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MEMORANDUM OF CONVERSATION

SUBJECT: Summary of the President's Meeting
with Egyptian Ambassador Ashraf Ghorbal

PARTICIPANTS: The President
The Vice President
Secretary of State Alexander M. Haig, Jr.
James W. Nance, Acting Assistant to the
President for National Security Affairs
Ambassador Nicholas Veliotos, Assistant
Secretary of State for Near Eastern
and South Asian Affairs
Geoffrey Kemp, Senior Staff Member, NSC

Ambassador Ashraf Ghorbal

DATE, TIME, Monday, December 21, 1981; 5:00 p.m.;
AND PLACE: The Oval Office

Ambassador Ghorbal: Mr. President, the last time we met here it was a very sad occasion and now I am coming here because President Mubarak has asked me to deliver an important letter to you.

The President: Well, we are looking forward to reading it and we will read it very quickly and answer you right away.

Ambassador Ghorbal: President Mubarak was glad he came when he did in October so that you could meet him and get acquainted. He is very much a disciple of Sadat and studied at the heels of the master. As you will see from the letter, he wishes to follow the guidelines laid down by Sadat.

The President: Well, we are going to help as much as we can in the peace process. We will be delighted to see President Mubarak here in February and we do want to move forward as quickly as we can.

Ambassador Ghorbal: You will find the letter dated before the measures you have taken were announced, but what we have addressed are additional steps that need to be taken. You will find the context relates exactly to the measures you have taken. We all have been encouraged by your moves. We feel, Mr. President, that your leadership and statesmanship is very much felt and that we all commend you for it. We feel reassured that we have a friend who will be strong to friend and foe alike. When there is a threat to stability, you make your position clear.

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Mr. President, we are not anxious to put a wedge between Israel and Egypt. We are going ahead with normalization. We also say "enough of measures that take away from the goals we are trying to achieve." So, Mr. President, you must keep on the pressure because we the people of the area feel the threat of violence and we appreciate peace. I must say, Mr. President, we have been heartened by the Secretary of State's remarks on the television in which it was clear that you had drawn a line on behavior. We feel Israel must implement her obligations under Camp David and withdraw from the Sinai. We hope that you will emphasize this. Israel is unnecessarily nervous.

The President: If we are going to be of help, we must be trusted by everybody if we are to have a fair and just peace and not just support one side. I thought that maybe Israel can't stand too much peace!

Ambassador Ghorbal: Maybe, sometimes people get used to old suits and don't like to give them up for new suits. But between us we can help them see reason and impress in them that things have changed -- there is a change. You know. You brought it about. After the attack on Iraq, Iraq now sides with you and Syria is anxious to get a resolution in which you vote yes. Things have changed in which you play a major role of conciliation and we have joined you in this. We need to let Begin know this and tell him "to simmer down."

The President: Well, I appreciate all of this. We will keep in touch and we won't back away from our responsibilities.

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MEMORANDUM FOR JAMES W. NANCE

FROM: GEOFFREY KEMP *GK*

SUBJECT: Summary of the President's Meeting
with Egyptian Ambassador Ashraf Ghorbal,
Monday, December 21, 1981

For your review at Tab I is a summary of the President's
meeting with Egyptian Ambassador Ashraf Ghorbal on Monday,
December 21, 1981.

RECOMMENDATION:

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and forward to Ed Roberts for file.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
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MEMORANDUM OF CONVERSATION

SUBJECT: Summary of the President's Meeting
with the Saudi Arabian Minister of
Petroleum and Mineral Resources
Ahmad Zaki Yamani

PARTICIPANTS: The President
Secretary of State Alexander M. Haig, Jr.
Edwin Meese, III, Counsellor to the President
James W. Nance, Acting Assistant to the
President for National Security Affairs
Ambassador Nicholas Veliotos, Assistant
Secretary of State for Near Eastern and
South Asian Affairs
Geoffrey Kemp, Senior Staff Member, NSC

Sheikh Ahmad Zaki Yamani

DATE, TIME, AND PLACE: Friday, December 18, 1981; 3:00-3:20 p.m.;
The Oval Office

Sheikh Yamani: First, Mr. President, I bring you the best wishes of His Majesty.

The President: Please extend mine to him and tell him I enjoyed our meeting in Cancun. I was looking forward to seeing him in January, but I understand this may have to be changed?

Sheikh Yamani: He is, of course, extremely anxious to visit and wants to strengthen the relationship between the United States and Saudi Arabia. He is also looking forward to strengthening relations between all the Arab World and the United States to stop Russian penetration and the action of the radicals. But, under present circumstances, Mr. President, after the Golan affair and the effects of the Memorandum of Understanding and our joint concerns about the Libyan situation, he feels that he has to remain in the Kingdom at this time. He is also afraid that if he comes without achieving anything, it would probably be better to have a delay because his presence in Saudi Arabia is very important at this time. He is scared that the situation in the Middle East will deteriorate

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further. The Russians have problems in Poland and Libya. The Russians have reason to stir up trouble in the Middle East. This, then, is the first item, Mr. President, for him not to come at this time.

He is also very concerned about Lebanon. We think the Israelis are going to do something. We are scared that a chain reaction could take place and that could become very serious. The Crown Prince wants you to do something to defuse tension in the region. You have achieved many things so far. Your friends must be strong and for this reason the attitude and behavior of the United States Government at the Security Council is extremely important. Concerning the first vote on the Golan, we did not want the United States to do something with Israel against the others. We tried to eliminate that possibility. Anything that you do will reflect on the perception of the United States.

The President: Yes, and we are very concerned, too. We are trying to change the situation. We still need the Crown Prince's help in Lebanon. We regret very much the actions that have come about that could threaten the cease-fire. Tell the Crown Prince that we will be happy to have him visit at a later date when the situation has changed.

Sheikh Yamani: The Crown Prince is more than happy to play a creative role in Lebanon. Israel needs pressure from her friends.

Secretary Haig: I explained in some detail to Sheikh Yamani your actions as a result of the Golan annexation. We will provide more information as this goes along.

Sheikh Yamani: Yes, I had a good session with the Secretary of State and look forward to the steps taken to ensure that the Israelis do not do anything. So, if this is all right, Mr. President, I will inform His Majesty that we'll have a delay in the visit.

Secretary Haig: We will work out a joint statement. It is better to do it during this current crisis and use that as a reason for delay. Mr. President, the Sheikh has been a special friend of the United States. Since the early days of the oil crisis, he has always been thoughtful to see that the interests of the United States and Saudi Arabia have coincided.

Sheikh Yamani: I have been glad to do this.

After pleasantries, the meeting broke up at 1520.

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MEMORANDUM FOR JAMES W. NANCE

FROM: GEOFFREY KEMP *JK*SUBJECT: Summary of the President's Meeting
with Sheikh Yamani, December 18, 1981

Attached for your review at Tab I is the memorandum of conversation between the President and Sheikh Yamani of Saudi Arabia on December 18, 1981.

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