

Date: September 28, 1971  
Time: 11:30 am - 11:57 am  
Location: Oval Office

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

Funeral for Justice Hugo L. Black

- The President's attendance
  - John N. Mitchell
  - Chief Justice Warren E. Burger
  - Justice John M. Harlan
  - Mitchell's views
    - Respect for Supreme Court
    - Forthcoming nominations
- Harlan
  - Time
  - Richard A. Moore's possible conversation
  - Conversation between Mitchell and Moore
  - Possible conversation between Haldeman and Mitchell
  - Comparison to funerals for Senators
  - Black
    - Relationship with the President
    - Seniority
  - Justice Thurgood Marshall
  - Justice William O. Douglas
  - Burger's views
  - Mitchell
  - Speculation by press
  - [Burger]

Vietnam

- Prisoners of War POW] situation
  - Henry A. Kissinger
    - View
      - Haldeman
  - Public speaking
    - Melvin R. Laird
    - Robert J. Dole
    - Forthcoming event at Statler Hilton for the National League of Families
    - Laird
    - Dole
  - Effectiveness
    - Theme
- League
  - Politics
  - President and board
  - Support for the Administration

POW wives' dinner

- The President's possible attendance

- James D. Hughes's views
- Entrance
  - Timing
- Departure
- Laird's speech
- Press attendance
- Television coverage
- Ronald L. Ziegler's knowledge of the President's intentions
  - Columbia Country Club
  - Announcement of the President's appearance
    - Possible preparation
    - Effect on press
- Time
- The President's entrance
  - Length of stay
  - Alexander M. Haig, Jr.
  - Hughes
  - John A. Scali
- Laird's statement
- John B. Connally's views
- The President's attendance
  - Pressures
    - Political groups
    - Clark M. Clifford
- POW wives
  - Paris negotiations

#### Funeral for Justice Black

- [Burger]
- Location
  - National Cathedral
- The President's attendance
- Mitchell

#### Speaking appearances

- Mitchell
  - Press relations
  - Qualifications
- Temptations
- Kissinger
- Temptations
  - Reasons
- Rotary Club
- Effectiveness

#### The President's trips

- Alaska
  - Motorcade
  - Coat and baggage
- Advance man
  - Mark I. Goode
    - Detroit Economic Club trip

- Television
- Leadership
  - Haldeman's role
- Management
  - Decisions for the President
    - Statements or appearances by the President
  - Secret Service
  - Microphone setups
  - Photos
- New Hampshire
  - Airport schedule
- Television coverage
  - Airport appearance
    - Television angles
  - Coverage on the President
  - The President's appearance
    - Airport crowd
- The President's Alaska trip
  - Downtown Anchorage
    - Motorcade
      - Speaking
      - Limousine
      - Demonstrators
        - Signs
        - Robert Taylor
          - Past experience
            - Statement by the President
            - Television coverage
            - Motorcade
              - Taylor
              - Lid on limousine
          - Location of demonstrators
            - Window on the President's limousine
            - Taylor
    - Lid on limousine
    - The President's actions

#### President's schedule

- State Department
  - The President's appearances
    - Signing ceremony
      - Kissinger's analysis
        - People's Republic of China [PRC]
      - Date
- Meeting between Andrei A. Gromyko and the President
  - Date
- State Department appearance
  - Date
    - Signing ceremony
    - Flexible dates
- The President's meeting with Gromyko
  - Effect on signing ceremony

- Photos
- The President's meeting with Shultz, Herbert Stein, Connally, and Paul W. McCracken concerning Phase II
- Tunku Abdul Razak
- Pierre-Paul Schweitzer
  - Connally's views
    - Forthcoming telephone call from Haldeman
    - Possible meeting with the President
    - Arthur F. Burns

#### Funeral for Black

- The President's attendance
  - Funerals for Senators
    - Winston L. Prouty
  - Exceptions
  - Reasons
    - Meaning for country
- Confirmation hearings
  - Mitchell
    - Reasons for the President's attendance
    - Richard H. Poff

#### Kennedy Center

- Eisenhower Theatre
  - The President's attendance at ceremony
    - J. Willard Marriott

#### Eisenhower Hospital

- Leslie T. ("Bob") Hope
- Ceremony
  - Length

#### The President's schedule

- Thanksgiving
  - Trip by the President
    - Length
    - Days
    - Flights

#### Mitchell

Haldeman left at 11:57 am.

Conversation No. 579-2

Date: September 28, 1971

Time: Unknown between 11:57 am and 12:04 pm

Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

The President's schedule  
-Charles W. Colson

Bull left at an unknown time before 12:04 pm.

Conversation No. 579-3

Date: September 28, 1971  
Time: 12:04 pm - 1:40 pm  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Charles W. Colson.

The President's previous trip to northwest United States

The President left and returned at an unknown time before 12:15 pm.

Public coverage of the President

- Amount
  - Comparison
    - Announcement of trip to People's Republic of China [PRC]
- Newspapers
  - Date
  - Leads from television
  - John D. Ehrlichman
    - Detroit Economic Club
      - Impact from the President's appearance
  - Crowds

US economic policy

- Stock market
  - Aberrations
    - Points
  - Atmosphere in US
    - Announcement of Phase II
- Business
- Labor
  - Cooperation of labor
  - Labor practices
- Controls
  - Profits
  - Prices
- Businessmen
  - Colson's conversations, September 27, 1971
    - Flow of money
      - Amount
    - Cash reserves
    - Buying
- Consumer confidence survey

- Actual reflections of consumer buying
- Albert E. Sindlinger survey
- Unknown survey
  - Variable numbers
- Time* magazine
  - News story
    - Board of economic advisors
      - Estimate of Gross National Product [GNP] for 1972
        - Amount of growth
      - Walter W. Heller
      - Otto Eckstein
      - Alan Greenspan
    - Effect on stock market
- Stock market
  - Effect of the President's Detroit Economic Club speech
  - Predictions compared to unpredictability
  - Figures
- Phase II
  - Certainty compared to uncertainty
- Herbert Stein's economic statement for the President
- Labor
  - Henry M. ("Scoop") Jackson
  - Hubert H. Humphrey
  - Meeting between George P. Shultz and Colson
  - George Meany
    - Reactions from public
    - American Federation of Labor/Congress of Industrial Organizations [AFL-CIO]
      - Political following of the President
    - Leonard Woodcock
    - [Joseph] Lane Kirkland
  - Organization support in election
    - Comparison to amount of money for support
    - Votes
      - 1968 campaign
        - Humphrey
  - Votes
  - Louis P. Harris's views

H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman entered at 12:15 pm.

