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## Loss of Latitude, Happy Attitude

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## The Fords, in Jakarta: A Feast, Then Gold Gifts

JAKARTA, Indonesia, Dec. 5 (UPI)—President Ford partook today of galantine of duckling and tournedos of beef with imported French

gold bracelet shaped like a snake. For the three Ford sons, who are not on this trip there were small golden tie clips bearing a garudas—

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(BETTY INITIATED)

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rites consisted of a squirt of water in the face -- conducted by White House photographer David Kennerly as Air Force One crossed the equator en route to Jakarta.

A squirt of water in the face traditionally is administered a traveler first crossing the equator.

Wearing a King Neptune crown and carrying a three-pointed mitre fashioned from aluminum foil filched from the plane's galley, Kennerly suddenly appeared in the cabin where Mrs. Ford, Susan and the first lady's press secretary, Sheila Rabb Weidenfeld, were seated.

The three astonished women got the squirts, then the explanation. Soon Mrs. Ford had appropriated the crown, the mitre and the water battle and -- with a conspiratorial grin -- entered the plane's private office where her husband was at work.

Catching the significance of what was about to occur, Ford quickly protested he already was a member of the Equator Club -- initiated during his Navy service in World War II.

and the president did not get squirted.

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TLY AFTERWARDS FOR THE 30-MINUTE DRIVE TO THE STATE PALACE. SCHOOL CHILDREN MOBILIZED ALONG THE ROUTE WAVED AND SHOUTED GREETINGS TO FORD, ONLY THE SECOND U.S. PRESIDENT TO VISIT INDONESIA.

THRONGS OF OTHER RESIDENTS OF THIS CAPITAL CITY OF 5.5 MILLION STOOD ALONG THE 12-MILE MOTORCADE ROUTE WHICH WAS FESTOONED WITH FLAGS OF BOTH NATIONS.

LARGE, COLORFUL PHOTOS OF FORD, SUHARTO AND THEIR WIVES LOOMED HIGH OVER THE CROWDS, AND BANNERS STRUNG ACROSS THE STREETS READ IN INDONESIAN -- SELAMAT DATANG PRESIDEN AMERIKA SERIKA -- "WELCOME, PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA."

BECAUSE THERE ARE NO SERIOUS ISSUES OUTSTANDING BETWEEN THE TWO NATIONS, FORD'S VISIT LARGELY WAS EXPECTED TO REASSURE INDONESIA THAT THE UNITED STATES HAS NO INTENTION OF PULLING OUT OF ASIA ENTIRELY, DESPITE ITS LOWER PROFILE IN THE AFTERMATH OF VIETNAM.

INDONESIA ALSO SEES AS A PERIPHERAL BENEFIT REASSURANCES TO U.S. BUSINESSMEN AND OTHER FOREIGN INVESTORS WHO HAVE PUMPED ABOUT \$5 BILLION INTO PROJECTS IN THE COUNTRY SINCE SUHARTO TOOK CONTROL OF THE COUNTRY AFTER AN ABORTIVE COMMUNIST COUP IN 1965.

DURING HIS 19-HOUR STAY, FORD WILL BE HONORED AT A STATE BANQUET, TAKE IN AN EVENING OF INDONESIAN DANCING, AND HOLD TWO HOURS OF PRIVATE TALKS WITH SUHARTO TONIGHT. THEN IT IS ON TO MANILA FOR ONE DAY, AND A STOPOVER SUNDAY -- THE 34TH ANNIVERSARY OF U.S. ENTRANCE TO WORLD WAR II -- FOR A MEMORIAL SPEECH AT PEARL HARBOR.

WHITE HOUSE OFFICIALS TOLD REPORTERS EN ROUTE TO JAKARTA THAT OFFICIAL COMMUNIQUE WILL BE ISSUED AFTER THE INDONESIA AND PHILIPPINES VISITS -- STARK CONTRAST TO THE LACK OF A COMMUNIQUE FROM FORD'S TALKS WITH CHINESE LEADERS.

