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Mulliken: Hello.

Kissinger: Hello.

Mulliken: I wanted to check something with you. This is something worth checking. Burns, a Canadian teacher at the moment, saw a story in the Times, Post, and Toronto paper about the Party Congress in Peking. He checked with Peking. The Chinese government said they expected you there for the first few days of September.

Kissinger: If this is so they haven't told me. We haven't set a time yet.

Mulliken: Well, do you think this is worth printing?

Kissinger: It is sheer speculation. We have discussed several days but there was no agreement.

Mulliken: Is it a possibility?

Kissinger: I can't say that -- it would be going too far.

Mulliken: Could you say that the meeting will be in September?

Kissinger: I will say it is a possibility.

Don't go too far. You said it would be in August and it didn't turn out.

Mulliken: Did we print that?

Kissinger: The press picked up a Peking story.

Mulliken: One other thing. I saw Marshall Green yesterday and we discussed Prime Minister Whitlam's difficulties about getting into the White House.

Kissinger: That is not uncharacteristic.

Mulliken: Thank you.

Kissinger: Thank you.

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