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## MEMORANDUM OF TELEPHONE CONVERSATION

SUBJECT: Telephone Conversation with President Mubarak of Egypt (U)

PARTICIPANTS: The President  
President Mubarak  
John Montgomery, Notetaker

DATE, TIME: June 23, 1990, 8:10 - 8:16 a.m.  
AND PLACE: Camp David

The President telephoned President Mubarak to discuss the Middle East Peace process. (U)

The President: Hello, Hosni? (U)

President Mubarak: Hi, George, how are you? (U)

The President: All right. I am calling you on the recent difficulty and wanted to talk to you about a minute if you have a minute here. We heard from Frank Wisner about your concern and disappointment and let me start by saying I do understand this. I hope you know, given the history, I could not act otherwise as the talks are predicated on a renouncement of terrorism. I left the door open by not ending the talks, but just suspending them. I am willing to resume talks if Arafat and the National Council do what we asked. It has to happen. Arafat must simply say this attack is not good and here's the action taken to do something about it. Having left it at that, I hope the Palestinians will not reject out of hand talking to Israel and turn to violence. I just don't know where to go. Please send me your personal update giving me your frankest feelings. I just now talked with King Hussein on these complicated things. I want to find a way to press forward with the Baker plan. I want to keep relations with Egypt on track. I know I made your life more difficult. I appreciate your willingness to be involved and being a voice of reason. I made a difficult decision. I waited, and waited, and waited for Arafat to renounce the attack. I hope to continue the peace process and find a way to get it moving forward. (U)

President Mubarak: I don't want you to take the statements on the talks personally. I realize your difficult situation. I also am keen on the peace process. I will send my Foreign Minister with my thoughts on what to do next. (U)

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The President: I will be glad to see Meguid. I will tell Jim Baker who gets back today. I just wanted you to know I know this had made things difficult for you. (Ø)

President Mubarak: Yes. There is much going on. I have contacted the PLO. Good things are coming ahead. (Ø)

The President: Yes. (U)

President Mubarak: If somebody could condemn the attack on the Palistinian the process would not suffer. (Ø)

The President: We could work on something like that. (Ø)

President Mubarak: Meguid will be coming on Tuesday and Al Baz will be with him. (U)

The President: All right. I appreciate the phone call. (U)

President Mubarak: My best wishes to you. (U)

The President: Same to your family. (U)

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