Date: February 25, 1971
Time: Unknown between 9:11 am and 11:00 am
Location: Oval Office

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

[Recording begins while the conversation is in progress]

National Governors’ Conference dinner
-George C. Wallace

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Ronald W. Reagan and Nancy Reagan
- H.R. (“Bob”) Haldeman’s opinion
  - Dislike of White House
    - Connected to their opinion of President

Nelson A. Rockefeller
- H.R. (“Bob”) Haldeman’s opinion
  - Favorably disposed towards President

Eunice (Kennedy) Shriver
- Dinner in embassy for General Charles A, J. M de Gaulle
-H.R. (“Bob”) Haldeman’s opinion
-Reaction to President’s dinner toast
-Dislike for President

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Recording was cut off at an unknown time before 11:00 am

Date: February 25, 1971
Time: Unknown between 9:11 am and 3:20 pm
Location: Oval Office

Unknown people [radio technicians] met

Technical problems
-Logistics
-The President’s schedule

The President entered at 10:56 am

Logistics

[The President recorded his Radio Address About Second Annual Foreign Policy Report to the Congress]

[A transcript of the final version of this speech appears in Public Papers of the Presidents, Richard M. Nixon, 1971, pp. 212-218]

[End of transcribed portion]

Technical problems
-Re-recording of speech segment
The President re-recorded a portion of his radio address.

[A transcript of the final version of this speech appears in Public Papers of the Presidents, Richard M. Nixon, 1971, pp. 212-218]

[End of transcribed portion]

The President left at 11:50 am

Technical problems

[General conversation]

Recording was cut off at an unknown time before 3:20 pm

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Date: February 25, 1971
Time: 3:28 pm - 3:35 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Alexander P. Butterfield

The President’s schedule
-Thomas S. Kleppe
-Glenda L. (Gompf) Kleppe
-George Renercomb
-Picture taking

Butterfield left at 3:35 pm

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Date: February 25, 1971

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Time: 3:35 pm - 3:46 pm
Location: Oval Office


Introductions

[General conversation]

Swearing-in ceremony
- T. S. Kleppe
- MacGregor
- Donald H. Rumsfeld
- Oath of Office
- Expression of thanks
- Goals of Small Business Administration [SBA]
- SBA loans
- California earthquake
- Presentation of gifts by the President

[General conversation]

Renercomb, et al. left at 3:46 pm

Date: February 25, 1971
Time: Unknown after 3:46 pm until 4:05 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull

The President’s schedule
Felipe Herrera
Ashley Hewitt

Herrera, Charls E. Walker, Henry J. Costanzo, and Hewitt entered and Bull left at 3:48 pm; members of the press were present at the beginning of the meeting.

Greetings
- Herrera
- Walker
- Costanzo

Herrera
- Previous meeting with the President
  - Dwight D. Eisenhower
- Tenure at Inter-American Development Bank [IADB]
- University education

United States-Latin American relations
- Chile
  - History
  - Education
  - Herrera’s return to Chile
    - University
- IADB
  - US contribution
    - Administration views
      - President’s statement
    - Congress
      - Albert A. Gore, Sr.
  - Loan policy
- IADB loan assistance
  - Compared to World Bank
  - Bolivia
  - Paraguay
  - Honduras
  - Haiti
  - Caribbean nations
- The President’s trip to Chile in 1967
  - United Nations’ Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization [UNESCO]
Gifts
- Presentation of Material from IADB
- Presentation of gifts by the President
  - Photograph
  - President’s foreign policy report
  - Cuff links

Farewells

Herrera, Costanzo, and Hewitt left at an unknown time before 4:05 pm

Public relations
- US-Latin American relations
  - Administration position
    - Walker’s statements
  - America’s partnership
  - ”Peaceful change”
  - Stability
    - Importance
  - Private capital
  - Importance of aid
  - President’s view
  - Dignity of all countries
  - Self-reliance

John B. Connally

Farewells

Walker left at 4:05 pm

Conversation No. 458-006

Date: February 25, 1971
Time: 4:05 pm - unknown before 4:07 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Alexander P. Butterfield

The President’s schedule
- Joe D. Waggonner, Jr.
- J. M. Menefee

Butterfield left at an unknown time before 4:07 pm

Date: February 25, 1971
Time: 4:07 pm - 4:34 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Joe D. Waggonner, Jr., J. M. Menefee, John C. Whitaker, and Richard K. Cook; the White House photographer was present at the beginning of the meeting

Greetings
- Photograph

Oil production
- Louisiana
  - Menefee’s briefing
  - Offshore
  - Onshore
  - Menefee’s background