Funeral for Justice Hugo L. Black

- The President's attendance
  - John N. Mitchell's suggestion
    - Chief Justice [Warren E. Burger]
    - Justice John M. Harlan
    - Justice Thurgood Marshall
      - Location
      - Memorial service
      - Purpose
  - Winston L. Prouty's funeral
  - Atmosphere

- Respect for Court
- Politics
- The President's relationship with the Court
  - Politics
- The President's attendance or non-attendance
  - Possible effect
- Television coverage
  - Effect
- The President's attendance
  - Mitchell's suggestion
- Lyndon B. Johnson
  - Funeral attendance
- The President's relationship with Justice Black
  - Black's views of the President's administration
  - Ku Klux Klan
- The President's schedule
  - Meeting with the President of the Organization of African Unity and five African prime ministers
  - Delay of meeting
  - Possible impact
- The President's attendance
  - Mitchell
    - Respect for the Supreme Court
  - Lawyers
    - Colson
    - Leonard Garment
    - Richard A. Moore
    - Ehrlichman
  - Possible appointment of liberal judge
    - Ehrlichman
    - Garment
    - Moore
    - Mitchell

## Supreme Court

- Appointments
- Supreme Court Justices
  - William J. Brennan
    - Type of service
  - Marshall
  - Byron R. ("Whizzer") White
    - Rhodes scholar
  - Potter Stewart
    - Type of service
  - Abe Fortas
  - Black
  - Harlan
  - Black
  - Fortas
  - Earl Warren
  - Burger
  - Backgrounds

- Burger
- Poff
- Black

#### Funeral for Justice Black

- The President's attendance
  - Ronald L. Ziegler
  - Secret Service
- The President's seat at church
- Public display
- Reasons
  - Mitchell
- The President's seat at church
  - Ehrlichman
- Public display
- Secret Service

#### Secret Service protection

- Secret Service position stations for limousine
  - Appearance
  - The President's instructions to Robert Taylor
- The President's previous trip to Alaska
  - Secret Service agent
    - Injury
      - Consequences
  - Crowds' belief
  - Protection of the President
- Secret Service agents as shooting targets
  - The President as target

#### Funeral for Justice Black

- The President's attendance
  - Informing press corps
    - Decision
      - Timing
    - Advance man
  - Spiro T. Agnew
  - Exploitation of funerals
    - Press coverage
    - The President's funeral
  - The President's strategy
    - Ziegler
    - Preparations
      - Timing
    - Mitchell
  - Length of attendance

#### Supreme Court

- Harlan
- Funerals
  - Prouty's funeral
  - Ages



-The President's attendance

#### US economic policies

- Haldeman's conversation with John B. Connally
  - Meeting
    - Accomplishments
    - Japan
    - Negotiation

#### The President's schedule

- Proposed meeting between the President and Pierre-Paul Schweitzer
  - Connally's conversation with Burns
  - The President's forthcoming meeting with Schweitzer
    - Length
    - Reception for International Monetary Fund [IMF]
    - Connally's presence
    - Burns's presence
    - Other people in attendance
    - Presence of Burns and Connally
    - Length of meeting
      - Reception of IMF
- Time
- The President's meeting with Andrei A. Gromyko
  - Time
- IMF
  - Reception
    - The President's statement
      - Preparation
      - Time
- Meeting with Gromyko
- Meeting with Manlio Brosio
  - Medal of Freedom ceremony
- Preparation of statement for IMF reception
  - Timing
    - Meeting with Brosio
- Reception by the President of IMF
  - Time
- The President's meeting with Gromyko
  - Time
- Preparation of statement for IMF
  - Time
    - Meeting with Brosio
    - Time
- The President's meeting with Gromyko
  - Preparation
- IMF reception
  - Time
- Meeting with Gromyko

Haldeman left at 12:30 pm.

Funeral for Justice Black

- The President's attendance
- Health of others
  - Harlan
  - Marshall
  - William O. Douglas
- Harlan's funeral
- American Bar Association [ABA]
- American Medical Association [AMA]

#### Funerals

- Living person
- Letters
- Communication
  - Family members
- Colson's attendance at Prouty funeral

#### Supreme Court

- Appointments
- Confirmation

#### Michael J. Mansfield amendment

- Time duration
- Politics
- [Agnew's] response

#### Vietnam

- Mansfield
  - Political abilities
  - Mansfield amendment
    - House of Representatives
    - Vietnam War
      - Democrats responsibility
      - End of war
      - Effect on the President
- Colson's attendance at dinner party
  - Clark MacGregor
  - Carl B. Albert
  - Gerald R. Ford
  - Mansfield amendment
    - Impact
      - Constituents
    - Type of issue
    - Effect on Capitol Hill colleagues
- Draft bill
  - Debate
  - Authorization bill
    - Delay
  - MacGregor
  - Anti-war issue
- Elections
  - Press coverage
  - Public apathy

- Colson's conversation with Louis P. Harris
  - Trip to the Soviet Union
- Vietnam War
  - End of war
  - Prisoner of War [POW] issue
    - POW wives
- Elections
- Mansfield amendment
- Military Procurement Bill
  - Senate
    - Effect on House
      - Vote on conferees
      - Delay of vote
        - Senate
    - Albert
      - Support of the President

#### US economic policy

- Activity on Capitol Hill
- Trend of economy
  - Prime rate
  - Inflation
- Employment
  - Growth rate
    - Effect on buying trends
- Unemployment
  - New York figures
  - Bureau of Labor Statistics [BLS] figures
    - Correspondence with Colson
      - Annual federal figures
      - New York
      - California
      - Illinois
      - Ohio
      - Pennsylvania
    - Types of figures
      - Seasonal
      - Monthly
- BLS
  - Employee
    - Conversation with Colson
      - Figures to reflect administration's desires
    - Commerce Department
    - Head of "Presidential Commission on Statistics"
      - Credentials
      - W. Allen Wallis
      - University of Pittsburgh
  - Geoffrey H. Moore
  - Burns
  - Employees
    - Jewish
    - Democrats

- Answering Colson's questions
- Trend of economics
  - Media coverage
  - Economic reports
    - Type of reports
      - National Broadcasting Corporation [NBC]
      - Retail sales
  - August 15, 1971
  - Available money
    - Spending money
    - Spending activity
  - Harold C. Passer
    - Report on retail sales
      - September 1, 1971
    - The President's statement on August 15, 1971
      - Sindlinger
      - Impact
        - Retail sales
  - Louis Harris series
    - Reaction to economy
  - Economic trend
- Harris
  - Public attitude
  - Politicians
  - Recovery of economy
- Milton Friedman's views
  - Recession
- Public statement on economy by Jackson
  - Humphrey
    - Economic trend
  - Response by administration officials
    - Vietnam casualties
    - George Romney
      - Speech
    - Maurice H. Stans
      - Press conference
  - Media response to the President's ending Vietnam War
    - Reactions to administration's statement
      - Lack of coverage

#### Press relations

- The President's statements
  - Reaction of press
  - Foreign policies
    - Peace and war prosperity
      - Prosperity without war
    - Democrats
      - Dwight D. Eisenhower
- Speeches for administration
  - Out of town location
    - Denver, Colorado
  - Coverage

-Comparison to Washington, DC

Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 12:30 pm.

