

Conversation No. 131-1

Date: Unknown between May 16 and 17, 1972  
Time: Unknown between 12:01 am, May 16 and 2:26 pm, May 17  
Location: Camp David Study Table

An unknown man talked with an unknown man.

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- A check on recording system
  - Secure telephone
  - Number
  - Location
    - Table
  - [Forename unknown] Robinson
  - Return call
    - Time
  - Call to Robinson

Conversation No. 131-2

Date: Unknown between May 16 and 17, 1972  
Time: Unknown between 12:01 am, May 16 and 2:26 pm, May 17  
Location: Camp David Study Table

An unknown person talked with the Camp David operator.

Request for a call to John ("Microwave") Mizzer

Conversation No. 131-3

Date: Unknown between May 16 and 17, 1972  
Time: Unknown between 12:01 am, May 16 and 2:26 pm, May 17  
Location: Camp David Study Table

An unknown man talked with John ("Microwave") Mizzer.

Widebands

- [Forename unknown] Cartwheel [?]
- 613S

Secure telephone

- Noise
- 613 and system
- Location
  - Aspen Lodge

-A patch  
-Check

Conv. No. 131-39 (cont)  
Conversation No. 131-4

Date: Unknown between May 16 and 17, 1972  
Time: Unknown between 12:01 am, May 16 and 2:26 pm, May 17  
Location: Camp David Study Table

John ("Microwave") Mizzer talked with the Camp David operator.

Request for a call to Sgt. Major [Forename unknown] Petrie

The Camp David operator talked with an unknown man

Request for a call to Petrie

Mizzer talked with Petrie.

Telephone check  
-A patch  
-Local line  
-Noise

Conversation No. 131-5

Date: May 17, 1972  
Time: Unknown between 11:09 am and 2:26 pm  
Location: Camp David Study Table

The President talked with the Camp David operator

[See also Conversation No. 189-16]

Request for a call to H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman

Conversation No. 131-6

Date: May 17, 1972  
Time: 2:26 pm - 2:35 pm  
Location: Camp David Study Table

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

[See also Conversation No. 189-17]

George C. Wallace

- President's visit
  - Harry S. Dent
- Move to Walter Reed Hospital
  - Day and time
  - Dr. William M. Lukash
- President's visit
  - Walter Reed Hospital
  - Holy Cross Hospital
    - President's call
  - Walter Reed Hospital
    - Advantages
    - Logistics
  - Departure location
  - Date and time
  - Announcement
  - Dr. Lukash's report
    - Cornelia Wallace
- Condition
  - Call from President
    - Considerations
  - Effect on President's visit, calls
- President's visit
  - Walter Reed Hospital
    - Press
      - Advance notice
    - Lukash
    - Press statement
      - Previous visits to Dwight D. Eisenhower
      - Questions
      - Content
  - Date
  - Announcement
    - Lukash
    - Considerations

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President's schedule

- Trip to Soviet Union
  - Preparations
- Past week
  - The President's view

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[Duration: 1m 45s]

Rest

- Upcoming trip to USSR
  - Time complications
  - Scheduling
  - Youth

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Blue Room reception

- Response
  - Forthcoming call to Thelma C. ("Pat") Nixon
  - Press reports

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[Duration: 2m 51s]

1972 Election

- H.R. Haldeman conversation with John Mitchell
- George C. Wallace candidacy
  - Harry S. Dent
  - Third party ballot issues
    - Michigan
    - South
- Michigan
  - Busing issue
  - Effect on the President's vote
  - Effect on Democrats
  - Hubert H. Humphrey
    - Labor
- George McGovern
  - Colorado and Utah results
    - Harry S. Dent's report
  - District precinct conventions
    - Hippies attendance and influence
      - Kevin Phillips
      - Barry Goldwater
      - Young Republicans
      - Politics
      - Jack Drown

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Conversation No. 131-7  
Conv. No. 131-39 (cont.)

Date: May 17, 1972  
Time: Unknown between 2:35 pm and 2:36 pm  
Location: Camp David Study Table

The President talked with the Camp David operator.

[See also Conversation No. 189-18]

Request for a call to Dr. Walter R. Tkach

Conversation No. 131-8

Date: May 17, 1972  
Time: 2:36 pm - 2:40 pm  
Location: Camp David Study Table

The President talked with Dr. Walter R. Tkach.

[See also Conversation No. 189-19]

Manolo Sanchez  
-Schedule  
-Health

George C. Wallace

Manolo Sanchez  
-Schedule  
-Florida  
-Fina Sanchez  
-Benefits

Wallace  
-Health  
-Walter Reed Hospital  
-Move  
-Date  
-Effect on President's visit  
-Announcement  
-Condition  
-Prognosis

- Paralysis
- Tkach's visit
  - Message from President
  - Dr. William M. Lukash
  - Calls from President
    - Time
    - Cornelia Wallace
  - Message from President

Conv. No. 131-39 (cont.)

Conversation No. 131-9

Date: May 17, 1972  
Time: Unknown between 2:40 pm and 2:42 pm  
Location: Camp David Study Table

The President talked with the Camp David operator.

