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[Conversation No. 557-001](#)

Date: August 9, 1971  
Time: 8:52 am - 11:47 am  
Location: Oval Office

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

Weather

President's schedule

- David K. E. Bruce and Ellsworth F. Bunker
- William J. Porter
  - Possible meetings
- Henry A. Kissinger
- Staff meeting

The President talked with the White House operator at an unknown time between 8:52 am and 8:55 am.

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Kissinger's location

[End of telephone conversation]

The President's schedule

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[Personal Returnable]  
[557-001-w022]  
[Duration: 1m 13s]

The President's schedule

- Mount Vernon
  - Sequoia*
  - Long cruise
- Helicopter ride
  - Preference
- Dinner
  - Time

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Forthcoming legislation

- Appropriation bills
  - Agriculture
    - Rural sewage and water
    - Aid to farmers
  - Department of Health, Education, and Welfare [HEW]
    - Possible veto
    - Blacks

President's schedule

- Labor-management leaders
  - West Coast longshoremen
    - Strike
      - Harry Bridges
  - Coal
  - Eastern longshoremen
  - Construction
  - Railroads
    - Firemen, signalmen, shop crafts
  - Automobiles
  - Steel
  - Transportation



Kissinger entered at 8:55 am.

Letter

- Kissinger to send to unknown person

President's schedule

- Bunker
- Porter
- Bunker
  - Kissinger's schedule
  - Possible meeting
    - Press coverage
    - Forthcoming Vietnam election

Vietnam

- Bunker's return
  - Purpose
    - Election
      - Possible North Vietnamese interference
- Media coverage
- Political issue
  - Democrats
    - Clark M. Clifford
      - New York Times* article
        - President's intentions
        - People's Republic of China [PRC] announcement
        - Madame Nguyen Thi Binh
          - Proposals
            - Timing
        - William A.K. ("Tony") Lake
        - Morton Halperin
- President's comments to press
- Clifford
  - Effect on negotiations

PRC

- W[illiam] Averell Harriman
  - Visa
    - Gardiner (sp?) Coles [?]



- James B. (“Scotty”) Reston
  - Articles
    - Chou En-lai
      - Comments about the President
    - New York Times*
- Reminiscence

Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]

- Kissinger’s forthcoming trip to Paris
  - India
    - Foreign Minister
      - Talks with Andrei A. Gromyko
- Relations with India
  - Treaty of friendship and cooperation
  - Announcement
  - Provision
  - Significance

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[National Security]

[557-001-w024]

[Duration: 53s]

Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]

- Relations with India
  - Alexander M. Haig, Jr.’s telephone call to Henry A. Kissinger
    - August 8, 1971
  - Andrei A. Gromyko’s possible assignment
    - Central Intelligence Agency [CIA] assessment
      - Punish Pakistan
        - The President’s People’s Republic of China [PRC] trip
- Henry A. Kissinger’s views on Indians
  - Strategy for dealing with them

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India

- Kissinger's forthcoming talks with Indian Ambassador
- Relations with US and USSR
- US aid

People's Republic of China [PRC]

- Chou En-lai
- Ideological stance
- North Vietnam

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2

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[National Security]

[557-001-w002]

[Duration: 45s]

PAKISTAN

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2

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People's Republic of China [PRC]

- Reston
- Vietnam
- US troop withdrawal

Refreshment

The President left at an unknown time after 8:55 am.



- Foreign policy
  - Achievements
  - Historical significance

People's Republic of China [PRC]

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[National Security]

[557-001-w023]

[Duration: 9s]

- People's Republic of China [PRC]
  - Message to Agha Muhammad Yahya Khan
  - Assurance of a warm reception for the President by population and government

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- Foreign policy
  - Congress
    - Democrats
    - India
    - USSR

The President entered at an unknown time before 10:30 am.

