

MEMORANDUM

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MEMORANDUM FOR: ZBIGNIEW BRZEZINSKI
FROM: NLC Review
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SUBJECT: Evening Report (U)

Activities

Long breakfast with Colin Legium, the dean of Africa-watchers, editor of the London Observer, (and longtime friend), to debrief him on his recent tour of Africa. Among his many pronouncements: Muzorewa's chances of longterm viability range from bad to worse, and he suggested Mrs. Thatcher may be moved to drop party discipline on the sanctions issue in November, and the vote could then go either way. The latest judgment from the OAU corridors: Bishop Muzorewa is too heavenly to be any earthly good. (C)

Met with Ken Owen, editor of the South African Sunday Times (here on a private visit) to listen to his rather pessimistic views on several things, including the assessment that no matter what the U.N. or the Front Line States (including Angola) do to meet SAG's stated objections to the U.N. Namibia settlement plans, the SAG will not agree as "the political consensus in the Botha government which allowed serious consideration of the U.N. plan has now evaporated." (C)

Lunched with the Chairman of Consolidated Gold Fields of South Africa, Ltd., together with half a dozen guests of the S.A. Foundation (including Pauline Baker of SFRC, and the Director of International Affairs of the NAACP.) His pitch was that the way to break down apartheid was to encourage investment in South Africa. He was reasonably hopeful that the rapidly rising Black political and economic consciousness could be "channeled constructively, if the SAG is reasonably responsive, -but then," he sighed, "the SAG has an infinite capacity for screwing up." (C)

Press Contacts: Colin Legium, London Observer, and Ken Owen, S.A. Sunday Times, (see above). Also, Robert Manning, New Africa Magazine, re update on Z-R, and Cord Meyer, syndicated columnist, on an unsuccessful fishing expedition on Namibia. (U)

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