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Tape Subject Log
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Conversation No. 537-1

Date: July 2, 1971
Time: Unknown between 2:48 pm and 2:50 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Manolo Sanchez and an unknown person

The President's schedule

Sanchez and the unknown person left at an unknown time before 2:50 pm

Conversation No. 537-2

Date: July 2, 1971
Time: 2:50 pm - 4:02 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman

White House social events
-Luncheon for Consuelo Velasco Alvarado
-Dinners for state guests

The President's schedule
-William H. Carruthers

Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 2:50 pm

Meeting Carruthers and Mark I. Goode

Bull left at an unknown time before 3:37 pm

Schedule

Carruthers and Goode entered at an unknown time after 2:50 pm

National Archives speech, July 3, 1971
-Arrangements

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- Seating, podium, camera set-up
- Timing
 - The President's arrival
 - Audience
 - Holding room
- Makeup
- Speaker Carl B. Albert, Chief Justice Warren E. Burger
- Camera set-up
 - Off-camera announcers
- Introduction of the President
- Army Chorus
- The President's closing remarks
- Army Chorus rendition of the National Anthem
 - The President's location during anthem
 - Use of anthem
- Timing cues for the President
- Length of remarks by others
- Applause
 - Size of audience
- Camera angles
- Need for holding room
- The President's method of presentation
 - Use of text
- Closing remarks
 - Playing of national anthem
- Timing

Carruthers and Goode left at 3:06 pm

National Archives speech

- Arrangements

Certification of the Twenty-sixth Amendment

- Procedures
 - Administrator of General Services
- "Young Americans in Concert" group
 - Honor America Day
 - Audience for ceremony
 - Witnesses to ceremony
 - Male, female
 - Race
- Timing of ceremony

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- Effect
 - Support for the eighteen-year-old vote
- California
- Concert group tour of Europe
- The President's schedule
 - California
 - Ohio
 - Oklahoma
- Location, timing
 - The President's departure for Camp David

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National Archives speech

- Elements
 - Patriotism
 - Public reaction to negativism
 - Use of John Brown anecdote
- Raymond K. Price, Jr., John K. Andrews, Jr.
 - Thomas Jefferson theme in William L. Safire's draft
 - George Washington, John Adams
 - Appeal to Democrats
 - John F. Kennedy
 - Jefferson
 - [Thomas] Woodrow Wilson, [John] Calvin Coolidge
 - Deaths of Jefferson and Adams
 - Youth of Revolutionary War figures
 - Comparison to Napoleon Bonaparte, Alexander III [the Great]
 - Timing
 - Compared to the Cambodia speech
 - Length and pace
 - Theme
 - Use of television
 - Joint appearance by leaders of executive, judicial, legislative branches
 - Pentagon Papers case
 - Burger
 - Albert
 - Contrast to John W. McCormack, Samuel Rayburn
 - Gerald R. Ford, Hugh Scott, John Sherman Cooper

Effectiveness of speakers

- William P. Rogers
- Melvin R. Laird, Elliot L. Richardson

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- George W. Romney
- John A. Volpe

Ambassadorial appointments

- Robert H. Finch
- Donald H. Rumsfeld
 - Japan
 - Business interests
 - Peter M. Flanigan
- Henry Cabot Lodge
 - Argentina
 - Finland
 - Henry A. Kissinger
- Financial status
- Assignment

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National Archives event

- Thelma C. (Ryan) ("Pat") Nixon's schedule

Latin America

- Mrs. Velasco's visit
- Economic conditions
 - United States
 - Family assistance program

Unnamed child

Unemployment statistics

- Washington Star*

News events

- Economy
- Kissinger
 - Concerns
- 1969 October anti-Vietnam War demonstrations
 - Letter to Georgetown student
 - General Lewis B. Hershey
 - Vice President Spiro T. Agnew
 - Le Duc Tho, Xuan Thuy
 - Hershey
 - Flanigan
 - The draft

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-Popularity
 -As symbol of the draft
 -Forthcoming statement
 -Kissinger
Ronald L. Ziegler entered at 3:37 pm

