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[Conversation No. 505-001](#)

Date: May 26, 1971  
Time: Unknown between 9:08 am and 10:03 am  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

Charles W. Colson  
-Assignment  
-Unknown activity of May 25, 1971  
-Letters

Bull left at an unknown time before 10:03 am.

[Conversation No. 505-002](#)

Date: May 26, 1971  
Time: Unknown between 9:08 am and 10:03 am  
Location: Oval Office

The President dictated a memorandum.

President dictates a memorandum  
-William P. Rogers  
-Middle East  
-Israel



- Jewish community in US
- Jewish lobby
- US aid

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[National Security]

[505-002-w001]

[Duration: 13s]

The President dictates a memorandum

- Middle East
- Israel
- US aid
- Counter to US security interests

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The President dictates a memorandum

- Middle East
- Israel
- Jewish lobby
- Financial contributions to Congressmen and Senators
- Media
- US security interest

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[National Security]

[505-002-w002]

[Duration: 2m 21s]



The President dictates a memorandum

-Middle East

-Israel

-Dwight D. Eisenhower Administration, 1956

-Israelis

-British

-French

-War

-Role of major powers

-Receded from world affairs

-The President's campaign

-John Foster Dulles

-Aswan Dam a mistake

-Contributed to events of 1956

-US policy favors Israel too much

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The President dictates a memorandum

-Middle East

-Israel

-US policy post 1956

-Persecution of Jews during World War II

-Condition of Arab refugees

-President's African trip, 1957

-Israel

-Egypt

-Morocco

-Tunisia

-Reaction by US Jewish community to report

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[National Security]



[505-002-w003]  
[Duration: 15s]

The President dictates a memorandum  
-Middle East  
-Israel  
-Current policy  
-US interests are paramount

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The President dictates a memorandum  
-Middle East  
-Israel  
-Current policy  
-Political decisions  
-Peace prospects

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[National Security]  
[505-002-w004]  
[Duration: 9m 6s]

The President dictates a memorandum  
-Middle East  
-Israel  
-Current policy  
-National security  
-Side with Israel when necessary  
-Use as deterrent  
-Peace  
-Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]  
-Strong influence on Egypt and other countries  
-Interests of US



- Israel
- Egypt
- Jordan
- Arabs–Israelis
- Even-handed policy

[Pause]

Instructions on dictated statement

- William P. Rogers
- Transcription
  - Top secret–eyes only
  - Addressing

Israel

- Leaders
- 1970 election in US
- 1972 election in US
  - Quaker group
    - Memorandum
  - Max M. Fisher
    - Percentage of Jewish vote
    - The President's opinion
- US policy
  - Aid to Israel
    - William P. Rogers's recommendations
    - Agreement by June or July 1971
  - Override vetoes
- John N. Mitchell
- Israeli settlement
  - Influence of political considerations
  - 1972 election
  - Egypt
    - US arms sales
    - Anwar el-Sadat
      - Presence of Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]
      - Policy of reconciliation
      - Aid



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- Israel
  - Leaders
    - Israeli settlement
    - Negotiations
    - President's possible role

[Conversation No. 505-003](#)

Date: May 26, 1971  
Time: Unknown between 9:08 am and 10:03 am  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown person.

Unknown person's schedule

The unknown person left at an unknown time before 10:03 am.

[Conversation No. 505-004](#)

Date: May 26, 1971  
Time: 10:03 am - 11:35 am  
Location: Oval Office

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

- Police
  - Funeral
  - Federal Bureau of Investigation [FBI]
  - Richard A. Moore
  - Memorandum to William P. Rogers
  - Telephone call to widow of policeman



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- Moore
- President's view
- Richard S. Schweiker
- Bill
- John N. Mitchell
- Vietnam
- Demonstration
- Constituency
- Moore
- Peter M. Flanigan
- Riots
- Police Benevolent Association [PBA]
- Charles W. Colson
- Moore
  - Black Panthers
- Bobby G. Seale
  - Jury
- Chicago
- Unknown woman

Marijuana

- Statement
- Domestic Council
- News summary
- Jews
  - Psychiatrists
- Moore
- Legalization
- Congress

Henry A. Kissinger entered at 10:08 am.

President's schedule

- Nguyen Van Thieu
  - Possible meeting
  - Date
- Frederick L. Hovde
- California
  - Budget Sessions



- North Vietnam
- Forthcoming appointments
- Paris
  - Meeting with Thieu
- People's Republic of China [PRC] initiative
- Date of Meeting
- Anatoliy F. Dobrynin
  - Aleksi N. Kosygin's letter
- Walt W. Rostow
  - Lyndon B. Johnson Appreciation
- Vice President Spiro T. Agnew
  - Proposed Trips
    - Korea
    - PRC
    - Greece

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[National Security]

[505-004-w001]

[Duration: 20s]

- The President's schedule
  - Spiro T. Agnew
    - Proposed trips
      - Greece
        - The President's opinion
        - Military

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- The President's schedule
  - Spiro T. Agnew
    - Proposed trips
      - Korea





- Thailand
- Japan
  - Kissinger's trips
    - Korea
    - PRC
- Agha Muhammad Yahya Khan
  - Kissinger's forthcoming trip
    - Deception

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 [National Security]  
 [505-004-w012]  
 [Duration: 11s]

- The President's schedule
- Spiro T. Agnew
    - Proposed trips
      - Agha Muhammad Yahya Khan
        - Pakistanis
        - US ambassador
        - Bhutan

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- The President's schedule
- Spiro T. Agnew
    - Proposed trips
      - Pope Paul VI
        - Rogers
        - John A. Volpe
      - Italy
      - Spain
      - Portugal
      - Congo



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- Kenya
- Cabinet officers' trips
  - Trip report
    - Robert H. Finch
    - Donald H. Rumsfeld
  - Maurice H. Stans
  - Reports
  - [Forename unknown] Gleason
- Vice President's proposed trips
  - Greece
  - Indonesia
  - Australia
  - New Zealand
  - Thailand
  - Iran
  - Cabinet officers
  - Air Force One
  - Rogers

William F. ("Billy") Graham

- Unknown religious persecution case
  - Riga, Latvia
- Nikita S. Khrushchev
  - Meeting with the President
- Anti-Semitism
  - Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]
  - Poland
- James O. Eastland
  - Negroes
- Poles
  - Anti-Semitism
- Rogers
  - Agnew's possible trip to Israel

Graham

Vice Presidential trips

- Africa
  - Congo



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- Europe
  - Austria
  - Hungary
  - Scandinavia
    - Denmark
    - Sweden
  - Austria
  - Germany
  - Berlin

Dobrynin

- Summit

Planned press conference

- Timing
- Audience
- Moore
- Timing

Schedule

- Forthcoming remarks at US Military Academy at West Point
- Moore

Press conference

- Timing
- Publicity

Killing of policemen in New York and Washington, D.C.

- Support of police
  - Staff
  - Negroes
    - Policeman [Waverly Jones]
    - Funeral, May 25, 1971
- Seale
- Mood of country
- John A. Scali
- Moore
- Mitchell
- Civil rights



- Plot
- Max M. Fisher and Rabbi [Forename unknown] Schecter
  - Request to see President
    - Plight of USSR Jewry
      - Telegram
      - Nature of issue
      - State Department
        - President's comments on January 11, 1971
      - Political issue
        - Patrick J. Buchanan

- Kissinger's forthcoming talk at Department of Health, Education and Welfare [HEW]
  - Foreign policy
  - Vietnam
    - President's comments at briefing for Southern Regional Media, May 25, 1971
  - USSR
  - PRC

- Schedule
  - Press conference
    - Timing
  - Vietnam
  - Strategic Arms Limitation Talks [SALT]
  - Trip
  - Announcement

- Letter to President from Indira Gandhi
  - India
    - Military action
  - Pakistan
    - Yahya Khan
  - Indians
    - Ambassador
    - Yahya Khan
    - Refugees
      - East Pakistan

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[National Security]

[505-004-w003]

[Duration: 39s]

Letter to President from Indira Gandhi

-Indians

-Agha Muhammad Yahya Khan

-Henry A. Kissinger's opinion

-Famine

-War

-Henry A. Kissinger's comments on aggressiveness

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Book on foreign policy

-Henry Brandon

-SALT

Press view of President

-Domestic policy

-Foreign policy

-Vietnam

-Polls

-Public opinion

-Thieu

-John F. Kennedy

-Lyndon B. Johnson

-Trust

-Laos

-Cambodia

-Explanation

-Creighton W. Abrams, Jr.

