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MEMORANDUM OF TELEPHONE CONVERSATION

SUBJECT: Telephone Conversation with King Hussein of Jordan
(U)

PARTICIPANTS: The President
King Hussein
Notetaker: C. David Welch

DATE, TIME August 13, 1990; 6:02 - 6:05 p.m. EDT
AND PLACE: Kennebunkport

King Hussein initiated the call. (U)

The President: Hello, Your Majesty, how are you? (U)

King Hussein: Very well. Are you enjoying the sea? (U)

The President: Greatly. How are things? (U)

King Hussein: We are still running around, trying to do the best we can. I thank you for your letter, it was really very good, sir. The reason for my call is that I would like to see you as soon as possible. I will do so quietly, or in any way you like.
(S)

The President: That could be very useful. Would you like to suggest a time? (S)

King Hussein: Anytime, sir. (S)

The President: I will call you back tomorrow. I'm unsure about the timing because I don't have a sense of my schedule and I'll be heading back to Washington. But let me check, and we'll get word back to you tomorrow. (S)

King Hussein: All right, sir. (U)

The President: We could talk then about the sanctions and the difficult position you are in now. We are prepared to talk with others about how we can help. Provide some support to cushion the costs for Jordan and make up the losses. (S)

King Hussein: Fine. That's only one aspect and maybe the least worrying. I want to put my thoughts and all the background before you. (S)

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The President: Are you flexible on the timing? (U)

King Hussein: Yes. (U)

The President: We sent some points through Roger Harrison that the American side would want to raise. (U)

King Hussein: Fine, sir. I will look forward to your call. (U)

The President: Goodbye. (U)

-- End of Conversation --

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