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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

MEMORANDUM OF CONVERSATION

SUBJECT: Meeting with Prime Minister Carlos Viega of Cape Verde

PARTICIPANTS: The President
Samuel Skinner, Chief of Staff
Brent Scowcroft, Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs
Hank Cohen, Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs
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Prime Minister Carlos Viega
George Fonseca, Foreign Minister
Ambassador Jose Luis Jesus, Permanent Representative to the UN
Umberto Cardos, Prime Minister's Advisor
Alcides Evora, Chief of Protocol
Jose Lobo, Interpreter, Press Attache

DATE, TIME AND PLACE: January 30, 1992, 3:30 - 3:50pm
Waldorf Astoria, New York

President Bush: It is so nice of you to come all this way for a one-day meeting. We are very concerned on the question of Libya and are very pleased the Security Council stayed together. This was an international incident of tremendous dimensions and of special interest to the US and UK because of the numbers of people we lost. I hope the Security Council stays together. There is no special tribunal to take on this kind of case. It will send the wrong signal around the world if these people get away with this. The floor is open to your questions. (Z)

Prime Minister Viega: Mr. President, I would like to thank you for letting me voice the friendship of the Cape Verdean people to the United States. We always appreciate the welcome by the American people. As you know, in Cape Verde we are trying to develop and implement democracy. We had a municipal election. All was calm as if it had always been that way. (U)

President Bush: We noticed. Congratulations on the way in which it was conducted. (U)

Prime Minister Viega: We are of course encouraged by these developments and it gives us strength to go ahead. (b)(1)

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President Bush: I am very pleased about the economy and hope it works out with the IMF. I am pleased with your vote and comment on Libya. (U)

We have pretty good reason to believe the intelligence on Rabta and chemicals to be true. They are hiding material. It is almost like what Saddam Hussein is doing on nuclear matters. The other point is on Iraq, and I hope we stay together on sanctions and humanitarian and that Saddam Hussein will come to his senses and pump oil. Saddam would rather have his little children suffer. There is plenty of food, but he diverts it. We want to see the UN remain involved and see that Saddam Hussein complies. Evidently he is still trying to build nuclear weapons. Some people inside seem to be getting tired of him. The jury is out on what will happen in Iraq. But, we want sanctions in place, the UN involved, and Iraq to comply. He has hassled the inspectors (from the UN Special Commission). We have got to stay together. (C)

How do you feel about ECOWAS? I know you have been actively participating. How is it coming along? (C)

Prime Minister Vieira: Yes, I think ECOWAS is making progress.

President Bush: It sounds like a good approach. As host country, we are trying to see as many countries as possible. Thank you for coming over. I was up here 20 years ago as ambassador. In terms of tomorrow's UN Security Council meeting, it is pretty hard for people to stay in line on speaking time limits. I think it will be interesting. (C)

Prime Minister Vieira: Maybe we will see you in Cape Verde someday. (U)

Farewells

-- End of Meeting --