-Casualties

-PRC

-USSR



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- Middle East
- Cuba

- Domestic situation
- Economy

Vietnam

- President's meeting with Senators
  - Howard H. Baker, Jr.
  - Abrams
- Possibility of peace
- Ceasefire
  - Announcement
- South Vietnamese
  - Election
- Public disbelief
  - Gallup poll
  - Press
- Establishment
- Congressional action
  - News summary
  - Vote on draft
    - Gaylord Nelson amendment
    - John V. Tunney
    - Tunney amendment
  - Edward M. Kennedy
- Polls
  - Results
  - Effect of Laos
    - Press
    - Problems
      - Public understanding
      - Rogers
      - Melvin R. Laird
    - News blackout
    - Abrams
    - Cambodia
  - Nature of war
  - Italians



- US Civil War
- Responsibility
- Laird
- Robert F. Froehlke

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[Privacy]  
[505-004-w013]  
[Duration: 9s]

- Vietnam
  - Polls
    - [First name unknown] Henderson
    - Performance
    - Court martial

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- Vietnam
  - Polls
    - Abrams
      - Gen. William C. Westmoreland [?]
      - Laird
  - Public views
    - SALT
    - PRC
    - Patriotism
    - Newspaper columns
    - Television
      - Press
      - [Arnold] Eric Sevareid
      - John W. Chancellor
      - Effect of pictures
        - Vietnam war



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- Casualties
- Laos
  - Casualties
  - Tchepone
- Vietnam
  - Negotiations
  - Green Bay Packers
  - Comparison
- President's comments at briefing for Southern Regional Media, May 25, 1971
  - Uncertainties
  - Vietnam
  - USSR
  - PRC
  - Middle East
  - Berlin
  - Cuba
  - Vietnam
    - Possible peace settlement
    - Thieu
      - Forthcoming election
    - Saigon

Race relations

- Blacks
  - Vernon C. Coffey

House of Representatives

- Camp Pendleton
- Lease
- Committee
- Review

California political situation

- F. Edward Hébert

Summit with USSR

PRC

- United Nations [UN]





- Rogers
- President's meeting with Kissinger and Rogers
- UN decision
  - Two China policy
    - Perceived cynicism
    - Detente
    - Taiwan
    - Right-wingers
- Kissinger's meeting with Rogers, May 25, 1971
- President's forthcoming meeting with Kissinger and Rogers
  - President's forthcoming meeting with Councils of the Arts
- Laird
- National Security Council [NSC]
- Poll
  - UN
- Consultations
  - Britain
- Proposed meeting
  - Harold Lee
  - Kissinger's schedule
    - Meeting
  - Rogers
    - President's forthcoming call
      - Golf
    - PRC
    - Press conference
      - Timing
    - Mutual and Balanced Force Reductions [MBFR]

#### Vietnam

- Kissinger's schedule
  - Trip to Paris
    - Timing
    - Unknown Man
    - French
    - Rogers' concern
    - North Vietnamese
    - Jean Sainteny
    - Kissinger's trip to England



- Cover for trips
  - Rogers
  - Sainteny
  - Ho Chi Minh
  - Haldeman's view
  - Rogers
  - SALT
- Kissinger

The President left at an unknown time after 10:03 am.

- PRC trip
- Rogers
- Private trip
- Publicity
- Rogers
  - Lack of knowledge
  - Suspicion
- London
- Sainteny
- Cover
- Rogers' forthcoming trip to Paris
  - Sainteny
- Elliot L. Richardson
- SALT

The President returned at an unknown time before 11:07 am.

- Middle East
  - Rogers
- Cover for forthcoming trip
  - Informing Rogers
    - Rogers' forthcoming trip
    - Possible story
      - Gen. James D. ("Don") Hughes
      - Military plane
  - Friends
- England
  - Paris
  - Sainteny



Council of the Arts  
-Nancy Hanks

[The President talked with the White House operator at an unknown time between 10:08 am and 11:07 am]

[Conversation No. 505-4A]

[See Conversation No. 3-126]

[End of telephone conversation]

President's meeting with Kissinger and Rogers  
-PRC

President's schedule  
-Golf

The President talked with Rogers between 11:07 am and 11:11 am

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[Privacy]  
[505-004-w014]  
[Duration: 9s]

[Conversation No. 505-4B]

[See Conversation No. 003-127]

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[End of telephone conversation]



SALT

-Announcement of agreement, May 20, 1971

Foreign policy

-Rogers  
-Public understanding  
    -Intellectual elite  
-USSR  
-PRC  
-Peace

Vietnam

-Casualties  
    -Figures

President's visit to Birmingham, Alabama

-Bands  
    -Number  
    -Reserve Officer Training Corps [ROTC]  
-Schools bands  
    -Certificate of appreciation  
    -Advance men

Rose Mary Woods entered at 11:13 am.

Kissinger left at 11:14 am.

Xerox copy

-Typing

Jewish vote

-Kissinger's view

Typewriter

-International Business Machines [IBM]  
-Size  
    -Type

Jews in USSR



- Possible meeting with the President
  - Fisher
  - Paul W. McCracken
  - Rabbi Schecter
  - Fisher

Woods left at 11:23 am.

[No conversation]

President's schedule

- Mitchell's meeting with Richardson
  - Mayflower Hotel
  - Drug abuse
    - Foundation
  - Jack E. ("Jack") Ingersoll
    - President's appearance
      - Publicity
  - Drugs
  - John D. Ehrlichman
    - Publicity
- Maine
  - Jack J. Dreyfuss, Jr.
  - Hughes
    - Security check
  - President's possible visit
  - Weather
- Mitchell's and Richardson's meeting
  - Mayflower Hotel
- News summary
- Leonard Garment
- Briefing
- Hanks

President's schedule

- Forthcoming address to Council of the Arts
  - Mayflower Hotel
  - News summary
  - Garment



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- Hanks
- Political issue
- Coverage
- Arts
- Public television
  - Peter M. Flanigan
  - Frank Pace
  - Robert [unintelligible surname]

President's trip

- News summary
- Birmingham, Alabama
  - Coverage
  - George C. Wallace
  - Other trips
    - Midwest
      - Small towns
    - Mobile
    - Chicago and suburbs
- Southern Regional media meeting
  - Midwest and South
  - Herbert G. Klein
    - American Society of Newspaper Editors [ASNE]

President's schedule

- Harry S. Dent
- Meeting with Haldeman

Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 11:23 am.

President's schedule

Bull left at an unknown time before 11:35 am.

- Advance men
  - Authority
  - Haldeman
  - Approved list
    - Jim Martin



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- Dent
- Additions
- Dent
- Cancellations
- State chairman
- Dent
- State chairman

President's trip

- Staff response
  - William E. Timmons
  - Coverage
  - Alabama
  - Coverage
  - Crowds
  - News summary
  - Coverage
    - Frank Cormier
    - Demonstrators
  - Dan Rather
  - Coverage
  - Signs
  - Ronald L. Ziegler
  - Strategy

The President and Haldeman left at 11:35 am.

[Conversation No. 505-005](#)

Date: May 26, 1971  
Time: 12:13 pm - 12:20 pm  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Alexander P. Butterfield.

