Conversation No. 241-001

Date: February 2, 1973
Time: Unknown between 3:43 pm and 8:50 pm
Location: Camp David Hard Wire

Henry A. Kissinger met with Sir Burke Trend.

Nuclear negotiations
- United States [US]-Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR] relations
  - Commission
  - Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR] strategy
    - Internal conflict
    - Leonid I. Brezhnev

Kissinger talked with the Camp David Operator.

[Conversation No. 241-001A]

[End of telephone conversation]

Birthday
- Louis Kissinger

Nuclear negotiations
- Efforts

Kissinger talked with Louis Kissinger and Paula Kissinger.

[Conversation No. 241-001B]
[See Conversation No. 186-003]

[End of telephone conversation]

Nuclear negotiations
-Strategy
  -Avoidance of, obligation
  -Commission
-United States [US]-Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR] summit
  -Delay

[Previous National Security (B) withdrawal reviewed under MDR guidelines case number LPRN-T-MDR-2014-008. Segment declassified on 09/15/2017. Archivist: DR]

[National Security]
[241-001-w003]
[Duration: 1m 6s]

Union of Soviet Socialists Republics [USSR]
  -Negotiations
    -Leonid I. Brezhnev

Nuclear negotiations
-Scientific changes
  -Harvard scientist
    -Peace community
    -Support for Great Britain
    -Nuclear deterrence
    -Germany
-US-Great Britain policy planning
  -Cabinet disputes
    -Elliot L. Richardson
    -Defense Department
    -War office
    -State Department
    -Press relations
  -President’s view
    -Agency support
  -Richardson
  -Kissinger’s relations with Cabinet secretaries
  -Private groups’ role
  -Whitehall
  -British representatives
-Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]
  -Treaty
    -United States [US] reply
    -Timing
-United States [US]- Great Britain policy planning
  -North Atlantic Treaty Organization [NATO] summit
  -Working group
    -Kissinger’s role
    -Defense Department

Kissinger’s schedule

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Henry A. Kissinger talked with the Camp David Operator and an unknown woman.
[See Conversation No. 186-004]

Conversation No. 241-003

Date: February 2, 1973
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Location: Camp David Hard Wire


[See Conversation No. 186-005]

Conversation No. 241-004

Date: February 2, 1973
Time: Unknown between 3:43 pm and 8:50 pm
Location: Camp David Hard Wire

Charles C. Sumrell met with an unknown person.

Room check
   -Frank A. Sisco
   -Access
   -President’s materials

Sumrell talked with an unknown person.

[Conversation No. 241-004A]

[See Conversation No. 186-006]

[End of telephone conversation]
Raymond K. Price, Jr. [?]
- Location

[Music]

William Hirsch

[Pause]

Sisco entered at an unknown time between 3:43 pm and 8:50 pm.

Tapes
- Inspection
- Content
  - Music
- Tape recorder
- Boxes

[Music]

Tapes
- Inspection
- Recordings

Sisco talked with the Camp David Operator and Charles A. Grunden.

[Conversation No. 241-004B]

[See Conversation No. 186-007]

[End telephone conversation]

[Music]

Sisco talked with the White House Signal Office.
[Conversation No. 241-004C]

[See Conversation No. 186-008]

Tapes

-Sgt. Farrell D. Morlan
-Boxes
-Inspection
-Length
-Number
-Content
-Recording

Sisco talked with Morlan.

Unknown man talked with the Camp David Operator and [first name unknown] Douglas.

[Conversation No. 241-004D]

[See Conversation No. 161-001]

[End telephone conversation]

President’s preference
-Moran
-Tapes

-Sony C-120
-Supply
-Buzz [last name unknown]
-Length
-Request to telephone Moran
-Location

[Conversation No. 241-004E]

[See Conversation No. 186-009]
[End telephone conversation]

Tapes
- Length

Sisco talked with Ruth L. Krell.

[Conversation No. 241-004F]

[See Conversation No. 161-002]

[End telephone conversation]

Sumrell, Sisco and an unknown man left at an unknown time between before 8:50 pm.

Conversation No. 241-005

Date: February 2 or February 3, 1973
Time: Unknown between 3:43 pm, February 2 and 3:30 pm, February 3, 1973
Location: Camp David Hard Wire

Unknown men met.

Room arrangement
- President
- Furniture
- View
  - Beech tree
  - Town

Unknown men left at an unknown time before 3:30 pm, February 3, 1973.
Conversation No. 241-006

Date:  February 2 or February 3, 1973
Time:  Unknown between 3:43 pm, February 2 and 3:30 pm, February 3, 1973
Location:  Camp David Hard Wire

The President met with Thelma C. (“Pat”) Nixon and Manolo Sanchez.

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Personal Returnable]
[241-006-w001]
[Duration:  1m 3s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

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Room decoration
- Package
- Wall hangings
  - Prints
- Closet
- Winston M. Churchill
- Marrakesh
The President et. al. left at an unknown time before 3:30 pm, February 3, 1973.

