

Date: August 5, 1971
Time: 9:40 am - 10:10 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Henry A. Kissinger.

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Correspondence

- Leonid I. Brezhnev
- Anatoliy F. Dobrynin
- News conference
- Georges J.R. Pompidou
- Importance
- Vietnam

Vietnam War

- Hanoi
 - Possible attack
 - Timing
 - South Vietnam election
 - Previous predictions
 - Prisoners of War [POWs]
 - North Vietnam statement
- Possible North Vietnam action

News media

- Issues
 - Kissinger's conversation with Arthur M. Schlesinger, Jr.
 - Economy
 - Foreign policy
 - Economy
 - Kissinger's meeting with Barry M. Goldwater, Jr.
 - Goldwater's attitude

H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman entered at 9:45 am.

Kissinger's schedule

- William F. ("Billy") Graham
- Groups

President's schedule

- Possible meeting with William O. Bright
- San Clemente
- Campus Crusades

Support for President

- Kissinger's conversation with Goldwater
 - Conservatives
 - Liberals
 - Compared to Communists

- Defense
- Foreign relations
 - People's Republic of China [PRC]
 - Japan
 - Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]
 - PRC
- Liberals
- President's reelection
 - Defense
 - Democrats
 - Goldwater's call to William F. Buckley, Jr.
- Kissinger's meeting with Ronald W. Reagan
 - United Nations [UN]
 - Reagan
 - Malibu home
 - Visit

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Support for President

- Henry A. Kissinger's meeting with Ronald W. Reagan
 - Ronald W. Reagan
 - Henry A. Kissinger's opinion
 - Intelligence
 - Compared to Spiro T. Agnew

Support for President

- Henry A. Kissinger's meeting with Ronald W. Reagan
 - Ronald W. Reagan
 - Compared to Vice President Spiro T. Agnew
- Agnew
 - View on PRC and USSR

Newsweek article

- John A. Scali
 - Agnew
 - PRC
 - Trip
 - Tone
 - Effect
 - Taiwan

- Middle East
- Africa
- PRC
- Conservatives
 - Strategic Arms Limitation Talks [SALT], PRC
 - Resolution
 - Timing
 - SALT, PRC
 - SALT
 - Intention
 - Freeze USSR missile build-up
 - Briefing
 - Defense budget
 - Strategic arms sector
 - Presidential address
 - Patrick J. Buchanan
 - Strategic arms sector
 - Conventional forces
 - Briefing
 - James L. Buckley
 - William Buckley
 - Kissinger's forthcoming meeting

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Defense budget

- White House Staff
 - William E. Timmons, Clark MacGregor
- Anti-ballistic missiles [ABM]
 - SALT
 - Melvin R. Laird

Conservatives

- Briefing
 - Buchanan
- 1960 and 1968 elections
- Cambodia
- Goldwater
- Briefing
 - List
- [Scali's *Newsweek* article]
 - Opposition to Administration
- Administration action
 - Demonstrators
 - Police
 - Drug enforcement
 - Marijuana
 - Catholic school aid
 - Reaction
 - James J. Kilpatrick, Jr.
 - Radio broadcast
 - ABM
- National Review*

- Frank S. Meyer
- Background

Kissinger's schedule
-Cabinet meeting

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President's schedule
-Cabinet meeting
-Agnew
-List
-Forthcoming meeting with Conservatives

Kissinger left at 9:56 am.

Arthur F. Burns
-Note

National economy
-Wilbur D. Mills
-Ways and Means Committee trip
-European Economic Community [EEC] meeting
-Timing
-Peter G. Peterson's meeting with Mills
-Mills
-Import tax
-Connally
-Leaks
-Peterson
-*Christian Science Monitor*
-Peterson

Alexander P. Butterfield entered at an unknown time after 9:56 am.

Correspondence
-John C. Stennis
-Burns

Butterfield left at an unknown time before 10:05 am.

President's schedule
-Trip to New York City, August 4, 1971
-Reception
-Theater ovation
-Press coverage of trips
-Charles W. Colson
-Richard Moore
-Gerald L. Warren
-Ohio trip
-Dennis Leonard
-Trip to New York City
-Press coverage

- Television
- Timing
 - Republican senators function
 - Statements
 - Colson
 - George P. Shultz
 - Connally
 - Film clip

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Oval Office press conference

- News coverage
 - National economy
 - Republican senators
 - PRC
 - Vietnam War
 - Swedish story
 - POW hoax
 - PRC and USSR
 - Focus
 - National economy compared to foreign affairs
 - PRC and USSR
 - Connally, John D. Ehrlichman
 - Peace

Rose Mary Woods entered at 10:05 am.