- Democrats
  - Clifford
  - Republicans
  - PRC
  - Vietnam
    - Possible US military action
  - Clifford
    - President's press conference



- Article
- Timing of printing

Vietnam

- Press coverage
  - Forthcoming meeting with Bunker
  - Forthcoming election
  - Paris negotiations
    - Consultations
  - Paris negotiations
  - Democrats

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[Duration: 46s]

Vietnam

- Press coverage
  - Democrats
    - Free beer and food
    - Size of crowd
    - Number of major candidates missing
    - George S. McGovern
    - Henry M. (“Scoop”) Jackson
    - Birch E. Bayh, Jr.
    - Publicity

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Vietnam

- Press coverage
  - Declaration of principles
  - Publication



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- Democrats
- Possible US military action
  - North Vietnamese buildup
    - Analogy to Tet offensive
  - Air force
  - Negotiations
  - PRC
    - Notification
    - Timing

PRC

- US press
  - Reston
  - Forthcoming Presidential election
    - The President compared to Democrats
  - USSR
- New York Times*
- Democrats
  - USSR
  - India
- Administration
  - Pakistan
- Possible story
  - Democrats
    - Kissinger's forthcoming meeting
    - Congress
      - Pakistan
  - USSR

Japan

- New York Times* editorial
- President's schedule
  - Forthcoming visit with Emperor Hirohito
    - Anchorage, Alaska
    - Simile
      - Visit with Georges J.R. Pompidou
  - Effect on PRC
  - Compared to trip to Japan
    - Trade





- PRC
- USSR

#### India

- Kissinger's forthcoming talks with ambassador
  - Possible war
    - Effect
      - Development program
  - USSR
  - President's friendship
  - Possible war
    - Effect on US position
    - The President's view
      - Cambodia and Laos
      - Interest in political settlement, refugees, aid to India
- National Security Council [NSC]
  - William P. Rogers
  - Joseph J. Sisco
    - Washington Post* and *New York Times*
- Rogers
  - State Department
    - Bureaucracy
      - John F. Kennedy
- Forthcoming NSC meeting
  - Timing
  - Kissinger's schedule
    - Forthcoming meeting with undersecretaries
- Rogers

#### PRC

- Rogers
  - Kissinger
  - State Department
    - Bureaucracy
      - New York Times* and *Washington Post*
  - New York Times*
    - Japan
- Harriman
  - Taiwan



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- United Nations [UN]
- Chiang Kai-shek
- Chou En-lai
  - Comments to Reston
- USSR
- India

USSR

- Possible developments
- PRC
- Middle East
  - Israel
  - Democrats
- Possible summit in Moscow
  - Relationship to PRC trip
- Anatoliy F. Dobrynin
  - President's letter
  - Summit
- Summit
  - Timing
    - Middle East
    - Egypt
    - India

Japan

- President's schedule
- Anchorage trip
  - Timing
  - Television
- Significance
  - Gesture
  - Emperor of Japan
- Ceremonial aspects
- Television

USSR

- India
- PRC
- Strategic Arms Limitation Talks [SALT]



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- India
- Middle East
  - 1967 War
  - Egypt
- Pakistan
- PRC
- [India]
  - Treaty of Friendship and Cooperation
- India-Pakistan relations
  - Congress

Vietnam

PRC

- Chou En-lai
  - US press
  - Speech
    - Communist Party cadres
    - USSR
      - Comparison with PRC
    - Voice of America [VOA]

USSR

- David Rockefeller
  - Trip
    - October [1917] Revolution
- President's 1959 trip

PRC

- Chou En-lai
  - Islamabad

Democrats and Liberals

- New York Times, Washington Post, Life, Time, Newsweek*
- Anti-ballistic missiles [ABMs]
  - SALT
- Pentagon Papers
- Public support for the President
  - September 1969 riots



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- Vietnam troop withdrawals
- Peace plan
- 1968 campaign
  - Edith Efron's media study
    - Charles W. Colson
    - Efron
      - Background
        - TV Guide* editor
    - John P. Roche
    - Analysis of press coverage
      - Television networks
        - Issues
        - Position
          - Hubert H. Humphrey
          - The President
          - Comparison of coverage
          - American Broadcasting Corporation [ABC]
          - National Broadcasting Corporation [NBC]
          - Columbia Broadcasting System [CBS]
          - George C. Wallace
          - Fred Dutton's book