Conversation No. 241-007

Date: February 2 or February 3, 1973
Time: Unknown between 3:43 pm, February 2 and 3:30 pm, February 3, 1973
Location: Camp David Hard Wire

The President (?) met with an unknown man.

Future meeting


Locating something

President (?) et. Al. left at an unknown time before 3:30 pm, February 3, 1973.

Conversation No. 241-008

Date: February 3, 1973
Time: 3:30 pm
Location: Camp David Hard Wire

The President talked with the Camp David operator.

[See Conversation No. 161-003]
Conversation No. 241-009

Date: February 3, 1973
Time: Unknown between 3:30 pm and 5:18 pm
Location: Camp David Hard Wire

The Camp David operator talked with the President.

[See Conversation No. 161-004]

Conversation No. 241-010

Date: February 3, 1973
Time: Unknown between 3:30 pm and 6:15 pm
Location: Camp David Hard Wire

The President dictated a memorandum for the file.

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President’s critics
- Divisiveness
- Patrick J. Buchanan
- William P. Rogers
  - Cabinet meeting
- Ronald L. Ziegler
  - Press relations
Eisaku Sato
- Welcoming

Camp David
- Date, time

Vietnam settlement
- Cease-fire agreement
- Paris

Dictabelt tape

Sato’s dinner

Edward R. G. Heath’s visit
- Background material
  - Henry A. Kissinger’s office
  - Detail
  - Arthur F. Burns, George P. Shultz, Peter M. Flanigan’s contributions

Prayer breakfast
- President’s conversation with H. R. (“Bob”) Haldeman
- President’s statement
  - Notes
  - Mark O. Hatfield
  - John C. Stennis

Hatfield
- Hypocrisy
  - Haldeman
  - Honorariums
- Behavior
- Wife

President’s Inaugural speech
Applause
Respect
Prayer breakfast
Press coverage

Mail to the President
Lyrics
Prayer breakfast

President’s schedule

Henry A. Kissinger
Personality
Vietnam settlement
“Peace is at hand” statement
1972 election
Effects
Negotiations
United States [US] bargaining position
December 1972 bombing
Press briefing
Negotiations
North Vietnam
Motivations
Kissinger’s viewpoint

New York Times
Harry Reasoner
Nobel Prize
Irony
Negotiations
December 1972 bombing
President’s role
Effect on negotiations
Mood
Public perceptions
Kissinger’s cable
-Files
  -Interview with Marvin L. Kalb
    -President’s conversation with Ziegler
    -Television [TV] ratings
    -Public interest after cease-fire

Joseph C. Kraft’s meeting with Charles W. Colson
  -Kissinger
    -Conversation with Colson
      -Colson’s knowledge of Kissinger’s call to Kraft
        -Kissinger’s viewpoint

Kissinger
  -Contradictory remarks
  -Helmut (“Hal”) Sonnenfeldt’s conversation with Colson

Kissinger’s interview with Kalb
  -Questions
    -Colson and others’ viewpoints
  -Answers
    -People’s Republic of China [PRC]
    -Bombing
    -Role of advisors in decision making

Manolo Sanchez entered at an unknown time after 3:30 pm.

Call from Tricia Nixon Cox

The President talked with Tricia Nixon Cox between 5:18 pm and 5:22 pm.

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Personal Returnable]
[241-010-w001]
END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

*[Duration: 2m 11s]*

[Conversation No. 241-010A]

[See Conversation No. 161-005]

[End of telephone conversation]

Kissinger
- Morale
- Schedule
  - New York
  - Hockey game
- Colson’s opinion
  - Kissinger’s personality
- Role of advisors in decision making
  - Historical records
- Press relations
  - H.R. (“Bob”) Haldeman, Colson
  - Writers
  - Speeches, articles

Nobel Prize
- Paul Miller
- Hugh Scott, Robert J. Dole
- Walter Annenberg
  - Personality

Press relations
- Editorials
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-Haldeman

White House staff
-Stephen B. Bull
-Alexander P. Butterfield

President’s meeting with Heath
-Heath’s demeanor
  -Support for bombing
  -Toast
    -President’s role in Vietnam settlement
    -Courage

-Discussions
-Content
-Former United States [US] Presidents
  -Lyndon B. Johnson
    -Death
      -Vietnam
        -Psychological toll
        -Press relations
      -Departure from Washington, DC
  -Dwight D. Eisenhower
    -Retirement
      -Gettysburg
    -Travel and leisure activities
      -Golf
        -Augusta
        -Palm Springs
      -Bridge
    -Memories
    -Herbert C. Hoover
      -New York
        -Gen. Douglas MacArthur
        -World Capital
    -Johnson
      -Ranch
-Visibility compared to Eisenhower
  -President’s visit
  -1972 Democratic candidates
  -George S. McGovern’s visit
    -Johnson’s endorsement
  -President’s call to Claudia A. (“Taylor”) (“Lady Bird”) Johnson
    -Letter
    -United Nations [UN] position
      -Claudia Johnson’s reply