[See also Conversation No. 189-20]

Request for a call to H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman

Conversation No. 131-10

Date: May 17, 1972  
Time: 2:42 pm - 2:44 pm  
Location: Camp David Study Table

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

[See also Conversation No. 189-21]

- George C. Wallace
  - Condition
    - Dr. Walter R. Tkach's report
    - Effect on move to Walter Reed Hospital
      - Date
      - Tkach
  - President's possible visit
    - Haldeman's view
    - Dr. William M. Lukash
    - Logistics
    - Day
    - Secret Service check

Charles W. Colson

Courier  
-Papers  
-Secret Service shift

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[Duration: 24s]

Courier  
-King Timahoe  
-Manolo Sanchez  
-Location  
-Other dogs  
-Helicopter

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Conversation No. 131-11

Date: May 17, 1972  
Time: Unknown between 2:44 pm and 2:46 pm  
Location: Camp David Study Table

The President talked with the Camp David operator.

[See also Conversation No. 189-22]

Request for a call to Charles W. Colson

Conversation No. 131-12

Date: May 17, 1972  
Time: 2:46 pm - 3:01 pm  
Location: Camp David Study Table

The President talked with Charles W. Colson.

[See also Conversation No. 189-23]

George C. Wallace

- Assassination attempt
  - Editorials on American society
    - Rebuttals
      - Kenneth W. Clawson
      - William L. Safire
      - Herbert G. Klein
- Other attempts
  - Harry S. Truman assassination attempt
    - Blair House
  - Franklin D. Roosevelt assassination attempt
    - Mayor Anton Cermak
  - Assailants
    - The President's view
  - House of Representatives shooting
  - Harry S. Truman, Franklin D. Roosevelt
  - Theodore Roosevelt assassination attempt
- Editorials on American society
  - Harry S. Truman and Franklin D. Roosevelt parallels
  - William S. White
  - Richard ("Dick") Wilson
  - Research efforts
    - Clawson
  - Reasons
    - Liberals
      - The President's view
    - Robert J. Dole speech
      - Publicity
      - George S. McGovern, Hubert H. Humphrey
      - "New Populism"
  - Harry S. Truman and Franklin D. Roosevelt parallels
    - Appeal
  - Colson's staff efforts

Conv. No. 131-39 (cont.)

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[Duration: 11m 12s]

1972 Election

- Michigan
  - Democratic concern
  - Effect of George C. Wallace shooting
    - Press accounts
    - Sympathy votes
  - Percentages of vote for Wallace
  - Hubert H. Humphrey
- Busing issue



- Hubert H. Humphrey
  - Comparison to the President's position
  - Black vote
    - Pennsylvania
    - Ohio
    - Detroit, Michigan
- President's strategy
  - Messaging
- Michigan support
- Prospects
- George S. McGovern
  - Prospects
- John Connally
  - Hubert H. Humphrey
  - Vance Hartke
  - Hubert H. Humphrey appeal
- George S. McGovern appeal
  - David Bradshaw
    - Catholic vote
    - Chicago
      - Conservative Polish vote
    - Richard Daley machine
    - Rank and file
    - Daley's opinion
      - Effect on Democratic Party
      - Barry Goldwater parallel
- Hubert H. Humphrey appeal
  - John Connally
  - Traditional Democratic vote
- Edward M. Kennedy
  - Possible nomination
    - John Connally
    - Effect of George C. Wallace shooting
    - George S. McGovern
      - Richard Daley
  - Bridge between new and old Democrats
  - Future
  - Possible Vice Presidential nomination
    - Hubert H. Humphrey
    - George S. McGovern
    - Likelihood
    - Kennedy fire
      - Robert F. Kennedy
      - John F. Kennedy
- George S. McGovern
  - California primary
  - Positions
    - John Mitchell
    - California primary
    - Comparison with Barry M. Goldwater campaign
    - Democratic convention

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- Campaign strategy
  - Midwest Democratic populism
- Hubert H. Humphrey's campaign strategy
  - Considerations
  - Left perception
- The President's counterattack
  - Highlighting issues
    - Amnesty
    - Marijuana
    - Abortion
  - Methods and tone
    - Mailers
    - Stirring up hate
  - Showing in Michigan
    - David Bradshaw
    - Cook County
- Busing issue
  - Cook County and Chicago
    - David Bradshaw
    - Roman Pucinski
      - Position
    - Parallel to Michigan
    - Democrats
    - White Polish vote
    - Black vote
  - Effect on Michigan primary
  - Roman Pucinski
    - Constitutional amendment
- The President's strategy
  - Chicago
    - Polish community
  - Attack on George S. McGovern positions
    - Amnesty
      - Effect on Poles
      - War Service
    - Marijuana
    - Abortion
      - Effect on Poles and Irish
    - Busing
    - Speeches in September and October
  - Scare tactics
    - Black community
  - Hubert H. Humphrey
    - Busing position
    - Difference in speeches
  - George S. McGovern
    - Ideologue
  - Hubert H. Humphrey

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Wallace  
-Assassination attempt  
-Historical precedents  
-Colson's staff work

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Conversation No. 131-41

Date: May 17, 1972  
Time: Unknown between 3:01 pm and 3:02 pm  
Location: Camp David Study Table

The President talked with the Camp David operator.

