

FROM THE DESK OF

MARGARET CHAPMAN

December 5, 1977

Dr. Shulman:

The Governor thought you would want to note the attached, but he does not want the memo to leave the office as it would only create trouble. Would you please leave it on my desk in the envelope after you have read it.

Many thanks —

*and best —*

*Margaret*

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MEMORANDUM OF CONVERSATION - W. AVERELL HARRIMAN  
AND AMBASSADOR DOBRYNIN - N STREET, DECEMBER 2, 1977

I told Dobrynin that I understood our Ambassador was getting along well in Moscow. He said, "Yes and no." He said that Gromyko was enraged by him for a complicated incident when he refused to give a letter for Brezhnev from the President to Gromyko to deliver. Gromyko had asked Brezhnev to see the Ambassador but had had to report to the Ambassador that Brezhnev was too busy to see him. Later on, when it was obvious that he couldn't see Brezhnev because of his impending visit to Paris, the Ambassador sent it over to a "low level" in the foreign office (the head of the American Section) with a request that it be delivered to Brezhnev. Gromyko took this as a personal affront.