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MEMORANDUM OF TELEPHONE CONVERSATION

SUBJECT: The President's Telephone Call to Prime Minister Jacques Santer of Luxembourg

PARTICIPANTS: The President
Jacques Santer, Prime Minister
Notetaker: Robert L. Hutchings

DATE, TIME AND PLACE: November 27, 1989, 5:31 - 5:34 p.m. EST
The Oval Office

The President initiated the call.

The President: Where are you -- off in Japan? I hope it's not too early. I am calling in a spirit of consultation about my upcoming meeting with Gorbachev. First, I have been invited by Manfred Woerner to debrief at Brussels on December 4, which I'm happy to do. Second, I would like to have your thoughts or suggestions. I am calling all the allies.

Prime Minister Santer: This is a very important moment. I back all of your efforts. It is a very decisive moment in Europe. As I have said in the EC meeting, we need to support democratization and help them with their social, economic, and political difficulties. I support your efforts.

The President: This is encouraging. I am getting good responses. This not an arms control meeting. There will be no agenda. Any topic is open for discussion, but Gorbachev must know there will be no deals without consultations with our allies. I will discuss his economic problems and also regional problems. I look forward to debriefing you on Monday in Brussels.

Prime Minister Santer: Thank you. It is an important moment. We support you in all your efforts. Best wishes. Good luck.

The President: Thank you. I will see you in Brussels.

-- End of Conversation --