BUT A SENIOR AMERICAN OFFICIAL TRAVELING IN FORD'S PLANE REITERATED THAT THE DECISION NOT TO ISSUE A COMMUNIQUE IN PEKING WAS INCONSEQUENTIAL, AND FORD IS EXTREMELY WELL SATISFIED WITH HIS CHINA VISIT -- AND HAS "A RIGHT TO BE PLEASED."

ACTING CHINESE PREMIER TENG HSIAO-PING, DOUGHTY HEIR-APPARENT TO THE AILING CHOU EN-LAI, SAW FORD OFF AT PEKING AIRPORT WITH FULL MILITARY HONORS.

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## U.S.-CHINA

JAKARTA, INDONESIA (AP) -- A SENIOR AMERICAN OFFICIAL SAID TODAY THE TRIANGULAR ASPECTS OF DIPLOMACY -- THE BALANCING OFF OF CHINA, THE SOVIET UNION AND THE UNITED STATES -- WERE THE MOST IMPORTANT BENEFITS DERIVED FROM THE PEKING SUMMIT.

IN A PHILOSOPHIC AND COMMUNICATIVE MOOD, THIS WELL INFORMED AMERICAN, WHO DECLINED TO BE IDENTIFIED, SKETCHED IN BROAD STROKES WHAT DIPLOMATS CALL THE "WIDE-RANGING" IMPACT OF U.S.-CHINA POLICY. BASED ON "PARALLELISM," IT SEEKS TO ESTABLISH THE POINTS ON WHICH BOTH SIDES SEE EYE TO EYE, ESPECIALLY IN DISCOURAGING SOVIET EXPANSIONISM.

SPEAKING TO AMERICAN NEWSMEN ABOARD AIR FORCE ONE AS IT WINGED FROM THE WINTRY CHINESE CAPITAL TO THE BALMY BREEZES OF JAKARTA, THIS OFFICIAL SAID, IN REPLY TO A QUERY, THAT THE QUESTION OF BREAKING OFF RELATIONS WITH TAIWAN SHOULD FORD BE RE-ELECTED WAS SECONDARY.

"THAT'S A TOTALLY SUBSIDIARY ISSUE," HE SAID. "THAT'S A REALLY SUBSIDIARY ISSUE BECAUSE IT WAS SETTLED IN 1972 -- THAT SOME TIME ALONG THE WAY WE'RE GOING TO NORMALIZE RELATIONS, WHICH MEANS SOME SORT OF POLITICAL RECOGNITION." HE REFERRED TO THE U.S.-CHINA COMMUNIQUE OF THAT YEAR.

HE ADDED "IT REMAINS TO BE SEEN" HOW THE CHINA TALKS WILL AFFECT THE U.S. RELATIONSHIP WITH THE SOVIETS, WITH WHOM SECRETARY OF STATE HENRY KISSINGER IS EXPECTED TO MEET IN MOSCOW LATER THIS MONTH.

ASKED WHETHER FORD'S VISIT TO PEKING AND ITS EVIDENT CORDIALITY MIGHT PROVE USEFUL IN GETTING THE SOVIETS TO MOVE AHEAD ON STRATEGIC ARMS LIMITATION TALKS -- SALT -- THE OFFICIAL SAID HE DID NOT WANT TO GIVE THE IMPRESSION THE UNITED STATES WAS PLAYING SOME KIND OF GAME, GOING TO PEKING TO APPLY LEVERAGE THERE AND TO MOSCOW TO GET CONCESSIONS FROM PEKING. THE RESULT OF THIS KIND OF SHORT-TERM NEGOTIATION WOULD BE TO HAVE THE UNITED STATES IN TROUBLE WITH BOTH OF THEM, HE SAID.