President's schedule

- Dinner guests
 - Timmons
 - Invitation
 - Unknown chairman

Woods left at 10:06 am.

Congress

- Recess

Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 10:06 am.

President's schedule

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

Administration public relations

- Economic news
 - Unemployment figures
 - Dan Rather
 - Colson
- Congressional action
- Pentagon Papers
- Declassification

- World War II
- Korea
- Bay of Pigs
- Economic news

President's schedule

- Forthcoming press conference
- National Security Council [NSC] meeting
- Postponement

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The President and Haldeman left at 10:10 am.

Conversation No. 555-18

Date: August 5, 1971
Time: Unknown between 10:10 am and 11:57 am
Location: Oval Office

Unknown people [Secret Service agents] met at an unknown time after 10:10 am.

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Conversation No. 555-2

Date: August 5, 1971
Time: Unknown between 11:57 am and 12:00 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown man [Stephen B. Bull?].

Instructions on photograph session

The unknown man [Bull?] left at an unknown time before 12:00 pm.

Date: August 5, 1971
Time: 12:00 pm - 12:13 pm
Location: Oval Office

Conv. No. 555-15 (cont.)

The President met with Henry M. Ramirez, Antonio Rodriguez, Louie Cespedes, Eugene A. Marin, Edward M. Yturri, Ted F. Martinez, Ignacio E. Lozano, Jr., Edgar A. Buttari, Manuel R. Giberga, Jorge E. Tristani, Manuel A. Gonzalez, Hilda A. Hidalgo, William C. Oldaker, and Philip Sanchez and Ronald L. Ziegler; members of the press and the White House photographer were present at the beginning of the meeting.

[General conversation]

Introductions

Photograph session

[General conversation]

The President's schedule
-Meeting in Cabinet Room

All except Ramirez and the President left at 12:04 pm.

Cabinet Committee on Opportunity for the Spanish Speaking [CCOSS]

- Ramirez
 - Acceptance of chairmanship
 - Robert H. Finch
- Minorities
 - Focus
 - Blacks
 - Mexican-Americans compared to Blacks
 - James F.A. Cardinal McIntyre
 - Watts
 - Language barrier
 - Discrimination
 - Racial prejudice
 - Inter-marriage
 - School integration
 - Whittier, California
 - Unknown football player [Danny Blass?]
 - Eddie Garrago [?]
- Mexican-Americans
 - Anointments
 - Ramirez and Finch

Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 12:04 pm.

President's schedule
-Forthcoming meeting

Bull left at an unknown time before 12:13 pm.

CCOSS

Conv. No. 555-15 (cont.)

- Finch
- Need for progress
- Committee responsibilities
 - Cooperation
 - Staff support
 - Reports
 - Jobs
 - Business opportunities
 - Bilingual education
 - Discrimination
 - Appointments in government
- Finch
- Blacks
 - Attention to problems
 - Justice
 - Organization
 - Lobby
- Hispanics
 - Need for organization
 - Religious background
 - Catholicism
 - Effect on activism
- Ramirez's study
 - Integration into government
 - White House Domestic Council
- President's recommendations
 - Finch

The President and Ramirez left at 12:13 pm.

Conversation No. 555-19

Date: August 5, 1971
Time: 12:35 pm - 12:36 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Ronald L. Ziegler.

Forthcoming press briefing

The recording was cut off at 12:36 pm.

Conversation No. 555-4

Date: August 5, 1971
Time: Unknown between 1:13 pm and 1:15 pm
Location: Oval Office

Conv. No. 555-15 (cont.)

The President met with Alexander P. Butterfield.

President's schedule
-Congressional Half Hour
-Previous meeting
-Photographer
-Maurice H. Stans

Butterfield left at an unknown time before 1:15 pm.

Conversation No. 555-5

Date: August 5, 1971
Time: 1:15 pm - 1:46 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Clifford P. Hansen; Oliver F. ("Ollie") Atkins was present at the beginning of the meeting.

Wyoming
-Cheyenne
-University of Wyoming

Bill-signing ceremony
-[H R 3344, Veterans' Direct Loans]

Hansen left at 1:18 pm.

The President met with William E. Brock, M. A. Henderson and W. R. Davenport at 1:18 pm; Atkins was present at the beginning of the meeting.

Tennessee
-Nashville

Presentation to President
-Bible from Gideons International
-Gideons Bible
-Air Force I
-Anecdote

- Dr. Carl Hicks
- Southern Baptist Convention
- Gideons International
- Scope of operations

Brock and Howard H. Baker, Jr.

