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MEMORANDUM OF TELEPHONE CONVERSATION

SUBJECT: Telcon with President Turgut Ozal of Turkey  
(U)

PARTICIPANTS: The President  
Turgut Ozal, President  
Notetaker: Robert Hutchings, NSC Staff

DATE, TIME January 12, 1991, 6:55 - 6:59 p.m.  
AND PLACE: Camp David

President Ozal initiated the call. (U)

The President: Turgut, how are you? (U)

President Ozal: Fine, thank you. How are you? (U)

The President: What's the latest? (U)

President Ozal: I just saw the vote in your Congress. (U)

The President: I am very pleased. I hope it will be read loud and clear in Baghdad. It was a good win for us. (U)

President Ozal: I think so. Monday he goes to his puppet Congress. (U)

The President: What is it about? (U)

President Ozal: If he is going out, he will decide that. If not, he will strongly put forward his position. (U)

The President: Have you heard about de Cuellar yet? (U)

President Ozal: No, but I have heard they were holding their position until after your Congress decided. (U)

The President: If he decides on a slow pullout, we will need to consult. We can't accept half measures. (U)

President Ozal: Yes. We discussed that here. (U)

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The President: Also, Turgut, if he starts a pullout, we should monitor it. We should overfly it to prove it is genuine and peaceful, and we should tell him we will do that. If he is unwilling to allow it, it would demonstrate bad faith. (Ø)

President Ozal: It is a critical time. We will know on Monday. (Ø)

The President: I talked to Jim Baker. He can't make it in. (U)

President Ozal: The three airports are fogged in. Probably one will open by 10:00. I saw your press conference. You looked good. (U)

The President: I am still determined. If he doesn't get out, we will have to use force. There may be some last minute concessions, but we can't back down, and I won't. (Ø)

President Ozal: No. After your Congressional vote, you can't back down. (Ø)

The President: Your interviews in the Washington Times and on CNN were very good. Thank you for your call. (U)

-- End of Conversation --