PRC

- Announcement of forthcoming trip by President
  - Reston
    - PRC leaders' view
    - Rogers
      - UN policy
      - State Department
  - Richard Rovere
    - New Yorker*
      - Article
        - US, PRC, and USSR
      - Compared with *New Republic*
        - Daniel W. Washburn
      - TRB
    - [Forename unknown] Goodwin
    - Talk of the Town□
    - Vietnam



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- Rovere article
  - Democrats
  - Youth
  - Possible impact
- Press pool for trip
- Guests
  - Thelma C. ("Pat") Nixon
  - Adele (Langston) Rogers
  - Chou En-lai, Mao Tse-tung's wife

Middle East

- Sisco
- Israelis
- Joseph C. Kraft
  - Article
    - Ceasefire
    - Significance
- Rogers

PRC

- Forthcoming trip
  - New York Herald-Tribune* [?] article
    - William H. Carruthers
  - Political aspect
    - Eugene J. McCarthy
- President's speech
  - Television

1972 campaign

- Kissinger's schedule
  - Howard Stein
  - Edmund S. Muskie
  - Humphrey
  - Eugene McCarthy
  - Edward M. Kennedy
  - McCarthy
    - Youth crusade
      - Kennedy
    - Fitness for office



- Other candidates
- Mary McGrory
- Financing
- Personal Fund
- McGrory

*New York Times* article

- White House church services
- Author
  - Identity
- Washington Post*
- President's instructions

Press

- 1968 campaign
  - Ronald L. Ziegler, Herbert G. Klein
  - Humphrey
  - Compared to 1960 and 1972 campaigns
- Unknown article
  - Unknown person
  - Capitol Hill
- PRC announcement
  - National economy news
- Article
  - Unknown reporter
- Vice President Spiro T. Agnew
  - Newsweek*
  - Victor Gold
  - John A. Scali

Unknown person

- Views
  - Textile quotas
  - Busing

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[Personal Returnable]  
[557-001-w007]  
[Duration: 4m 54s]

1972 election

- Hubert H. Humphrey
  - Attempt by administration to build up
  - Show by Joyce Susskind and Barbara Howard
  - Performance
- Edmund S. Muskie
  - The President's analysis
  - George W. Romney
- Presidential aspirants
  - George W. Romney
  - John A. Volpe
  - William W. Scranton
    - The President's view
  - Nelson A. Rockefeller
    - The President's view
    - [First name unknown] Coles
      - Support for the President
- John V. Lindsay
  - Democratic Party
    - Potential 1974 gubernatorial run
  - Nelson A. Rockefeller
  - New York
    - Westchester County
    - Michael Coles
    - Wendell L. Willkie

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- Support for President
  - President as leader
    - Kissinger
    - PRC trip



- Winston Churchill
- Charles A.J.M. de Gaulle
- President as world leader
  - Cambodia
  - Laos
  - Demonstrators
  - de Gaulle
    - Foreign policy
    - Record evaluated
- [James] Harold Wilson

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[National Security]

[557-001-w009]

[Duration: 6s]

Support for President

- President as leader
  - President as world leader
    - [James] Harold Wilson
      - The President's opinion
      - Henry A. Kissinger's opinion

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Support for President

- Richard H. Rovere

Substance abuse

- Alcohol
  - Indians, Chinese, Japanese, Russians, British, Germans, Italians
  - Chinese
  - Japanese
  - Compared to drug use





- Southern societies
  - India
- Drugs
  - Rovere
  - Daniel Ellsberg
    - Lysergic acid diethylamide [LSD]
    - Health effects
      - Ulcers
        - Marijuana
      - Stress
      - Sedatives

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[557-001-w013]  
[Duration: 14s]