Henry A. Kissinger's schedule

Bull left at an unknown time before 1:04 pm.

Public affairs

- Leonard Bernstein's Mass
  - The President's appearance
  - News coverage
  - Editorials in Catholic Standard
- Daniel and Philip Barrigan
- Angela Davis
- Patrick J. Buchanan's possible statement
- Catholic Standard's comments
- The President's relations with Catholics
  - Knights of Columbus
  - Administration's position
  - Knights of Columbus speech
  - Terence Cardinal Cooke
    - Brochure
    - The President's remarks
    - Catholic community

Polls

- Harris poll
  - Public attitude toward government
  - Election campaign

Bull entered at an unknown time after 12:30 pm.

The President's schedule

- Meeting with Kissinger

Bull left at an unknown time before 1:04 pm.

Polls

- Harris
  - Support for the President
  - Current times
  - Minority support
- Public attitude
- Impact
- The President's trips around US
- Type of crowds

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1972 election

- Youth activities
  - Democrats
- The President's campaign efforts
  - Registration campaign
    - Localized
    - State impact
      - Comparison to national scene
  - Seventeen* magazine
    - Audience
    - Employees of retail stores
    - Small towns
  - Mailings to high schools
    - Drug prevention
  - Presidential award
    - Physical fitness program
- Youth in US
  - Desires
    - Peace
    - Jobs
    - Environment
    - Reform
  - The President's administration
    - Offer to youth
    - Four great issues
- Results
- Memos to the President
  - Political operation at Committee to Re-elect the President [CRP]
    - Progress
    - Communication
- Administration's communication with youth
  - Congress
  - Senators
  - Youth teams
    - Sam Steiger
    - William E. Brock, III
  - Key states
    - Young elected Republican officials
      - Act as surrogates for Administration
    - Speak to groups
  - Activism
    - Effect on youth
    - Change
    - Youthfulness
- Polls
  - Change
  - Edmund S. Muskie compared to the President

- Figures
  - Minnesota
    - Spiro T. Agnew
    - Ronald W. Reagan
    - George S. McGovern
- Blacks
  - Fred R. Harris
  - Shirley Chisholm
    - Election
    - Liberal Jewish community
      - New York
  - Previous meeting in Chicago
- Black vote
  - George C. Wallace supporters
  - Polls
    - Figures
    - Eugene J. McCarthy
    - Black candidate compared to the President
      - Results
    - Shirley Chisholm
    - Julian Bond
    - Carl B. Stokes
  - Edmund S. Muskie
    - Black Vice-President statement
      - Tennessee and Florida primaries
        - Date
      - Reaction
    - Tennessee
      - Visit
      - Busing issue statement
        - News story
          - Integration
      - William E. Brock, III and Howard H. Baker, Jr.
      - Constitutional amendment

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## Race relations

- Busing
  - Constitutional amendment
    - Administration's position
  - Unknown Michigan judge
    - De facto segregation
- Department of Housing and Urban Development [HUD]
- Busing
  - Robert P. Griffin
- Boston, Massachusetts
- Integration
  - Blacks
    - Schools and colleges
    - Housing

- Slow procedure
- Irish Americans
  - John A. Mulcahey
- Italians
- Stratification of white society
  - Elmer H. Bobst
- Human nature
- Forcing issue
  - Results
- Prohibition
  - Comparison to busing
  - Human nature

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1972 election

- Edmund S. Muskie
  - Busing
- William P. Rogers's views
  - Edward M. ("Ted") Kennedy
    - Probable candidate
    - Edmund S. Muskie
    - Chappaquiddick
    - Family mystique
- Charles W. Colson's views
  - Edward M. ("Ted") Kennedy
    - Appeal to youth, Blacks, poor, and women
    - Majority
    - Stridency of potential campaign
      - The President's re-election strategy
      - Statesmanship
    - Ghetto visits
      - Reaction by the public
    - Chances of winning
  - Hubert H. Humphrey
    - Effect of the Pentagon Papers
    - September 28, 1971 *Face the Nation* appearance
    - Appearance in Minnesota
      - New York Times* and *Washington Post*
      - Attention on farmers
    - The Pentagon Papers
      - Effect on polls
  - Edward M. ("Ted") Kennedy
  - Fred R. Harris
  - George S. McGovern



- Fred R. Harris's motives
  - Campaigning for Vice Presidency
- Henry M. ("Scoop") Jackson
  - Appeal to centrists and labor
  - Speaking abilities
  - Law and order speech to unions
  - Reactions

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#### The President's schedule

- Forthcoming meeting with President of Mauritania
- Africa

#### US economic policy

- Citizens committee
- Washington Post*
- Support
- Money

#### Kissinger entered at 1:04 pm.

#### Vietnam

- Politics
- Mansfield amendment
  - House of Representatives
    - Head count
    - Conferees
    - Impact on administration
- MacGregor
  - Deadlines
    - House of Representatives incentive
- Capitol Hill
  - Members of the House supporting the President's policies
    - Deadline
    - Vietnam and China
    - Democrats
    - Republicans
      - Number
      - Relationship with the President
      - Election
  - Albert
    - Conferees
  - Mansfield amendment
    - Possible consequence of passage
- End of war
  - Congressional action
    - Facts compared to allegations
  - Effect actions on Capitol Hill have on negotiations
    - The President's conversation with Mansfield
    - Success of ending the war

- Question of who did it
- Credit for the President for ending the war
- Democrat party caucus
- Administration's response to opponents
  - Gerald R. Ford
- Mansfield amendment
  - Vote
    - Administration's options
      - F. Edward Hebert
      - Albert
    - Type of vote
    - Effect on negotiations
    - Matter of timing
- Mansfield amendment
  - Troop withdrawal from Vietnam
  - Politics

H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman entered at 1:10 pm.