Luncheon



- Working lunch for Malik Faisal ibn Abd al-Aziz al-Saud [Faisal, King of Saudi Arabia], May 27, 1971
- Number of guests
- Program
- Seating in the State Dining Room
- Number
- John B. Connally
- Spiro T. Agnew
- Number
- Announcement
  - Blue Room
- Refreshments
- Entertainment
- State Dining Room
- Press
  - Oliver F. (“Ollie”) Atkins
- President's toast
  - Response by King Faisal
  - Interpreter
  - Interpreter
- Refreshments
- Food
- Refreshments
- Clark MacGregor
- Number
- Working lunch

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[National Security]

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[Duration: 6s]

Luncheon

- Working lunch
- Congressional attendees





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Luncheon

- Conservatives
- MacGregor
- Oil people
  - Nelson A. Rockefeller
- Receiving line
  - Alternative
- Duration

Butterfield left at 12:20 pm.

[Conversation No. 505-006](#)

Date: May 26, 1971  
Time: Unknown between 12:20 pm and 12:43 pm  
Location: Oval Office

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

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*[Previous archivists categorized this section as unintelligible. It has been rereviewed and released 06/19/2019.]*

[Unintelligible]  
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[Duration: 9s]

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[National Security]

[505-006-w001]

[Duration: 44s]

Working lunch with Malik Faisal ibn Abd al-Aziz al-Saud

- Henry A. Kissinger
  - The President's opinion
  - The President's view on lunch
- H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman
- Political views of attendees
  - Jews
  - Antisemitism

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Briefings for President

- John R. Price, Jr.
- Council of the Arts
- Birmingham
  - Southern Regional Media
- Mobile
- Materials
  - Value
  - Price
  - Need for editor
  - Background
- White House staff
  - John D. Ehrlichman
  - Domestic Council
  - Research staff
- Information
  - Staff size
  - Paperwork
  - Need for editor, manager
  - Political information



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- Mayors
- High school bands
- Time and space limits
- Points to cover
  - Need to condense
- Ehrlichman
  - Revenue sharing
- President's time
- Trip to Alabama
- Advance work
  - Quality
  - Governors
  - Bands
  - Dwight L. Chapin
    - Motorcade stops
      - Birmingham
      - Crowd size
    - Advisor in car
    - Birmingham
      - Length
      - Police
      - Crowds
      - Photograph
      - Crowds
        - Location
        - Mexico
    - Police
    - Barricades

Ronald L. Ziegler entered at 12:28 pm.

- Press conference
  - Announcement
  - Time
  - Day

- Albert Watson
  - Edward M. Kennedy
  - Possible appointment to Court of Military Appeals



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- Confirmation
  - Blacks
    - Armed services
    - Lt. William L. Calley, Jr.
- Richard B. Russell's assistant
  - Court
- John Russell
- James F. Byrnes
- Black
  - Appointment
- Watson
  - Handling of announcement
    - Instructions for Ziegler's forthcoming press conference
    - Lack of decision
  - Possible Interstate Commerce Commission [ICC] appointment
- Gerald R. Ford
  - Watson
  - ICC
    - Donald L. Jackson

Ziegler left at 12:31 pm.

ICC

- Roman L. Hruska
- Harry S. Dent

Trips

- Motorcade stops
  - President's location
    - Car
  - Crowd
  - Photographs
  - Position of crowds

Press conference

- Podium
  - Use
    - Signing ceremonies
    - Citation



-State arrivals

Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 12:31 pm.

David K.E. Bruce  
-Arrival

Bull left at an unknown time before 12:43 pm.

-Appearance  
-Press conference  
-Microphone  
-Notes  
-Posture  
-Hands  
-Camera  
-American Society of Newspaper Editors [ASNE]

Trips

-Motorcade  
-Advance man  
-Crowds  
-President's location  
-Car  
-Directions on hand shaking  
-Microphones  
-Appearance  
-Dignity  
-Airport crowds  
-Car  
-Use  
-President's stops  
-Reasons  
-Birmingham

Program attendees

-Bertram S. Brown  
-Marijuana  
-Question of legalization



-President's participation

Portraits of the President

- Charlie Daniels' brother
- Request
  - Reply
- Time
- Vice Presidential busts
  - Lyndon B. Johnson
    - Johnson Library
  - The President
    - Possible remaking
- Agnew
- The President
  - Time done
  - Sculpting from photograph
- Agnew
- Requests
- President's time
- Look photography
  - Oliver F. ("Ollie") Atkins
    - Camera angles
    - News photos
  - Face
- Atkins

Television appearances

- [Dwight] David, II and Julie Nixon Eisenhower
- Constance M. Stuart
- President's decision
- Thelma C. ("Pat") Nixon
- White House assistant
- Photos
- Unknown photo
  - Girl
  - Ziegler
  - Charles G. ("Bebe") Rebozo
- Coverage
  - Photograph



Haldeman left at an unknown time before 12:43 pm.

[Conversation No. 505-007](#)

Date: May 26, 1971  
Time: 12:43 pm - 1:17 pm  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with David K.E. Bruce and Henry A. Kissinger; the White House photographer and members of the press were present at the beginning of the meeting.

Greetings

Bruce's schedule

Malik Faisal ibn Abd al-Aziz al-Saud luncheon, May 27, 1971  
-Time  
-Bruce's attendance  
-Number in attendance

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[National Security]  
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Malik Faisal ibn Abd al-Aziz al-Saud luncheon, May 27, 1971  
-The President's opinion

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[Camera noise]

Malik Faisal ibn Abd al-Aziz al-Saud luncheon, May 27, 1971  
-Menu

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[National Security]  
[505-007-w006]  
[Duration: 10s]

Malik Faisal ibn Abd al-Aziz al-Saud luncheon, May 27, 1971  
-Menu  
-No pork

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Meeting between Bruce and Kissinger  
-Lunch

Strategic Arms Limitation Talks [SALT]  
-Progress  
-Delay  
-Appearance  
-President's meetings  
-Bruce's resignation  
-Postponement

Manolo Sanchez [?] entered at an unknown time after 12:43 pm.

Refreshments

Sanchez [?] left at an unknown time before 1:17 pm.

-Kissinger conference with Bruce





Vietnam negotiations

- Possible progress
- Timing
  - Bruce's resignation
  - Negotiation process
    - Accomplishment
    - Stalemate

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[Unintelligible]  
[505-007-w008]  
[Duration: 27s]

Vietnam negotiations

- David K. E. Bruce's appointment
  - Negotiation process
    - The President's position
    - Destruction as a topic
    - Frustration

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Bruce's resignation

- Possible departure from Paris
- Unknown person
- Jean Monnet
  - Bruce's health
  - Age
  - Residence
  - Vacation
  - Bruce's health
- British
- Timing



- Spain
- Mediterranean
- Bruce's health

#### Vietnam negotiations

- Future
  - Prisoners of War [POWs]
  - North Vietnamese
  - Possible progress
    - Timing
- Bruce's resignation
  - Timing
- Paris talks
- US negotiations
  - Rank
- Bruce's future
- POWs
  - Families
- Future forum
- Bruce's possible appointment
  - Consultant to the President
  - Bruce's experience
  - State Department
- Bruce's view of status
- Goals
  - Terminal date
  - Settlement
  - Ceasefire
  - Troop withdrawal
  - Ceasefire
  - US troops
  - North Vietnamese
- Bruce's schedule
- W. Averell Harriman
- State Department
- Llewellyn E. ("Tommy") Thompson, Jr.
- Resignation
  - Date
  - Kissinger



- People's Republic of China [PRC] trip
  - Kissinger's forthcoming discussion with Bruce
  - President's conversation with Kissinger
  - US table tennis team
    - Visit to PRC
  - Trade and travel
  - Presidential candidate
  - Cabinet
  - Maurice H. Stans
  - Edward M. Kennedy
  - Edmund S. Muskie
    - Kissinger's Harvard University colleague
      - PRC
  - President's plans
    - Bruce's position
  - PRC
    - Compared with USSR
  - President's talk with Kissinger
    - Candidates for possible trip to PRC
      - Bruce
        - South Vietnamese
        - End of war
          - Timing
  - US-PRC relationship
    - Bruce's view

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[National Security]

[505-007-w007]

[Duration: 2s]

- People's Republic of China [PRC] trip
  - Japanese and Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]



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People's Republic of China [PRC] trip  
-Jean Sainteny  
-PRC  
-Negotiating posture

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[Unintelligible]  
[505-007-w009]  
[Duration: 7s]

People's Republic of China [PRC] trip  
-Jean Sainteny's opinion of negotiating strategy

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People's Republic of China [PRC] trip  
-Jean Sainteny  
-PRC  
-Negotiating posture  
-Bruce  
-Japanese  
-Compared with Chinese  
-Chinese  
-Japanese  
-PRC  
-Attitudes toward others  
-World  
-USSR  
-Japanese  
-USSR  
-Indians



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- Bruce
- Lunch
- PRC
- Bruce's health

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 5

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[Personal Returnable]

[505-007-w005]

[Duration: 1m 44s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 5

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Bruce and Kissinger left at 1:17 pm.