[See also Conversation No. 189-24]

Request for a call to John N. Mitchell

Conversation No. 131-13

Date: May 17, 1972  
Time: 3:02 pm - 3:16 pm  
Location: Camp David Study Table

The President talked with John N. Mitchell.

[See also Conversation No. 189-25]

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1972 election  
-Democrats  
-Democratic National Chairman  
-Michigan primary vote  
-Busing issue  
-Domestic Council members  
-George C. Wallace vote  
-Hubert H. Humphrey vote

- Labor support
- Significance
  - Housing patterns
  - Ghetto
  - Blacks
- George C. Wallace speeches
  - Effect on the President's campaign
- George S. McGovern
  - California primary importance
  - New York
  - Uncommitted delegates
    - Edmund Muskie
  - Edward M. Kennedy challenge
  - Work in district, county, and precinct caucuses
    - Comparison to the President's 1968 campaign
  - Henry M. ("Scoop") Jackson
  - Washington Delegates
  - Texas Delegates
- Left supporters
- Hubert H. Humphrey
  - Effect of George C. Wallace shooting
  - Michigan showing
    - Labor support
  - Maryland
    - Democratic Support
    - Francis Boucher Burch
    - Marvin Mandel
    - Rank and file voter
- Ray Bliss
  - [Unknown] committee
    - Future
  - Meeting with the President on May 16, 1972
    - Ronald Ziegler
      - Leak to Ohio papers
  - Ohio support
  - Fundraising for the President's campaign
    - Effectiveness
  - Montgomery County

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American society

- Age of violence
  - The President's view
  - Vietnam War
  - Theodore Roosevelt
  - William McKinley
  - Franklin D. Roosevelt
  - Anton Cermak
  - Harry S. Truman

- House of Representatives
- Price of free society
- 1972 compared to 1967 and 1968
  - Mitchell's view
- Wallace
  - Responsibility
  - Verbal attacks
    - Hubert H. Humphrey
    - Edmund S. Muskie
    - George S. McGovern
  - Shooting
    - Assailant [Arhtur H. Bremer]
      - Motive
        - The President's view
    - Federal Bureau of Investigation [FBI] investigation
      - Mitchell's view

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#### Soviet summit

- Possible cancellation
  - Mitchell, John B. Connally predictions
  - President's position

#### Vietnam

- President's decision to bomb North Vietnam, mine harbors [blockade]
  - Importance
    - Compared with Soviet Union summit
  - President's talk with Mitchell
    - Mitchell's view
  - Effects
  - Options
  - Effects
    - Morale of US
      - Committee to Reelect the President [CRP] support
        - Efforts
    - Morale of South Vietnamese troops and people
    - Morale of North Vietnam
    - Democratic critics
      - The President's view
- Military situation
  - Kontum
    - Henry A. Kissinger
  - South Vietnamese performance
  - Firebase bastogne
  - I Corps attacks
  - An loc
    - Kontum
      - Importance
- Blockade
  - Effect
    - Comparison with 1968 situation
      - Sihanoukville

- Cambodian supply lines
- Sea lanes
- Bombing
- Time
- North Vietnam oil reserves
- Time
- US military's position
- Mitchell's view
- Central Intelligence Agency's [CIA] position
  - The President's view
- Previous experience
  - Differences
    - Mechanized compared with guerilla war
    - Cambodian supplies
- Intensity
- Comparison with previous experience
- Effect
  - Editorial critics
  - The President's view

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#### Mitchell

- President's trip to Soviet Union
- Work at CRP
  - President's appreciation

Conversation No. 131-42

Date: May 17, 1972  
Time: Unknown between 5:30 pm and 5:48 pm  
Location: Camp David Study Table

The President talked with the Camp David operator.

[See also Conversation No. 190-2]

Request for a call to Alexander M. Haig, Jr.

Conversation No. 131-14

Date: May 17, 1972  
Time: 5:48 pm - 5:57 pm  
Location: Camp David Study Table

The President talked with Alexander M. Haig, Jr.

[See also Conversation No. 190-4]

Vietnam

- An loc
  - Air strikes
- Kontum
  - Gen. Creighton W. Abrams, Jr. Conv. No. 131-39 (cont.)
- Trend
  - Gen. John W. Vogt, Jr. report
  - Adm. Thomas H. Moorer
- US propaganda
  - Forthcoming memorandum by President
  - Haig's instructions
  - Richard M. Helms and the Central Intelligence Agency [CIA]
    - The President's view
  - Content
    - Compared to World War II
  - CIA actions
    - Helms
  - Inter-departmental actions
    - State Department
      - The President's view
    - Commander-In-Chief Pacific Forces [CINCPAC]
    - Military Advisory Command, Vietnam [MACV]
  - Leaflet drops
    - Content
      - The President's view
  - Broadcasts
  - Enemy prisoners
- Bombing
  - Effects
    - A Report from Hanoi
      - Casualties
      - Port
      - Source
        - G. McMurtrie Godley
      - Morale
- US propaganda
  - Leaflet drops
    - Helms
    - President's orders
    - National Security Council [NSC]
    - Effectiveness to date
      - Reasons
  - State Department
    - The President's view
    - George Creel in World War I
    - Office of Strategic Services [OSS]
      - Effectiveness in World War II
  - Timing
    - The President's view

- Locations
- Expected activity
  - Ho Chi Minh's birthday
  - Sappers and terrorists
  - Delta, III Corps
  - Kontum
    - Vogt's orders for counterattack
    - Damage
    - Action
      - Abrams
      - Previous day
      - Continuing
- US propaganda
  - President's evaluation
  - Helms
  - New proposals for President
    - Deadline
    - Length
    - Purpose
    - Overtime work
      - The President's view
- Vogt
  - Work evaluated
  - Moorer

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Conversation No. 131-15

Date: May 17, 1972  
 Time: 5:57 pm  
 Location: Camp David Study Table

The President talked with the Camp David operator.