News coverage

-Unemployment Conv. No. 537-2 (cont.)
 -James D. Hodgson
 -Statistical aberration
 -Decrease
 -Vietnam casualties
 -Monthly figures
 -Charles W. Colson
 -Reporting
 -John A. Scali, Colson
 -Pentagon Papers case
 -Rogers' comments
 -Laird
 -Research and Development [RAND] Corporation
 -Declassification of documents

Pentagon Papers

-Public reaction
 -Brookings Institute
 -Acceptance of classified documents
 -RAND Corporation
 -Reaction to case
 -Tom C. Huston
 -Daniel Ellsberg
 -Status of case
 -J. Edgar Hoover
 -Conspiracy investigation
 -Richardson
 -John D. Ehrlichman
 -Action on Defense Department employee [Surname unknown Cooke]
 -Polygraph examinations
 -Ehrlichman
 -Laurence E. ("Larry") Lynn, Jr.
 -Richard V. ("Dick") Allen
 -Comments about Lynn
 -Laird

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- Comments
- Declassification investigation
 - Laird
- Congressional investigation
 - Frank Stanton
- Television program about the "Selling of the Pentagon"
- Congress, television
 - Confidential sources Conv. No. 537-2 (cont.)
- Colson
- Potter Stewart
 - Question to *Washington Post* reporter about publishing information
 - Delay or prevention of prisoner of war [POW] release in Vietnam
 - First Amendment rights
 - Alexander M. Bickel
- Limitation of White House access by *Washington Post, New York Times*
 - National security stories
 - Background briefings
 - Off-the-record, political stories

Kissinger's trip

- Press
 - Ziegler
- General Alexander M. Haig, Jr.
 - Discussion of Pentagon Papers case with ambassadors
 - Ellsworth F. Bunker
 - Kenneth B. Keating
 - Leonard Unger
- Press interest
 - Paris
 - Albert
 - Michael J. ("Mike") Mansfield
- Rogers, Laird

Asia

- Agnew, Kissinger, Laird
- Focus
 - Vietnam
 - Israel
 - Richard M. Helms
- Lyndon B. Johnson comparison

Unemployment statistics

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-Decrease

-Handling of news story

-Statistical aberrations

-Hodgson

-Comparison to George P. Shultz

-John B. Connally

The President, Haldeman, and Ziegler left at 4:02 pm

Conv. No. 537-2 (cont.)

Conversation No. 537-3

Date: July 2, 1971

Time: Unknown between 4:02 pm and 4:08 pm

Location: Oval Office

Unknown men entered

[Unintelligible]

Recording was cut off at an unknown time before 4:08 pm

Conversation No. 537-4

Date: July 5, 1971

Time: Unknown between 4:03 pm and 6:15 pm

Location: Oval Office

The President met with H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman

Certification of the Twenty-sixth Amendment

-Ceremony

- "Young Americans in Concert"

-The press

-Photo and film shots

-Race

-Young Americans group

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- Reaction to the White House and to the presidency
 - The President's arrival from Camp David by helicopter
 - Photographs
 - Refreshments
 - Accommodations
 - Washington Hotel
 - Reaction of young people to staying in hotels
- Group's forthcoming trip to Europe Conv. No. 537-2 (cont.)
- Concert
- Possible public performance in Washington, DC after trip
 - Constitution Hall
 - John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts opening
 - Inaugural concert
- Young people
- Dwight L. Chapin
- Significance of ceremony
 - Compared to formal signing ceremonies
 - Public service jobs bill
 - Ceremonial events
- Compared to Eagle Scouts
 - William H. Carruthers
 - Effectiveness
 - Unnamed person's reaction
 - Robert L. Kunzig
- Procedures for the Twenty-sixth Amendment
 - Kunzig
 - John J. Gilligan
 - Ohio ratification
 - Delivery of certification document to the General Services Administration [GSA]
 - Pick-up by unnamed GSA clerk
 - Credit, press coverage
- Ceremony
 - Press coverage
 - Television networks
 - Witnesses
 - Race
 - The President's meeting with Sammy Davis, Jr.
 - Black constituents

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- Youth group
- Signing ceremony pens
 - Parker brand

[The President talked to the White House operator at 4:28 pm]

[Conversation No. 537-4A]

Conv. No. 537-4 (cont.)