Congressional relations
  -Michael J. Mansfield
    -Chou En-Lai
      -Foreign policy hardliners
      -Hugh Scott

Press relations
  -President’s news summary
    -Travel to Camp David
      -Press entourage
  -Ronald L. Ziegler
    -Dan Rather’s report
      -Press conference
  -Washington Post
  -Vermont Royster’s column
    -Coverage of Vietnam settlement
      -Television [TV]
  -Ziegler
  -Colson
  -Television [TV]
    -Public opinion of news commentary
      -Presidential statements
  -Need for national unity
    -Role of press
      -Critics of administration
      -Reconciliation
Mistakes in reporting
Support for President

Middle East
Kissinger’s delayed actions
- Israeli elections, October 1973
President’s strategy
- Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]
- Arms
- Kissinger’s limited role

Egypt
- Hafiz Ismail’s visit
Israel’s position

United States [US] position as mediator
- Interim settlement
  - Israeli compared with Egyptian, Arab positions
  - United States [US] assurances of future settlement

North Atlantic Treaty Organization [NATO]
- President’s discussions with Kissinger
- Defense budget cuts
  - Kissinger’s lack of comprehensive strategy
  - Tactical compared with strategic approach
- Role of military planners
- United States [US] and European commitments
  - Credibility with Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]

John B. Connally
- Weakness of dollar
- Trade bill
  - Trade sanctions
- Energy bill
  - Central Broadcasting Service [CBS]
    - Series on energy, environment
    - Crusade
    - Effect on President
-Appointment of Richard M. Helms as Ambassador to Iran
  -President’s conversation with William D. Rogers

President’s meeting with Heath, February 2, 1973
- Walk at Camp David
  - Weather
  - Laurel Lodge
    - Secret Service escort
- Dinner, February 2, 1973
  - Menu
  - Conversation
    - Blacks
    - Commonwealth
    - Relations with Asian populations
    - Asian emigration to Great Britain
      - Labor issues
    - Enoch Powell’s statement
    - Black contributions to Great Britain

Blacks
  - President’s view
    - Abilities
      - Strength
      - Artistic talent
      - Public speaking
      - Hard science
        - George Washington Carver

President’s conversation with Heath
  - Heath’s visit to United Nations [UN]

President’s conversations with Lady Cromer
  - Daughter of Viscount Rothermere
    - Publisher
    - Supporter
    - Views of social set
- Attitudes toward Vietnam, United States [US] role

Alice Roosevelt Longworth

Rose Mary Woods
- Telephone call to Roy L. Ash
  - President’s reaction to news summary
    - Telephone call compared with letter to supporters
- Telephone call to Coy Stennis
  - Health
  - Admiration for President

Telephone calls to supporters
- Woods
- Haldeman, John D. Ehrlichman
- Personal appeal
  - Woods compared with staff members

Press relations
- Tex McCrary
- Letter
- Max Feldman’s article
- 1972 election victory
  - Camp David
  - Barry M. Goldwater [?]
- Peter G. Peterson’s leak to the press
  - Art Buckwald
  - Cabinet reorganization

Press conferences
- Press coverage
  - Timing
- Location
  - Television [TV]
- Effects of Watergate
- Washington, DC biases
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- Public opinion
- President’s statements

Press relations
- Kissinger’s statements to *Newsweek*, *Time*
- Ziegler

Vietnam settlement
- 1972 election
- Reactions
- Opponents of President’s war policy
- Kissinger
  - Liberals

State Dinners
- Woods
- Tables
- Seating

Kissinger
- Press conference
  - Transcript
  - Press coverage
    - Elitist viewpoint
- Kissinger’s interpersonal style
- Lady Cromer’s viewpoint
  - Winston S. Churchill’s character
- President’s opinion about Churchill’s leadership style
- Colson, Haldeman’s opinion
- Kissinger’s breadth of knowledge
- Public statements

Vietnam settlement
- Cambodia, Laos
  - Cease-fire
  - Return of Prisoners of War [POWs]
-Press reaction
  -United States [US] appreciation
  -Le Duc Tho
    -Kissinger’s reception
    -People’s Republic of China [PRC]
    -Propaganda
  -Signing ceremony
  -Hard-line approach
  -Language
  -Expert analysis

Bombing
  -Opposition
  -Kissinger

President’s conversation with Haldeman
  -Marion Smoak
  -Staff functions
    -Bull

Dictabelt tape
  -Purpose

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The President played back tape of dictation at an unknown time between 5:18 pm and 6:15 pm; the tape was cut off at an unknown time before 6:15 pm.