Conv. No. 555-15 (cont.)

Presentation of gifts by President

- Pens
- Cufflinks

Brock, et al. left at 1:24 pm.

The President met with Alexander P. Butterfield at 1:24 pm.

President's schedule

- Robert A. Taft, Jr.
- Epilepsy Poster Child
- Baker

Butterfield left at 1:24 pm.

The President met with Taft, Zachery Williams, Mrs. John C. Williams, Paul E. Funk, David Gilbert, and Morris Semiatin at 1:24 pm; Atkins was present at the beginning of the meeting.

Epilepsy Poster Child

- Zachery Williams
- Mother
- Age

Photograph session

Presentation of gifts by President

- Apollo moonshot photograph
- Presidential seal pin

President's schedule

- Visit to New York City theater
- Johnny Bench's mother

[General conversation]

Taft, et al. left at 1:28 pm.

The President met with Charles S. Gubser and Philip Schuyler at 1:28 pm; Butterfield and Atkins were present at the beginning of the meeting.

Schuyler

- University of Santa Clara
- Broncos [football team]
- Sugar Bowl

- Paintings
 - Teamsters Union
 - West Point
 - Vietnam
 - Injury
 - Tet offensive
 - West Point
 - Dwight D. Eisenhower
 - Combat artists
 - World War II
 - Gen. George S. Brown

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Presentation of gifts by President

- Cufflinks
- Bow

Gubser

- Speeches
 - President's appreciation
- President's reminiscences
 - Enthusiasm quotient □
- President's schedule
 - San Jose

Gubser and Schuyler left at 1:33 pm.

The President met with Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence G. Williams, Mrs. Marie A. Boyer, and Mrs. Marie A. Simmonds at 1:33 pm; Atkins was present at the beginning of the meeting.

Presentation of US flag

Pennsylvania women

- President's appreciation

Presentation of gifts by President

- Bow
- Golf ball
- Golf
 - Vice President Spiro T. Agnew
 - Donald McI. Kendall
 - Pepsico
 - Wilson Golf Company

Mrs. Williams, *et al.* left at 1:38 pm.

The President met with Silvio O. Conte, Mrs. Wilfred S. Hitchcock, Mrs. George Volsky, Hugh K. Ferry, Joseph F. Mattis at 1:38 pm; Atkins was present at the beginning of the meeting.

Windsor, Massachusetts

Bicentennial celebration

-US cities

Rose Garden

Oval Office

-Picture

- [Dwight] David Eisenhower, II
- Key Biscayne

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Presentation of coin to President

-Medal

-Display

-Presidential library

-Plate

-Book

-Thelma C. ("Pat") Nixon

-Windsor, Massachusetts

-Population

-Mrs. Nixon

-George A. Lincoln

-Maple syrup

-Vermont

Presentation of gifts by President

-Cufflinks

Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 1:38 pm.

Instructions to Bull

-Photograph

-Family portrait

-David Eisenhower

-Rose Mary Woods

-Wedding

Bull left and returned at an unknown time before 1:46 pm.

Rose Garden

-Instructions to John [Surname unknown]

[General conversation]

Conte, et al. left at 1:46 pm.

Conversation No. 555-6

Date: August 5, 1971

Time: 1:46 pm - 2:40 pm

Location: Oval Office

The President met with Alexander P. Butterfield.

Press

Bill signing

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President's schedule

- Forthcoming meeting with James Buckley
- John N. Mitchell
- Clark MacGregor

H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman entered at 1:48 pm.

- Mitchell
- Forthcoming meeting with representatives of farm journals
 - Clifford M. Hardin
 - President's role
 - Purpose
 - Duration
 - Herbert G. Klein
 - John C. Whitaker
 - Format
 - Origin

Butterfield left at 1:50 pm.

[Pause]

- Format
- Scheduling questions
 - Catholic journals
 - Farmers groups
 - Dairy
- Forthcoming meeting with Carl B. Albert
 - Henry A. Kissinger
 - Agenda
 - Trip to Thailand
 - Michael J. Mansfield, Russell B. Long
 - Kissinger
 - MacGregor
 - Mansfield

Manolo Sanchez and Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 1:50 pm.

- Refreshment
- Charles W. Colson

Sanchez and Bull left at an unknown time before 2:00 pm.

