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We regret that the last one did not arrive at a figure.

MEMBER OF THE PRESS: Mr. Prime Minister, we were told yesterday, by the President's spokesman, that the 'chemistry' between yourself and President Carter was "just great".

I wonder if I could ask you for your assessment of President Carter--having met him for the first time.

How do you feel he is?

How would you assess his interests.

Secondly, did you have an opportunity to discuss, with him, the speech in Congress after you made it?

PRIME MINISTER TRUDEAU: On the second part of the question, the answer is "No". The President indicated some interest in the speech, and some desire of reading it; but the next time I see him, I won't ask him if he did.

(Laughter)

On the first part of the question, I found the meetings extremely congenial; the rapport very direct; very frank; very candid -- almost modest in tone. And it did create a very good conduit for exchange and discussion.

Certainly, the point of view expressed on the African situation, and on other international problems, was one of trying to join together in a greater understanding.