- Substance abuse
  - Drugs
    - Sleeping pills
      - Viewed as a safe drug

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- Substance abuse
  - Drugs
    - Effects

- Television networks
  - Colson
  - Domestic Council

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[Personal Returnable]

[557-001-w014]

[Duration: 11m 58s]

Television networks

- 1960, 1968 campaign
  - Thomas E. Dewey
  - Herbert G. Klein
    - John F. Kennedy
    - Robert F. Kennedy
- 1962 campaign
- 1964 campaign
  - Barry M. Goldwater, Sr.
- 1968 campaign
  - Nomination
    - George W. Romney
    - Nelson A. Rockefeller, Ronald W. Reagan
      - New York Times*
- Public reaction to press
  - Credibility question
    - People's Republic of China [PRC]
- 1968 campaign
  - Local campaigning
  - Telethons
  - Local press coverage
    - Compared to national coverage
- White House action
  - Charles W. Colson's role
    - Lyndon K. ("Mort") Allin
  - Report on television coverage
    - Professionals compared to volunteers
  - Telephone calls to networks
    - 1968 campaign
      - National Broadcasting Company [NBC]
        - William P. Rogers
      - American Broadcasting Company [ABC]



- Patrick J. Buchanan, Lyndon K. (“Mort”) Allin, Herbert G. Klein
  - Writing press
    - News magazines and columnists
  - Television
  - Radio
- Writing press
  - Importance
  - Rowland Evans, Robert D. Novak
  - Jack N. Anderson
  - Joseph C. Kraft
  - New York conservatives
    - William F. Buckley
  - Nelson A. Rockefeller's tactics
    - Advertising in *New York Times*
- Television
  - Columbia Broadcasting System [CBS]
    - Charles W. Colson
- The News Twisters*
  - Edith Efron
  - H. R. (“Bob”) Haldeman
  - Internal promotion
  - John Birch Society
- 1968 campaign
  - Lawrence M. Higby

Haldeman talked with an unknown person at an unknown time between 8:55 am and 10:30 am.

[Conversation No. 557-001B]

[End of telephone conversation]

Television networks

- White House action
  - John A. Scali
    - Abilities and limitations
  - Charles W. Colson
  - Herbert G. Klein

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Television networks

- 1968 campaign coverage
  - Efron's media study
    - Commentators' words for and against
      - The President's compared to Humphrey
        - ABC
        - NBC
      - US policy on Vietnam War
        - NBC
        - Bombing halt
      - White Middle class
        - NBC
        - CBS
      - Black militants
        - NBC
      - The Left
      - Demonstrators
    - Efron's conclusion
      - Network reporters
        - Democratic liberal politicians
          - Humphrey
        - Republican conservative politicians
          - The President
    - Efron
    - ABC, CBS, NBC, coverage
  - PRC trip
  - Pentagon Papers
  - 1970 campaign
  - Vietnam
  - Biased reporting
    - Scali
    - Klein
    - Ziegler
  - Need for balance
    - Efron's study
    - Newspaper editorial policy
  - Coverage of Laos action



- Tone
- Leftists
  - State Department, Department of Defense [DOD]
    - John D. Ehrlichman
    - George P. Shultz
- Press
- Universities
- Government bureaucracy

Kissinger left at 10:30 am.

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[Duration: 9m 17s]

Television networks

- Patrick J. Buchanan
- Charles W. Colson
  - White House action
    - Edward L. Morgan
    - Importance
    - Egil (“Bud”) Krogh, Jr.
  - Television markets
    - Los Angeles, San Francisco
    - Chicago
    - Cleveland, Cincinnati, Columbus
    - Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Harrisburg
    - New York City
  - Freedom of the press
    - Perceived violations by press
    - Lack of proof
- Support for the President
  - Trips around country
  - Rallies