- President's trip to New York City
 - Columbia Broadcasting System [CBS] television coverage
 - President's visit to theater
 - Ruby Keeler
 - Interaction with public
 - Discussion of show
 - Autographs
 - "Today" show
 - Crowd
 - Prisoners of war [POWs] question
 - Broadway theater crowd
 - CBS
 - National Broadcasting Corporation [NBC]
 - Mood
 - Organized opposition
 - Effect
 - Trips
 - Advance notice
 - Ronald L. Ziegler
 - Forthcoming trip to Dallas
 - Arrival
 - Reception
 - Locale
 - Demonstrators
 - New York trip
 - Public reception of President
 - Bull
 - Mood
 - People's Republic of China [PRC] announcement
 - Trip westward
 - Springfield, Illinois
 - State Fair
 - Old State Capitol
 - Lincoln Home National Historic Site establishment
 - Bill signing
 - Fair
 - Richard B. Ogilvie
 - Public mingling
 - Size
 - Motorcade

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Colson entered at 2:00 pm.

Cabinet

- Briefing
 - John Volpe's proposal
 - Economic fact sheet
 - Cabinet meeting
 - John B. Connally
 - George P. Shultz
 - Dissemination of economic information

- Volpe
- Statistics
 - Inflation
 - Talking papers
 - Wholesale price index
 - Automobile sales
 - Briefing book
- Congress
 - Speeches
- Speeches
 - Butterfield
 - William L. Safire
 - Paul W. McCracken
 - Charles Duke
- Forthcoming Sub-Cabinet briefing
- Problem
 - Making material useful
- Fact sheet
 - Possible comments to Cabinet
 - Raymond K. Price, Jr.
 - Klein
 - Price
 - Connally
- News coverage
 - Peace issue
 - Economic picture
 - Unemployment on Vietnam War casualties
 - Political effect
- Connally
- Volpe
- President's instructions to Colson
 - Economic fact sheet
 - Request to see
 - Patrick J. Buchanan
 - Safire

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Economy

- Meeting with Congressmen
 - MacGregor, Donald H. Rumsfeld, Colson
- Performance
 - Post-World War II
 - Compared to other countries
 - Dwight D. Eisenhower administration
 - Unemployment
 - Eisenhower administration
 - Figures
 - John F. Kennedy administration
 - Lack of press coverage
- Members of administration
- Congressmen and Senators
 - Jack R. Miller

- Comment
 - Possible motivation
 - PRC trip
- Speech
- Unemployment statistics
 - Briefing
 - James D. Hodgson
 - Previous month's briefing
 - Trends
- Psychological issue
 - Need to defend administration
 - Connally
 - Hodgson
 - Shultz
 - McCracken
 - Maurice H. Stans
 - Small business
 - Wall Street
 - New York Times, Washington Post, Time, Newsweek* and major television networks
 - Vacillation

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Foreign policy

- President as world leader
 - Emphasis
 - Speeches
 - PRC trip
 - Appeal to public
 - President's recent press conference
 - Kissinger
- PRC
- Stature
 - World War II
- Look* article
 - Haldeman interview
- PRC
 - Mao Tse-tung
 - Chiang Kai-shek
 - Gen. Francisco Franco
 - Haile Selassie
 - Konrad Adenauer
 - Winston S. Churchill
 - Gen. A.J.M. Charles de Gaulle
 - Josef V. Stalin
 - Eisenhower
 - Edward R.G. Heath
 - Georges J.R. Pompidou
 - Willy Brandt
 - Latin America
 - Europe
 - Connally

-John F. Kennedy

John Kennedy

- Edward M. Kennedy
- Domestic policy
- Foreign policy
 - Berlin Wall
 - Cuban confrontation
 - Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]
 - Adlai E. Stevenson, II
 - Turkey
 - Vienna Conference
- Boston Globe* article
- Kennedy Library
 - Release of personal pre-presidential papers
- PT 109
- Profiles in Courage
- Health
- Boston newspapers
 - John Kennedy's college years
- Reading speed

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Economy

- Connally
 - Public opinion
 - Franklin D. Roosevelt
- Business community
 - Pierre Rinfret
 - Dun's
 - Interests
- Unemployment
 - Arthur F. Burns
 - Dan Rather
 - Reporting
 - Statistics
 - Source
 - Capitol Hill
 - Bureau of Labor Statistics [BLS]