[Conversation No. 505-008](#)

Date: May 26, 1971

Time: 1:25 pm - 1:26 pm

Location: Oval Office

The President met with Alexander P. Butterfield.

President's schedule

Telephone call

President's schedule



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- Executive Office Building [EOB]
- Edward J. Kiernan call

Butterfield left at 1:26 pm.

[Conversation No. 505-009](#)

Date: May 26, 1971  
Time: Unknown between 1:26 pm and 1:30 pm  
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 3-128]

[Conversation No. 505-010](#)

Date: May 26, 1971  
Time: Unknown between 1:22 pm until 1:37 pm  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Rose Mary Woods.

Letter

- Proofreading
- William P. Rogers
- Delivery
- Maggie Russell

The President's schedule

- Possible visits



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[National Security]

[505-010-w001]

[Duration: 1m 25s]

Charles G. (“Bebe”) Rebozo

-Eugene Warner

-Lunch with Rose Mary Woods and Charles G. (“Bebe”) Rebozo

-Letter to Charles G. (“Bebe”) Rebozo

-Sultan ibn Abd al-Aziz

-Requests a visit in September 1971

-Melvin R. Laird

-Defense Minister of Saudi Arabia

-James D. (“Don”) Hughes

-Henry A. Kissinger

-Considerations

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The President’s schedule

-Possible visits

-Claude Pepper

-Archbishop

-Harry S. Dent

-Rebozo

Hobart D. (“Hobe”) Lewis

-Letter to Woods

-Book on Thomas Jefferson

-Proposed book

-President's views on Jefferson, [Thomas] Woodrow Wilson, and  
Theodore Roosevelt

-Knopf

-Timing

-Raymond K. Price, Jr.



-Woods' talk with Price

Letter

Strategic Arms Limitation Talks [SALT] delegation

Book presentations

- John B. Connally
- Frame
- Costs
- Speaker of the House
- Connally

Presidential libraries

- Lyndon B. Johnson
  - Dedication speech
  - Date
  - Press
  - Cost
- John F. Kennedy
- Johnson
- Dwight D. Eisenhower
- Harry S. Truman
- Franklin D. Roosevelt
- Use of money
  - Analogy to lighting White House
- Size
- President's papers
  - Commitment
  - Left-wing scholars
  - Vice presidential papers
    - Edward L. Morgan
  - Gift of papers
    - Taxes
  - Vice presidential papers

Police funeral

- Effect
- Stock market





- New York City
- John V. Lindsay
- Police brutality

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[Personal Returnable]  
[505-010-w003]  
[Duration: 3m 51s]

Dinner, May 25, 1971

- Waldorf Astoria Ballroom
  - Honoring Edward [surname unknown]
- H. Ross Perot's attendance
- Depression
  - [First name unknown] Whitney
  - Prison

An event

- The President's letter
  - Response
  - Spiro T. Agnew
    - Response
    - Agnew family
  - Rose Mary Woods
  - John Coleman
    - Response
  - George Champion, Jr.
  - Unknown woman
    - Sisters in attendance
    - Rose Mary Woods's comments
    - The President's opinion
    - Charles G. ("Bebe") Rebozo's comments
  - Charles G. ("Bebe") Rebozo
    - Tribute to Sue [?] [surname unknown]
  - Unknown woman



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- Rose Mary Woods's comments
- Previous appearance
- Psychiatrist

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[The White House operator talked with the President at an unknown time between 1:26 pm and 1:37 pm]

[Conversation No. 505-10A]

[See Conversation No. 3-129]

[End of telephone conversation]

Woods left at 1:37 pm.

[Conversation No. 505-011](#)

Date: May 26, 1971

Time: Unknown between 1:37 pm and 1:41 pm

Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

President's schedule

-Meeting with Charles W. Colson

Bull left at an unknown time before 1:41 pm.

[Conversation No. 505-012](#)



Date: May 26, 1971  
Time: Unknown between 1:37 pm and 1:41 pm  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown man.

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[Personal Returnable]  
[505-012-w001]  
[Duration: 6s]

Request  
-Coffee

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The unknown man left at an unknown time before 1:41 pm.

[Conversation No. 505-013](#)

Date: May 26, 1971  
Time: 1:41 pm - 2:02 pm  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Charles W. Colson.

Killing of policeman in New York  
-President's view  
-White House staff inaction  
-Contacting widows  
-Washington, DC police shooting



- Race
- White House response
  - Colson's response
    - Federal Bureau of Investigation [FBI] involvement
  - Public action
  - Justice Department
  - Colson's response
    - Funeral
    - President's call to Edward J. Kiernan
      - Leak to *New York Daily News*
  - Exploitation of issue
  - Justice Department
  - Richard S. Schweiker
  - Richard A. Moore
  - Justice Department
  - Possible conspiracy
  - Justice Department
    - Call to John W. Dean, III
      - Legal basis
        - Revolutionary conspiracy
        - Smith Act
- Need for action
- J. Edgar Hoover
  - Public opinion

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[Privacy]

[505-013-w001]

[Duration: 37s]

Heidi Ann (Fletcher) Heins

- The President's opinion
- Similarity to father Thomas W. Fletcher, Jr.
- Charles W. Colson's opinion



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Killing of policeman in New York

- Need for legislation
- Justice Department
  - Bureaucracy
  - Dean
  - Smith Act
- FBI involvement
- Richard G. Kleindienst
- Justice Department
  - Constitutional rights
- President's announcement
  - Bombing, 1970
- Nixon bill on shooting policemen
- Blacks
  - Black Panthers
  - Black policeman
  - Support for President
  - Social issue
    - Race and crime
  - Concern over incidents in community
    - Interviews in Harlem
  - Possible visit to President
  - Schweiker's bill
  - Ronald L. Ziegler
    - Press conference
- Publicity from phone calls and letters
- National fund for children
  - Scholarships
- Moore
- President's position
- Edward M. ("Ted") Kennedy
  - Position
  - Washington, D.C. police
- James J. Kilpatrick, Jr. column
  - Mailing
  - Edmund S. Muskie



- Demonstrators
  - (Madame) Nguyen Thi Binh
  - Hanoi

#### Congress

- Amendments
  - Draft
  - Edward W. Brooke
  - Robert P. Griffin
  - Howard H. Baker, Jr.
  - Peace issue
- Strategic Arms Limitation Talks [SALT]
  - J. William Fulbright quote
    - William S. White
    - Support
  - Democratic presidential candidates
    - Hubert H. Humphrey
    - George S. McGovern
    - Muskie
  - Antiballistic Missiles [ABM]
    - Fulbright
      - White
      - Quote
- ABM
  - Vote
    - Draft
    - Possible political impact
  - Doves
  - President's statement on SALT, May 20, 1971
  - Henry A. Kissinger
    - Colson's talk
      - White
    - Joseph C. Kraft
  - Colson's note to H.R. ("Bob") Haldeman
  - Article on ABM
    - Democrats
    - Unknown person's column
    - Washington Post*
    - Democrats



