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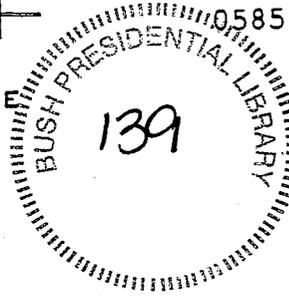
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MEMORANDUM OF CONVERSATION

SUBJECT: Private Meeting with President Saleh of Yemen (U)

PARTICIPANTS: The President  
Sandra Charles, NSC, (Notetaker)  
Shuckran Kamal (Interpreter)

President Saleh  
Director al-Anisi (Notetaker)  
Mr. Mohammad Sodam (Interpreter)

DATE, TIME: January 24, 1990, 10:45 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.  
AND PLACE: The Oval Office

The President: If you would like we can take a few minutes for a private discussion unless you would like to proceed into the larger meeting. And we can also talk privately later this evening in the residence before dinner. (U)

President Saleh: I would like to have a few minutes in private. (U)

The President: I did have one thing I wanted to mention to you. I know it is sensitive. I wanted to thank you personally for the role you played in enabling an American delegation to visit the Jewish community in Yemen. I am deeply impressed with the cooperation your government has given to Jewish Americans who have opened new ties with Jewish Yemenis. | (b)(1)

(b)(1) As I said, I know this is a sensitive subject, and that is why I'd rather talk here about it and thank you. (S)

President Saleh: We have no objection whatsoever to an American person who is Jewish who comes to Yemen so long as they are not Israeli citizens. We cannot admit Jews with Israeli passports since we are in a state of war with Israel. (S)

The President: As you said out there, if we can get a peace agreement, then perhaps that would change things. (S)

President Saleh: Do you have any another points? (U)

The President: No. I can make the others in front of everyone. (U)

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President Saleh: I have two points. First, a point on Yemen unity. This is unity between one people, one people that have been divided by imperialism. This is behind our effort at reunification. I would like to ask you because you have good relations with your own neighbors. We see reunification as a factor for stability and security, but some of our neighbors... (S)

The President: (b)(1) (S)

President Saleh: Yes. (U)

The President: (b)(1) I understand why you want unity. We need to work together to be sure no country sees this as a threat. It probably is because of South Yemen's past radicalism. If you can help moderate them, and if unity results in Saleh's views, your views as you expressed them out there, then we would view that favorably. (S)

President Saleh: (b)(1) (b)(1) Communism is falling, the Warsaw Pact is falling; we are persuading the communists in South Yemen to become moderate. (S)

The President: Would you be uncomfortable if we were to discuss this in the bigger meeting? I would like some of my top advisors to hear this. (U)

President Saleh: No problem. I had one other point on U.S. aid. I would like to request that wheat and grain be increased and provided on favorable terms, similar to those Algeria and Egypt receive. Also, we would like your help with the World Bank on loans with 10-15 year terms, like Egypt. (S)

The President: Will you be seeing my Treasury Secretary? If not, you should mention this to Secretary Baker and my Chief of Staff. (S)

President Saleh: There are good prospects for more oil discoveries. Which is why reunification is a must and solidarity in both Yemens is a must. It is not in the interests of the United States to put all your eggs in one basket. I remember your speech in Mareb where you noted that this area is full of disturbances, and you are getting oil out of the Red Sea. (S)

The President: (b)(1) I believe I am correct on this. (S)

President Saleh: (b)(1) (b)(1) that reunification will be a source of stability and peace. With it, border problems can be solved. (b)(1)

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President Saleh: I am keeping them informed one step at a time. I call every two or three days to talk with them. (U)

The President: Shall we continue this discussion in the larger meeting? It's in the Cabinet Room. (U).

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