

MEMORANDUM

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MEMORANDUM OF CONVERSATION

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

DATE AND TIME: Tuesday, October 7, 1975
9:40 - 10:18 a. m.

PLACE: The Oval Office
The White House

Kissinger: Perhaps we could get the 200-mile bill effective January 1, 1976. Then we could use the leverage in the negotiation.

The President: You felt the emotion in the room.

Kissinger: But they are wrong. On the deep seabed, if we don't establish some order we will have in 15 years a struggle like the competition for territory during the colonial period.

The President: I better read into this.

Kissinger: We could establish a regime which would organize it, give us 95% of what we want, and give the LDC's some residual. Without it, we could grab what we want but we would have a whole world against us. And that Case is nothing more than a Jewish agent. Why is he -- the chief bleeding heart -- against the Third World? Because of Israel.

[Omitted here is discussion unrelated to Law of the Sea.]