[See also Conversation No. 190-5]

Stewart J.O. Alsop  
 -White House operator

Conversation No. 131-16

Date: May 17, 1972  
 Time: 7:33 pm  
 Location: Camp David Study Table

The President talked with the Camp David operator.



[See also Conversation No. 190-7]

Request for a call to Charles W. Colson

Conv. No. 131-39 (cont.)

Conversation No. 131-17

Date: May 17, 1972

Time: Unknown between 7:33 pm and 7:44 pm

Location: Camp David Study Table

The Camp David operator talked with the President.

[See also Conversation No. 190-8]

Charles W. Colson

-Location

-Return call

Conversation No. 131-18

Date: May 17, 1972

Time: 7:44 pm

Location: Camp David Study Table

The President talked with the Camp David operator

[See also Conversation No. 190-9]

Request for a call to Ronald L. Ziegler

Conversation No. 131-19

Date: May 17, 1972

Time: 7:49 pm - 8:20 pm

Location: Camp David Study Table

Charles W. Colson talked with the President.

[See also Conversation No. 190-10]

Vietnam

- Announcement of blockade
- Support
  - Connecticut delegation
  - Cuban supporters
  - Boise (Idaho) and Wichita demonstrations of support
    - Publicity
  - Mail response
  - Demonstrations
  - Advertisement in *New York Times*
    - Polls
      - Louis P. Harris, Albert E. Sindlinger, Opinion Research Corporation [ORC]
    - American Broadcasting Company [ABC]
    - Length
    - Nash Kestenbaum
    - Rabbi [Forename unknown] Seidman
    - Rabbi Abraham (?) Gross
  - Press campaign
    - Response to President's announcement of blockade
      - Detroit Free Press*
      - Des Moines Register*
      - Joseph C. Kraft
    - Administration program
    - John A. Volpe
      - Today* show appearance
        - President's trip to Soviet Union
    - Importance
  - Speeches
    - Robert A. Taft, Jr.
    - William E. Brock, III
    - Barry M. Goldwater
  - Letters to columnists
    - Robert J. Dole
    - Brock
      - Colson's view

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#### George C. Wallace

- Assassination attempt
  - Story on Harry S. Truman and Franklin D. Roosevelt parallels
    - Kenneth W. Clawson
    - James J. Kilpatrick, Jr.
    - William S. White
    - Richard ("Dick") Wilson
    - Kilpatrick
  - Liberal media
  - Birch E. Bayh, Jr.
    - Gun control legislation
      - Effect
        - Federal Bureau of Investigation [FBI]
        - Tracing of Arthur H. Bremer weapon

US-Soviet Union summit

- Previous meeting with John Cardinal Krol
  - Announcement by Alexander M. Haig, Jr.
    - US Information Agency [USIA]
    - Circulation
- Domestic impact
  - John D. Ehrlichman
  - Haig
  - Cabinet
  - Trade
    - Earl L. Butz, Peter G. Peterson
  - Significance

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Wallace

- Assassination attempt
  - Impact on busing issue
    - Senate and House conferees' proposal
      - Busing moratorium
      - Housing bill
      - Length of meeting
  - Michigan

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[Duration: 3m 47s]

1972 Election

- Michigan
  - Senator Robert P. Griffin's talk with the President
    - President's chances
    - George S. McGovern
    - Hubert H. Humphrey
      - Stand on busing
    - George S. McGovern
      - Stand on busing
- Colson's talk with Frank E. Fitzsimmons
  - Frank E. Fitzsimmons's response to primary results
    - Evaluation of Labor support
      - Hubert H. Humphrey
      - United Auto Workers (UAW)
    - Hubert H. Humphrey
      - Lack of grassroots strength
      - Rank and file report
    - Support for the President
- Effect of George C. Wallace shooting
  - Press coverage

- Polls in Michigan and Maryland
  - No effect in Maryland
  - Republican crossover in Michigan
- Washington Post* survey
  - George C. Wallace
  - Maryland voters
- Press coverage
  - Columnists
    - Impact
  - Networks

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#### Vietnam

- President's previous decision to mine harbors and bomb North Vietnam [blockade]
  - Press response
    - The President's view
    - [Arnold] Eric Sevareid
    - Marvin L. Kalb
    - Newspapers
    - Milton Viorst
    - Joseph C. Kraft
  - Administration response
    - Patrick J. Buchanan
      - Today* show appearance
      - Statements
        - The President's view
    - Columbia University Journalism School

