

MEMORANDUM OF CONVERSATION
MEETING WITH SECRETARY GENERAL LUNS
SEPTEMBER 11, 1974 -- 10:15 AM

I saw Joseph Luns alone at 10:15 a.m., September 11. I reported most of my conversation with Larry Eagleburger of 1:00 a.m. this morning. He said Andy Goodpaster may not be happy, and I said "Oh, I'm sure it will be handled properly." He said "Well, Andy Goodpaster may not be happy." I said "I hear you." He said "Don't you think it can be done over a period of time rather than this month, and can't we drag out these technicalities that have to be taken care of, the letters and the DPC meetings, and so forth." I said "Well, number one, there is no intention of having Andy Goodpaster depart this month, that the dates that are proposed would mean that Andy would not depart until December." He said "Oh, my goodness, well, I am very much relieved." I said "Secondly, we would not want to delay the technicalities, indeed, we would want to move rather promptly on them." He said "Fine, get me the letter."

NOTE: Gene, I want to get a cable out immediately to Washington reporting briefly on the conversation with Luns and a strong personal recommendation that these technicalities and the DPC meeting, etc. get taken care of very fast so that no issues arise in the interim to confuse this thing. If the decision is made let's move on it and



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get it locked down in terms of the technicalities --
that is a completely separate question from when the
actual change of command takes place.