Cabinet

- Connally
 - Compared to President
 - Republicans

Busing

- Texas
 - Responsibility

Press

- Forthcoming presidential election
- Past relations with administration

- 1969
 - President's November 3 speech
- 1970
 - Cambodia
- 1971

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Economy

- Unemployment figures
 - Gordon L. Allott
 - Howard H. Baker, Jr.
 - Comments
- Defenders of administration
 - Robert J. Dole
 - Republican National Committee [RNC]
 - Lockheed vote
 - Democrats
 - Barry M. Goldwater
 - Pentagon Papers
- Anecdote
 - Lack of public understanding
 - Addressing
 - President's use of television
 - Cambodia
 - Press
 - Timing
 - Radio
 - Effectiveness
 - Donald C. Burnham of Westinghouse
 - Profits
 - Wage and price guidelines
- Public reaction to President
 - Ohio, Iowa
 - New York City trip
 - PRC
 - New York City trip
 - News coverage
 - Gerald L. Warren
 - Ohio
 - Robert A. Taft, Jr.
 - William B. Saxbe
 - Miller
 - Iowa
 - New York
 - Public attitudes
 - Louis Harris
 - Harris
- Television
 - President's effectiveness
 - Rather

Colson left at 2:37 pm.

President's schedule

- Trip to Manchester, New Hampshire
 - Cynthia Frink
 - Helen M. ("Obie") Shultz
 - Thelma C. ("Pat") Nixon
 - John A. Scali
- Bangor, Maine
 - Republicans
 - Margaret Chase Smith
- Springfield, Illinois
- Grand Tetons
 - Jackson Hole
 - Cruise
 - Yosemite Valley
- Montana
 - Mansfield
 - Timing of forthcoming trip
 - Television
 - Springfield
 - Grand Tetons
 - Veterans of Foreign Wars [VFW] appearance
 - Preparation
 - Dallas
- Grand Tetons
- VFW appearance
 - Television

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Haldeman left at 2:40 pm.

Conversation No. 555-7

Date: August 5, 1971

Time: Unknown after 2:40 pm until 3:13 pm

Location: Oval Office

Alexander P. Butterfield met with an unknown person [Stephen B. Bull?].

Economic fact sheet

- Cabinet officers
 - Meeting
- Charles W. Colson

Assignment

The unknown person [Bull?] left at an unknown time before 3:13 pm.

[Pause]

The President entered at an unknown time after 2:40 pm.

- Distribution to Cabinet members
- Timing
- Colson
- Patrick J. Buchanan
- John A. Volpe

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The President and Butterfield left at 3:13 pm.

Conversation No. 555-8

Date: August 5, 1971
Time: Unknown between 3:21 pm and 3:23 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

- President's schedule
- Forthcoming meeting
- John B. Connally

Bull left at an unknown time before 3:23 pm.

Conversation No. 555-9

Date: August 5, 1971
Time: 3:23 pm - 4:35 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with George W. Romney, John B. Connally, George P. Shultz, John D. Ehrlichman, Peter M. Flanigan, and Paul W. McCracken.

- Press
- Forthcoming *Time* story
- Connally quotes
 - Wilbur D. Mills
 - President's interest in economy
 - Lawrence Malkin
 - Hedley W. Donovan
 - Veracity
- Malkin
 - Fortune*
- Arthur F. Burns

- Connally quote
 - Malkin
 - Time
 - Hugh S. Sidey
 - Editors
 - People's Republic of China (PRC) announcement
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Housing

- Interest rates for mortgages
 - Interagency Meeting
 - Current rate
 - Impact on home builders
 - Construction
- Subsidies
- Raising ceilings
 - Economic and political effect
- Recommendations of working group
 - Maintain current rate
 - Housing starts
 - Government National Mortgage Association [GNMA]
 - Extension of assistance
 - Cost
 - Appropriations
 - Home Loan Bank Board [HLBB]
 - 243 Program
 - Projected housing starts
 - Federal Housing Administration [FHA] - Veterans Administration [VA]
 - Effects
 - Home builders and buyers
 - Other interest rates
 - Consumer Price Index [CPI]
 - Political reaction
 - Increase of rates
 - GNMA authorization
 - Discount rate
 - Home builders view
 - HLBB and 243 Program
 - Effects
 - Housing production
 - Mortgage market
- Housing industry
 - Subsidies
 - Congress
 - Effect of maintaining rate
 - Romney's recommendation
 - Prime and other rate
 - Timing of possible action
 - Federal National Mortgage Association [FNMA], HLBB
 - Home builders
 - Possible impact of increase