Funeral for Justice Black

- The President's attendance
  - Motorcade with Mitchell
- Time
  - Departure
- Press coverage

Haldeman left at 1:12 pm.

Vietnam

- Mansfield amendment and effect on Vietnam negotiations
- Filibuster of Defense Procurement Act
  - Cut back on military programs
  - Deadline
- Mansfield amendment
  - Vote
    - Previous results
    - House of Representatives
  - Possible reaction by Hanoi
  - Resolution
    - Deadline
  - Delay of bill
  - Date of next troop withdrawal announcement by the President
  - Politics
    - Negotiations
- The President's conversation with Mansfield
  - Negotiations
    - Possible damage by Mansfield amendment
- Republicans
  - House of Representatives
- Kissinger's conversation with POW wives
  - The President's efforts in Vietnam
  - Effect on Democrats

- Mansfield
- Albert
- Hebert
  - Southerners' patriotism
    - Support for the President
- Negotiations between US and Vietnam
  - Congress
    - Money
- Mansfield amendment
  - Possible modification
  - Voting
    - Results
      - Negotiations
    - Effort by the administration
      - Record
  - Effect
    - Comparison to the President's August 15, 1971 speech
      - Credit
      - POWs
- Amendment
  - Kissinger's knowledge
- POWs
  - Number of remaining troops in Vietnam
    - Negotiating strategy
      - Bombings
- Negotiations
  - Mansfield Amendment
    - Delay
      - Compromising
        - Effect on US position
- Draft bill
- Hebert
  - Support for administration
- People's Republic of China [PRC] announcement
- Hebert
  - House of Representatives
    - Support for the Administration
- Military Procurement bill
  - Hebert
  - Instructions
    - House of Representatives
  - Hebert
    - Committees
  - Possible veto
  - Change of language
  - Delay
    - Filibuster
- Mansfield amendment
  - Vote
    - Timing
  - US interests
  - US history

- Troop withdrawal
- Timing of vote
- Election in South Vietnam

Colson left at 1:22 pm.

The President's schedule

- Forthcoming meeting with Moktar Ould Daddah

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[National Security]

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US foreign policy

- Andrei A. Gromyko's forthcoming meeting with the President
- The President's forthcoming meeting with Moktar Ould Daddah
  - William P. Rogers
  - Organization of African Unity [OAU]
  - Announcement
  - Consulate
  - David D. Newsom

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US foreign policy

- State Department area desks
  - Africa
  - Latin America
- Gromyko meeting
  - Kissinger's memorandum

Mansfield amendment

- Ford's conversation with Colson
- MacGregor
  - Statement at Godfrey Sperling's breakfast
  - Possible November 15, 1971 announcement of US withdrawal
- Colson
  - Support for the President
- Congress
  - Responsibility
  - The President's conversation with Kissinger, September 27, 1971
- Announcement of next troop withdrawal
  - October 5, and 12, 1971
  - Effect

The President's schedule

- Haldeman
  - Accidental War Agreement signing
- Gromyko
  - Press coverage
- Foreign policy leadership

#### Accidental War Agreement

- Press coverage
  - Gerard Smith
    - Conversation with Kissinger
      - New York Times*
        - Smith's reaction
        - Kissinger's reaction
          - Significance of agreement
            - Compared to accomplishments of John F. Kennedy
      - Possible motivation
  - Kissinger's view
  - News summaries
    - Reactions
  - Questions to the President
    - Detroit, Portland
- President's schedule
  - Possible attendance at signing
    - Effect on Soviet Union and PRC
    - PRC announcement
- Announcement on Accidental War Agreement
  - Backgrounder
    - Smith

#### Vietnam

- Plan
  - Paris
  - Timing
    - PRC announcement
    - Soviet announcement
- Letter or note to North Vietnamese
  - Nguyen Van Thieu
    - Possible resignation
    - Election
  - Negotiations
  - Response by North Vietnamese
    - Speculation
  - Public announcement
    - Date
  - Thieu
    - Election
- Gromyko's forthcoming meeting with Kissinger
  - Middle East
  - Kissinger's schedule
    - Moscow
  - Comment prior to the President's forthcoming November 15, 1971 announcement

- Troop levels
- Ground combat
- "Vietnamization"
- "Vietnamization"
  - Timing of announcement
  - POWs
  - Residual forces
- Possible announcement in January 1972
- The President's forthcoming November 15, 1971 announcement
  - Impact
  - Congress
  - Rogers
  - Melvin R. Laird
    - Trip to Vietnam
      - Preparation by administration
  - Critics of the President's policy
  - US position
    - Negotiation
- Rogers and Laird
  - Possible leaks
  - Knowledge
  - Forthcoming announcement, November 15, 1971
    - PRC announcement
    - Message from US to PRC

#### Soviet Union

- Position in regards to US
- Possible implications of spy scandal in Great Britain
  - Seriousness

#### Mansfield amendment

- Effects of Congress on foreign negotiations
- Supreme Court nominees
  - Mitchell
    - Congress
- Congress
  - Supreme Court nominees
  - Delays
  - Responsibility
- Kissinger's view

#### South Vietnam

- Alexander M. Haig, Jr.'s trip
  - Status
  - The President's press conference
    - Timing

#### The President's schedule

- Meeting with President Daddah of Mauritania
  - Kissinger's possible attendance
  - Duration of meeting
  - French language

Haldeman entered at an unknown time before 1:35 pm.

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The President's schedule

- Meeting with Moktar Ould Daddah
- Length of meeting
- Language

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The President's schedule

- African ambassadors form the organization of African unity
  - Number
- Duration of meeting
- African ambassadors
  - Participation in meetings
  - Time duration
- Funeral for Justice Black
  - The President's attendance
  - Mitchell
    - Martha Mitchell
    - Richard G. Kleindienst
    - Mrs. Black
- Bill signing
  - Delay
  - Photographs
- “Big Four” Congressman

Kissinger left at 1:35 pm.

US politics and foreign relations

- Colson
- MacGregor
  - Conversation about the President's position
    - Kissinger
    - Speculation
      - The President's forthcoming announcement, November 15, 1971
  - Actual response to questions on announcement
  - Kissinger

Funeral for Justice Black

- Wire services

- Public announcement
- The President's schedule
- Attendance at funeral
- Funerals and religious services
- Exploitation

Haldeman left at 1:40 pm.

Conversation No. 579-4

Date: September 28, 1971

Time: Unknown between 1:40 pm and 1:41 pm

Location: Oval Office

The President met with Alexander P. Butterfield.

Letter

[Handwriting]

The President's schedule

-John [D. Ehrlichman?]

