



**NIXON PRESIDENTIAL MATERIALS STAFF**

**Tape Subject Log**  
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Conversation No. 83-1

Date: November 15, 1971  
Time: 3:36 pm - unknown before 11:59 pm  
Location: Cabinet Room

The President met with William P. Rogers, John B. Connally, Melvin R. Laird, John N. Mitchell, William T. Pecora, Clifford M. Hardin, Maurice H. Stans, James D. Hodgson, John G. Veneman, George W. Romney, John A. Volpe, David M. Kennedy, George P. Shultz, Donald H. Rumsfeld, H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman, John D. Ehrlichman, Raymond K. Price, Jr., Alexander P. Butterfield, William Bird, and Chester C. Spurgeon

[Recording begins while the conversation is in progress]

- TRANSPO 72
  - Cabinet co-operation
  - United States' leadership
    - Aircraft
  - Theme
  - Purpose

Ronald L. Ziegler entered and Bird and Spurgeon left at 3:40 pm

- Volpe's trip to Europe
  - Romania
  - Poland

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Volpe's trip to Europe

Clark MacGregor entered at 3:45 pm

Ziegler left at 3:55 pm

Ziegler entered at 4:00 pm

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Budget

- Continuing resolution
  - MacGregor
  - The President's previous meeting with congressmen
    - Michael J. ("Mike") Mansfield and Hugh Scott
    - Allen J. Ellender and Milton R. Young
    - Gerald R. Ford, George H. Mahon and Frank T. Bow
    - Carl B. Albert and [Thomas] Hale Boggs
  - Views of Mansfield and Ellender
  - Timing
  - Ford's views
  - Mitchell's opinion
  - Previous resolutions
  - Office of Economic Opportunity [OEO]
  - Cut-off of funds
    - Effect on government
  - Ellender's views
  - House of Representatives' rules

Connally

- Schedule
  - Cost of Living Council

Opium poppies

- Utility
- Color

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Turkey

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Opium poppies

- Role of opium in the plant
- Usage
- Hardin's conversation with an unknown Turkish poppy breeder
  - Aid to the United States

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- Cultivation
- Unknown man's visits

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Hardin

- Resignation from Cabinet
- Tenure in office
- Replacement
  - The President's conversation with Senator Young
- Chair
  - US Department of Agriculture [USDA] staff
- The President's conversation with Carl T. Curtis
  - Book on Nebraska football, Big Red
    - [Forename unknown] Ryboe [sp?]
    - Lloyd Cardwell
    - [Forename unknown] Stauer [sp?]
    - Former coach of Wyoming
      - Hardin's role
  - Albert
- Chair
  - USDA staff

Agriculture

- Hardin's tenure and future
- The President's program
  - Views of Tony C. DeChant
    - National Farmers' Union
    - Role in Democratic Party
- Farm prices
  - Port strike

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- Animal growers
- Prospects
- Loan program
- Earl L. Butz
  - Confirmation as Secretary
    - Grange, Farm Bureau, and National Farmers' Union
- Soil conservation
  - USDA
  - Monthly meetings
  - The President's Palm Springs radio broadcast
  - Importance
    - Dust Bowl
    - Butz's statement
    - Franklin D. Roosevelt

[General conversation/Unintelligible]

The President and Rumsfeld left at 4:26 pm; Rogers, *et al.* left at an unknown time before 11:59 pm

Conversation No. 83-3

Date: November 16, 1971

Time: Unknown between 12:00 am and 10:15 am

Location: Cabinet Room

John B. Connally met with Donald H. Rumsfeld, Hugh Scott, Robert P. Griffin, Peter H. Dominick, Gerald R. Ford, Leslie C. Arends, John B. Anderson, Samuel L. Devine, Richard H. Poff, John J. Rhodes, Robert C. ("Bob") Wilson, H. Allen Smith, Robert J. Dole, John D. Ehrlichman, George P. Shultz, Clark MacGregor, Harry S. Dent, William E. Timmons, Richard K. Cook, Eugene S. Cowen, Patrick J. Buchanan, and Ronald L. Ziegler

[General conversation/Unintelligible]