- Amount of increase
- Other interest rates
- Timing of possible action
- Amount of increase
 - Home builders
- Increase
 - Underwriting
 - Inflation
 - Congress
- Proposals
 - Effect on housing starts
- Effect of increase
 - Decline in starts
 - Relationship to subsidies
 - HLBB, 243 Program
- Maintain current rate
 - Eugene S. Cowen's prediction
- Housing construction
- Possible impact of increase
 - Inflation
 - Rate
- Maintain current rate
 - Cost
 - HLBB and 243 Program
- Subsidies
 - Congress
 - Employment
- Stimulating housing starts
 - Relationship to interest rates
 - Subsidies
- National Association of Real Estate Boards
 - Recommendation
- Mortgage
- Gene Curtis [?]
- Home builders
 - Economic health
- Recommendation on increase
- Subsidies
 - Bill
 - Employment
 - Stimulus to economy
 - Congress
 - Tax cuts
 - Reduction of personal exemptions
- Possible actions
 - Political consideration
 - Jobs
 - Psychological impact
 - Timing
 - Impact on bankers
 - Increase in prime rate

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- International Telephone and Telegraph [ITT] bond rate
- Maintain current rates
- Timing
- Tandem plan
- Legislative action
 - HLBB and 243 Program
- Subsidies
 - Effect on poor
- Timing of action
 - Congressional recess
- Decision
 - Reasoning
- Wage and price settlements
 - Abuse of power
 - Anti-trust
 - Congress
 - Inflation
- Maintain current rates
 - Duration
 - Tandem plan
 - Legislation
 - Call to [John A. Stastny]
 - Housing starts
- Discount rate

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President's schedule

- Forthcoming *Time* story
- Shultz and Connally

Shultz, Connally, Romney, Ehrlichman, Flanigan and McCracken left at 4:16 pm.

Press

- Time* story
 - Malkin
 - Sidey
 - Negativity
- Instructions to Shultz
 - Statement of facts
 - Effect on administration opponents
 - Politicians, pollsters, editors
- Arthur F. Burns
- Time*
 - Connally quote
 - Forthcoming meeting with Malkin
 - Source
 - Eligio de la Garza
 - Peter G. Peterson
 - Wilbur D. Mills
 - Donovan
 - Fred R. Harris
 - Possible resignation from Senate

- Henry A. Kissinger meeting with Sidey
 - People's Republic of China [PRC] story
 - Distortion
 - Time-Life* editors
 - Vietnam war issue
 - President
 - Pentagon Papers
 - Democrats
 - John F. Kennedy
 - Anger at Administration
 - Henry A. Grunwald
 - Sidey
 - PRC story
 - Editing
 - Letter to Kissinger
 - Editorial position
- Forthcoming story on economy
 - Instructions to Shultz
 - Positives of economy
 - Problems
 - Inflation and unemployment
 - President's involvement in economy
 - California
 - Budget
 - Use of time
 - Meeting with Connally
 - Foreign policy
 - PRC
 - Melvin R. Laird
 - National Security Council [NSC] meetings
 - Budget
- President's view

Economy

- Possible Administration actions
 - Burns
 - Recommendations
 - Wage and price board
 - Mandatory controls and enforcement
 - Steel industry
 - President's instructions to Shultz
 - Economic controls
 - Connally's schedule
 - Texas
 - California
 - Import tax
 - Level
 - Tax cut
 - Personal exemption
 - Investment tax credit
 - naming

- Tax cut
 - Symbolism
 - Budget
- Revenue sharing
 - Deferring
- Timing of action
 - Congress
 - Mills
 - House Ways and Means Committee
 - Trip to Brussels
- Proposed tax action
 - Railroads
 - Jobs
- Controls
 - Removal
 - Effect on trade
- Possible Congressional action
 - Import tax
 - Investment tax credit
 - Controls
 - Tax cuts
 - Exemptions
 - Deficit tax credit
 - Excise tax
 - Import tax
 - Mills
 - Credit
 - Russell B. Long
 - Credit
 - House Resolution [H R] 1
 - Quid pro quo
- Import tax
 - Devaluation of dollar
 - Japan
 - Imposition and removal
 - Congress
 - Bargaining chip
 - Devaluation

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Malkin

Connally and Shultz left at 4:35 pm.

Conversation No. 555-10

Date: August 5, 1971
Time: 4:35 pm - 5:16 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with James L. Buckley and John N. Mitchell; the White House photographer was present at the beginning of the meeting.

