MEMORANDUM OF TELEPHONE CONVERSATION

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

PARTICIPANTS: The President
              President Hosni Mubarak
              Notetaker: Eric T. Johnson

DATE, TIME: October 12, 1990, 11:56 - 11:59 p.m. EST
AND PLACE: The Oval Office

The President initiated the call. (U)

President: Hello Hosni. (U)

MUBARAK: Hello George. (U)

President: Hosni, I am deeply shocked at the terrible murder of Dr. Mahgoub this morning. I know this is a terrible loss to Israel (sic) and of course the family. Do you know the nationalities of those involved? (U)

Mubarak: Yes, it is a big tragedy. We don’t know whether they were Egyptian or an outside nationality, but we are conducting an investigation. (U)

President: Yes, I was going to ask you who did this terrible thing. Give my condolences and Barbara's to the family of Dr. Mahgoub and the families of the bodyguards. On this other matter, and I’m sorry to bring it up at this sad time, but the UN Security Council resolution – we have a strong resolution; the Five permanent members are together, including France. I called Mitterrand and he feels the language is strong and good. We just need one vote, maybe Yemen, Cote d’Ivoire, Ethiopia, Cuba – well we can forget Cuba – or Zaire. If you can help us with just one country, then we can get this thing separated from the Gulf Crisis. (Z)
Mubarak: Yes, I said this yesterday. (U)

President: Do you have any influence with any of them. Zaire? Yemen? Yemen is probably mad at you. (☑)

Mubarak: We will try with Mobutu in Zaire. Butros Ghali knows him very well. (☑)

President: Well, I was thinking of Yemen. I was thinking of calling Saleh. You know Yemen voted once for us. I know you are being helpful but is there anything else you can do to get the PLO to back away from their draft? I would like to see this thing wrapped up now; it has dragged on too long. (☑)

Mubarak: Okay. I will see what I can do. I am going to do it now. Thanks for the condolences. (☑)

President: Stay in touch. (U)

Mubarak: I will. Thanks to you. (U)