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- Pictures
- White House action
  - John A. Scali
    - Spiro T. Agnew
    - Washington Post, Newsweek*
  - The News Twisters*
  - Conspiracy
    - The President's opinion
  - Charles W. Colson
  - 1968 campaign coverage
    - Citizen groups
    - Pressure networks for balance
  - Human Events*
  - John Birch Society
  - Walter H. Annenberg
    - Publishing of summary
  - TV Guide*
    - Edith Efron

Haldeman talked with an unknown person at an unknown time between 10:30 am and 11:12 am

[Conversation No. 557-001C]

[End of telephone conversation]

The President's schedule

- California
  - Tricia Nixon Cox, Julie Nixon Eisenhower
    - Edward R. F. Cox
    - Timing
    - New York
    - Arrangements
  - Trip to Dallas
  - Thelma C. (Ryan) ("Pat") Nixon schedule
  - Julie Nixon Eisenhower
  - Charles G. ("Bebe") Rebozo
    - Timing
  - Julie Nixon Eisenhower
    - Method of travel



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The President's schedule

- Speech
- Congressional recess
  - Return
- Golf trip
  - George Meany
  - Peter J. Brennan
- Radio speech
  - Labor Day
  - Length

Liberals

- Kissinger's friends

Efron

- Background
  - TV Guide*
- Media study on campaign coverage
  - Historical Research Foundation
- Background
  - New York Times* magazine
  - Look*
  - Time-Life* correspondent
  - Publications
    - State Department
  - Education
    - Barnard College
    - Columbia University
- Historical Research Foundation
  - William F. Buckley
- Media study
  - Television news
    - 1972 campaign
    - Fairness Doctrine
    - Vice President Agnew's allegations



- Public support
  - Network officials' response
- Tactics
  - Alger Hiss case
  - Whitaker Chambers
- Background
- Clytia Chambers
  - Background
  - Education
    - Barnard College
    - Howard University
  - Buckley
- Media study
  - Goals
  - Media bias
    - 1968 campaign
    - The Left and the Right
    - 1972 campaign
    - Theory
      - Analytical method
        - Networks, Federal Communications Commission [FCC],  
Congress citizens
- Possible Democratic reaction
- Buckley
- White House staff
  - Klein
  - Richard A. Moore
- Buckley
  - Summary of study's conclusions

President's schedule

- Efron

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[No conversation]

Public relations

- White House efforts
  - Outreach directly to people
  - As opposed to through the press
- Edmund S. Muskie
- 1960 campaign
  - Effect of tactics
  - States visited
    - Ohio
  - Unemployment
- 1968 campaign
  - Spiro T. Agnew

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Press

- Televised press conferences
- Efron study
- Black militants
- Free speech
  - Berkeley
- Environmentalists
- Consumer issues
- Vietnam
- Disarmament
  - ABM
- Religion
- New York Times* reporter
- Washington Post*
  - Judith Martin
- Haldeman's dinner at the Kennedy Center
  - Unknown women
    - Cave dwellers □



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- Tricia Nixon Cox's wedding
  - Washington Post*
  - Mrs. Nixon
- New York Times* story
  - Japan
  - Emperor Hirohito

President's schedule

- Kennedy Center opening
  - Kennedy family
    - John F. Kennedy
  - Concert Hall
    - Symphony concert
  - Opera House
    - Symphony concert
      - Antal Dorati
      - Liszt's Les Preludes
  - Opera House
    - Leonard Bernstein □ Mass □
  - Concert Hall opening
  - Announcement
    - Ziegler
    - Opera House opening
      - President's box
      - Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis
    - Abe Fortas
    - Roger L. Stevens
    - Mrs. J. Willard Marriott, Jr.
  - Reception
    - Advancemen

White House response to Efron's book

- Colson
  - Pentagon Papers
- Patrick J. Buchanan
- Walter H. Annenberg
  - Serialization, syndication
- 1968 campaign television coverage
  - Congressional hearings



- Harley O. Staggers
- White House press relations
  - Networks
  - Government control
  - Media
    - Columnists
      - Rovere
        - Readership
        - Article
        - PRC trip

President's schedule

- Cyclamates II
- William F. ("Billy") Graham
- Possible press conference
  - Ziegler

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[Conversation No. 557-1D]

Requested a meeting with Ziegler

[End of telephone conversation]

President's schedule

- Ehrlichman
- Shultz

National economy

- Time* story
  - John B. Connally
  - Shultz, Arthur F. Burns
  - Timing

Ziegler entered at 11:12 am.

