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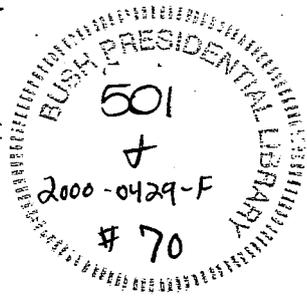
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MEMORANDUM OF CONVERSATION

SUBJECT: Meeting with Margaret Thatcher, Prime Minister of the United Kingdom

PARTICIPANTS: The President
Brent Scowcroft, Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs (notetaker)

Margaret Thatcher, Prime Minister
Charles Powell, Private Secretary to the Prime Minister

DATE, TIME June 1, 1989, 10:35 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
AND PLACE: Number 10 Downing Street, London

Prime Minister Thatcher, after a brief discussion of the relative merits of parliamentary versus presidential government, commented that the President must be thrilled with the way the Summit had turned out. (U)

The President said that if it had not been for the Prime Minister's "anchor to windward," the Summit would not have been a success. (S)

Prime Minister Thatcher |

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The President said he now wanted to keep the pressure on for progress in arms control. (C)

Prime Minister Thatcher |

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The President acknowledged that verification of a chemical weapons ban would be tough. He said that perhaps the U.S. proposal in 1984 was wanting in this respect, but the international community must try to achieve a ban. (C)

Prime Minister Thatcher |

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The President |

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Prime Minister Thatcher |

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The President |

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Prime Minister Thatcher |

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The President agreed, citing the example of China. The U.S. had to move carefully. The President supported democracy but did not want to jeopardize a great relationship. ~~(C)~~

Prime Minister Thatcher |

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The President described his meeting with Wan Li in the White House. The U.S. would conduct itself properly and work closely with the regime while supporting democracy. ~~(C)~~

Prime Minister Thatcher |

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The President agreed. He had made modest proposals to address this problem but the Prime Minister was right; the West must deal properly with the debt issue. (c)

Prime Minister Thatcher |

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The President asked if the Prime Minister was worried about Germany's future and the possibility of reunification. (S)

Prime Minister Thatcher |

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The President |

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Prime Minister Thatcher said East Germany was economically better

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The President asked what the Prime Minister thought of Austria's desire for membership in the EC. (S)

Prime Minister Thatcher |

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The President asked the Prime Minister for her views on the Middle East. He said the visits of Middle Eastern leaders to Washington had gone well. The Shamir visit went better than the President had expected, but |

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The President was not too optimistic. On Lebanon, the President was really depressed. It was an awful situation and the President felt emotionally involved. Things used to work there.

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Prime Minister Thatcher |

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The President raised the issue of American and British hostages in Lebanon. (S)

Prime Minister Thatcher |

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The President |

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Mr. Powell |

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Prime Minister Thatcher |

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The President praised the role of the Prime Minister. (U)

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The President |

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Prime Minister Thatcher |

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Prime Minister Thatcher |

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The President |

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Prime Minister Thatcher

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The Prime Minister commented that Ambassador Acland would stay in Washington for another year, until 1991. ~~(C)~~

The Prime Minister said she would be going to the next meeting of the International Democratic Union and asked if it was true that Vice President Quayle might be the next chairman of the IDU. ~~(C)~~

The President was embarrassed to say he had not heard that. The U.S. had an internal problem with the IDU, since the Democrats wanted to be part of it rather than be in the Socialist International. But the President would look into the question and would be pleased about the Vice President assuming the chairmanship. ~~(C)~~

Prime Minister Thatcher

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The President said he had thought of asking President Reagan to go to the Tokyo meeting. ~~(C)~~

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The President, after a brief discussion of the environment, commented on the Strategic Defense Initiative, saying he could not take SDI away. ~~(C)~~

Prime Minister Thatcher

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asked if the U.S. was contemplating holding an international conference on global warming. ~~(C)~~

The President said he was worried that there were too many conferences. ~~(C)~~

Prime Minister Thatcher

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