#### Administration media campaigns

- Forthcoming memorandum from Colson
- Monitoring operation
  - Harry Reasoner
- Network executives
  - Frank Stanton
  - Robert W. Sarnoff
  - The President's view
  - Mail campaign
  - Stanton
- Vietnam
  - Media coverage
    - Colson's view
    - Compared to Laos and Cambodia
    - Firebase Bastogne
    - The President's view
      - Reason
      - Effect of President's previous speech announcing blockade
  - Wallace assassination attempt
    - Clawson story
    - Bremer

- Political affiliations
  - Washington Post*
  - Detroit and Chicago papers
  - Black Panthers
  - Young Democrats
  - Chicago Tribune*

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- Democrats' criticisms
  - The President's view
  - Colson's office's work
  - Colson's view
  - Michael Gravel and Edmund S. Muskie
    - The President's view
  - Edward M. Kennedy
  - Muskie
    - The President's view

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[Duration: 1m 52s]

#### 1972 election

- Maryland primary results
  - Mayor Sam Yorty
  - Edmund S. Muskie
  - The President's turnout results
- Michigan primary results
  - The President's turnout results
  - Paul McCloskey
- Maryland Primary Results
  - The President's turnout results
  - Paul McCloskey
  - John Ashbrook
  - Republican registrations
- President's decision to mine and bomb North Vietnam
  - Fright
  - Effect on campaign
  - Robert J. Dole speech
    - National Press Club
    - George S. McGovern position on war
  - George S. McGovern
    - Voting record
    - Cease-fire

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## Vietnam

- Senate vote on cease-fire
  - Administration use of results
    - Taft's speech
      - McGovern's position on war
      - Jerry Rubin
      - Rennie Davis
      - Abbie Hoffman
    - Clawson
    - Democrats' position
      - The President's view
  - Harris poll
  - Cease-fire amendment
    - Doves
    - Michael J. Mansfield
      - New proposal
    - President's trip to the Soviet Union
      - Effect
    - Dole's statement

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## Senate confirmation hearings

- Richard G. Kleindienst
  - Timing
    - President's talk with Robert P. Griffin
    - Senate floor fight
    - Robert C. Byrd
    - Party vote
- George P. Shultz
  - Timing
    - President's talk with Griffin
    - John B. Connally
  - Administration actions
    - John R. ("Tex") McCrary
    - H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman
    - Mansfield
      - The President's view
      - Position
  - Timing
    - President's trip to Soviet Union
    - Convention recess
  - Administration actions
    - Benefits
  - International Telephone and Telegraph [ITT] parallel

## President's policies

- Domestic policy
- Foreign policy
  - Harris
- Domestic issues
  - The President's view
  - Water pollution

- Revenue sharing
- Welfare reform
- Level of concern nationally
- Welfare reform
  - President's actions
- Connally's view
- Domestic policy
  - Drugs
  - Busing
    - Effect on voting
    - Columbia Broadcasting System [CBS] analysis
    - Connection with race, housing
    - Cardinal Krol's parish
      - Effect on voting

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“Silent Majority” coalition

- Youth
- Composition
  - Middle Americans
  - Farmers
  - Workers
- Exclusion of the establishment elite
  - Businessmen
  - Ivy League college presidents
- “The folks”
  - Cardinal John Krol's support
  - Farmers
  - New middle class
    - White ethnic working men
    - Teamsters
    - Catholic concerns
      - Busing
      - Housing
      - Blacks
- Traditional Republican vote

1972 Election

- Michigan vote
  - Robert P. Griffin's analysis of youth support
    - George C. Wallace
    - George S. McGovern
    - Martin-Hayden poll

- American people
  - Humanitarian
- Robert P. Griffin's analysis
  - Blacks
  - Professional liberals
- Martin-Hayden Poll
  - Robert P. Griffin
- Youth vote

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### President's Schedule

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Conversation No. 131-20

Date: May 17, 1972  
Time: Unknown between 8:20 pm and 8:35 pm  
Location: Camp David Study Table

The President talked with the Camp David operator.

[See also Conversation No. 190-11]

Ronald L. Ziegler

- Call cancelled
- Return call
- Time

Conversation No. 131-21

Date: May 18, 1972  
Time: 7:46 am  
Location: Camp David Study Table

The President talked with the Camp David operator.

[See also Conversation No. 190-13]

Request for a call to Alexander M. Haig, Jr.

Conversation No. 131-22



Date: May 18, 1972  
Time: 7:50 am  
Location: Camp David Study Table

The Camp David operator talked with the President.

[See also Conversation No. 190-14]

Conv. No. 131-39 (cont.)

Alexander M. Haig, Jr.  
-Location  
-Return call

H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman  
-Call  
-Location  
-Return call

Conversation No. 131-23

Date: May 18, 1972  
Time: 7:59 am - 8:05 am  
Location: Camp David Study Table

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

[See also Conversation No. 190-17]

Henry A. Kissinger

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[131-023-w001]

[Duration: 51s]

Vice Presidential speculation  
-John Connally  
-Columnists  
-Spiro T. Agnew  
-Party  
-Tricia Nixon Cox's attendance  
-Gallup poll  
-Support for Spiro T. Agnew  
-John Connally  
-Charles Percy

-Effect on the President's strength

-Spiro T. Agnew

-John Connally

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Conv. No. 131-39 (cont.)