Manolo Sanchez entered at an unknown time after 4:07 pm

Refreshments

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 4:34 pm

Oil production in Louisiana
-Menefee’s background
  -Appointment
    -Earl K. Long
-Louisiana Department of Conservation
  -History
-Methods of regulation
  -Hearings
-Oil prices
-Figures of production
  -Productivity
-Problems of increased production
-Number of wells
  -Production
-Texas
  -Compared to Louisiana
    -Computer data
    -Personnel
-Menefee’s work
  -Figures of production
-President’s view
  -Administration position
    -General George A. Lincoln
    -Whitaker
    -Menefee’s goal
    -Whitaker
    -Possible meeting
-State-owned oil land
-Oil depletion allowance
-Administration position
  -Marginal drilling
    -William Proxmire
    -John B. Connally
-Oil people
-Increased Louisiana production

The President’s presentation of gifts

Possible meeting
  -Whitaker
-Paul W. McCracken
-Lincoln
-Elmer F. Bennett

Farewells

Waggonner, et al. left at 4:34 pm

Date: February 25, 1971
Time: Unknown between 4:34 pm and 4:42 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown person [Dwight L. Chapin]

The President’s schedule
-Milton C. Rose
-David M. Kennedy
-Forthcoming White House reception
-John Quincy Adams’ portrait
-Presidential’s attendance
-Seating arrangements
-Adams
-Andrew Oliver
-Number of guests
-Thelma C. (Ryan) (“Pat”) Nixon
-Press coverage
-Astronaut dinner
-Seating
-Program
-Hole-in-one club
-William L. Safire
-Hugh M. Downs
-Arnold D. Palmer
-Billy Casper
-Astronaut dinner
President’s remarks
Remarks of astronauts
Location
Presentation of medals
The President’s remarks
Camp David
John B. Connally
Accommodations
Astronaut dinner
Dr. [Forename unknown] Isles [sp?]
Rose Mary Woods
Possible invitation
Background
Apollo 14 role
President’s position

The unknown person [Chapin] left at an unknown time before 4:42 pm

Date: February 25, 1971
Time: 4:42 pm - 5:05 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Milton C. Rose

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Greetings

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Patrick J. Lucey
- President’s opinion
  - Business for Mudge, Rose, Guthrie, & Alexander
    - President and John N. Mitchell’s interest in firm

Mudge, Rose, Guthrie & Alexander
- Richard S. Ritzel
  - Addition to firm

Milton C. Rose’s health

Robert Guthrie
- Crash diets
  - Lifestyle
    - Similarity to Richard S. Ritzel
- Milton C. Rose’s recent breakfast with Robert Guthrie
  - Size of breakfast
- Law firm
  - Employees
- The President’s old office

Elmer H. Bobst and Momdouha (As-Sayyid) (“Dodo”) Bobst’s wills
- Executors
  - Need to be changed

Manolo Sanchez entered at an unknown time after 4:34 pm

Refreshments
- Tea

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 5:05 pm

Elmer H. Bobst and Momdouha (As-Sayyid) (“Dodo”) Bobst’s wills
- Cash legacies
  - To President and Milton C. Rose
- Executors
  - President, Milton C. Rose and Momdouha (As-Sayyid) (“Dodo”) Bobst
  - [unknown first name] Irving trust
-Corporate executor
-Alfred E. Driscoll
-Executor
-Elmer H. Bobst
  -Potential long life
  -Instructions
-Legal points
  -Conditions of will
  -President’s legacy
  -Publicity
  -Potential embarrassment
  -Legacy to Nixon Foundation
-Momdouha (As-Sayyid) (“Dodo”) Bobst’s will
  -Surviving spouse
  -Named President and Milton C. Rose as executors
-Elmer H. Bobst and Momdouha (As-Sayyid) (“Dodo”) Bobst’s Foundation
-Structure
  -Incorporated under laws of New York
  -Active upon Elmer H. Bobst’s death
  -Legacy upon Momdouha (As-Sayyid) (“Dodo”) Bobst’s death
-The President’s involvement
  -Potential role as director
-Nonprofit corporation law in New York
  -Amendment of by-laws
-The President’s involvement
-Waivers
-Quorum
-Publicity
  -President’s meeting with [first unknown name] Salvatore [?]
-Potential questions about Foundation
  -Press attention on Elmer H. Bobst
  -Momdouha (As-Sayyid) (“Dodo”) Bobst performance
-President’s previous conversation with Elmer H. Bobst

