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MEMORANDUM OF TELEPHONE CONVERSATION

SUBJECT: The President's Telephone Call to President
Turgut Ozal of Turkey (U)

PARTICIPANTS: The President
Turgut Ozal, President
Notetaker: Robert L. Hutchings

DATE, TIME November 27, 1989, 12:09 - 12:13 p.m. EST
AND PLACE: The Oval Office

The President initiated the call. (U)

The President: How are you? I am calling about the Malta meeting. I wondered if you had any concerns or words of consultation or advice. I wanted to touch base with all of the NATO allies and assure you that there would be no deals made over your heads at Malta. I also wanted to get advice, especially from you, since you are so geographically close to the Soviet Union. (U)

Prime Minister Ozal: I would say to be careful and cautious, but also try to help the Soviet economy and democratization in Eastern Europe. (U)

The President: I think that is good advice. I just had a meeting with Alan Greenspan, the Chairman of our Federal Reserve Board. On the economic side, it is my intention to try to help, but real reforms are needed. (U)

Prime Minister Ozal: The situation is similar to our efforts in the 1980s. We had friends' help, but we made our own efforts. (U)

The President: Arms control will be for a summit and after consultation with our allies. He may bring it up, but I will say I need to consult with my allies. (U)

Prime Minister Ozal: I agree. (U)

The President: I wanted to touch base with you and other allies. There is a kind of euphoria now. We do want to help and are prepared to make suggestions. (U)

Prime Minister Ozal: I am sure they need help, but they should accept that Marxism is dead. (U)

The President: We'll be in Brussels at the invitation of Manfred Woerner to discuss Malta with our allies. (U)

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Prime Minister Ozal: Our Prime Minister will be there. (U)

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