Press coverage

-George P. Shultz

-John B. Connally

-Soviet Union summit

-*Washington Post* editorial

-Impact

-Vietnam

-President's previous speech on Vietnam blockade

-Charles W. Colson

-Parallel to Cambodia

-James Keogh

-Administration campaign against the press

-George C. Wallace shooting

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[131-023-w002]

[Duration: 34s]

Press coverage

-Democratic position

-George C. Wallace's ability to campaign

-George S. McGovern

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Press coverage

-Vietnam

-South Vietnamese offensive

-Kontum

-Date

-Ho Chi Minh's birthday

-Alexander M. Haig, Jr.

-Date

-Effect

-Soviet Summit

-Expectations

President's schedule

- Wallace
  - Visit by President
  - Transfer to Walter Reed Hospital
  - Visit by President
    - Logistics
    - Location
  - Telephone call from the President
  - Visitors
    - Family
    - Doctors
    - Staff
    - Hubert H. Humphrey
    - George S. McGovern

Conv. No. 131-39 (cont.)

Conversation No. 131-24

Date: May 18, 1972  
 Time: Unknown between 10:05 am and 10:10 am  
 Location: Camp David Study Table

The President talked with the Camp David operator.

[See also Conversation No. 191-2]

Request for a call to Charles W. Colson

Conversation No. 131-25

Date: May 18, 1972  
 Time: 10:10 am - 10:33 am  
 Location: Camp David Study Table

The President talked with Charles W. Colson.

[See also Conversation No. 191-3]

Greetings

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[Personal Returnable]

[131-025-w001]

[Duration: 7m 46s]

1972 election

- Maryland primary
  - President's showing
    - Washington Post* headline
  - Hart [?] poll
    - Michigan
    - Maryland
    - Philip A. Hart
- Michigan primary
  - Daniel Yankelovich report and D.M.I. polls
    - The President's strength
- Maryland Primary
  - Washington Post* coverage
    - Haynes B. Johnson
    - The President's support
      - Connection with George C. Wallace vote
    - Racism
    - George C. Wallace supporters
      - Suburbanites
      - Rural country folk
- Busing issue
  - A future poll
  - John N. Mitchell
  - Donald H. Rumsfeld
  - Robert H. Finch
  - Edwin L. Harper
  - Importance
    - Charles W. Colson memo to H.R. Haldeman
  - House and Senate conferees
    - Length of meeting
    - Busing moratorium
      - Michigan primary
  - The President's position
    - Freezing things in place
    - Housing
    - Charles W. Colson's office's work
  - Importance
    - Illinois
      - George C. Wallace
- George C. Wallace candidacy
  - Ability to campaign
  - Charles W. Colson's meeting with John N. Mitchell
  - Press reports
    - Paralysis
    - Healing time
    - Dr. William M. Lukash's report
  - Need to campaign
  - Strength in polls
  - Effect on the President's campaign

Conv. No. 131-39 (cont.)

- Effect on Democrats
- Hubert H. Humphrey candidacy
  - Charles W. Colson meeting with Teamsters
    - Frank Fitzsimmons
- Michigan primary
  - Waterloo
- Press coverage
  - Sam Donaldson, ABC News
    - Labor support
    - Leonard Woodcock
    - United Auto Workers (UAW)
- George C. Wallace
  - Effect of the President's actions
    - Call to Cornelia Wallace
    - Dr. William M. Lukash
    - Walter Reed Hospital
  - Upcoming visit by the President
    - Timing
    - Harry Dent's advice
    - Logistics
    - Press coverage
    - Surprise
  - The President's actions
    - Evaluated
    - Contrast with Hubert H. Humphrey

Conv. No. 131-39 (cont.)

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#### President's schedule

- Possible visit to George C. Wallace
  - Camp David
  - Advantages and disadvantages
- Telephone call to Wallace
  - Publicity
    - Colson's view
  - Mrs. Wallace
  - Appearance
  - Advantages
    - Preparation for Soviet summit
- Visit to Wallace
  - Time spent
  - Importance
  - Timing
- Previous walk to Treasury Department
  - Barry M. Goldwater's response
  - Dangers
    - Vice President Spiro T. Agnew
  - Effect
  - Hubert H. Humphrey's statement
  - Publicity

## Previous assassination attempts

- Colson's office's research
- James J. Kilpatrick column
  - Price of free society
- Price of free society
  - Arthur H. Bremer
    - The President's view
    - Fate in other countries
- Price of permissiveness
  - Lee Harvey Oswald
    - Fate in other countries
- Bremer
  - Federal Bureau of Investigation [FBI] search of car
  - George S. McGovern literature
  - Publicity
    - Washington Post*
    - New York Times*
    - Wire service stories
  - Wallace literature

Conv. No. 131-39 (cont.)

