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Tape Subject Log
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Conversation No. 801-24/802-1

Date: October 17, 1972
Time: Unknown after 3:03 pm - 6:24 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with H.R. (“Bob”) Haldeman and John B. Connally. This recording began at an unknown time while the meeting was in progress.

[An unknown portion of this conversation was not recorded while this tape was changed.]

Issues

- George S. McGovern
 - Charges against John D. Ehrlichman
 - Response
 - Ehrlichman’s performance on television [TV]

John N. Mitchell, Clark MacGregor and Ehrlichman entered at 4:07 pm.

Greetings

- Connally’s recent press conference

Connally’s recent press conference

- George Embry
 - The President’s view
 - The Left

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4

[Personal returnable]

[Duration: 3m 33s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4

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- Connally's broadcast
 - Significance and impact
 - The President's view
 - Foreign policy and national defense issues
 - McGovern support
 - George Christian's speech text
 - Production
 - William Drummond
 - Nguyen Van Thieu
- Defense
- Presidency
- Vietnam
- Franklin D. Roosevelt
- Timing
 - World Series
 - Oakland
 - Delay
 - Weather
 - TV
 - Cincinnati

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 5

[Personal returnable]

[Duration: 3m 20s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 5

Issues

- McGovern
 - Vietnam, amnesty
 - Taxes on wealth
- Tax reform plan
 - Timing
 - The elderly
 - The President's radio address on Federal spending, October 7, 1972

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- McGovern's use of issue
 - McGovern's forthcoming TV address
- The President's schedule
 - Radio
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 - Radio
 - New York

[Thomas] Hale Boggs

- Airplane crash
 - Air travel in Alaska
 - Anchorage
 - The President's previous experience
- Search efforts
 - The President's telephone call to Corrine (Claiborne) ("Lindy") Boggs
- Memorial service
- Status on ballot in forthcoming election
 - [Nicolas J. Begich]
- Congressional action
- The President's call to Lindy Boggs
 - Ronald L. Ziegler
- Lindy Boggs
- Anecdotes
 - Dinner
 - Peter H. Dominick
 - McGovern analogy
- Gridiron Club
 - Parren J. Mitchell

The President's schedule

- Radio talks
 - Education
 - Equal Educational Opportunities Act
 - Senate
 - House of Representatives
 - McGovern
 - Absence of vote
 - Parochial school aid issue
 - Busing
 - Blacks
 - The President's meeting with Gale E. Sayers
 - Black colleges

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- James Brown, Sammy Davis, Jr.
 - Support for the President
 - Reaction
 - Records, concerts
- Jim Brown
 - Text release
 - Use by surrogates
- Crime
 - The President's voice
 - The President's meeting with prisoners of war [POWs] families, October 16, 1972
 - Jo Anne (Horton) Haldeman's view
 - Roosevelt's fireside chats
 - Radio compared to television
- Schedule
 - Veterans
 - Veterans Day
 - Paternalism compared to free society address, October 21, 1972
 - Education
 - Address to the nation; "Look to the Future", November 2, 1972
 - Peace, economy
 - Paternalism address
- Presentation of administration record
 - Department of Health, Education, and Welfare [HEW] and Domestic Council drafts
 - Unlimited ceiling of opportunity
 - Sayers
 - Jobs, business, education
- Length
- Impact
 - Crime and drug abuse address, October 15, 1972
 - Audience
 - The President's delivery
 - Timing and frequency
- Revenue sharing signing ceremony
 - Independence Hall
 - Hale Boggs
 - Service
 - John A. Love
 - Richard B. Ogilvie
 - Illinois
 - Milton J. Shapp

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- Frank L. Rizzo
 - Conversation with Haldeman
- Rizzo
 - R. Sargent Shriver
 - Unknown woman
- Radio
- New York regional meeting
 - Nelson A. Rockefeller
- Rally
 - Nassau
- Partisan perception
 - Advertisements
 - Republican Party
 - Democrats for Nixon
 - Committee to Re-Elect the President [CRP]
 - Republican National Committee
 - Georgia
 - Labor
 - Atlanta
 - Instruction for R. Burdell Bixby

Connally

- Schedule
 - Idanell (Brill) ("Nellie") Connally
 - Receipt of Distinguished Alumni Award from University of Texas
 - Oveta Culp Hobby, Claudia A. (Taylor) ("Lady Bird") Johnson

Football

- University of Texas vs. University of Oklahoma
 - Commentator Charles B. ("Bud") Wilkinson
- Washington Redskins
 - University of Michigan
 - Fielding H. Yost

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 6

[Personal returnable]

[Duration: 50s]

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The President's schedule

- Strategic Arms Limitation Treaty (SALT) II announcement, October 19, 1972
- US-Soviet Union agreement on trade
 - Treasury Department
 - Lend-lease
 - Henry A. Kissinger, Leonid I. Brezhnev
- Radio talks
- Veto