President's schedule

- President's meeting with business group
- Consumers

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Congressional relations

- Jacob K. Javits
- William Proxmire
- Buckley

US-People's Republic of China [PRC] relations

- President's appreciation for Buckley's comments
- Experience of previous Presidents
 - John F. Kennedy
 - Vienna
 - Lyndon B. Johnson
 - Glassboro
 - Dwight D. Eisenhower
 - Camp David
- Expectations
- Developments
 - Henry A. Kissinger
- President's recent press conference
 - Conditions
- Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]
 - Strategic Arms Limitation Talks [SALT]
 - Anti-ballistic missiles [ABM]
 - Offensive weapons

Berlin

- Willy Brandt
- Egon Bahr
- Treaty

US-PRC relations

- Taiwan
- Vietnam
 - Detente
 - USSR
 - Japan
- USSR
- Japan
- PRC
- Southeast Asia
 - Thailand
- India
- Negotiations
 - Mutual interests
 - PRC

- Political system
- Detente
 - USSR
- Process
- Effect of current developments
 - Taiwan
- Political support
 - Cambodia
 - Laos
 - Ideologies
 - Henry M. ("Scoop") Jackson
 - Buckley's position
 - Conservatives
 - Trip to Watts [?]
- William P. Rogers
 - Kissinger
 - Location

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National defense

- ABM
 - Vote
 - Spiro T. Agnew
 - SALT
- Development of offensive weapons
 - Robert S. McNamara
 - Eisenhower Administration
 - Nuclear submarines
 - Polaris
 - Minuteman
- USSR
 - SALT
- Spending
- Republican senators
- Budget
- Melvin R. Laird
- Mitchell
 - National Security Council [NSC]
- Laird
 - Figures
- Naval Forces
 - [Dwight] David Eisenhower, II
 - Sixth Fleet
 - USSR ships compared to US ships
- Nuclear weapons
 - Balance
 - USSR
 - US
 - Offensive, defensive weapons or control
 - USSR
- Congressional action
- 1972 campaign issue

- Jackson
- Edmund S. Muskie
- Hubert H. Humphrey
- Edward M. Kennedy
- Birch Bayh
- Fred R. Harris
- The President's policy
- USSR
 - US
 - Air defense
 - Missile and naval inferiority
- Support for the President
 - Congress
 - Hearst papers
 - Chicago Tribune*
 - Time*
 - Newsweek*
 - Columbia Broadcasting System [CBS]
 - National Broadcasting Corporation [NBC]
 - American Broadcasting Corporation [ABC]
 - President's support for defense
 - ABM
 - Budget cuts
 - Military view
 - President's use of television
 - Perception of President's move to left
- As political issue
 - Conservative critics
 - Buckley's view
 - William F. Buckley
 - ABM
 - Bargaining chip
 - Offensive weapons
 - Press release
 - US Mediterranean forces
 - Compared to USSR
 - Kissinger briefing
 - Possible participants
 - Rogers
 - William A. Rusher
 - Frank S. Meyer
 - [David J., Jr.?] Mahoney
 - New York Times*

PRC

- Conservative support
 - James B. ("Scotty") Reston

National defense

- Laird
- Rogers

- Congress
 - John G. Tower
- Possible briefing
 - President's schedule
 - Rogers and Kissinger
- Budget
 - Salaries
 - Hardware
- Volunteer army
 - Gates Report
 - Republican platform
 - Budget
 - Hardware spending
 - Military bureaucracy
 - Reform
 - Employment
 - Military bases

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Economy

- Employment
 - Bill
- Spending
 - Mortgage rates
 - Federal Housing Administration [FHA]
 - Maintaining current rates
 - Subsidies
 - Research and development
 - Space program
 - Desalinization
 - Breeder reactor
 - Defense
 - Domestic Council
 - Poll
 - Space program
 - Public relations
 - Priorities
 - Democrats
 - Defense

National defense

- SALT
 - USSR
 - SS-9's
 - ABM
 - Consequence of failure
 - Arms buildup
 - President's request
- Budget
 - Navy
 - Modernization
 - Air defense

- Military industrial complex
 - Effect on foreign policy
 - Israel
 - Jordanian crisis
 - Sixth Fleet
 - Israel
 - Golan Heights
 - USSR intervention
 - Syria
 - Greece
 - Bases
 - Airlift
 - Analogy to Lebanon crisis, 1958
 - From Germany to Turkey□
- Naval power
 - Foreign policy
 - Adm. Albert Thayer Mahan
 - Other forces
 - USSR
 - Indian Ocean
 - Sixth Fleet
- Middle East
 - Israel
 - USSR

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- National defense
 - Middle East
 - Israel
 - Importance of US presence
 - Effect on Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]
 - Vulnerability
 - Effect of SS-9 or SS-11

- National defense
 - Middle East
 - USSR
 - Destroyers
 - Cruisers
 - Guidance systems

- Message for conservatives
 - ABM
- Congress
 - Jackson
 - Voting record
 - ABM
 - Offensive weapons
 - Navy
 - Law and order
 - President
 - US flag pin
 - George C. Wallace
- As issue in South
- Message for conservatives
 - President's support for defense
 - US
 - Compared to USSR
 - Public and Congressional support
 - Jewish constituency
- Possible briefing

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Martha (Beall) Mitchell
 -Ghettos

Presentation of gifts by President
 -Cufflinks
 -Paperweight

Buckley and Mitchell left at 5:16 pm.