## US-Soviet Union summit

- President's previous meeting with Anatoliy F. Dobrynin
  - Length
- Expected press response
  - The President's view
  - Washington Post* editorial
    - Tone
- Administration campaign
  - Time
  - Tone of press statements
  - Haldeman
  - Time

## Vietnam

- Cease-fire
  - Doves
  - Carl B. Albert's position
  - [Thomas] Hale Boggs
  - Prognosis
  - Albert
    - Possible telephone call from President
    - Forthcoming meeting with the President
    - Importance of position
      - Soviet summit
- Previous calls to Robert C. Byrd and Robert P. Griffin
- Albert
  - Call
  - Position
    - Boggs
    - Byrd resolution

- House Foreign Affairs Committee
- J. William Fulbright
- Byrd resolution
  - Albert's and Boggs's support
  - Effect
  - Doves
- Vote in Senate
  - Incumbent Democrats
    - Administration campaign
    - Motives
    - Impact
- National sentiment
  - Joseph Vicités
    - Wichita
    - Boise
  - Albert and Boggs
  - South Carolina legislature resolution
  - Local actions
  - Publicity
  - Antiwar demonstrations
    - Day
    - Location
    - Expectations
  - New York Teamsters
    - Peter J. Brennan
    - Posters
- Television coverage
  - Colson's view
- Future action
  - Ho Chi Minh's birthday
  - Pilots
    - Interviews
      - Prisoners of war [POWs]
      - Effect
      - Morale
      - Targets
    - Army of the Republic of Vietnam [ARVN]
      - Colson's view
      - Columbia Broadcasting System [CBS]
- Public perceptions
- Future plans
  - Bombing
    - Timing
    - Soviet summit
- Bombing and blockade
  - Effect on North Vietnam and Hanoi
    - Columns
    - US public opinion
      - Albert E. Sindlinger
  - Effect on critics
  - Support for President

Conv. No. 131-39 (cont.)

- Louis P. Harris
- John Cardinal Krol statements
  - Publicity
  - Timing
  - Soviet summit
- Effect on Soviet summit
- The President's view

Conv. No. 131-39 (cont.)

1972 election

- Media campaign
  - Timing
  - President's accomplishments
    - People's Republic of China [PRC]
    - Soviet relations
    - Vietnam
      - End of US involvement
      - South Vietnam status
- Harris
  - President as world leader
    - Time
  - Busing
- Timing
- Image

Conversation No. 131-26

Date: May 18, 1972

Time: Unknown between 10:33 am and 10:58 am

Location: Camp David Study Table

The President talked with the Camp David operator.

[See also Conversation No. 191-4]

Request for a call to H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman

Conversation No. 131-27

Date: May 18, 1972

Time: 10:58 am - 11:08 am

Location: Camp David Study Table

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

[See also Conversation No. 191-5]



George C. Wallace

- Telephone call from the President
- Visit from the President
- John B. Connally's advice

Conv. No. 131-39 (cont.)

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[Duration: 1m 16s]

- Political future
  - Democratic Convention
  - Potential support of the President
    - Help making the President
    - Inability to get Vice Presidential nomination
      - George S. McGovern
      - Hubert H. Humphrey
  - Third party candidacy

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George C. Wallace

- Visit from President
  - Walter Reed Hospital
  - Holy Cross Hospital
    - Condition
    - Logistics
      - Helicopter landing
      - Walter Reed Hospital
      - Driving time
      - Walter Reed Hospital
- Press coverage
  - Landing
  - Visit to wounded Secret Service agent
- Secrecy

President's schedule

- Meeting with Anatoliy F. Dobrynin
  - The President's view
  - Length
  - Soviet Summit
  - Henry A. Kissinger
- Soviet Summit
  - Preparation
  - Briefing with congressional leaders

- Time
- Day
- Reception for press
  - Time
  - Pictures
  - Handshaking
  - Remarks
  - Questions
- Meeting with John D. Ehrlichman
  - Agenda
- Trip to Soviet Union
  - Details
    - Number of stops
    - Silverware
    - Food
    - Philosophy
  - Gifts
    - People's Republic of China [PRC]
      - Mementos
        - Invitation and menu
    - Cadillac
      - Logistics
      - Considerations
      - Government exchange
    - Hydrofoil
      - The President
    - Cadillac
      - Leonid I. Brezhnev
    - Hydrofoil
    - Cadillac
    - Use
      - French car for Brezhnev
    - John A. Scali
    - Costs
      - Hydrofoil versus Cadillac
    - Pandas, musk oxen
    - Interest in pandas

Conv. No. 131-39 (cont.)

Conversation No. 131-28

Date: May 18, 1972

Time: Unknown between 11:08 am and 11:22 am

Location: Camp David Study Table

The President talked with the Camp David operator

[See also Conversation No. 191-7]

Request for a call to H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman

Conversation No. 131-29  
Conv. No. 131-39 (cont.)

Date: May 18, 1972  
Time: 11:22 am - 11:23 am  
Location: Camp David Study Table

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

[See also Conversation No. 191-8]

Head of State gifts

- Public relations problems
  - Expense
  - Pandas from People's Republic of China [PRC]
    - The President's view
- Richard A. Moore's advice
- Hydrofoil
  - Soviet choice
- Leonid I. Brezhnev's choice
  - Car
  - Cadillac
- Publicity situation
  - Expense

Conversation No. 131-30

Date: May 18, 1972  
Time: Unknown between 11:23 am and 11:24 am  
Location: Camp David Study Table

The President talked with the Camp David operator.

[See also Conversation No. 191-9]

Request for a call to H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman

Conversation No. 131-31

Date: May 18, 1972  
Time: 11:24 am - 11:26 am

Location: Camp David Study Table

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

[See also Conversation No. 191-10]

Foreign official gifts

Conv. No. 131-39 (cont.)

