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MEMORANDUM OF TELEPHONE CONVERSATION

SUBJECT: Telcon with President-elect Jacques Chirac of France

PARTICIPANTS: The President
President-elect Jacques Chirac
Notetaker: Alexander Vershbow, Joyce Harmon, Kenneth Baldwin, Karen Dragone and Katherine O'Loughlin

DATE, TIME May 8, 1995, 2:20 - 2:27 p.m. EDT
AND PLACE: Air Force One

The President: Hello, Jacques.

President-elect Chirac: Hello, how are you?

The President: Fine. Congratulations!

President-elect Chirac: It's so nice of you to give me a phone call. I was pleased to see Al Gore today.

The President: I'm very excited for you. I know you are very busy. I just called to congratulate you on your victory. My wife asked me to say hello and to tell you how much she enjoyed her meeting with you.

President-elect Chirac: That's very nice. I am a great admirer of hers. Send her my best wishes.

The President: We now have something in common. We both started off in third place and won. (Laughter)

President-elect Chirac: That's right. I think we are going to meet in Halifax.

The President: Yes, and again shortly after that. I'm looking forward to it.

President-elect Chirac: It was nice of you to call. I have always appreciated the way you have been so nice to me.

The President: I am very excited about working with you and looking forward to our meeting. I know you are very busy right now.

President-elect Chirac: As I said, I talked to Al Gore. He'll tell you about the Franco-American meeting we should have.

The President: I look forward to that.

President-elect Chirac: Again, send my regards to Hillary.

The President: Thank you.

President-elect Chirac: I hope to see you as soon as possible.

The President: Me too.

President-elect Chirac: Thank you. Nice of you to call.
Bye-Bye.

The President: Good bye.

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