President's schedule



- Forthcoming press conference
  - Bunker meeting
    - Routineness
    - Vietnam elections
      - President's statement
      - Fairness
    - Vietnam negotiations
      - President's previous press conference
      - Helen Thomas
- Possible office press conference
  - Timing
  - Forthcoming California trip
  - Possible speech
    - Timing
      - September
      - Congress
  - Frequency
  - Issues
    - Pentagon Papers
      - Veterans of Foreign Wars [VFW] speech
    - Declassification of World War II and Korea documents
    - Veterans of Foreign Wars [VFW] speech
    - Knights of Columbus speech
    - Vietnam elections
    - India-Pakistan relations
    - Bunker visit
    - PRC
    - Domestic
      - Economy
- Length
- Forthcoming speeches
  - Press coverage
    - California trip
    - Knights of Columbus
    - VFW
- Pentagon Papers
- Limitation of subjects
  - Last week's subjects
    - PRC, Vietnam, national economy



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- Possible press reaction
- Length
  - President's preparation
- Issues
  - Busing
    - Ziegler's briefings
  - National economy
    - Wage and price controls
  - Vice President Agnew
    - Time*
    - Trip
  - 1972 Republican ticket
    - George H.W. Bush
    - Robert H. Finch
    - Connally
    - Bush
    - Ronald W. Reagan
    - Bush
      - Clark MacGregor
      - Nelson A. Rockefeller
      - Charles H. Percy
      - John V. Lindsay
      - Percy
        - Illinois
  - Trip
  - Newsweek* article
    - Ambassador's wife
    - Letter
  - Gold

The press

- 1968 campaign coverage
- Efron's media study
  - Commentators' words for and against
  - The President compared to Humphrey
    - ABC
    - NBC
    - White middle class
    - Black militants



- Author's background
- Humphrey compared to the President
- ABC
  - Muriel F. (Buck) Humphrey
  - Compared to Mrs. Nixon
- Comments about H. Humphrey

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 [Personal Returnable]  
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- The press
  - 1968 campaign coverage
    - The News Twisters*
    - Comments about Hubert H. Humphrey
      - Raymond K. Price, Jr.'s campaign memorandum
      - William L. Safire
    - Comments of the President's strategy

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- The press
  - 1968 campaign coverage
    - The News Twisters*
    - Comments about the President
    - Media bias

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[557-001-w019]  
[Duration: 27s]

The press

- 1968 campaign coverage
  - The News Twisters*
    - Democratic efforts
      - Networks
    - Efforts of the President's staff
      - Presentation of the President
      - Hubert H. Humphrey

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The press

- 1968 campaign coverage
  - The News Twisters*
    - Theory of parallelism
      - Choice of film and interviewers
    - Efron's conclusions
      - Effort to defeat the President
        - ABC, CBS, NBC
- PRC trip
- Writing press
- Television reporting
  - Possible administration strategies
- Public attitude
- Efron study
  - Congress, FCC
    - Press objectivity

President's schedule

- Possible press conference
  - Press reaction
  - Timing
    - Congressional recess
    - President's trip to California
- Questions



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- PRC
- President's preparation
- Location and format
  - Cabinet Room
  - Oval Office
  - Kennedy
  - Lyndon B. Johnson
    - Cabinet Room
    - Press relations efforts
      - Intensity
      - Impact on presidency
      - Beginning of term
        - Barry M. Goldwater, Jr.
- The press
  - White House press relations
- Possible questions
  - 1972 ticket
    - Agnew
  - Busing
  - Congress
  - Revenue sharing
  - Wage and price board
  - PRC
  - Vietnam
    - Elections
    - Kissinger's reaction
    - Bunker meeting
      - Normal consultations
    - Elections
      - Internal matter
  - National economy
  - Foreign affairs
    - PRC
    - Vietnam
    - Pakistan
      - Rogers's announcement
      - USSR-India treaty

Ziegler left at 11:45 am.





