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MEMORANDUM OF TELEPHONE CONVERSATION

SUBJECT: Telcon with King Juan Carlos of Spain on February 28, 1991

PARTICIPANTS: The President, King of Spain
Nicholas Burns, NSC Staff (Notetaker)

AND PLACE: The Oval Office

The President: Hello, Your Majesty. (U)

King Juan Carlos: Hello, Mr. President. (U)

The President: How are you, sir? (U)

King Juan Carlos: Well, I am very, very happy and I wanted to tell you today -- I know how hectic it must be there -- I wanted to tell you how proud we feel and how happy we feel, myself and the Spanish people, on this peaceful day that is starting. (C)

The President: Aren't you nice to call and I'm very grateful for this phone call on behalf of you and the people of Spain. And I might take this opportunity to say how grateful we are to the Government of Spain for its cooperation. I know it hasn't been easy for the government, but you came through. It is a wonderful, great day, isn't it? (C)

King Juan Carlos: As a military man, I also want to tell you the military have been so proud of General Schwarzkopf because he's been so fantastic and if you can tell him from me that I hope to meet him one day. (C)

The President: I know he would be honored and when things calm down, he would love to pay his respects. I'll be sure he has that message personally relayed from you to me to him. He is a great guy. I don't know if you saw his CNN briefing? He is very good. (C)

King Juan Carlos: Yes, all of it. (U)

The President: He says it well and we're quite proud. And that is the same for General Powell. We are also proud of him. I don't know if you know him, but he has been a strong guiding hand on the military side. (C)

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King Juan Carlos: I wanted to tell you he is very good and I don't want to forget Cheney and all of them. (G)

The President: You're nice to say so. You have my sincere thanks. Our Vice President came back and said he loved seeing you. Thank you for your courtesy to him. (G)

The President: I am glad to know that and I never doubted where you would be on this. It is very gratifying to see how the coalition and all the countries held together. I hope that we can get this matter finally concluded and then work for a more peaceful world. I know we have a better chance to play a more peaceful role. (G)

King Juan Carlos: I really hope for the best for all. I spoke to other European Chiefs of State to tell them how happy we were and I talked to the UN and Perez de Cuellar and I can tell you here in Spain -- privately, as a friend -- some newspapers were even sad about it which I think is awful to say, Mr. President, but-- (K)

The President: Well, listen, I'll never forget our very pleasant, all too short, supper over there in Tokyo. (L)

King Juan Carlos: You are very sincere. I've been looking to see if we can go over and get together again. I hope we have the time to do so and now we have to work together in this new way of peace and integrate security in the Middle East. (K)

The President: We'll try together and we look forward to seeing you. Please give my respects to the Queen. (K)

King Juan Carlos: And to Barbara our love and sympathy and to you all my congratulations. (K)

The President: Thank you very much. (U)

King Juan Carlos: Don't hesitate if there is anything you want me to say or the government. And please don't hesitate to call the Prime Minister. I will tell him I talked to you. (K)

The President: Please tell him thanks and I'll remember what you've told me. I won't impose on you but I'll remember. (K)

King Juan Carlos: Goodbye. (U)

The President: Goodbye. (U)

-- End of Conversation --