



HENRY KISSINGER AND WILLY BRANDT
Mr. Nixon's adviser took a fall in Munich

Kissinger Drops 14 Ft., Keeps Talking

Munich

Presidential adviser Henry A. Kissinger dropped 14 feet yesterday in an overloaded hotel elevator, but laughed away the incident and continued talks with German leaders during a one-day visit to Munich on his way to the Soviet Union.

Kissinger left later by special U.S. Air Force jet for Moscow and conferences with Soviet Communist Party leader Leonid Brezhnev.

No one was hurt in the accident which occurred when Kissinger and nine other men, including West German opposition leader Rainer Barzel, pushed into an elevator intended for six persons.

A cable broke, officials said, and dropped the elevator from the ground floor to the basement of the Hotel Regina, where Kissinger was meeting with Barzel of

the Christian Democratic Party. A hotel official blamed overloading for the mishap.

Firemen freed the men after 20 minutes with the help of hotel repairmen. Kissinger looked ruffled and shaken when he emerged but smiled and told newsmen:

"I feel fine. We had a good talk downstairs and a good talk up there."

He was referring to the fact he and Barzel continued their dialogue in the elevator while awaiting rescue.

Kissinger, Barzel and eight other officials crowded into the elevator to avoid newsmen waiting in the lobby. After the accident, they used the main lobby elevator anyway.

Kissinger conferred with Brandt on a proposed all-European security conference.

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