-Bill

Butterfield left at an unknown time before 1:41 pm

Conversation No. 579-5

Date: September 28, 1971

Time: Unknown between 1:41 pm and 3:05 pm

Location: Oval Office

Unknown people [Secret Service agents] met.

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*[Previous archivists categorized this section as unintelligible. It has been rereviewed and released 02/25/2020.]*

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The unknown people [Secret Service agents] left at an unknown time before 3:05 pm.

Conversation No. 579-6

Date: September 28, 1971

Time: 3:05 pm

Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

The President's schedule

- President Moktar Ould Daddah
- John D. Ehrlichman
- Cabinet Room
  - Instructions for Ronald L. Ziegler
  - Photo session
  - Time duration

Bull left at 3:05 pm.

Conversation No. 579-7

Date: September 28, 1971

Time: 3:06 pm - 3:15 pm

Location: Oval Office

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

The President's schedule

- Forthcoming event with National League of Families convention
- Time

Funeral of Justice Hugo L. Black

- Unknown Unitarian minister
  - Euology
  - John N. Mitchell
  - John D. Ehrlichman
  - Strict construction
- Length of service
- Justice John M. Harlan
  - The President's attendance
- Justice Thurgood Marshall
- The President's attendance at Justice Black's funeral
- Reaction

- Impact
- The President's position
  - Staff
- Compared to White House correspondents' event
- Ehrlichman
- Relationship between administration and Supreme Court

#### Supreme Court

- Justice Black
  - Influence
- Justice Potter Stewart

#### The President's schedule

- Tenure of Gen. Lewis B. Hershey
- Kennedy family

#### Funeral for Justice Black

- Wording of service
  - Rhetoric
- Justice Black
  - Political stance
- Ehrlichman
- Richard A. Moore
- Leonard Garment
- Conservatives

Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 3:06 pm.

#### The President's schedule

Bull left at an unknown time before 3:15 pm.

#### Funeral for Justice Black

- Reasons for the President's attendance
  - Ehrlichman and Moore
- Mitchell
- Press corps
  - Ronald L. Ziegler
- Escorts for the President
- Value to the President's attendance
  - Patrick J. Buchanan
- The President's handwritten note
- Liberals

The President and Haldeman left at 3:15 pm.

Time: 3:59 pm - 4:13 pm

Location: Oval Office

The President met with John C. Stennis, Gordon L. Allott, Leslie C. Arends, F. Edward Hebert, Melvin R. Laird, Clark MacGregor, William E. Timmons, Peter M. Flanigan, and Ronald L. Ziegler; the White House photographer was present at the beginning of this meeting.

[General conversation]

HR 6531

- Fight in Congress for bill
- Duration
- Support for bill
- Hebert's support for the President

[Photographs]

Allott

Military Procurement Bill

- Status
- Mansfield amendment
  - Language
  - Conference committee
- Herman E. Talmadge
- Conference committee
  - Carl B. Albert
- Language
- Roll call
- Draft extension legislation
- Laird's forthcoming trip to South Vietnam

[Photographs]

[General conversation]

Stennis, *et al.* left at 4:13 pm.

Conversation No. 579-9

Date: September 28, 1971

Time: 4:14 pm - 4:23 pm

Location: Oval Office

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

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Request

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H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman and Sanchez left at 4:15 pm.

Public appearances by the President

-National League of Families convention

-Dinner

-Melvin R. Laird's speech

-The President's actions

-Vietnam

Haldeman talked with an unknown person at an unknown time between 4:15 pm and 4:23 pm.

[Conversation No. 579-9A]

Prisoner of war [POW] material

[End of telephone conversation]

The President's schedule

-League of Families convention

-Time

-Speech

-Invocation

-Statement

-Seating

-Time

-Program

-Time

-The President's concerns for POWs

-Press coverage

-Informing press corps

-Military band

"Strolling Strings"

-Fanfare

-Dinner

-Number in attendance

-Laird's statement

-Administration and policy changes

Bull entered at an unknown time after 4:15 pm.

-Group

Bull left at an unknown time before 4:19 pm.

- League of Families convention
  - Laird's speech
  - Text
- Business meeting
- The President's attendance
  - Duration
- Importance

Funeral for Justice Black

- [General Lewis Hershey ?]
- White House correspondents
- The President's view of Black
- Minister for services
  - Unitarian
  - Civil rights, freedom
  - Strict construction
- The President's attendance
  - Public effect
  - Politics
- Compared to White House correspondents' event
- John N. Mitchell

Alexander P. Butterfield entered at 4:19 pm.

- Statement by the President on draft extension bill
  - Wording

Butterfield left at 4:20 pm.

Supreme Court appointments

- Black's funeral
  - The President's attendance
  - Possible interpretations
- Mitchell

Haldeman left at 4:23 pm.

Conversation No. 579-10

Date: September 28, 1971

Time: Unknown between 4:23 pm and 5:21 pm

Location: Oval Office

The President talked with the White House operator.

[Conversation No. 579-10A]

[See Conversation No. 10-11]

Hugh Scott, Robert P. Griffin, Gerald R. Ford, Leslie C. Arends, Clark MacGregor, Ronald L. Ziegler, George P. Shultz, and John D. Ehrlichman entered at 4:23 pm.

[End of telephone conversation]

[Greetings]

[General conversation]

Funeral for Justice Hugo L. Black

Instructions to Ziegler to hold telephone calls

Ziegler talked with Julie Eisenhower at an unknown time after 4:23 pm.

[Conversation No. 579-10B]

[See Conversation No. 10-12]

[End of telephone conversation]

The President's schedule

- Meeting

- Agenda

- List

Tax package in House of Representatives

- House committee

- Bill

- The President's proposal

- Percent

- Amount of money

- Treasury Department

- Taxes

- Trust fund

- Losing money

- Rules Committee meeting

- Date

- Presentation

- Speaker of the House

Tax package in Senate

- Mark ups

- Date

- Amendments

- The President's economic initiatives

- Wallace F. Bennett

- Russell F. Long

- Trade offs

- Bennett
- Excise tax
- Timing
  - Long
- National budget
- Automobile dealers
  - Charles W. Colson
    - Relationship between Colson and dealers
- Senators
  - Pressure
    - Arthur F. Burns

#### Defense

- William B. Saxbe's amendment
  - McDonnell-Douglas contract
    - Britain
- Gaylord Nelson's amendment, September 29, 1971
  - William Proxmire
- Saxbe
  - Anti-ballistic missile [ABM]
    - Helsinki, Finland
- Strategic Arms Limitation Treaty [SALT] talks
- Thomas F. Eagleton