- President's gifts in 1959 trip to Soviet Union
  - Type
  - Cost
  - Corn products
  - Contributors
- President's gift to Leonid I. Brezhnev
  - General Motors [GM]
- Hydrofoil
- Cadillac
  - Taxpayer's expense
  - President's expense
  - General Motors
  - Public relations

Conversation No. 131-32

Date: May 18, 1972

Time: 11:34 am - 11:37 am

Location: Camp David Study Table

The President talked with the Camp David operator.

[See also Conversation No. 191-11]

Request for a call to Rose Mary Woods

Call from George P. Shultz

Shultz talked with the President between 11:34 and 11:37 am.

Treasury Department

- Talks with John B. Connally, Charls E. Walker
  - Senators
- Possible new appointments
  - Staff
    - Shultz's view
  - Connally
  - James W. Donley
  - Walker
  - Paul A. Volcker
  - Timing

- Milton Friedman
- Need
- Shultz's view
- Need
  - Tax reform
  - Possible actions
- Bill for President's signature
- Connally
- Walker
  - Position
- Edwin S. Cohen
- Nominations
  - Alexander P. Butterfield, H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman, John D. Ehrlichman discussions
- Shultz's authority

Conv. No. 131-39 (cont.)

Conversation No. 131-33

Date: May 18, 1972

Time: Unknown between 11:37 am and 11:38 am

Location: Camp David Study Table

The President talked with the Camp David operator.

[See also Conversation No. 191-12]

Request for a call to Rose Mary Woods

Conversation No. 131-34

Date: May 18, 1972

Time: 11:38 am - 11:42 am

Location: Camp David Study Table

The President talked with Rose Mary Woods.

[See also Conversation No. 191-13]

Woods's schedule

President's schedule

- Soviet summit preparation

US-Soviet Union Summit

- Packing

- Types of clothes
- Social events
- Iran
- People's Republic of China [PRC]
- Soviet Union
- Weather

Conv. No. 131-39 (cont.)

Henry A. Kissinger  
 -Presence at Camp David

President's trip to Soviet Union

- Earl Mazo
  - Herbert G. Klein
  - Financing
    - Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars
    - Reader's Digest*
    - Government funds
    - Woodrow Wilson Center
  - H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman
- Additions to passenger list
- Mazo
  - Reader's Digest*
  - Haldeman
  - Financing
    - Klein
  - Haldeman

Conversation No. 131-35

Date: May 18, 1972

Time: Unknown between 11:42 am and 11:44 am

Location: Camp David Study Table

The President talked with the Camp David operator.

[See also Conversation No. 191-14]

Request for a call to H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman

Conversation No. 131-36

Date: May 18, 1972

Time: 11:44 am - 11:45 am

Location: Camp David Study Table

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

[See also Conversation No. 191-15]

Earl Mazo

-Trip to Soviet Union

-Call from Rose Mary Woods to President

Conv. No. 131-39 (cont.)

-Herbert G. Klein

-Call to Woods

-Financing

-*Reader's Digest*

-Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars

-Discount rate

-Klein

-Ronald L. Ziegler

Conversation No. 131-37

Date: May 18, 1972

Time: Unknown between 11:45 am and 11:48 am

Location: Camp David Study Table

The President talked with the Camp David operator.

[See also Conversation No. 191-16]

Request for a call to Thelma C. ("Pat") Nixon

Conversation No. 131-38

Date: May 18, 1972

Time: 11:48 am - 11:50 am

Location: Camp David Study Table

The President talked with Thelma C. ("Pat") Nixon.

[See also Conversation No. 191-17]

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[Duration: 2m 53s]

Planned attire and weather for upcoming trip to Soviet Union

- Zosimo Monzon
  - Suit selection
- Attire
  - White tie
  - Iran
  - Black tie
  - Business suits
  - Short dresses
- Weather
  - Temperature range
  - Rain
- Attire
  - Raincoat
  - Types of suits
- Temperature
  - Moscow
- Attire
  - Types of suits
- Weather
  - Leningrad
  - Iran
  - Austria
  - Similarity to Washington, D.C.
  - Warsaw

Conv. No. 131-39 (cont.)

Blue Room

- Rex Scouten's report
- Response of reception guests

Camp David

- Weather
- Swimming
- Anatoliy Dobrynin meeting
- Upcoming Soviet Union trip schedule

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Conversation No. 131-39

Date: May 18, 1972

Time: Unknown between 12:25 pm and 12:33 pm

Location: Camp David Study Table

The President talked with the Camp David operator. The President conferred with Henry A. Kissinger before the conversation began.



[See also Conversation No. 191-18A]

Request for a call to H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman

Conv. No. 131-39 (cont.)

Conversation No. 131-40

Date: May 18, 1972

Time: 12:33 pm - 12:34 pm

Location: Camp David Study Table

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

[See also Conversation No. 191-18B]

Massachusetts Institute of Technology [MIT]

-John D. Ehrlichman

-George P. Shultz and Caspar W. ("Cap") Weinberger

-Office of Management and Budget [OMB]

-Weinberger

-Funds cutoff

-Time