IN THE LONG RUN, HE CONTINUED, JUST THINK WHAT THE WORLD SITUATION WOULD BE IF THE UNITED STATES STILL WAS LOCKED IN HOSTILITY WITH THE CHINESE, THE RIGIDITIES IT WOULD PRODUCE.

THOUGH THE UNITED STATES ACCOMPLISHED NOTHING VISIBLE IN FORD'S FIVE-DAY JOURNEY TO PEKING, THIS OFFICIAL EMPHASIZED THAT THE FACT THAT U.S.-CHINA TIES EXIST AND ARE MOVING AHEAD IS IMPORTANT.

"WE ARE BETTER OFF HAVING THIS RELATION THAN NOT HAVING THIS RELATION," HE SAID. "WE ARE BETTER OFF IF THE UNITED STATES SECRETARY OF STATE SAYS IN CHINA, OUR RELATIONS ARE GOOD AND THEY WILL BE IMPROVED STEADILY."

DID THE UNITED STATES GET ANYTHING CONCRETE IN THE WAY OF A CHINESE PLEDGE ON SOUTHEAST ASIA?

"THE CHINESE, REALLY, ARE PROFESSIONALS," THE SENIOR OFFICIAL REPLIED. "WITH THE CHINESE, YOU DON'T ASK FOR A PLEDGE. YOU ASK FOR A DISCUSSION OF HOW THEY SEE THE SITUATION AND HOW YOU SEE IT. THE CHINESE -- IF WHAT THEY TELL YOU THEY SEE IS COMPATIBLE WITH YOU, YOU DON'T NEED A PLEDGE."

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ADD FORD, JAKARTA (UP-009)

IN A TOAST AT A BANQUET IN HIS HONOR, FORD TOLD THIS OIL-RICH NATION THE UNITED STATES IS DEDICATED TO PEACE AND PROGRESS IN THE FAR EAST.

IT WAS WHAT SUHARTO WANTED TO HEAR -- AMERICA HAS NO INTENTION OF PULLING OUT OF ASIA, DESPITE A LOWER PROFILE IN THE AFTERMATH OF THE VIETNAM WAR.

THE TALKS ARE CERTAIN TO CENTER ON ENERGY -- INDONESIA IS ONE OF THE LARGEST PRODUCERS IN THE WORLD AND SUPPLIER OF 11 PER CENT OF AMERICA'S IMPORTS -- AND INCREASED U.S. MILITARY AID, WHICH HAS DROPPED BY MORE THAN 75 PER CENT OVER THE LAST SEVERAL YEARS.

"WE REMAIN FIRMLY COMMITTED TO PEACE AND SECURITY IN SOUTHEAST ASIA AND THROUGHOUT ASIA," FORD TOLD HIS HOSTS.

"WE SEE OUR OWN PROSPERITY AND PROGRESS LINKED WITH THE PAST POPULATIONS, THE DYNAMIC ECONOMIES, THE ABUNDANT RESOURCES AND THE RICH CULTURES OF THIS GREAT REGION."

"WE SHARE A COMMITMENT TO ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL PROGRESS," HE SAID. "WE SHARE THE REALIZATION THAT INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION IS ESSENTIAL FOR INTERNATIONAL STABILITY AND PROSPERITY."

IN HIS RESPONSE TOAST, SUHARTO EXPRESSED INDONESIA'S MISGIVINGS ABOUT THE SITUATION IN SOUTHEAST ASIA IN THE WAKE OF VIETNAM, AND URGED THE UNITED STATES TO REMAIN A FORCE TO BE RECKONED WITH IN THE PACIFIC.

"COOPERATION BETWEEN INDONESIA AND THE UNITED STATES ON A BASIS OF MUTUAL RESPECT AND EQUALITY WILL CONTRIBUTE TO POSTWAR STABILITY IN THIS REGION," SUHARTO SAID.