- ABM vote
- Disarmament
- Arms control
- Colson's meeting with Brooke
  - Possible foreign policy speech by Brooke
  - Brook's position on ABM
  - National Security Council [NSC]
- Vote
  - Timing
  - House
  - Senate
  - SALT negotiations
  - Public attention

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[Personal Returnable]

[505-013-w004]

[Duration: 9m 28s]

1972 campaign

- Harris poll
  - Edmund S. Muskie and the President
  - Percentages
  - Gallup poll and White House polls
  - Previous March–April poll
- George C. Wallace
- President's gains
- Differences between polls
  - Gallup poll
  - Harris poll
  - Methods of sampling
  - Gallup poll compared to Harris poll
  - Negro vote
  - Poor vote
- The President's gains



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- Strategic Arms Limitation Talks [SALT]
- “Man of Peace”
- Vietnam
- Laos
- Economy
  - Public attitudes
- Louis Harris
  - Tendency to be negative
  - The President’s opinion
  - Charles W. Colson’s comment
  - The President’s Harris poll showing in 1968
  - Committed to the President’s reelection
    - Hawkishness
  - Charles W. Colson’s comment on sexuality
    - Joseph W. Alsop
- Isolationism
- Democrats
  - Edmund S. Muskie
  - Edward M. (“Ted”) Kennedy
    - Catholic vote
  - Edward M. (“Ted”) Kennedy and Edmund S. Muskie
    - Polling
  - Eugene J. McCarthy
    - Possible candidacy
    - New York
    - Issues
    - Speech in Minnesota
      - Hubert H. Humphrey
      - Edmund S. Muskie
      - Vietnam
      - Negotiation
- Southerners
  - The President’s opinion
    - Flags
    - God Bless You
- Midwest
- Harris poll trial heat
  - The President’s showing
    - Hubert H. Humphrey





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- South
- West
  - Gallup poll
- Gallup poll
  - West
    - Approval rating down
- Harris poll
  - South
  - West
    - Economics
    - California
      - Population compared to the rest of the west
- Issues
  - People's Republic of China [PRC]
  - Republicans
    - Positive feeling
  - George C. Wallace

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Colson left at 2:02 pm.

[Conversation No. 505-014](#)

Date: May 26, 1971  
Time: 5:17 pm - 5:57 pm  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Harold Lee.

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[Personal Returnable]  
[505-014-w001]  
[Duration: 1m 23s]

- Unknown mutual friends
  - Dinner
  - Previous encounter
  - The President's opinion
  - Jewish

- Refreshments
  - Coffee
  - Tea

Thelma C. (Ryan) ("Pat") Nixon

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Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 5:17 pm.

- President's schedule
  - Henry A. Kissinger
  - Ronald L. Ziegler
    - Meeting with the Attorney General
      - Length
      - John D. Ehrlichman

Bull left at an unknown time before 5:22 pm.

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[Personal Returnable]  
[505-014-w002]  
[Duration: 23s]



END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2

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Kissinger  
-Joint meeting

Manolo Sanchez entered at an unknown time after 5:17 pm.

Refreshments

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 5:22 pm.

Vietnam  
-End of war  
-US withdrawal  
-South Vietnamese  
-Writers  
-Robert Downey[?]  
-Press  
-North Vietnamese military activity

Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]  
-Mutual mistrust  
-President's Experience  
-Detente  
-Arms control announcement, May 20, 1971  
-Strategic Arms Limitation Talks [SALT]

Kissinger entered at 5:22 pm.

Introductions

Vietnam

Joseph W. Alsop



- Kissinger's forthcoming meeting
- Unknown woman

#### US-USSR relations

- Alsop's view
- Mutual mistrust
- SALT
- Alsop

Sanchez entered at an unknown time after 5:22 pm.

#### Refreshments

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 5:57 pm.

- Kissinger's analysis
  - Initial response to the President
  - People's Republic of China [PRC]
    - Political rivalry
    - Ideological leadership of Communist Party
  - Federal Republic of Germany [FRG]
  - Middle East
    - USSR missile build up
    - Jordan
    - Syria
  - Cuban Base
  - Ideology
  - PRC
  - FRG
    - Domestic situation
    - Berlin
  - Middle East
    - Risk of war
  - FRG
    - Eastern Europe
    - Poland
  - Improvement
  - President's message
    - January 8, 1971



- Detente
  - Possible effect on western unity
- US-PRC relations
- Lee
- US policy
  - Ping Pong team
  - Travel and trade
  - Taiwan
    - British
    - United Nations [UN]
    - Mao Tse Tung
    - Chou En-lai
  - Cambodia
    - PRC
  - Laos
    - Alsop
    - PRC and USSR
      - Conciliation

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[National Security]

[505-014-w004]

[Duration: 8m 53s]

- US–Union of Soviet Socialist Republics {USSR} relations
  - People’s Republic of China [PRC]
    - Hong Kong
    - Harold Lee
    - Economic problems
      - Army
        - Henry A. Kissinger’s opinion
    - Harold Lee’s trip with Spiro T. Agnew
    - Chou En-lai
      - 1958
      - Harold Lee speculation



- Economic and political respectability
- Treaties
- Mao Tse-tung's death
- Recommendation for the President
- Regionalism
- Ho Chi Minh
  - North Vietnam
- Mao Tse-tung
- North Vietnam
  - Henry A. Kissinger's assessment
- Party bureaucracy
- Mao Tse-tung
- American people
  - Product of capitalists
- Chou En-lai
  - Possible paths forward
- Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]
  - India
- Taiwan
- Hong Kong
- Thailand
- Mainland
  - Chinese people

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Overseas Chinese

- Southeast Asia
- Singapore
  - Lee Kuan Yew

US foreign policy

- PRC and USSR
- American people
  - Idealism
  - Korea
- Pragmatic
- Idealists



- Press
- USSR
  - Unilateral disarmament
- Reaction to pragmatism
  - Fear of war
- Reaction to signs of progress
  - ”Millennium”
  - USSR and PRC
- World Situation
  - PRC
  - USSR
  - Pragmatic leaders
  - US policy
    - Pragmatism
    - Interest
  - USSR and PRC
  - Evenhandedness

Japan

- Future in world situation
- Achievements

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[National Security]

[505-014-w005]

[Duration: 7m 4s]

People’s Republic of China [PRC]

- Peking
- Mainland

Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]

- Negotiations
- Resolution



Europe

- Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]

People's Republic of China [PRC]

- Southeast Asia
  - Reasons against intervention
  - Harold Lee's opinion
- Peking
- Korea
  - Proximity to main centers of industry
  - Communists

Japanese

- Feelings toward
- Achievements
- Winter Olympics
  - 1972

People's Republic of China [PRC]

- Chou-En-lai
- Communists
  - Propaganda

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Korea

- Kissinger trip
- Agnew

Charles G. ("Bebe") Rebozo

Presentation of gifts by the President

- Lee's children
- Cuff links
- Tie clasps
- Paper weight

[General conversation]





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- Golf
- Chinese food
- Walter H. Annenberg
- Tricia Nixon and Edward R.F. Cox
- Wedding date

Lee and Kissinger left at 5:57 pm.

[Conversation No. 505-015](#)

Date: May 28, 1971  
Time: Unknown between 8:47 am and 9:08 am  
Location: Oval Office

The President dictated a memorandum.

Dictation  
-H.R. ("Bob") Haldeman

Haldeman [?] entered at an unknown time before 9:08 am.

[Conversation No. 505-016](#)

Date: May 28, 1971  
Time: Unknown between 8:47 am and 9:08 am  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown person.

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[Personal Returnable]  
[505-016-w001]  
[Duration: 13s]

*[This portion of the tape is mostly room noise with some muffled background conversation.]*

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The unknown person left at an unknown time before 9:08 am.

[Conversation No. 505-017](#)

Date: May 28, 1971  
Time: 9:08 am - 9:12 am  
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with William P. Rogers.