[See Conversation No. 6-139]

[End of telephone conversation]

[Pause]

Young people

- Visibility
- Media coverage
- President's Commission on Campus Unrest
 - Establishment in June 1970
 - Dr. G. Alexander Heard
- Changes since 1970
 - 1970 statement about crisis in the university system
 - Commencement addresses
 - Anti-Vietnam War protests
 - Decline
 - Attention paid by students, press

Ronald L. Ziegler entered at 4:29 pm

Certification ceremony for the Twenty-sixth Amendment

- Press coverage
 - Robert Pierpoint
- Mexican girl
 - Reaction
- Spirit of event
- Eighteen-year-olds
 - Attitude towards presidency
- The President's remarks
- Distribution of signing ceremony pens
 - J. Bruce Whelihan
- East Room setting
 - Press room

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-The President's birthday call to Julie Nixon Eisenhower in Athens, Greece

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 5

[Personal Returnable]

[Duration: 9s]

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- "Young Americans in Concert"

-Black youth

-Singing

-Comparison to Mormon Tabernacle Choir

-National Archives event, July 3, 1971

-Army Chorus

-Youths

-Television networks

-Coverage of event

-Herbert E. Kaplow

-Attitude towards children

-Jewish families

-Bar Mitzvahs

Jews

-Daniel Ellsberg

-Henry A. Kissinger, Leonard Garment

-Reaction to case

-Compared to Julius and Ethel Rosenberg espionage case

-Morton H. Halperin

-Alger Hiss

Blacks

-Espionage

-Activism compared to Communism

-Angela Y. Davis

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Jews

-Espionage

National Broadcasting Company [NBC] special on the Pentagon Papers

-Max Frankel and news panel

-James J. Kilpatrick, Jr.

-Questioning

-Frankel's performance

Conv. No. 537-4 (cont.)

-Benjamin C. Bradlee

-Ken Crawford [?]

-Kilpatrick

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

[Privacy]

[Duration: 11s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

-Kilpatrick

Values

-The President's remarks at certification ceremony

-Strength, wealth

-Idealism

-Practical application

-Youths

-Haynes B. Johnson

-*Washington Post* article

-Basic needs

-Discretionary needs

-Higher, spiritual needs

-Path for the future

Pentagon Papers case

-The President's July 6, 1971 Kansas City appearance

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- Possible statement
 - William P. Rogers' role
- Polls
 - Public opinion
 - Ellsberg's revelation of the documents
 - Public exposure to issue
 - Supreme Court decision

Conv. No. 537-4 (cont.)

Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 4:28 pm

- President's schedule
 - The barber
 - Forthcoming trip

Bull left at an unknown time before 6:15 pm

- Pentagon Papers case
 - Melvin R. Laird

Vietnam War

- Opponents of the President's policies
 - The war as issue during 1972 campaign
 - Gerald R. Ford's reaction
 - Democratic candidates
- Effectiveness as issue
 - Scripps Howard News Service
 - The President and Republicans
 - Opponents
 - Kansas City appearance by the President
 - Press conference
 - Prisoners of war [POWs]
 - Lives compared to First Amendment rights
 - Charles W. Colson
 - Congress
 - Press attitude
 - Martin S. Hayden's editorial
 - Television appearance
- Presentation of issue
 - The President's efforts to end the war
 - Necessity of secrecy
 - Cambodia, Laos
 - Decrease in US casualty figures

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- Forthcoming Kansas City appearance
 - Hayden's attendance
 - Allusion to channels of foreign policy
 - The People's Republic of China [PRC]
 - Strategic Arms Limitation Talks [SALT]
 - Kissinger
 - Rogers
 - Europe, Middle East Conv. No. 537-4 (cont.)
 - Number of the President's meetings with heads of state
 - General Alexander M. Haig, Jr.
 - Confidential nature
 - Josip Broz Tito
 - Record
 - State Department
 - Head of state dinners
 - France, Germany, England
 - Italy
 - Romania
 - Thailand, Belgium
 - The Pope
 - Confidentiality of meetings
- Warren E. Burger's recounting of anecdote about Benjamin Franklin
 - Sealing of the minutes of the Constitutional Convention for forty years
 - John Adams, Thomas Jefferson