Conversation No. 555-11

Date: August 5, 1971
 Time: Unknown between 5:16 pm and 5:22 pm
 Location: Oval Office

Unknown men [Secret Service agents] entered.

The President's schedule
 -Cabinet Room

The unknown men left at an unknown time before 5:22 pm.

Conversation No. 555-12

Date: August 5, 1971
Time: Unknown between 5:16 pm and 5:22 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

The President's schedule
-Cabinet Room meeting [with farm editors]
-Attendees
-Number
-Camera man

Conv. No. 555-15 (cont.)

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

H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman entered at an unknown time after 5:16 pm.

-Duration
-President's possible comments
-Clark MacGregor
-Gifts
-Franklin Mint medallions

An unknown person entered and left at an unknown time after 5:16 pm.

Refreshment
-Cabinet Room

The President's schedule
-Forthcoming meeting
-Gifts
-Compacts
-Instructions for Stephen B. Bull
-Tightness of schedule
-Farm editors
-Congressional Half Hour [Early Bird reception]
-Henry A. Kissinger
-Schedule for August 6, 1971
-MacGregor
-Republican leadership meeting

Haldeman left at 5:22 pm.

Conversation No. 555-13

Date: August 5, 1971
Time: Unknown between 8:50 pm and 9:43 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President dictated a memorandum to John C. Whitaker.

Farm editors meeting

- Cloud seeding
- Request for report
- Department of Interior
- Desalinization

Conv. No. 555-15 (cont.)

The President dictated a letter to Ruby Keeler at an unknown time between 8:50 pm and 9:43 pm.

President and Thelma C. ("Pat") Nixon

- Admiration for Keeler

Visit to Broadway show

- No, No Nanette□
- Audience response
- US public
- Playbill

Presidential golf ball

Expression of appreciation to cast

The President dictated a letter to Bobby Van at an unknown time between 8:50 pm and 9:43 pm.

Autographed picture

- Snapshot
- Photo by Oliver F. ("Ollie") Atkins
- Tricia Nixon Cox's wedding

Expression of good wishes

- Elaine Van

The President dictated a letter to J. Willard Marriott at an unknown time between 8:50 pm and 9:43 pm.

Visit by President and Mrs. Nixon

- Tricia Nixon Cox
- Essex House
- Mr. Malone, resident manager
- President's expression of appreciation
- Possible future to New York

Conversation No. 555-14

Date: August 5, 1971

Time: Unknown between 8:50 pm and 9:43 pm

Location: Oval Office

The President dictated a memorandum to H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman.

Harmon Killebrew

-Possible 500th home run

-Congratulations

Conv. No. 555-15 (cont.)

The President dictated a memorandum to Henry A. Kissinger at an unknown time between 8:50 pm and 9:43 pm.

William F. ("Billy") Graham

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

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SOUTHEAST ASIA

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

Laos

-Missionary report

-Tribes

-Irregular forces

-Communists

Conversation No. 555-15

Date: August 5, 1971

Time: Unknown between 8:50 pm and 9:43 pm

Location: Oval Office

The President dictated a memorandum to Rose Mary Woods.

Max Von Schroeder
-Bank manager
-Ottumwa, Iowa
-Thelma C. ("Pat") Nixon
-World War II
-White House dinner
-Invitation

Conv. No. 555-15 (cont.)

Conversation No. 555-16

Date: August 5, 1971
Time: Unknown between 8:50 pm and 9:43 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President dictated a memorandum to Rose Mary Woods.

Drawing from unknown boy ["Tim"]
-Iowa Dam dedication
-Dictation of letter
-Appreciation
-Talents
-Autographed portrait

The President dictated a letter to Jim Brown at an unknown time between 8:50 pm and 9:43 pm.

Induction into Hall of Fame

Conversation No. 555-17

Date: August 5, 1971
Time: Unknown between 8:50 pm and 9:43 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with the White House operator.

Requested a call to Gillespie V. ("Sonny") Montgomery