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[National Security]  
[505-017-w001]  
[Duration: 19s]

[See Conversation No. 003-166; one item has been withdrawn from the conversation]

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[Conversation No. 505-018](#)



Date: May 28, 1971  
Time: Unknown between 9:12 am and 11:04 am  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with H.R. (“Bob”) Haldeman.

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[Personal Returnable]

[505-018-w001]

[Duration: 2m 14s]

Primarys

- John N. Mitchell
- Robert A. Taft, Jr.
  - Ohio
  - New Hampshire
- Robert A. Taft, Jr.
  - Move to lock up Ohio
    - Talk with John N. Mitchell
    - Ray C. Bliss
- Ohio
- New Hampshire
  - Stand-ins
- Delegates
- California
  - Ronald W. Reagan
- Oregon
- Florida
- Nebraska

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[The President talked with the White House operator at an unknown time between 9:12 am and 9:16 am]

[Conversation No. 505-18A]

[See Conversation No. 3-167]

[End of telephone conversation]

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[Personal Returnable]

[505-018-w002]

[Duration: 2m 16s]

Julie Nixon Eisenhower's speech

- Teaching job
  - Publicity
  - National Education Association [NEA] types
  - [Dwight] David Eisenhower, II
  - Salary
  - Teacher
  - The President's opinion
  - School district's statement
    - Security basis
    - United States Secret Service [USSS]
- Publicity
  - Charles W. Colson
  - Democratic County Chairman

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The White House operator talked with the President at 9:16 am.

[Conversation No. 505-18B]



[See Conversation No. 3-168]

[End of telephone conversation]

Wiretapping and surveillance

- Use
- Edward M. Kennedy
- Compared with hiring researchers
- Edmund S. Muskie
- Kennedy
  - Coverage
- Chapman's friend

An unknown person entered at an unknown time after 9:16 am.

Refreshments

The unknown person left at an unknown time before 9:34 am.

Wiretapping and surveillance

- 1962 experience
  - F. Donald Nixon
  - President's house
- Charles W. Colson
- John J. ("Jack") Caulfield
- Kennedy
- Muskie
- Hubert H. Humphrey
- Purpose
  - Scandal
- Clark R. Mollenhoff

Press conference

- Timing
  - June 1, 1971
- President's schedule

President's schedule



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- Memorial Day
  - Camp David
  - Tomb of unknown soldier

Gallup Poll

- David R. Derge
- Unknown question
- Partisan line

Public relations

- Goals
- Slogans
  - Richard A. Moore
  - William L. Safire
  - Cliff Miller
    - Relations with Moore and John A. Scali
    - Ronald L. Ziegler
    - Colson
  - Democrats
    - New Deal
    - Fair Deal
    - Great Society
    - New Frontier
  - Republicans
    - Open Door
    - Generation of Peace, Revolution
- Importance
  - John D. Ehrlichman
- Political

Leon Panetta

- Book
  - Robert Finch
    - Difficulties
    - Office of Emergency Preparedness [OEP]

Richard V. ("Dick") Allen

Patrick J. Buchanan



- Forthcoming talk with Haldeman
- Conservative
  - Jeffry Bull
- Talk with Kevin P. Phillips

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[Personal Returnable]

[505-018-w003]

[Duration: 1m 58s]

Conservatives

- Congress
- Columnists
  - The President's opinion
- Paul N. ("Pete") McCloskey
- Ronald W. Reagan
  - Possible effect on the President in Republican Party
- Spiro T. Agnew
  - Ability to hold off Ronald W. Reagan
    - South
- Martin C. ("Marty") Anderson
  - H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman's talk with Patrick J. Buchanan
  - Position
    - Possible consultant role
    - Increased visibility
      - Column
- John N. Mitchell
  - Strategy

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[The President talked with J. Edgar Hoover between 9:34 am and 9:43 am]

[Conversation No. 505-18C]



[See Conversation No. 3-169]

[End of telephone conversation]

Hoover

- Understanding of publicity

Ronald L. Ziegler entered at an unknown time after 9:43 am.

Announcement of forthcoming press conference

- Timing
  - June 1, 1971
- Ziegler's talk with William H. Carruthers and Mark I. Goode
- Time of day
  - Audience
  - Ratings
  - Network suggestion

[The President talked with John D. Ehrlichman between 9:45 am and 9:49 am]

[Conversation No. 505-18D]

[See Conversation No. 3-170]

[End of telephone conversation]

Drugs

- Administration awareness of problem
- Veterans
- Finch and Donald H. Rumsfeld
  - Report
- Hippies
  - Travel

Henry A. Kissinger entered at an unknown time after 9:49 am.

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[Duration: 51s]

Drugs

- India
  - Chester Bowles
    - House in India
      - Unknown woman
      - Filth
      - Hippies
      - Junkies
- The President's assessment as ambassador

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Press conference

Drugs

- Veterans
  - Program
- Youth
  - Location
- Veterans
- Upper middle class
- William B. Saxbe
- Congressmen
- Upper middle class

Vietnam

- Harvard professors
  - Children
    - Percentage serving and killed
- Saxbe
  - Congressmen



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- Wounded in Vietnam
- [Dwight] David Eisenhower, II
  - Navy
- Military service
- Yale University commencement speaker
  - 1970 comments
  - William F. Buckley's research
  - Number killed

Ziegler left at an unknown time before 10:06 am.

Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]

- Kissinger's talk with Anatoliy F. Dobrynin
- Gerard C. Smith
  - Cable
  - Vladimir F. Semenov
    - [Forename unknown] Gardiner [sp?]
  - Change in USSR statement
- Dobrynin
  - Talk with the President
  - Gardiner
  - Unhappiness of USSR delegation
- USSR establishment
- Leonid I. Brezhnev
- Kissinger's call to Dobrynin
- Dobrynin's call to Kissinger
  - Instructions
  - Smith
  - Statement

Vietnam

- Xuan Thuy
  - Proposal
  - Ceasefire deadline

Kissinger's schedule

President's schedule

- Luis A. Ferré



- William D. Mills [?]
- President's forthcoming meeting
- Presentation
- Pictures

William P. Rogers

- President's conversation of May 28, 1971
- Leak
- Anwar el-Sadat
- Leak
- Marshall Green
- Rogers

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[Duration: 6s]

William P. Rogers

- President's conversation of May 28, 1971
- Melvin R. Laird
- The President's lack of trust

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William P. Rogers

- President's conversation of May 28, 1971
- Melvin R. Laird
- Green
- Leak
- Reason
- People's Republic of China [PRC]

PRC



- Polls
  - Forthcoming poll
  - Louis P. Harris poll
    - Wording
      - Admission into United Nations [UN]
      - Dual representation
        - PRC and Taiwan, Republic of China
        - Population
  - Charles W. Colson and Harris
    - Flyer
  - Relations with PRC
    - Questions

[The President spoke with an unknown person at an unknown time between 9:49 am and 10:06 am.]

[Conversation No. 505-18E]

- Harris poll
  - Delivery to the President

[End of telephone conversation]

- Negotiations
  - Timing

Vietnam

- Xuan Thuy
  - US position

An unknown person entered at an unknown time after 9:49 am.

The unknown person left at an unknown time before 10:06 am.

- Negotiations
  - US position
  - Timing
  - US position
    - Political settlement



- Nguyen Van Thieu
  - Meeting with the President
    - Timing
  - North Vietnamese response
    - Timing
- Possible South Vietnamese position
  - Tone
  - Norodom Sihanouk
  - David K.E. Bruce
  - Ellsworth F. Bunker
  - Cambodia
    - Settlement

#### PRC

- Harris poll
- Size
- Question on admission of PRC to United Nations
- Difference between 1968 and 1971 polls
- Timing of 1971 poll
- Diplomatic recognition
  - Ambassador
- Two China policy
  - 1968 compared with 1971 polls
- Harris poll compared with White House polls
  - Wording of questions
- Geographic breakdown
  - Midwest
  - South
- Age groups
- Voters
  - Hubert H. Humphrey
  - The President
  - George C. Wallace
- White House poll
- PRC
  - Initiative
  - Communists
  - Table tennis team
    - Visit



- US recognition
  - Importance of communication
- Publication
  - State Department
  - Timing
  - Release
- UN vote
  - Two China policy
    - US position
    - Public opinion

Haldeman left at 10:06 am.