Elmer H. Bobst
-Health
-President’s opinion
-Milton C. Rose’s previous visit
  -Early February 1971
- Palm Beach
- Lunch
- Elmer H. Bobst’s trip to New York
  - Throat surgery

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Cancer program
  - Administration’s program
  - Elmer H. Bobst
    - Possible appointment
  - Research
  - Bobst
    - The President’s schedule
      - Possible visit
        - Communications
      - United States’ Secret Service
      - Previous visit to Nelson A. Rockefeller’s house
        - Logistics

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Bill Tynan
  - Recent visit to White House
    - Reception
      - Business leaders

Milton C. Rose’s friend Mrs. [first unknown name] Rogers [?]
  - Asked after President

Milton C. Rose’s visits to unnamed lakes [Finger Lakes?]
-Encounter with President
  -Tenth anniversary of unnamed event
  -Heat

Nelson A. Rockefeller
- Margaretta (Hitler) (“Happy”) Rockefeller
- President’s previous assistance
- Visit to the White House February 23 1971
  - Governors’ conference

President’s departure from Mudge, Rose, Guthrie & Alexander
- John N. Mitchell

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Personnel
- Leonard Garment
  - Role
    - Minorities
    - Arts
    - Civil rights

Forthcoming White House ceremony
- John Quincy Adams’ portrait
  - Thelma C. (Ryan) (“Pat”) Nixon’s role
  - Attendees
    - Descendants of Adams
      - Presentation
      - James Monroe’s portrait

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Elmer H. Bobst’s trust
- Assets
  - Antiques magazine
  - Wendell Garrett
  - Editor-in-chief

Milton C. Rose
- Interest in art

Forthcoming White House ceremony
- Rose’s possible attendance
- Rose’s previous visit

White House portraits
- Dolley P. T. Madison
- John F. Kennedy
- Jacqueline Lee Bouvier Kennedy Onassis
- Kennedy
- Andrew Wyeth

Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 4:34 pm

The President’s schedule
- Invitation to Rose
- White House ceremony

Bull left at an unknown time before 5:05 pm

Rose’s schedule

Presentation of gifts by the President
- Donald McI. Kendall

[General conversation]
Rose left at 5:05 pm

Date: February 25, 1971
Time: 5:05 pm - 5:43 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with David M. Kennedy and General Alexander M. Haig, Jr.; the White House photographer was present at the beginning of the meeting.

Greetings
- Introductions

Kennedy’s forthcoming trip to Vietnam
- Travel schedule
  - Vietnam
  - Indonesia
  - Micronesia

An unknown woman [Nellie L. Yates] entered at an unknown time after 5:05 pm
- Length of flight
- Length of trip

The unknown woman [Yates] left at an unknown time before 5:43 pm
- Ellsworth F. Bunker
  - Assistance
- Goals of trip
  - Economic conditions
    - Evaluation
      - US officials
      - South Vietnamese officials
- Vietnamese economic policy
- Post-withdrawal problems
South Vietnamese domestic problems
- Economic policy

United States’ aid program to Vietnam
- General Nguyen Van Thieu
  - Kennedy’s conversation with Thieu
    - President’s policy
      - Economic aid
      - Military aid
      - Importance of economic policy
        - Compared to Korea
  - Economics
    - Evaluation
      - Ability of South Vietnamese to manage their economy
      - Different assessments
      - Possible solutions
        - US advisory group
          - Kennedy
    - President’s concern
      - Post-withdrawal problems
    - Goal of Kennedy’s trip
  - Personnel evaluation
    - South Vietnamese officials
    - Bunker
  - President’s fear
    - South Vietnamese economy
      - Communists

Kennedy’s trip to Vietnam
- Goals
  - Haig’s view
  - Location of expertise
    - [Forename unknown] Cooper
    - South Vietnamese officials
- Vietnamese election
  - Thieu
    - Possible effect of economic policy
- US aid
  - State Department
-US goal
  -Economic self-sufficiency
  -Ability of South Vietnamese
-United States’ staff in Vietnam
  -Economists
  -General Creighton W. Abrams, Jr.
  -Compared to Korea
    -Henry J. Tasca
  -Bert S. Cross
  -Need for more economic knowledge
    -South Vietnamese
-Vietnam
  -Corruption
  -Vietnamese economy
    -World Bank
    -International Monetary Fund [IMF]
    -Asian respect for age
      -Bunker
  -Possible US economic advisors
    -Cross
    -Robert C. Tyson
      -Possible position
        -Geneva Conference role

