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MEMORANDUM OF TELEPHONE CONVERSATION

SUBJECT: Telephone Conversation with Prime
Minister Michael Manley of Jamaica (U)

PARTICIPANTS: The President
Prime Minister Michael Manley
Notetaker: David Pacelli

DATE, TIME June 8, 1990, 10:58 - 11:01 a.m. EST
AND PLACE: The Oval Office/Miami Heart Institute

The President called Prime Minister Manley at the Miami Heart Institute, Florida, to check on his progress, assure him of his personal concern, and offer assistance if needed. (U)

The President: (Call in progress -- not heard.)

Prime Minister Manley: Can I congratulate you on your superb performance during the Gorbachev visit? (U)

The President: Thank you. We still have big problems of course. I was impressed with him. We'll try to keep on an even keel on Lithuania. I am seeing Kohl on the German situation today. (Missing words.) Thanks for your kind words. I am determined to see these things through. (Missing words) (✓)

Prime Minister Manley: Well, the whole world is behind you. (U)

The President: Nice of you to put it that way. Tell me how you are doing, and then I'll let you go. (U)

Prime Minister Manley: Well, I am shut up here with double pneumonia. I really did not take very good care of myself. Everyone at the hospital has been terribly kind, terribly kind. I have to get ready for the middle of next week. I have this damn operation to get ready for. (✓)

The President: Do you have to have an operation? (✓)

Prime Minister Manley: Yes, I have cancer of the prostate. (✓)

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The President: Yes, Yes. (U)

Prime Minister Manley: I have to get in shape for it, like Mike Tyson getting in shape for a fight. (Ø)

The President: We are all rooting for you -- anything we can do, medical, anything at all, you just pick up the phone and we'll take care of it. (Ø)

Prime Minister Manley: That is very nice of you. I know you will lick the German question. (Ø)

The President: [Not heard.] Well, we're all wishing you all the best. (U)

Prime Minister Manley: I want you to know how very important this call was to me. God bless you. (Ø)

The President: Thank you very much. Take care of yourself. Goodbye. (U)

Prime Minister Manley: Goodbye. (U)

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