The President entered at 8:07 am

Agenda

- Rumsfeld
- Connally

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National Economy

- The President's program of wage and price control
  - Pay Board, Price Commission, and Cost of Living Council
    - Activities
    - Applicability of controls
  - Enforcement
    - Freeze
    - Internal Revenue Service [IRS]
  - Effect and role
    - Jobs
    - International context
    - Fiscal and monetary policy
  - Public certainty
  - Government activism
  - Congressional relations
  - Pending legislation
    - Democratic leadership
    - Public uncertainty
  - Price Commission
    - Guidelines
      - Aggregate
      - Business costs and productivity
      - IRS
      - Profits and profit margins
        - The President's previous statement in Detroit
  - Pay Board
    - Union members
      - American Federation of Labor-Congress of Industrial Organizations [AFL-CIO]
      - Non-union workers, independent unions
    - Retroactivity
    - Future wages and contracts
    - George Meany and [Forename unknown] Neagle [sp?]
    - Previous union contracts
  - Price Commission
    - Effect on inflation
  - Contrasted with total control
    - Enforcement
  - Pay Board
    - Bellwether unions
    - Consumer Price Index [CPI]

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- Phase I
  - Wholesale Price Index
- Canadian experience
- Effect of public support
- Inflation
  - Budget restraint
  - Productivity
- Businessmen
  - Complaints
- Labor participation
  - Meany
  - Korean War experience
- Temporary program
- Fiscal and monetary policy
- Productivity
- The President's previous press conference
  - Stock market
- Situation in 1968
  - Compared to present situation
- Current situation
  - Vietnam War
  - Inflation
  - Unemployment
  - Investment
- The President's program
  - Duration
    - Inflation rate
  - Democrats
    - Harry F. Byrd, Jr.
- Stock market
  - Margin requirements
  - Prospects
    - The President's meeting, November 15, with George E. Allen
- Pending legislation
  - Economic Stabilization Act
    - Votes in House of Representatives' Banking Committee
      - Minish Amendment
      - Patman Amendment
      - Annunzio Amendment
      - Hanna Amendment
    - Forthcoming Senate action
      - Amendments

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- Tax Bill
- Committee's actions
  - John G. Tower
- Revenue Act
  - Senate Finance Committee's actions
    - Republican members
  - Amendments
    - Tax credit for higher education
    - American Depositary Receipt [ADR]
  - Birch E. Bayh, Jr.'s actions
    - Clifford P. Case's vote
  - Business community
    - New Jersey
    - ADR
  - Timing of forthcoming Senate vote
    - ADR
    - Ralph Nader
  - Democratic Senators
    - John C. Stennis
    - Constituents
  - Charles H. Percy
  - Importance
    - Passage
    - Benefits
    - Pay Board and Price Commission

United States' foreign trade  
 -Possible speeches by congressmen

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Trade negotiations with Japan, Philippines

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US foreign trade  
 -Protectionism  
 -The President's program

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- Distribution to Congress
- The President's speech to Congress
- Role of Congressional leaders
- Negotiations with foreign powers
- Possible speeches by congressmen
  - Foreign aid
  - Deficit figures
  - Possible audiences
- The President's program
  - Editorials in the *New York Times*, *Washington Post*, and *Newsweek*
  - Audience
- The President's previous speech in New York, November 9
  - The President's previous speech in Chicago, November 9
  - Audience
    - Trade concerns with Europe, Japan
    - Gold prices
- Monetary and fiscal policies
- Trade deficit figures
- Negotiations

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Trade negotiations

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- Import surcharge
- Price of gold
- Convertability
- The President's role
  - Democrats' possible legislation
- Negotiations

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India-Pakistan, Indira Gandhi

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National Economy

- Importance to foreign relations
- Foreign aid
- Defense of free world
- Foreign trade
  - Terms
  - Comparative importance
- US economic wealth

United States' foreign trade

- Negotiations
  - Import surcharge
  - Democrats' possible charges
- Trade deficits

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Foreign trade relations

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- Negotiations
  - Possible Democratic criticism
  - Possible speeches by congressmen
    - Surcharge
  - Previous State Department efforts
  - Other nations' positions
  - Scott's conversations with foreigners

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Foreign economies

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- The President's policy
- Criticism

Democratic Congressmen

- Stennis
- Ford and House Republicans
- Possible criticism of the President's trade policy

United States' foreign trade

- Meany's criticism
- Effect of the President's domestic economic program

National economy

- Rumsfeld
- The President's program
  - Prices
  - Jobs
  - International concerns
- Wage and price controls
  - Popularity

Supreme Court

- Confirmation of the President's nominees
  - Scott's conversation with Michael J. ("Mike") Mansfield
  - Bayh
  - Edward M. ("Ted") Kennedy
  - Griffin
  - Delay
    - Effect
      - Warren E. Burger's view
  - Ideology
    - Joseph L. Rauh, Jr.'s views of William H. Rehnquist

