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MEMORANDUM OF TELEPHONE CONVERSATION

SUBJECT:

Telephone Conversation with President

Carlos Saúl Menem of Argentina (U)

PARTICIPANTS:

The President

President Carlos Saúl Menem Notetaker: Donald C. Johnson

DATE, TIME

June 28, 1990, 5:08 - 5:12 p.m. EST

AND PLACE:

The Oval Office

The President: Hello? (U)

President Menem: Hello. (U)

The President: Mr. President, how are you? (U)

President Menem: Very well. I send you a strong abrazo and my

greetings to your wife. (U)

The President: She just left here. But she heard you were calling and sends you her best. (U)

President Menem: Thank you. I want to greet and congratulate you for the speech you gave yesterday to the Ambassadors of the Americas. Regarding a free trade area from Alaska to Tierra del Fuego, this encourages us to continue our efforts toward continental integration.

When you come down in September we'll discuss this more in depth.

The President: I appreciate your phone call, and look forward to seeing you in September. $(\cancel{\ell})$

<u>President Menem</u>: We do also. The government and people of Argentina are waiting for you with open arms and thank you. Many thanks for turning your eyes to the Americas.

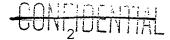
The President: We can't forget our own neighbors in this Hemisphere. I appreciate your kind words. I understand you are having a birthday soon.

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<u>President Menem</u>: Many thanks. Monday is my birthday. I value this greeting from you very much. (2)

The President: Well, that's great. You're still a young guy. I
wish I were as young as you are. (2)

President Menem: You carry your years better than I do. (2)

The President: I don't know about that. I'm off tomorrow for the seaside to finish my briefings for the NATO Summit and the Houston Summit. (U)

<u>President Menem</u>: I wish you, dear George, the best success. You can count on our support and collaboration. I wish you the best of success. (U)

The President: Thanks a million for this phone call, and I look forward to seeing you in September. Good-bye. (U)

President Menem: Good-bye, good night, and good luck. (U)

-- End of Conversation --