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- Cyclemates II
  - Oval Office
  - Gifts
  - Press coverage
- Press conference
  - Timing
  - Television
- Bunker meeting
  - Kissinger

Foreign policy

- Presentation of positions
  - Positive tone
  - Substance
    - Analogy to Secret Service
    - Kissinger
- Kissinger
  - Laos
  - Cambodia
  - Domestic considerations
  - Negotiations
    - Channels
    - Possible revelation
    - PRC
  - President as leader
    - November 3, 1969 speech

White House public relations

- Frank Leonard
  - Maine
  - Relations with press
- Franklyn C. ("Lyn") Nofzinger
  - Forthcoming meeting
    - President's note
      - Monday mailing
        - Journey for Peace □
  - Kiplinger letter
- Orientation



- Writing press
- Television
- Monday mailing
- Foreign policy
  - Kissinger
    - Ziegler
    - Public relations
      - Public statements
        - Brevity
      - Vietnam negotiations
        - Seven points
          - US position
            - October 7, 1970 speech
            - Response
    - Prisoners of War [POWs]
- Ziegler
- The President
- Kissinger's position
  - Negotiations
  - Interference
- Polls
  - Announcement
  - Kissinger's meetings

Haldeman left at 11:47 am.

[Conversation No. 557-002](#)

Date: August 9, 1971  
Time: Unknown between 11:47 am and 11:59 am  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

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[557-002-w001]  
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Sanchez left at an unknown time before 11:59 am.

[Conversation No. 557-003](#)

Date: August 9, 1971  
Time: 11:59 am - 12:02 pm  
Location: Oval Office

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

- President's schedule
  - Cyclomates II
    - Plan
      - Bicycling
        - South Portico
          - Press photograph
  - President's greeting
  - Oliver F. ("Ollie") Atkins
    - Photograph
  - Tour
    - Mike [Michael J. Farrell?]

Butterfield left at 12:02 pm.



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[Conversation No. 557-004](#)

Date: August 9, 1971  
Time: 12:02 pm  
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 7-77]

Request for a call to George P. Shultz

[Conversation No. 557-005](#)

Date: August 9, 1971  
Time: 12:02 pm - 12:04 pm  
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with George P. Shultz.

[See Conversation No. 7-78]

Alexander P. Butterfield entered at 12:03 pm.

[End of telephone conversation]

President's schedule  
-Cyclamates II

The President and Butterfield left at 12:04 pm.



[Conversation No. 557-006](#)

Date: August 9, 1971  
Time: Unknown between 12:04 pm and 12:55 pm  
Location: Oval Office

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

- President's schedule
- Forthcoming press conference
    - Domestic issues
      - National economy
  - Forthcoming *Sequoia* trip, August 10, 1971
    - John N. Mitchell
    - William F. ("Billy") Graham
    - Robert H. Finch
    - Mitchell
    - Donald H. Rumsfeld
    - John D. Ehrlichman
    - Henry A. Kissinger
  - Forthcoming press conference
    - Briefing book
      - Patrick J. Buchanan
    - Questions

The President and Haldeman left at an unknown time before 12:55 pm.

[Conversation No. 557-007](#)

Date: August 9, 1971  
Time: Unknown between 12:55 pm and 2:58 pm  
Location: Oval Office

Unknown people [Secret Service agents] met.



The President's location

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[Federal Statute]

[557-007-w001]

[Duration: 3s]

United States Secret Service agent talked on the phone with an unknown person at an unknown time between 12:55 pm and 2:58 pm.

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The President's location

-Executive Office Building [EOB]