Mills entered at 10:07 am.

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[Duration: 4m 45s]

William O. Mills

- Congratulations by the President
- Howard H. Baker, Jr.
- Ronald L. Ziegler [?]
  - Votes
- Support for the President
- Issues
  - Welfare
  - Economy
- District
  - Support for the President
- A rally
  - Salisbury, Maryland
- Spiro T. Agnew



Members of the press entered at an unknown time after 10:07 am

[General conversation]

[Photo session]

Members of the press left at an unknown time before 10:20 am

Presentation of gifts by the President

- Cuff links
- Golf balls
- Gift for secretary

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Mills left at 10:20 am.

Polls on PRC

- International interests
- Domestic interests
- Effect on domestic situation
- Harry S. Dent
- Gallup
  - Results
- PRC compared with Vietnam
  - Effect on US policy

Foreign trips

- Two China policy
  - Delay
- USSR response to summit proposal
  - Timing
- Release of poll
  - Timing
- US policy
  - Delay
  - Rogers
    - Consultation with allies



- Domestic considerations
- Peking trip
  - Timing of announcement
- Summit with USSR
  - Dobrynin
- Peking trip
  - Announcement
  - Timing
    - 1972 Elections
    - Democratic Convention
    - Lyndon B. Johnson
      - 1968 bombing pause
    - Completion of foreign policy initiatives
    - Date
- USSR Summit
- PRC Summit
  - Timing
    - 1972 Election
    - Democrats
- Harvard Professor
- PRC
- Trips to Peking
  - Opposition leaders
- USSR Summit
  - Announcement
  - Dobrynin
  - Deadline
    - Time restrictions
- China card

Haldeman entered at an unknown time after 10:20 am

- PRC
  - Timing of reply
- Peking trip
  - Trip by the President
  - Trip by Kissinger
- President's trip to Peking
  - Timing





- Kissinger's secret trip
  - Alexander M. Haig, Jr.
  - Schedule
    - Arrangements
    - Jean Sainteny
- Bruce
  - Kissinger's talk
  - Support of the President
  - Dean G. Acheson
  - Attendance on trip
  - Negotiations
- Unknown person
  - Possible call
  - State Department
  - Rogers
  - Negotiations
    - Prisoners of War [POWs]
  - Foreign Service
    - Walter P. McConaughy
    - Taiwan
    - [David] Kenneth Rush
    - Berlin

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[National Security]

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[Duration: 36s]

Foreign trips

- Egon Bahr
  - A leak
  - Willy Brandt
    - Dinner
  - Henry A. Kissinger
    - Personal intervention



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President's leadership

- Foreign policy
  - Clark MacGregor
    - Comments at staff meeting
      - PRC and USSR
      - Senate and foreign policy
      - J. William Fulbright
  - State Department
    - Totalitarianism
    - Rogers
    - John Foster Dulles
      - Dwight D. Eisenhower
    - Rogers
    - North Vietnam, PRC, USSR
    - PRC
      - Foreign minister
        - Chou En-lai
        - Yeh Chien-ying
    - Rogers
    - Andrei A. Gromyko
      - Press
      - Manner
      - Brezhnev
      - Politburo
- MacGregor
- Votes
- William B. Saxbe
- John Sherman Cooper
  - Kissinger's attendance at dinner at Marquis Childs' home
    - Kennedy Center
  - Statement on Charles McC. Mathias, Jr., amendment
    - Apology
  - Childs
    - Article
      - Strategic Arms Limitations Treaty [SALT]



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- Public
- MacGregor
  - Michael J. ("Mike") Mansfield

Henry A. Kissinger's meeting with Dobrynin

- Semenov
  - Hotline Agreement
  - SALT

Public opinion on foreign initiatives

- President's conversation on Air Force One
  - Lyndon B. Johnson Library
- Presidential initiatives
  - Senate
- Mutuality

Kissinger's relationship with Dobrynin

- Kennedy Center
  - Dobrynin
  - Llewellyn E. ("Tommy") Thompson, Jr.
- Summit

Rogers

- Compared with Elliot L. Richardson
- State Department

Announcement on PRC policy

- Rogers
- Domestic considerations
- USSR
- Initiative
- Summit
- Forthcoming press conference, June 1, 1971
  - Response to possible questions
  - Consultations with allies
- President's credibility
  - Press
  - Compared with Lyndon B. Johnson
  - Budget



- Public opinion
  - Polls
- Press
  - Kissinger's dinner parties
  - John W. Chancellor
  - Laotian operation

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[Duration: 39s]

Announcement on People's Republic of China [PRC] policy

- The President's credibility
  - Trip to Alabama
    - George C. Wallace
    - The President's belief regarding support for George C. Wallace

Polls

- White House
  - States
    - Indiana
      - The President vs. Birch E. Bayh, Jr.
    - Alabama
      - The President vs. George C. Wallace

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Foreign policy

- R. Sargent Shriver comment

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[Privacy]

[505-018-w016]

[Duration: 4s]

Foreign policy

- R. Sargent Shriver comment
- H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman's opinion
- Henry A. Kissinger's opinion

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Foreign policy

- Democratic administrations
  - PRC
  - Test Ban Treaty
    - USSR
    - US interest
    - Edward Teller
    - President's support
    - USSR interest
    - Disarmament
  - Cuban missile crisis
  - Berlin Wall
  - Laos
  - Death of Ngo Dinh Diem
- Nixon administration
  - Vietnam War
  - USSR
  - PRC
- Humphrey
  - Moratorium on Antiballistic Missile's [ABMs]
  - Multiple Independently-Targetable Reentry Vehicle's [MIRVs]
- Administration policy
  - Press play
  - Political issue
  - Administration



Patrick Cardinal O'Boyle

- President's telephone calls, May 27, 1971
  - O'Boyle
  - James Cardinal McIntyre
- Support for the President
  - Vietnam War
- Washington Post*
- Church
- George Meany

Vietnam

- Meany
- President's policy
  - Senators
  - Demonstrators
  - Press
    - Frank F. Mankiewicz

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Vietnam

- The President's policy
  - Press
    - Frank F. Mankiewicz
      - Joining George S. McGovern's staff
      - Foreign vs. domestic policy
- Democrats
  - Domestic policy stances
  - Henry M. ("Scoop") Jackson
    - Spending
    - Social programs



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Vietnam negotiations

- Memorandum by John A. Scali
  - Kissinger
  - Peace
- Combat role and peace offer
  - Timing
  - Thieu
- North Vietnamese answer
- Midway meeting with Thieu
  - Press
  - Announcement
    - Troop withdrawals
    - Thieu
    - Rogers
    - Laird
    - Thieu
      - Combat role of Army of the Republic of Vietnam [ARVN]
      - Timing
  - Press
  - Military withdrawals
    - Timing
  - Thieu
    - US combat role
  - North Vietnamese
    - Peace offer
      - Meetings
      - Possible delay
      - Possible consequences
  - Thieu meeting
    - Timing

Vietnam

- Press
  - American Broadcasting Company [ABC]
  - Casualties



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- Colson
- Compared with earlier figures
- Drug problem
- Casualty figures

Press treatment of administration

- Report on consumer price index [CPI]
  - Price rise
- Importance of administration achievements
  - Publicity

Berlin

- Publicity
- A leak
- Summit with USSR
  - Timing
- Egon Bahr
  - Invitation to January 1971 moon launch
  - Kissinger
- Rush
  - SALT
- Crisis
  - US credit
- World peace
  - Middle East
  - Vietnam
    - Risk
  - PRC and USSR
  - Middle East
  - Berlin
- USSR
  - Berlin
  - Egypt
- US negotiations with USSR
  - USSR concessions
    - Document
      - Wording
    - Access
      - German Democratic Republic [GDR]





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- Harry S. Truman
- Franklin D. Roosevelt
- Kissinger's call to Dobrynin
  - Meeting with Rogers
  - Gromyko
  - Summit

The President's draft

- Forthcoming remarks at US Military Academy at West Point, New York, May 29, 1971
- John K. Andrews, Jr.
- Outline

Arts Council

- President's remarks
- Press coverage
- President's memorandum
  - Thelma C. ("Pat") Nixon
    - Press coverage
    - Mamie G.D. Eisenhower
    - Claudia A. ("Lady Bird") Johnson
  - Reception
    - Press quote of Mrs. Nixon

President's speech at West Point

- Kissinger's review

Kissinger left at an unknown time before 10:25 am.

