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WOULD CLEARLY BE THE RE-ELECTION OF THE PRESIDENT. THIS WAS WHY HE WAS TRYING TO DO SO MANY THINGS IN THE DIPLOMATIC, ECONOMIC AND MONETARY FIELDS - SO THAT HE MIGHT HAVE SOME MOMENTUM IN EACH OF THEM TO WORK WITH DURING HIS SECOND TERM.

2. I THEN COMPLIMENTED MRS. GANDHI ON HER POLITICAL SUCCESS IN INDIA AND SHE OBVIOUSLY WAS PLEASED. SHE THEN WENT ON TO SAY THAT, DESPITE THE SUCCESS AND PARLIAMENTARY STRENGTH OF THE CONGRESS PARTY, SHE STILL HAD DOMESTIC POLITICAL PROBLEMS. THERE WAS, FOR EXAMPLE, SOME OPPOSITION FROM EVEN WITHIN THE RANKS OF HER OWN PARTY AND SHE HAD TO CONTEND WITH OTHER PARTIES. POLITICAL SUCCESS, IN SHORT, CARRIES ITS OWN PROBLEMS.

3. FINALLY AS WE WALKED OUT THE PRIME MINISTER ASKED ME TO CONVEY HER WARMEST REGARDS TO PRESIDENT NIXON AND MRS. NIXON AND EXPRESSED HER GRATITUDE FOR THE GIFT I HAD PRESENTED HER.

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