#### Foreign affairs

- J. William Fulbright
  - Rhodesia
- Michael J. Mansfield
- Joseph M. Montoya
  - Report of South Vietnamese election

#### Meeting with Mansfield

- Stennis
- Timing
- John G. Tower
- David H. Gambrell
- Timing
- Federal employees wage deferment
- Military Procurement Bill
  - Timing
- W. Stuart Symington
  - Laos Amendment
- Votes
- Conferees
  - Senate version
- F. Edward Hebert
  - Neutrality
  - Carl B. Albert
  - Tabling motion
- House of Representatives
  - Reorganization

## Vietnam space

- US legislation
- US withdrawal of troops
- Mansfield amendment
  - Credit for ending the war
    - President
    - Congress
  - The President's efforts
    - Opposition from Congress
      - Mansfield Amendment
      - Effect on negotiations
  - Possible parliamentary action
    - Hebert
    - Albert
    - Conferees
- Foreign aid bill
  - Authorizations
  - Conferees
- Senate action
  - Effect on negotiations
    - Timing
  - Credit
- South Vietnamese election, October 3, 1971
  - Public impact
  - Press
  - Tactics
    - Duong Van Minh
    - Nguyen Cao Ky
- Foreign countries
  - Leaders
    - Contested elections
      - The President's meeting with the Organization of African Unity
        - Contested election in Africa
  - Colombia
  - Mexico
  - Vietnam
    - Legislatures
  - George Washington
    - Nguyen Van Thieu
  - Election in South Vietnam

## Mansfield amendment

- Military Procurement Bill
  - Hebert
- Stennis
- Congress
  - Convening
- Political questions
- Credit for ending the war
- Albert

## Federal wage deferral bill



- Shultz
- Morris K. Udall's bill
  - Provisions
  - Federal employees
  - Private sector
- Cost of Living Council [COLC]
  - Private sector
    - Employees
    - Percentage
  - Federal employees
    - Wage adjustment
    - Percent
- Presumptions
  - Phase II economics
  - Labor representatives
    - George Meany
    - Leonard Woodcock
  - Arthur F. Burns
- Regulation of federal wages
  - Comparability
  - The President's proposal
- Status
  - Date
  - Resolution of disapproval
  - Passage
    - Senate's actions
    - The President's signature
    - COLC
  - Figures
    - Federal employees
    - Percentage
- Military pay increase
  - Gale W. McGee
- Civilian employees
  - Pay raise
- Administration's strategy
  - The President's alternative plan
    - Phase II
    - Proposals
  - Labor representatives
  - Congress
  - Labor
    - Support for the President
- Republicans
  - Lawrence J. Hogan
- Democrats
  - Tom Bevill
  - David N. Henderson
    - Conversation with Ford
      - Number of possible Democratic votes
  - Number needed by administration
    - Chambers of Commerce

- National Association of Manufacturers [NAM]
  - Support for the President
- Mail
  - Public's views
    - Opinion Research Corporation [ORC]
      - Results
        - Albert
    - Quantity
  - Propaganda from government employees
    - Representative
    - Chamber of Commerce
  - Timing of vote
    - H[arold] R[oyce] Gross
  - Military pay
  - Pressure on Democrats

The President talked with the White House operator at an unknown time between 4:23 pm and 4:55 pm.

[Conversation No. 579-10C]

[See Conversation No. 10-13]

[End of telephone conversation]

- Federal Wage Defferal Bill
  - Pressure on Democrats
    - Military installations
    - Government employees
    - US News and World Report*
      - State per capita income

The President talked with Charles W. Colson between 4:55 pm and 4:57 pm.

[Conversation No. 579-10D]

[See Conversation No. 10-14]

[End of telephone conversation]

Welfare reform

Economic tax package

Welfare programs

- Revenue sharing
  - Wilbur D. Mills
  - Executive meetings
    - Voting
  - Recess
    - The President's wage and price freeze

- Mills
  - Health hearings
- Ford's conversation with John W. Byrnes
- Ways and Means Committee
  - Hiatus
    - Tax package
    - Timing
    - Barber B. Conable, Jr.
- Mills's schedule
  - Speaking engagements
- Governors
- Mayors
- Local officials
- Spiro T. Agnew
  - Speech
    - California
- Nelson A. Rockefeller
- Mills
  - Speech previous Sunday
    - News summary
  - Use of delays
- Proposals
  - Local units of government
  - Tax credit
    - State tax
    - John Byrnes
- State legislatures
  - Question for Mills
- Welfare reform
  - Republicans

#### Congress's actions

- Revenue sharing
- Welfare reform
  - Bill
- The President's comments in Detroit
  - Revenue sharing
  - Welfare service reform
- Finance Committee
  - Griffin
- Adjournment
- Leadership in Congress

#### Supreme Court appointments

- The President's previous conversation with Griffin
- John N. Mitchell's conversation with Scott
- Timing of announcements
- Richard H. Poff
  - Possibility of Senate confirmation
  - Emanuel Celler
  - Charles McC. Mathias
  - John J. Rhodes's conversation with Saxbe

- Robert A. Taft, Jr.
- Proposed meetings between Griffin, Taft, and Charles H. Percy, and Ted Stevens
- Mark O. Hatfield
  - Political problems
  - Tom McCall
- Percy
  - Mitchell
  - Clement F. Haynsworth, Jr.
  - G. Harrold Carswell
- Mills
- Southern manifesto
- J. William Fulbright
- Philip A. Hart
- Birch E. Bayh, Jr.
- Necessity for Southern appointment
- Griffin, Scott
  - Pressure for Supreme Court appointees
- Mitchell
  - Conversation with the President concerning announcement
- Background checks
- Woman candidate for Court
  - Effect of nomination
  - List of recommendees
  - Possible Senate approval
  - Working habits of Court
  - William O. Douglas

#### Congressional adjournment

- Rules Committee
  - Emergency legislation
  - Date
- Albert's conversation with Ford
  - Thanksgiving week schedule
- Rules Committee's criteria
  - Bill
  - Deadlines
- Albert's plans
- Mansfield's conversation with Scott
- Thanksgiving recess
- Revenue sharing
- Welfare reform
- Environment bill
- Tax package
- Revenue sharing
- Welfare reform
- Confirmation
  - Date

#### Edward M. Kennedy

- Prisoner of war [POW] statement
- News story

- Associated Press [AP]
- POW wives
- Breakfast

Book by Edith Efron

- Networks coverage of 1968 election

Meetings

- Size
- Formality
- OAU
- Timing
  - Press coverage
  - Detroit trip

Scott, *et al.* left at 5:21 pm.