Mrs. Nixon

- Press coverage

Kissinger's acquaintances

President's forthcoming trip to West Point

- Ceremonies
  - Parade field
  - Mrs. Nixon
  - Sabre presentation



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- President's remarks
- President's review

Ziegler entered at 10:25 am.

ABC "Issues and Answers"

- Scali
  - Panel
- Donald W. Riegle, Jr.
- Paul N. ("Pete") McCloskey, Jr.
- Riegle
  - Previous discussion with the President
  - Denial of allegation
- McCloskey
  - William F. Buckley, Jr. interview
- ABC
  - Ziegler
- Riegle
  - 1968 campaign
  - Michigan

Ziegler left at 10:35 am.

West Point visit

- President's review
  - Departure by helicopter
- Mess hall
  - Greeting
- President's remarks
  - Amnesty order
- Press coverage
- Timing
  - Parade
  - Crowd
  - Motorcade
- Chapel visit
- Trophy point
- Superintendent's house
  - Possible reception



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-Compared with Newport

- Crowd
- Chapel

Birmingham visit

- Foreign trips
- Advance work
- Crowd location
- Automobile
- Leaving

Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 10:35 am.

Meeting with Ferré

- Length
- Photograph
- Puerto Rico

Bull left at an unknown time before 11:04 am.

Presidential visits

- Ronald H. Walker
- Work
- Alabama
- Coverage
- Crowd

Haldeman left at an unknown time before 11:04 am.

[Conversation No. 505-019](#)

Date: May 28, 1971

Time: 11:04 am - 11:17 am

Location: Oval Office



The President met with Governor Luis A. Ferré, Mrs. Rosario Benigno Trigo, and John C. Whitaker.

Greetings

Conditions in Puerto Rico

- Press
- Polls

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Conditions in Puerto Rico

- Next election
  - Same as US
- Luis Munoz Marin
  - Europe
    - Memoirs
  - Luis A. Ferré's opinion
  - Scotch and cigars

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Puerto Rico

- Cooperation from administration
- Ferré's plans
  - Institute of Social Technology
    - Latin Americans
    - North Americans
  - US relations
    - Prejudice
  - Radiologists [?]



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- Governors Conference
  - Timing
  - Invitations
    - Eduardo Frei Montalva
    - Galo Plaza, Alberto Lleras Camargo
    - Mexico
      - Antonio Carillo Flores
    - Venezuela
      - Rafael Caldera
    - Brazil
      - Unknown leader
  - Politics
  - South America
- “North-South Center”
  - Miguel Alemán
    - Mexico
  - Joaquin Balaguer
- South America
  - Terrorism
    - Universities
    - Church
      - Priests
  - Military
- Peaceful change
  - Latin Americans
  - Democratic society
  - Middle class
- Puerto Ricans
  - Discrimination
  - Taxes
  - US citizens
  - Education
  - Industry
    - Latin America
  - Cuba
    - New York Times*
    - Ferré Contacts
    - Florida
    - Cubans in Puerto Rico



- Number
- Florida
- Cubans
- Negroes
  - Compared with Cubans
- Cubans
  - Ownership
- University
  - Demonstrations
  - Venezuela
  - Mrs. Trigo's studies
  - Size
    - Compared with US
  - Balaguer
- Relations with Latin America
  - Dominican Republic
    - Santo Domingo
  - Haiti
  - Cuba
  - Haiti
    - Population
  - Governors' Conference
  - Haiti
    - Compared with Santo Domingo [Dominican Republic]
      - Geographical proximity
      - Social makeup
  - Government
  - Santo Domingo

[Unintelligible]

- Cuba
  - United Nations [UN]
  - Puerto Rico
  - Ferré's statement
    - Fidel Castro's possible visit to Puerto Rico
    - Possible Cuba visit by Ferré
  - People's Republic of China [PRC]
  - Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]



- Puerto Rico
- Compared to Hawaii
  - North-South Center
  - East-West Center
    - Japanese
    - Chinese
    - Indonesians
  - Puerto Rican culture
- Latin America
- Common language and culture
  - Brazil
    - Manolo Sanchez
- John C. Whitaker
- Briefing of President
- Future contacts with Ferré
  - Ferré
  - Press briefing
    - President's position
      - Understanding
      - Peaceful revolution
      - Commonwealth status
      - Congress

#### Ferré

- Children

#### President's possible visit to Puerto Rico

- Nelson Rockefeller estate
- Golf
- Governor's residence

#### Presentation of gifts by the President

- Children of Mrs. Trigo
  - Tie clasps
- Cuff links
- Golf balls
- Paperweight
- Children
- Secretary



Photograph  
-Car

Tricia Nixon's forthcoming wedding

The President, Ferré, et. al, left at 11:17 am.

[Conversation No. 505-020](#)

Date: May 28, 1971  
Time: 11:19 am - 11:32 am  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen Hess, Dr. Edward Zigler, and Kenneth R. Cole, Jr.; the conversation is in progress when the recording begins; the White House photographer was present at the beginning of the meeting.

Photo session  
-Arrangements

White House Conference on Children  
-Report

Photograph  
-Distribution  
-Copies

The White House photographer left at an unknown time before 11:32 am.

Presentation to the President  
-Portrait of President by high school student  
-Thank you note

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[Duration: 5s]

The President

-An experience in 5th grade

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Presidential library

-President's signature

Children's conference

-Read

-Anecdotes

-Arthur G. ("Art") Linkletter

-Children's letters to the President

-Dr. Zigler

-White House Conference

-National Child Advocacy Center

-Office of Child Development

-Function

White House correspondence on children

-Establishment of Children's Concern Center

Linkletter

-Book

-Letters from kids

Report

-Answering children's concerns

Responsiveness of government

-Source of ideas for government



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- States
- Government
- Size

President's experience in House of Representatives

- Letters
- Visits
- Value

Importance of public opinion mail

- Ideas
  - Compared with government papers
  - White House staff opinion
  - Process

The President's appointments

- Value

Cancer program proposal

- Funds
- Use

Children's concerns

- Amount of attention
- Rhetoric
- Television
- The President's remarks on first five years of life
  - Response
  - Unknown person
  - Daniel P. ("Pat") Moynihan
  - Thelma C. ("Pat") Nixon
  - Follow-up
- The right to read
  - Publicity
  - Educational funds
    - National Science Foundation [NSF]

Follow-up

- Moynihan



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- Hess
- Elliot L. Richardson
- Hess

Presentation of gifts by the President

- Golf balls
- Paperweight
- Cuff-links
- Wives
- Secretaries

Children's concerns

- Compared with Strategic Arms Limitation Talks [SALT], Middle East, Vietnam
  - Henry A. Kissinger
  - William P. Rogers
- White House policy

Hess, et. al., left at 11:32 am.

[Conversation No. 505-021](#)

Date: May 28, 1971

Time: 11:43 am - unknown before 12:08 pm

Location: Oval Office

The President met with Torben Ronne and Henry A. Kissinger.

Greetings

Ronne's tenure in office [?]

Ronne's appreciation

- Departing comments

The recording ended at an unknown time before 12:08 pm.