United States’ economic advice
  -Business
    -Expertise
  -State Department
    -Economic expertise
    -Maurice H. Stans
    -Commercial attaché
      -State Department view
        -President’s view
          -Kennedy’s role
            -William P. Rogers
            -U. Alexis Johnson
          -Importance of economics
    -Foreign service
      -President’s view
Kennedy’s forthcoming trip to Indonesia
  -Commercial attaché
  -Kennedy’s goals
    -Evaluation
    -American businessmen

Kennedy’s forthcoming trip to Micronesia
  -Self government
    -President’s view
    -Kennedy’s forthcoming trip
    -Hawaii
    -President’s position
    -Okinawa
  -Haig’s view
    -Xenophobia
  -Size
    -Guam
      -Hawaii
  -Relationship with United States
    -Role of Peace Corps
    -Kennedy speeches
      -Future
      -Welfare
      -US aid

Kennedy’s forthcoming trip to Hong Kong
  -Meeting with Chinese businessmen
  -Harold Lee
    -Kennedy
    -Lee’s views
    -Forthcoming cable from the President to Lee
  -Background
    -J. William Fulbright

Marjorie P. Acker entered at an unknown time after 5:05 pm
  -Cable from the President
    -Rose Mary Woods
Meeting with Kennedy
- Lee’s views
- US-Chinese relationship

Acker left at an unknown time before 5:43 pm

- Trade
  - People’s Republic of China [PRC]
  - Taiwan contacts
- Consul General
- Kennedy’s schedule
- Kennedy’s entourage
  - Department of Treasury personnel
  - Department of State personnel
  - Economists
- Linden Johnson (American businessman)
  - Possible meeting with Kennedy

Kennedy’s forthcoming trip to Far East
- Singapore
  - Briefing
  - Lee Kuan Yew
    - President’s view
  - Compared to Malaysia
  - Kennedy’s meeting with Yew
    - The President
    - US-Singapore relations
    - Military
  - Kennedy’s conversations with foreign leaders
    - Report to the President
    - Confidentiality
      - Reasons
- Military survey team

Kennedy’s possible trip to Thailand
- Kennedy’s conversation with Thai leaders

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[National Security]

Thai leaders
- President’s suggestion for message to be conveyed
- Senators
- Emphasis on importance of Thailand as ally

Thailand - Possible state visit
- King Bhumibol Adulyadej
- Visit to White House

Thailand - Reassurances to Thai leaders
- Importance of US-Thai alliance

Thailand - Weather
-Bali (Indonesia)

Kennedy’s visit to Far East
  -Need for relaxation
  -Southeast Asian contacts
    -L. Johnson
    -H. Lee
    -Hong Kong

Kennedy’s previous trip to Mexico
  -Length of stay

Lockheed-Rolls Royce
  -George R. S. Baring [Earl of Cromer]
    -Henry A. Kissinger
    -Kennedy’s involvement
    -David Packard’s involvement
      -Lockheed
        -Latest reports
        -Peter G. Peterson
    -Kennedy’s involvement
    -John B. Connally
      -Schedule

Kennedy’s role
  -Special assignments
  -Forthcoming trip to Far East
    -Conversations with foreign leaders
      -Report to the President
        -Messages
        -Confidentiality

The President’s previous visit to Far East
  -Japan
    -Kennedy

Woods entered at an unknown time after 5:05 pm

Cable to L. Johnson
Kennedy visit to Hong Kong

Woods left at an unknown time before 5:43 pm

Farewells

Kennedy and Haig left at 5:43 pm

Date: February 25, 1971
Time: 5:44 pm - 6:30 pm
Location: Oval Office

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

The President’s schedule
- "Open Hour” meetings
- Value
- David M. Kennedy
- Milton C. Rose
- Kennedy
- Department of State
- Henry A. Kissinger
- Value of meeting with the President
- Forthcoming trip to Far East
- Vice President Spiro T. Agnew’s schedule
- Radio/television correspondents’ dinner
- Hawaii
- Gridiron Club
- Agnew’s attendance
- Rationale
- Skits
- Boycott
- Women
- Leslie T. (“Bob”) Hope
- The President’s attendance
-Skits
-Speech
-The President’s attendance
   -As Vice President for Dwight D. Eisenhower
   -Haldeman’s forthcoming conversation with the Vice President

Stock market
   -Figures
   -Effect of Davis-Bacon Act
      -Arthur F. Burns
   -John B. Connally
   -The President’s position
      -Figures
      -Laos impact
      -Burns

Agnew’s schedule
   -Gridiron Club
      -Attendance
      -The press
      -The President’s attendance

The President’s schedule
   -Bohemian Grove
      -100th anniversary
      -Attendance
         -Women
      -Speech
   -Harvey Hancock
   -Secret Service
   -Cabinet
   -Connally’s attendance

