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MEMORANDUM FOR

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MR. WILLIAM P. MARRIOTT Executive Secretary Department of Defense

MR. HARRY K. THOMAS, JR. Executive Secretary Department of State

SUBJECT:

Memorandum of Telephone Conversation with Mrs. Rebecca Nyandeng Chol GARANG de Mabior, Widow of Sudanese Vice President Garang

The attached Memorandum of Telephone Conversation between the President and Mrs. Rebecca Nyandeng Chol GARANG e Mabior, widow of Sudanese Vice President Garang, on August 8, 2005, is provided eyes only for the information of the Vice President, the Secretary of State, and the Secretary of Defense.

Executive Secretary

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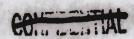
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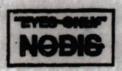
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MEMORANDUM OF TELEPHONE CONVERSATION

SUBJECT:

Telcon with Mrs. Rebecca Nyandeng Chol GARANG

de Mabior, widow of Vice President Garang of

Sudan

PARTICIPANTS:

The President

Rebecca Nyandeng Chol GARANG de Mabior

Notetakers: Susan Brockhaus, Tim Cronin, and

Michael Chapman

DATE, TIME AND PLACE: August 8, 2005, 7:48 - 7:52 a.m. CDT

Crawford, Texas

The President: Mrs. Garang, this is George Bush calling. (U)

Mrs. Garang: Yes, your Excellency. (U)

The President: Look, I am calling to express mine and Laura's condolences to you and your family over the death of your very strong and courageous husband. I want you to know our prayers are with you. The people of the United States mourn with you.

(U)

Mrs. Garang: Thank you very much, your Excellency. (U)

The President: I also know you are a very strong person, and I want to thank you for your leadership and call for calm and order. I know this is very difficult for you. I want you to know my government will work with you and the people in the south to work with the peace treaty that your husband negotiated. (U)

Mrs. Garang: Thank you very much. Without your help this would not be true. Personally, I would love for you to continue giving the pledges, to give your support and weight behind it so that we can start the vision, programs, and objectives of my late, dear husband for the people of Sudan. I know you strongly stand behind the them.

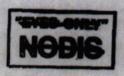
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The President: I do. That is one of my reasons for calling you, to reassure you we are strong supporters of the Comprehensive Peace Agreement, up and down the government. We will continue to push hard to realize the vision of peace that you and your husband tried to achieve.

Mrs. Garang: Thank you. Also, we need to speed up the peacekeeping forces. We are very happy to see the appointment of the new envoy you sent.

The President: Thank you. That is a symbol of our intent and desire to implement the vision. (U)

Mrs. Garang: Thank you. (U)

The President: Are you doing o.k.? (U)

Mrs. Garang: I am doing fine. I received the letter from you and your wife. Thank you very much. (U)

The President: As you know, my wife was born and I was raised in Midland, Texas, a town that has a fond appreciation for you and your husband. (U)

Mrs. Garang: Thank you. Yes, we visited there. We love that place, even your churches; we went there and prayed on Sunday. (U)

The President: I know that the people there care about you and are praying for you. (U)

Mrs. Garang: Thank you. (U)

The President: It is awfully kind of you to take my phone call. Thank you so very much, and may God bless you and your family.
(U)

Mrs. Garang: Same to you and the people of the United States.

The President: Thank you, Mrs. Garang. (U)

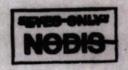
Mrs. Garang: Thank you. Bye-bye. (U)

The President: Bye. (U)

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