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MEMORANDUM OF TELEPHONE CONVERSATION

SUBJECT: Telcon with Carlos Saul Menem of Argentina on November 5, 1992

PARTICIPANTS: The President
Carlos Saul Menem, President of Argentina
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Notetakers: Robert Morley/Roseanne Hill

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AND PLACE: Marine One

The President: Carlos, can you read me? over.

President Menem: Yes George, I hear you very well and a great abrazo for you.

The President: I'm on a helicopter to Camp David. Do you remember visiting Camp David the last time you were up here, and we played tennis together?

I appreciate your calling me. I assume you are calling about the results of the elections. I'm disappointed of course, but we are recovering our spirits.

President Menem: Yes, George, you have to recover your spirits. You know of my great affection for you. And I remember that day at Camp David with you. When you leave office, of course, it will be a sad moment. I would like to have you in Argentina with me after that day. I am learning a new sport, golf. Maybe we can play together when you visit us.

I'm sending you a letter today, just to tell you what a great friend you have been, especially to me, the President of Argentina.

The President: Thank you, my dear friend, for those kind words. It's been a joy working with you. I will share with the new President what a wonderful friend you are and how wonderful you are to work with.

President Menem: Thank you, George, thank you. I just wanted to talk to you again, George, and tell you that when I go to the United States next time, I would like to see you, talk with you, share a drink, or play a tennis match. I want you to know that I feel close to you and have a great love for you, Barbara, your children, and your grandchildren.

The President: Thank you. This has been a sad time for us, and your phone call means a lot to me. I look forward to hearing from you.

President Menem: Good by and good luck, George.

The President: Good luck to you and a grand abbrzzo and many thanks.

President Menem: (Laughing) Good by.

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