Congressional relations

- Forthcoming water bill veto
 - Financial cost
 - Tax increase
 - 1972 election
 - Environmentalists
 - Pork barrel
 - Gerald R. Ford
 - Ford's recent telephone call to Ehrlichman
 - Retroactive provision of bill
 - 1956-1962
 - Grand Rapids, Michigan
 - Mandatory spending
 - Effect on credibility of the President's tax increase position
 - Environmental issue
- Congress
 - Veto override
 - Quorum
 - Ford

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 8

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[Duration: 10m 5s]

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- Jesse A. Helms
 - Stand on issues compared to the President
 - William L. Scott of Virginia
 - Patriotism
 - Scott
 - North Carolina poll
 - James E. Holshouser, Jr.

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 9

[Personal returnable]
[Duration: 25m 58s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 9

- Vietnam negotiations
 - Kissinger's schedule
 - Paris to Saigon
 - Announcement
 - Return to [Washington, DC]
 - Kissinger's efforts

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 10

[Personal returnable]
[Duration: 8m 4s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 10

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Congress

- Possible help from the President's campaigning
- Support for the President
 - Charles H. Percy of Illinois
 - 1966
 - Voting record
 - William B. Saxbe
- Loyalty to the President

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 11

[Personal returnable]

[Duration: 2m 14s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 11

Media relations

- SALT II announcement, revenue sharing, European security
 - Effectiveness as activities
- Treaty Room signing
 - Television coverage
- The President's meeting with POW families, October 16, 1972
 - Television coverage

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 13

[Personal returnable]

[Duration: 3m 10s]

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END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 13

Issues

- Vietnam
 - Time required for coverage
 - The President's meeting with POW families, October 16, 1972
- Written statements
 - Aid to parochial schools, busing
 - Grand Rapids
 - Water bill veto
 - Ford
 - Local tie-in
 - Press releases
 - Crime statement
 - Preparation
 - Deadline
 - Speechwriters
 - Raymond K. Price, Jr.
 - Research team
 - Taxes and spending
 - Veto
 - Tax Reform Act of 1969
 - Public awareness

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 14

[Personal returnable]

[Duration: 14m 34s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 14

The President's accomplishments

- Vietnam War

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- Peace efforts
 - Withdrawal of US forces
- Trips to the People's Republic of China [PRC] and Soviet Union
- Crime, narcotics interdiction and law enforcement
- Economic gains for American people

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 15

[Personal returnable]

[Duration: 9m 53s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 15

- 1972 campaign
 - Criticism of the President's schedule
 - White House
 - “Hiding” charge
 - TV
 - Public perception
 - Poll
 - Congressional adjournment
 - Bill signing

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 16

[Personal returnable]

[Duration: 12m 5s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 16

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Media

The President's schedule

- The President's experience as Vice President
 - 1956
 - Dwight D. Eisenhower
- Vietnam War
 - The President's May 8, 1972 decision on bombing Hanoi and mining Haiphong harbor
 - Impact
- Visit to fifty states
- The President's role as President
 - Head of state
 - Contact with people
 - Gen. Charles A.J.M. De Gaulle
 - Conversation with the President
 - Public perception
 - Savannah
 - Blacks
 - Fargo, North Dakota
 - Farmers and the President's farm program
 - Effect of press coverage
 - Mississippi visit, September 8, 1969
 - Hurricane [Camille]
 - James Eastland, William M. Colmer
 - John N. Mitchell
 - Public reaction
 - Regional pride, national pride
 - TV
 - Unemployed
 - TV
 - Ambassador from Austria [Karl Gruber]
 - Presentation of credentials
 - Travels through US
 - Impressions
 - West Coast, Texas, Midwest
 - Washington, DC
 - Cambodian decision [1970]
 - Public reaction
 - Washington, DC compared to rest of country
 - Media

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- De Gaulle
- Paris
- Previous trip to Atlanta, Georgia, 1972
- South
- Comment by unknown girl
- Southern strategy
- 1970 election
- James E. ("Jimmy") Carter
- Liberals

Haldeman, Connally *et al.* left at 6:24 pm.

Conversation No. 802-2

Date: October 17, 1972
Time: Unknown between 6:24 pm and 6:26 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with the White House operator at an unknown time.

[See Conversation No. 31-105]

Conversation No. 802-3

Date: October 17, 1972
Time: Unknown between 6:24 pm and 6:28 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Alexander P. Butterfield.

- Schedule
- Legislation
- Water bill veto

Butterfield left at an unknown time before 6:28 pm.

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Conversation No. 802-4

Date: October 17, 1972
Time: Unknown between 6:24 pm and 6:28 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

The President's schedule
-Pegge (Jendro) Begich
-Corrine (Claiborne) ("Lindy") Boggs

The President talked with Thelma C. ("Pat") Nixon between 6:26 pm and 6:27 pm.

