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MEMORANDUM OF TELEPHONE CONVERSATION

SUBJECT: Telephone Conversation with King Fahd of Saudi Arabia on May 7, 1991 (U)

PARTICIPANTS: The President
King Fahd
Notetaker: John Montgomery

DATE, TIME AND PLACE: May 7, 1991, 4:52 p.m. - 5:03 p.m.
The Oval Office

The President: Your Majesty, how are you? I just wanted to call and thank you for your inquiry about my health and your kind words. And also for the beautiful flowers. As you probably have seen on TV, I am back at work and feeling fine. They've discovered why I am having this heart problem, it has to do with my thyroid. Once the thyroid is cured, my heart will be good forever. (U)

King Fahd: Thank God for that. (U)

The President: How is your health? (U)

King Fahd: I am fine, Mr. President. Actually, my health was affected by your health and I was very worried about you and followed the reports closely with anxiety. (U)

The President: I would like to raise one question of business with you, your Majesty, if I may? (U)

King Fahd: That would please me. (U)

The President: I saw Bandar today and told him I am very pleased that the relationship between the Kingdom and us has grown and told him to tell you that I am determined to keep it that way. But at the same time and in the spirit of frankness, which I hope you will understand, I must tell you I am concerned about recent developments. I don't want to talk about that on the telephone, but I did ask Ambassador Bandar to convey some sensitive matters directly and personally to you. He tells me he is leaving tonight and I would simply appeal to you to give these matters your personal and urgent attention. (U)

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King Fahd: The Ambassador did call me Mr. President and tell me he was leaving Washington this evening and I assure you I will consider these matters. (C)

The President: While I have you on the phone your Majesty, may I ask you your up-to-date opinion on Iraq? This man Saddam is still there and we are very disappointed but wonder if you see any chance they will put him out? (C)

The President: That will be good. We are doing much for the Kurds but I don't want our troops to get permanently involved. (C)

King Fahd: We all share this opinion and I am certain the outcome will be exactly what you wish and that would be in the interests of the Iraqi people and the whole world. (U)

The President: I will look forward to talking to Prince Bandar when he returns and once again I want to thank you for your very kind words and friendship. (U)

King Fahd: Mr. President, I would ask one request of you. (U)

The President: Please, Please. (U)

King Fahd: My request is please do not exert yourself. God will be with you, I said a prayer directly to God for your good health. (U)

The President: Thank you. I will take your advice for a little while anyway. (U)

King Fahd: God willing, God be with you and give you good health. Good bye. (U)