Republicans

- Support from Scott
- Haynsworth and Carswell
- Poff

Griffin left at an unknown time before 5:23 pm.

Conversation No. 579-11

Date: September 28, 1971

Time: 5:23 pm - 5:51 pm

Location: Oval Office

The President met with John L. McClellan, Eugene S. Cowen, and Peter M. Flanigan; the White House photographer was present at the beginning of this meeting.

Greetings

- US relations with Japan

Meetings with the President

- Time

Supreme Court appointments

- Richard H. Poff
- Timing of the President's decision
- Philosophy of Supreme Court Justices
  - G. Harrold Carswell
  - Clement F. Haynesworth
  - Poff
  - Woman candidate
- Stature
  - Warren E. Burger
  - Harry A. Blackmun

- William J. Brennan
- Thurgood Marshall
- Byron R. (“Whizzer”) White
- Liberal Eastern press
- Hugo L. Black
- Abe Fortas
- John N. Mitchell
- Poff's qualifications and character
  - Carswell
  - William H. McCulloch
  - Emanuel Celler
  - Age
    - Length on Court
- Vacancies on Court
- American Bar Association [ABA]
  - Edward L. Wright
    - John M. Harlan
    - Desire to submit name
    - Age
- Lewis F. Powell
  - Virginia

#### US economic policy

- Wire to the President from McClellan
- Possible White House conference
  - Conference on aging
- Need for action on profits
  - Possible propaganda for opposition to the President's actions
    - Impact
  - Regulations of wages
    - Workers' reaction
- Limiting excess profits
  - Public support for the President's program
  - Investments
  - Expansion
    - Employment

#### Cable television

- McClellan's position
  - Subcommittee of Judiciary
    - Patent, copyright
- Supreme Court ruling

#### Copyright laws

- Regulations

#### Copyright bill

- Section written by subcommittee for bill
  - Votes for and against
    - Number
- Copyright law
  - Revision by subcommittee

- Cable television's problems
- Copyright committee
  - Jurisdiction over subject
  - Commerce Committee
- Commerce Committee
  - McClellan's conversation with John O. Pastore
    - Suggestion for bill
    - Amendment
- Federal Communications Commission [FCC]
  - Jurisdiction of bill
  - Promotion of regulations
    - Suggestions
  - Conversation with Pastore
  - Proposals
    - Promulgation of rules
    - Comparability to McClellan's bill
- Broadcasters
  - Objections to sections of bill
- Commission appointed by the President for cable television
  - Actions
    - Possible intentions
    - Long range problems
- McClellan's conversation with Dr. C. Thomas Whitehead
  - Dr. Whitehead's intentions within Presidential Commission
- Advice to cable television people
- Cabinet committee
  - Dr. Whitehead
  - Reasons for creation
  - FCC regulations in comparison to copyright bill
    - Dean Burch
  - Agreement with cable television people and FCC
- Broadcasters
  - Action to block copyright bill
  - Relationship to administration
    - Judicial process
- FCC
  - Taking jurisdiction
- Senate Commerce Committee
  - Position
- Long range policy
  - Periodic examination
- Broadcasters
  - Feelings about cable television
  - Friends on Senate Commerce Committee
  - Administration's position
- Burch and FCC
  - Short term resolution
    - Copyright bill
  - Long term resolutions
    - Relationship with Congress
- Burch
  - Conferences with McClellan

- Television industry
  - Copyright bill
  - Broadcasters' position
- McClellan
  - Knowledge of situation
  - Dr. Whitehead's contacts
- Involvement of White House
  - McClellan's position
  - White House position
  - Burch
  - Relationship with White House

McClellan  
 -Re-election

McClellan, et al. left at 5:51 pm.

Conversation No. 579-12

Date: September 28, 1971  
 Time: Unknown between 5:51 pm and 5:53 pm  
 Location: Oval Office

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 10-15]

Conversation No. 579-13

Date: September 28, 1971  
 Time: Unknown between 5:51 pm and 5:53 pm  
 Location: Oval Office

The White House operator talked with the President.

[See Conversation No. 10-16]

Conversation No. 579-14

Date: September 28, 1971  
 Time: Unknown between 5:51 pm and 5:53 pm  
 Location: Oval Office



The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 10-17]

Conversation No. 579-15

Date: September 28, 1971

Time: Unknown between 5:51 pm and 6:42 pm

Location: Oval Office

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

Vietnam

- National League of Families
- Henry A. Kissinger's statement for the President
- The President's position
  - Prisoners of war [POWs] families
  - Raymond K. Price, Jr.
  - Summary

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The President talked with Mrs. Nixon between 5:53 pm and 5:54 pm.

[Conversation No. 579-15A]

[See Conversation No. 010-018]

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[End of telephone conversation]

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Kissinger entered at 5:55 pm.

Mansfield amendment

- F. Edward Hebert
  - Vote in House of Representatives
- Gerald R. Ford
- Leslie C. Arends
- Hebert
- Carl D. Albert
  - Conversation with the President
- Hebert
- Ford
- Arends
- Ford's views
- Draft
- The President's administration
  - Effort towards passing legislation
    - Ford
- Individuals voting for Mansfield amendment
  - Election
    - Possible outcome in respect to voting for amendment
  - End of war
    - Time length
      - POWs
  - Effect on negotiations
  - Republicans and Democrats
  - Hebert
    - Support

People's Republic of China [PRC]

- Kissinger's conversation with William P. Rogers
  - Announcement of Kissinger's trip
  - Rogers's analysis
    - Kissinger's trip
    - United Nations [UN] vote
  - Comparison to India trip
- UN vote
  - Timing
    - Gorge H.W. Bush's views
    - General debate
    - Soviet Union trip announcement
  - Effect from announcement
- Date of announcement of trip
  - Kissinger's conversation with Rogers
    - Kissinger's interim visit
    - PRC's responsibility
- Replacement of Kissinger by another

- Trip by the president
  - Rogers's knowledge
  - Results
- Contacts with US
- Rogers's reaction to Kissinger's trip
  - Kissinger's conversation with Rogers
  - Press attendance
  - Publicity for Kissinger
- State Department personnel
  - U. Alexis Johnson
  - Rank
  - David K.E. Bruce
- Strategy of Kissinger and Haldeman
  - Comparison to India trip
- The President's PRC trip
  - Advance team
    - John D. Ehrlichman
  - Secretary of State
    - Johnson
    - Effect
- Kissinger's trip to PRC
  - Effect on UN vote
    - Bush
      - Length of debate
      - Kissinger's presence in PRC
  - Date of debate
    - Bush
      - Length of debate
  - Possible request of Bush