[Conversation No. 802-4A]

[See Conversation No. 31-106; one item has been withdrawn]

[End of telephone conversation]

The President's schedule
-Begich's schedule
-Boggs's schedule

Bull left at an unknown time before 6:28 pm.

Conversation No. 802-5

Date: October 17, 1972
Time: Unknown between 6:27 pm and 6:28 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 31-107]

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Conversation No. 802-6

Date: October 17, 1972
Time: 6:28 pm - 6:29 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with Pegge (Jendro) Begich.

[See Conversation No. 31-108]

Conversation No. 802-7

Date: October 17, 1972
Time: Unknown between 6:29 pm and 6:30 pm
Location: Oval Office

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

Haldeman's schedule
-Request for a meeting with the President

Conversation No. 802-8

Date: October 17, 1972
Time: Unknown between 6:29 pm and 6:30 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

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[Duration: 16s]

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END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 6:30 pm

Conversation No. 802-9

Date: October 17, 1972
Time: 6:30 pm - 7:17 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull and Alexander P. Butterfield.

The President's schedule
-Call to Pegge (Jendro) Begich
-Ronald L. Ziegler

Bull left at an unknown time before 6:34 pm.

Congressional relations
-Congressional adjournment
-Talking points
-John D. Ehrlichman
-Schedule

H.R. ("Bob") Haldeman entered at 6:34 pm.

Butterfield left at an unknown time before 6:40 pm.

Congressional relations
-Previous dinner
-Telephone calls
-John Sherman Cooper, Leonard B. ("Len") Jordan, Clinton P. Anderson, Page Belcher, John W. Byrnes, Charles R. Jonas, William L. Springer, Frank T. Bow, Lloyd M. Bentsen, Jr., William M. McCulloch

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[Thomas] Hale Boggs
-Memorial service

Haldeman's schedule

Gift
-Japanese artwork
-Chinese jade

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2
[Personal returnable]
[Duration: 7m 17s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2

Ziegler entered at 6:40 pm.

Winston S. Churchill
-Schedule
-Ziegler's telephone call
-Washington, DC, London
-Randolph Churchill, Winston S. Churchill
-*Washington Post* article
-Possible meeting with the President
-Washington, DC

Ziegler left at 6:41 pm.

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4
[Personal returnable]
[Duration: 4m 44s]

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Bull entered at an unknown time after 6:41 pm.

Request for a meeting with Alexander M. Haig, Jr.

Bull left at an unknown time before 6:48 pm.

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 5

[Personal returnable]

[Duration: 1m 38s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 5

Haig entered at 6:48 pm.

Vietnam negotiations

- Henry A. Kissinger's schedule
 - The President's forthcoming location
 - Executive Office Building [EOB]
 - Kissinger's trip to Saigon
 - Agreement status
 - Kissinger's trip to Saigon
- Messages to and from Kissinger
- Leaks
 - Hanoi
 - Kissinger's schedule
 - Inquiry to Ziegler
- Kissinger
 - Schedule

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- Hanoi
 - Peace settlement
- Bombing halt instructions
- Schedule
 - Hanoi
 - Peace settlement
 - W. Ramsey Clark
 - Memorandum from the President
 - Haig's conversation with Kissinger
- Nguyen Van Thieu
 - Position
 - 1972 election
 - Saigon's military situation
 - Possible cease-fire in place
 - North Vietnamese movements in South Vietnam
 - Routes One, Thirteen, Seven
 - Messages from Haig to Kissinger
- Cease-fire
 - Desirability
- Timing of possible settlement
 - 1972 election
 - George S. McGovern

Haig left at 6:54 pm.

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 7

[Personal returnable]

[Duration: 1m 18s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 7

1972 campaign

- Criticism of the President's schedule
 - Charles W. Colson
 - Media

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- White House
 - Camp David
- Camp David
 - Television and radio
 - Ziegler's announcements
 - John D. Ehrlichman, budget
- Forthcoming weekend trip
 - Philadelphia
 - Ehrlichman
 - Pending legislation

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 8

[Personal returnable]

[Duration: 7m 16s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 8

- Vietnam settlement
 - Possible delay
 - Kissinger
 - Schedule

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 10

[Personal returnable]

[Duration: 1m 10s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 10

The President's public appearances

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- The President's meeting with prisoners of war [POWs] families, October 16, 1972
 - Ehrlichman's view
 - Media coverage
 - Amnesty and Vietnam issues
 - The President's October 16, 1972 appearance before POW families
 - The President's public appearances

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 11

[Personal returnable]

[Duration: 9m 17s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 11

The President and Haldeman left at 7:17 pm.

Conversation No. 802-10

Date: October 17, 1972

Time: Unknown between 7:17 pm and 11:59 pm

Location: Oval Office

Unknown men [Secret Service agents] met.

The President's location

[Unintelligible]

Schedule

[The conversation was cut off at an unknown time before 11:59 pm.]