Pentagon Papers case

- New York Times*
 - Editorial
 - Stewart J. O. Alsop
 - Frankel's veracity
 - Neil Sheehan's involvement
 - Kilpatrick's questions
 - Sheehan's involvement
 - Leak of information
 - John N. Mitchell
 - Colson
 - J. Edgar Hoover
 - Request for private report
 - Laird
 - Public opinion
 - Delays

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- Limitation of access by the *New York Times*, *Washington Post*
 - Rich Smith [?]
- Access preference to the *Chicago Tribune*, *Los Angeles Times*
 - Don Ervin, Aldo B. ("Elbow") Beckman
 - Beckman's father-in-law
- Release of information
 - World War II
 - Chicago Tribune* Conv. No. 537-4 (cont.)
 - Franklin D. Roosevelt
 - Kennedy's administration
 - Los Angeles Times*
 - Laos
 - 1962 accords
 - Ho Chi Minh Trail
 - Timing
- The President's conversation with Haig
 - Security clearances
 - Limitations on non-governmental contractor personnel clearances
 - Central Intelligence Agency [CIA] briefings for President in 1961-68 period out of office
 - Denial by Kennedy and Lyndon B. Johnson
 - McGeorge Bundy, Research and Development [RAND] Corporation
 - Haldeman's need for clearance while handling Fairchild account for the J. Walter Thompson Agency
 - Limitation of outsider clearances in the future
 - Benefits
- Need for confidentiality
 - Effect on Rogers

Schedule

- Reverend John J. McLaughlin

The President's July 6, 1971 Kansas City speech

- Topics to be covered
- Comparison to Rochester, New York and Birmingham, Alabama remarks
- Foreign policy
 - Confidentiality of meetings with foreign leaders
 - Helsinki
 - Allusion to ongoing negotiations
 - SALT
- Television coverage
 - Filming of Kansas City appearance

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- Camera set-up, lighting
- Timing in relation to availability of film to networks
- Topics
 - Foreign policy emphasis
 - Kissinger

Ziegler left at an unknown time before 6:15 pm

Conv. No. 537-4 (cont.)

- News summary
 - Television commentary on the President's July 3, 1971 National Archives speech
 - Dan Rather
 - NBC
 - Kaplow
 - Bicentennial
 - Bicentennial Commission
 - Need to strengthen membership
 - Staff
 - Distribution of film of event

Speeches

- The President compared to Roosevelt, Dwight D. Eisenhower
 - Public perceptions
 - Frequency of radio talks

The President's television appearances

- Certification ceremony's effectiveness
 - Other events
- Decision to forgo July 1 press conference
 - Pentagon Papers as focus
 - Louis Harris poll, George H. Gallup poll
 - Foreign policy
 - Kissinger
 - Domestic policy issues
 - John B. Connally

Connally

- Possible effectiveness as Secretary of State
- Haldeman's conversation with Connally
 - Connally's morale

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Economic policy

- Hobart Rowen and other columnists
 - Commentary about possible changes
- Arthur F. Burns
- Connally
- Albert E. Sindlinger's comments about effect on the stock market

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4

[National Security]
[Duration: 2m 44s]

INDIA-PAKISTAN

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4

An unknown person [Bull?] entered at an unknown time after 4:28 pm

President's schedule

The unknown person [Bull?] left at an unknown time before 6:15 pm

Items requested by the President

Pentagon Papers

- Statements feasibility

Presidential approval poll

- Effect of Pentagon Papers case and recent events
- Gallup poll
 - Chapin
- White House poll
- Gallup poll
- Harris poll
 - Colson

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- Press conference
- Patrick J. Buchanan's analysis
- Impact of Pentagon Papers case

Vietnam veterans' demonstration
-John F. Kerry

The President and Haldeman left at an unknown time before 6:15 pm Conv. No. 537-4 (cont.)

Conversation No. 537-5

Date: July 5, 1971

Time: Unknown between 6:15 pm and 6:27 pm

Location: Oval Office

Unknown men entered

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

[Non-historical]

[Duration: 1m]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

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