"WITH THE END OF THE VIETNAMESE WAR --- ALTHOUGH THERE STILL EXISTS DEEP CONCERN REGARDING THE POSSIBILITY OF DISTURBANCES THREATENING THE SECURITY AND STABILITY OF THE VARIOUS COUNTRIES AND THE REGION -- THE SOUTHEAST ASIAN AREA IS NOW FACING A NEW ERA WITH ALL KINDS OF NEW CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES," HE SAID.

AND HE SAID SOUTHEAST ASIA IS OF VITAL IMPORTANCE -- "NOT ONLY FOR THE COUNTRIES IN THIS AREA, BUT ALSO FOR THE COUNTRIES WHICH MAY FEEL CALLED UPON TO DO SOMETHING TO ENABLE THE NATIONS OF THIS REGION TO SERIOUSLY ENDEAVOR TO CATCH UP IN BUILDING THEIR RESPECTIVE NATIONS IN CONFORMITY WITH THEIR OWN IDEALS AND METHODS."

FORD MINUTES BEFORE HAD ASSURED SUHARTO OF U.S. SUPPORT, DECLARING THAT "NO AREA IN THE WORLD IS MORE IMPORTANT TO US THAN ASIA."

"WE RESPECT YOUR NONALIGNMENT AND YOUR GOAL OF NATIONAL RESILIENCY," FORD SAID. "WE ADMIRE YOUR CONTRIBUTION TO REGIONAL PEACE. WE VALUE YOUR FRIENDSHIP."

FORD AND SUHARTO MET FOR SEVERAL HOURS IN JULY AT CAMP DAVID, AND THE INDONESIAN PRESIDENT, A SOURCE SAID, CAME AWAY WITH "GOOD VIBES" ABOUT HIS HOST.

BUT SUHARTO WANTS AID TO INDONESIA DOUBLED FROM ITS PRESENT RATE OF ABOUT \$50 MILLION -- A SHARP REDUCTION FROM THE \$230 MILLION OF A FEW YEARS AGO.

BUT U.S. OFFICIALS SAID THAT THE TALKS WOULD NOT PRODUCE A SPECIFIC PROMISE OF MONEY -- THAT THE AID REQUEST WOULD BE HANDLED IN WASHINGTON BY NORMAL CHANNELS.

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**PLEASE, SEND ME TO PRISON**

SEOUL - "Your Honor, please convict me and send me to prison. I would rather stay there," a student pleaded to the presiding judge trying 16 defendants Friday for alleged anti-government activities.

Koo Eun-Woo, a junior of Seoul National University, said in his final statement at a Seoul district criminal court that he would rather stay in prison because "the people now live in fear, and they freeze and look around before they speak."

The prosecution had demanded a two-year prison term for Koo's participation in a student demonstration at the university May 22.

A three-judge panel, headed by senior judge Chae Myong-muk, said it would announce its verdict on December 26 for Koo and 15 others.-AP.

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U.S. President Gerald Ford, accompanied by President Suharto, reviews the guard of honour on arrival at Halim Perdanakusuma international airport Thursday.-AL

## INDONESIA LODGES PROTEST TO HOLLAND

*Terrorism Could Never Be Justified: Malik*

dent," Malik said. The Dutch Government was responsible for it he went on.

Malik said that there are 23 people including 15 Indonesian students, four Dutch guests and four teachers who are being used as hostages.

Terrorism could never be justified by Indonesia.

ble admission of guilt in not supporting their 26-year-struggle for separation.

They set no deadlines. The attack on the Consulate came at 12.30 p.m. (11.30 GMT) when gunmen - variously said to number four, five or six, - invaded the five-storey red brick building in a

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## President's Visit Could Enhance Mutual Understanding

By Our Reporter

President Suharto expressed in a state banquet last night that the visit of President Ford could further enhance the mutual understanding to the numerous world and regional problems and provide more concrete substance for mutually beneficial co-operation in various fields.

Honouring the visiting United States President who has just arrived from a visit to China, President Suharto said that based on the similarities in the outlook of life and in the context of refusing differences in the

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