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- William O. Douglas
- William J. Brennan, Jr.
- Hugo L. Black
- Felix Frankfurter
- Lewis F. Powell, Jr.
- Rehnquist
- Confirmation of Powell and Rehnquist
  - Bayh
- Rehnquist
  - Efforts as poll watcher
  
- Pending legislation
  - Tax Bill
    - Amendments
      - Political contributions
  - Budget
    - Continuing resolution
      - The President's meeting with Allen J. Ellender, November 15
        - Mansfield
  
- Ellender
  
- Earl L. Butz
  - Confirmation hearings
    - George S. McGovern and Hubert H. Humphrey
    - Association with Ezra T. Benson
    - Democrats' forthcoming critique
    - Clifford M. Hardin's forthcoming conversation with Milton R. Young
    - Breakfast with Jack R. Miller, November 16
    - Meetings with Herman E. Talmadge and Young, November 16
  
- Pending legislation
  - Department of Defense appropriation bill
    - Boland Amendment
    - MacGregor
    - Howard W. Robison's amendment
      - Mansfield
      - Support
    - Ford's conversation with George H. Mahon
      - George W. Andrews
      - Jamie L. Whitten
    - Boland Amendment

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- Language
  - Compared with Mansfield Amendment
  - Combat support in Indochina
  - Prisoners of War [POWs]
- Legislative strategy
  - Whitten
- Robison's amendment
  - Language
  - Effect on Boland Amendment
- Mansfield Amendment
- Congressional responsibility
- Vietnam

Vietnam

- The President's actions
- POWs
- Negotiations with North Vietnam
  - Nguyen Van Thieu
  - POWs
  - Possible Congressional action
- The President's troop withdrawal announcement
- POWs
  - Possible Congressional action
  - Possible military action against North Vietnam

Pending legislation

- Commerce Committee
  - Civil Aeronautics Board [CAB]
- Amendments

Vietnam

- The President's actions
- Negotiations with North Vietnam
  - POWs
  - Possible Congressional action
  - Credit

The President left at 9:50 am

[General conversation/Unintelligible]

Connally, et al. left at an unknown time before 10:15 am

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Conversation No. 83-4

Date: November 16, 1971

Time: 10:15 am - 10:56 am

Location: Cabinet Room

The President met with Elliot L. Richardson, Patricia R. Hitt, Clair W. Burgener, Kenneth Robinson, Jeannette Rockefeller, Nan Ulle, Joseph H. Douglas, Kenneth R. Cole, Jr., and James H. Cavanaugh

[Recording begins while the conversation is in progress]

Robinson

Arrangements for photo

- Oliver F. ("Ollie") Atkins
- Copies

Robinson

- Activities

Douglas

- Department of Health, Education, and Welfare [HEW]

Mentally retarded

- United States' programs
  - Compared with other nations
  - Number and appropriations
  - Consolidation
  - Variety
  - President's Committee on Mental Retardation
    - Role
    - Burgener
    - Douglas
- Institutional population
- Program goals
- Integration into society
  - Alternative housing
  - Scandinavia

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-Costs of institutionalization

Youth

- Protection
- Treatment by parents
  - Walter H. Judd
    - Keynote speech at 1960 Republican Convention
    - Daughter
- Involvement with mental retardation

Youth National Association for Retarded Children [YNARC]

- Membership
- Activities
  - Media coverage
  - Legislation
    - State level
- Involvement with charitable causes
- Involvement with mental retardation
  - Goals

Robinson

- Background

Mental retardation

- Hitt's experience
  - Robinson
- Julie Nixon Eisenhower
  - Conversation with the President, November 15
  - Visit with Mayor Ralph J. Perk's child
- Prevention
  - Prenatal
- Diagnosis
- Physical cause
- Diagnosis
- Prevention
  - Genetic counseling
  - Premature birth
  - Pre- and postnatal care
  - Identification of high-risk populations
  - Birth damage
  - Amniocentesis
  - Development of fetal lung

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- Measles
- Drugs
- Committee's forum in Honolulu, October 1971
  - Nations participating
  - Resolution commending the President
- Press coverage
  - The President's forthcoming statement
- Committee
  - Efforts
  - Importance

Presentation of gifts by the President

- Cuff links and compacts

The President's schedule

Robinson's future

The President, *et al.* left at 10:56 am