVIEWS; AND HE SAID THE U.K. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR WOULD BE EXPLORING ALTERNATIVES WITH THE IMF. LOUIS

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