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## MEMORANDUM OF TELEPHONE CONVERSATION

SUBJECT: Telephone Conversation with President Barco  
of Colombia (U)

PARTICIPANTS: The President  
  
President Virgilio Barco

DATE, TIME: October 30, 1989, 2:45 p.m. - 2:57 p.m.  
AND PLACE: Oval Office - Presidential Residence, Bogota

The following is based on information supplied by Brent Scowcroft and U.S. Ambassador to Colombia Ted McNamara. NSC staff members did not monitor the call. (S)

The President initiated the call to discuss the Andean drug summit. (S)

The President suggested that the summit be limited to the United States, Colombia, Ecuador, and Peru. President Barco agreed. (S)

The President suggested that the meeting be held in mid-February. President Barco agreed in principle, saying that he would have to consult the other presidents and that he would offer the President alternative dates. (S)

The President suggested that a meeting of experts be held in November to begin summit planning, and President Barco agreed that this was a good idea. (S)

The President asked President Barco if he agreed that one day would be enough time for the summit meeting, and Barco said he believed that one day would be sufficient. (S)

Cartegena was discussed as the location for the summit meeting, with agreement in principle. President Barco described the facilities available there at the naval base, including security, the number of suites and travel times. But Barco wanted to assure the President of the safety of the site and invited him to send down a security team to check it out. (S)

President Barco also volunteered information on two (unidentified) Colombian drug lords, saying that he was informed that they had fled to Bolivia. (S)

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