Wire service
   -The Vice President’s attention
   -Lyndon B. Johnson

*Baltimore Sun*
L. T. and Delores (Reade) Hope
   -Life magazine
   -New York Times

Press
   -Letter to the editor
   -The President’s view
   -William P. Rogers
   -Staff attitude
   -White House public relations efforts
     -Strategy
       -Columnists
       -Television networks
       -Wire services
       -National magazines

Charles W. Colson
   -Ronald L. Ziegler
   -Robert H. Finch
   -Donald H. Rumsfeld
   -Role on White House staff
     -Compared to other staff
   -White House public relations
     -Jeb Stuart Magruder
     -Ziegler
     -Frederic V. Malek
     -John W. Dean, III
     -John D. Ehrlichman’s staff
       -Edward L. Morgan
     -Dwight L. Chapin
     -Alexander P. Butterfield
   -White House public relations
     -Colson
     -Malek
     -Magruder
     -Dean

Connally
   -Camp David visit
Butterfield entered at 6:01 pm

-Birthday

The President’s schedule
-National Security Council [NSC] meeting
-Open Door Hour
  -Frank J. Shakespeare
  -Wilbur D. Mills
  -Breakfast meeting

Butterfield left at an unknown time before 6:04 pm

[Haldeman talked with the White House operator at an unknown time between 6:01 pm and 6:04 pm]

[Conversation No. 458-11A]

Call to Chapin

[End of telephone conversation]

The President’s schedule
-Breakfast meetings
  -Burns
  -Elliot L. Richardson
  -George P. Shultz
  -Timing
  -Mills
  -Attendees
  -Timing
  -Ehrlichman
  -Timing
  -Location
  -Ziegler
  -Shakespeare
  -Connally
  -Topics to be discussed
- Welfare
- Camp David
  - The President
  - Connally’s visit
    - Length
- Press conference
- Trip
  - Rochester
  - National conference

The President’s speech in Williamsburg, Virginia
  - Judicial conference
  - Draft deadline
  - Length
    - The President’s view
      - Compared to foreign policy speech

Length of speeches
  - Foreign policy speech
    - [Thomas] Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars speech
  - Head of State dinners
    - Toasts
      - Department of State
      - Translations
    - The President’s position

The President’s schedule
  - Judicial conference
  - Farm dinner

Voluntary Action dinner
  - Edwin D. Etherington
  - Ehrlichman
  - George W. Romney
  - Finch

“A Salute to Agriculture”
  - Timing
  - Country fair
- Compared to President Johnson’s efforts
  - Carnival
  - Livestock
  - Dress
  - Invitations
  - 4-H Club
  - Future Farmers of America
  - Possible events
  - Publicity
    - Speeches
      - Efficacy
      - Clifford M. Hardin
    - Briefing
    - Photographs
      - Eastman Kodak

Iowa State Legislature
  - Invitation
  - Revenue sharing
  - Possible speech
    - President’s appearance
  - William L. Safire’s efforts

President’s speeches
  - Speech writers
    - Foreign policy speech
      - Wording
      - Safire
    - Techniques
    - Jokes
    - Wording
    - Rhetoric
  - Trips
    - Need for prepared remarks
  - Length of speeches

Radio speech on foreign policy
  - Length
  - Topics
- Laos
- Vietnam
- Middle East
- Efficacy
- Use of radio
  - President’s view
    - Future use
    - Benefits
    - Past use
- Franklin D. Roosevelt
- Air Force One
  - Symbolism
- Airports
- Possible press conferences
  - Regional briefing
  - Local press
- Public relations efforts
  - Foreign policy
  - Vietnam and Laos

The President’s schedule
- Private dinners
- Upcoming events
  - Farm trip
  - Rochester
  - Judiciary conference
  - Newport, Rhode Island
    - President’s remarks
- Florida
  - Possible Presidential visit
    - University
- Forthcoming Head of State dinner
  - Ireland
- Office press conference
  - March 19, 1971
    - Domestic policy
- Work load
  - Changes
  - Head of State visits
- Arrival ceremonies
- Departure statements
  - Television coverage
- Italian dinner
  - Television coverage
- Television coverage
  - Apollo 14 dinner
  - Ireland Head of State dinner
  - Peter M. Flanigan
    - Thelma C. (Ryan) (“Pat”) Nixon
- Benefits of television coverage
- Difficulties of television
- State of the World
  - Timing
- Work load
- Speeches
  - Radio uses

The President and Haldeman left at 6:30 pm