#### Mansfield Amendment

- Capitol Hill actions
- Arends, Ford

#### Announcement by PRC

- Parade cancellation
- Timing

#### PRC

- Politics
  - Chou En-lai
  - Briefing in Hong Kong
    - Mao Tse-tung's health
    - The President's visit to PRC
  - Madam Mao [Chiang Ching]
  - May 16 Group

#### The President's PRC policy

- Holmes P. Tuttle
  - Telephone call to Kissinger
    - Kissinger's briefing
    - Effect on conservatives

- Support for the President
- Support for the President
- Ronald W. Reagan

#### Kissinger's forthcoming trip to PRC

- Rogers
  - Concern about press accompaniment
  - Comparison to India trip
  - Kissinger's previous visit to PRC
  - Johnson
- State Department accompaniment
  - Johnson
  - Marshall Green
  - Control by Kissinger
    - Alfred Les Jenkins
  - Advice to Kissinger
- Kissinger's conversations with PRC officials
  - Negotiation tiers
    - Technicians
    - Chou En-lai
- Timing of announcement
  - Domestic impact
  - UN vote on Taiwan
    - Situation
    - Debate
    - State Department
    - Bush
- Debate at UN
  - Timing
    - Kissinger's visit to PRC
  - African issues

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#### Africa

- The President's conversation with Organization of African Unity [OAU] official
  - The President's position
    - Byrd Amendment on Rhodesian chrome
      - Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]
    - Note from the President
    - Henry A. Kissinger's role
      - Senators
      - Department of State [DOS]

The President's meeting with Moktar Ould Daddah

- Language difficulty
- Mauritanians
  - Henry A. Kissinger's opinion
- David D. Newsom's telephone call to Henry A. Kissinger
  - Moktar Ould Daddah's reactions to meeting

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#### Henry A. Kissinger's forthcoming trip to PRC

- Rogers
- Planning dates
- Negotiations between US and PRC
- UN vote on Taiwan
  - Reasons for Kissinger's presence in PRC
  - Chou En-lai
  - Effect on UN vote

#### Mansfield amendment

- Deadline in House of Representatives

#### Edward M. Kennedy's statement to POW wives

- Ford
- POW issue
  - Remark
  - Ngo Dinh Diem assassination
  - John F. Kennedy's administration responsibility
- Charles W. Colson's possible actions

#### Joseph McCarthy

#### Vietnam

- End of war
  - Credit
  - Mansfield amendment
    - Press coverage
    - Possible effect on negotiations
- Ceasefire
  - Effect on deadline issue
  - Nguyen Van Thieu issue
- Thieu's election
  - Hugh Scott's question
  - Possible impact
- Kissinger's PRC trip announcement
  - Effect on US position in relation to North Vietnam

#### PRC

- Question of cancellation of trip
- Relationship with us

#### Soviet Union

## Vietnam

- Negotiations
  - Pace
    - Type of results
- Mansfield Amendment
  - Capitol Hill reaction
    - Congress
    - Senate
  - Effect on negotiations
  - Negotiating strategy by US
- Security leaks
- Melvin R. Laird
  - Trips
- End of war
  - Negotiations
    - Credit for ending the war
    - Record
  - Public opinion
    - The President's actions
- Mansfield Amendment's effect on negotiations
- Thieu
- North Vietnamese reaction to US offers

## Kissinger's forthcoming visit to PRC

- Reasons
  - Question about US recognition problem
    - Discussion in the President's presence
- Rogers's concerns
  - US relations with Taiwan
  - Effects of Kissinger's trip on Taiwan relations with US
- Timing of debate in UN
  - Bush
- Kissinger's relationship with Rogers
  - Paris meetings
  - Publicity for Kissinger
  - UN vote
    - Bush
    - Delay
      - Timing of Kissinger's trip to PRC

The President talked with the white house operator at an unknown time between 5:55 pm and 6:26 pm.

[Conversation No. 579-15B]

[See Conversation No. 10-19]

[End of telephone conversation]

## UN debate on Taiwan

- Timing
- Length

#### Kissinger's forthcoming trip to PRC

- Speculation by US
- Dates
- Soviet Union announcement compared to PRC announcement
- Rogers
- Andrei A. Gromyko

#### Soviet Union trip

- Rogers's role
- Kissinger's upcoming meeting with Anatoliy F. Dobrynin
- Memorandum

The President talked with Colson between 6:26 pm and 6:30 pm.

[Conversation No. 579-15C]

[See Conversation No. 10-20]

[End of telephone conversation]

#### The President's schedule

- The President's attendance at the National League of Families Convention
  - Robert J. Dole's appearance
  - Response
- Kissinger's comments in past
- US strategy
  - Vietcong
  - Envoys
- Laird's comments
- The President's possible comments
  - POWs and Missing in action [MIAs]
  - Edward Kennedy
  - Propriety

#### POW families

- Relationship with Laird
- Achievement of prisoner exchange

#### National League of Families convention

- Laird's statement
  - News coverage
- The President's statement
  - News coverage
- Press coverage
  - Movement and location within room
  - Knowledge of the President's appearance
  - White House press
- Statler Hilton Hotel
  - The President's schedule
  - Time

Mansfield amendment

- Hebert, Arends
- Instructing conferees
- Committee

North Vietnam

- As issue
- Bombing
- Mansfield's comments

John Sherman Cooper

Marlow W. Cook

- Retirement
- Time duration

Kissinger left at 6:37 pm.

Funeral for Justice Hugo L. Black

- The President's attendance
- Effect
- Exploitation

National League of Families Convention

- Timing
- Number of people
- Location
- Head table
- The President's schedule
- Arrival time

Mansfield amendment

- Clark MacGregor
- Ford
  - Support for the President on Capitol Hill
- Hebert
  - Vote
  - Strength
  - Success on issues
    - Clement F. Haynsworth, Jr.
    - Supersonic Transport [SST]
- Capitol Hill
  - House
  - Conference
  - Politics

Kissinger and Rogers

- Relationship
- Trip to PRC
- Green

The President's schedule



- Wire service coverage
- Drop-by
- Justice Black's funeral

The President and Haldeman left at 6:42 pm.

Conversation No. 579-16

Date: September 28, 1971

Time: Unknown between 6:42 pm and 11:59 pm

Location: Oval Office

Stephen B. Bull met with Manolo Sanchez.

President's schedule

Bull and Sanchez left at an unknown time before 11:59 pm.