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Tape Subject Log
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Conversation No. 245-1

Date: April 6, 1971
Time: Unknown between 7:49 am and 9:20 am
Location: Executive Office Building

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

[Unintelligible]

Haldeman left at an unknown time before 9:20 am

Conversation No. 245-19

Date: April 6, 1971
Time: Unknown between 7:49 am and 9:20 am
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Manolo Sanchez

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

[Non-historical]

[Duration: 11s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

Copy of an unknown document
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Sanchez left at an unknown time before 9:20 am

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Conversation No. 245-2

Date: April 6, 1971

Time: 9:20 am - 9:59 am

Location: Executive Office Building

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

William P. Rogers and Melvin R. Laird

Meeting with Congressional leaders

-Gerald R. Ford

-Hugh Scott and Ford

[The President talked with the White House operator at an unknown time between 9:20 am and 9:22 am]

[Conversation No. 245-2A]

[See Conversation No. 42-5]

[End of telephone conversation]

General Alexander M. Haig, Jr. and Vice President Spiro T. Agnew as speakers

Carl B. Albert

[The President talked with Michael J. ("Mike") Mansfield between 9:22 am and 9:27 am]

[Conversation No. 245-2B]

[See Conversation No. 42-6]

[End of telephone conversation]

President's meeting with National Security Council, Congressmen, April 7, 1971

-Mansfield

-Albert

-[Thomas] Hale Boggs

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Meeting with Congressional leaders

- Albert
- Ford
- Scott

Haig

Haldeman's schedule

Conv. No. 245-2 (cont.)

Press

- Unknown story
- Coverage

Staff

- Donald H. Rumsfeld
- Clark MacGregor
- Charles W. Colson
- John A. Scali
- John D. Ehrlichman
- George P. Shultz
- Defense spending

Mood of nation

Vietnam War

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2

[National Security]

[Duration: 6s]

FOREIGN AFFAIRS

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2

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White House staff and Cabinet

-Accomplishments

“Ted Gates”

-Vietnam War

Harrison A. Williams, Jr.

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Henry A. Kissinger

Cambodia

-Bombing

-Kent State University

-Public attitudes

Congressional attitudes

-Rumsfeld

-Problems with Congress

-Robert H. Finch

-Republicans

-MacGregor

-Supporters of Administration

-Labor leaders

-Southerners

-Support or non-support

-Consequences

-President's options

Scali

-MacGregor

-Staff situation

Economy

-Stock market

-Retail sales

-Apparel

-New York

-Chrysler Corporation

-First quarter

-Home furnishings

-Apparel

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-Stock market
-Buying power

White House staff
-Haldeman's assessment

[The President talked with Kissinger at an unknown time between 9:20 am and 9:59 am]

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[Conversation No. 245-2C]

Meeting with the President

Kissinger
-Rogers
-Laird
-Conflicts

Chicago Tribune

Sidney R. Yates and John S. Nolan

Staffing for unknown agency
-Right-wingers

Haldeman left at 9:59 am

Conversation No. 245-3

Date: April 6, 1971

Time: 9:59 am

Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with an unknown man [H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman?]

[This conversation is a continuation of Conversation No. 245-2]

Economic situation

William P. Rogers

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President's schedule

The unknown man [Haldeman?] left at 9:59 am

Conversation No. 245-4

Date: April 6, 1971

Time: 9:59 am

Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with the White House operator

[See Conversation No. 42-8]

Conversation No. 245-5

Date: April 6, 1971

Time: 9:59 am - 10:06 am

Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with Gerald R. Ford

[See Conversation No. 42-9]

Henry A. Kissinger entered at 10:05 am

Conversation No. 245-6

Date: April 6, 1971

Time: 10:05 am - 11:03 am

Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Henry A. Kissinger

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Laos

- Casualty figures
- Military operations
- Comparison

Vietnam

- North Vietnamese
- President's forthcoming statement on Prisoners of War [POWs]
- President's options
- Possible statement
- Warning
- Credibility
- Kissinger's statement on POWs

Conv. No. 245-6 (cont.)

Laos

- Casualties
- South Vietnamese casualties
- Air sorties
 - George S. McGovern's statements
- Kissinger's possible statement

President's speech on Vietnam, April 7, 1971

- Draft
- President's presentation
- Press
- Release
- Air sorties
- South Vietnamese casualties
- Warning
- Statement
- Warning
- Staff

Vietnam

- Withdrawal
- "Blockbusters"
- John D. Ehrlichman
- US proposals
- Negotiations
- Kissinger and Clark MacGregor
- Press

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- Proposals
- ”Doves”
- Congress
- Withdrawal date
- Military aid
- General Nguyen Van Thieu and Nguyen Cao Ky
- Communist victory
- Kissinger’s relations with MacGregor
- Troop announcements
- Date for United States’ withdrawal
 - Michael J. (“Mike”) Mansfield
- President’s meeting with Thieu
- United States’ position
- President’s policy
- North Vietnamese
- Lyndon B. Johnson
- Date for Withdrawal
- POWs
- Cease fire
- Negotiations
- Cease fire
- United States’ proposals
- Kissinger’s role
- Paris talks

Conv. No. 245-6 (cont.)

Chile

- Elections
- Salvador Allende Gossens
 - Control of media
- Eduardo Frei Montalva
 - Christian Democrats
- Allende
- State Department
 - Charles A. Meyer
 - Allende
- United States’ policy
- Jorge Alessandri

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[National Security]

[Duration: 13s]

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END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2

-Edward M. Korry

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4

[National Security]

[Duration: 26s]

FOREIGN AFFAIRS

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4

-Korry

-Peter M. Flanigan

-Kenneth B. Keating

-Pakistan

-India

Kissinger's relations with MacGregor

-Melvin R. Laird

-Ehrlichman

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Vietnam

- Ehrlichman
- Public opinion
- Johnson

Cambodia

- United States' involvement
- Public opinion

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Lieutenant William L. Calley, Jr.

- Impact on administration
- Background

President's speech on Vietnam

- Possible question to Kissinger
- President's policy

Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 10:05 am

Arrival of Mansfield

Bull left at an unknown time before 10:35 am

President's speech on Vietnam

- Success of policy
- Possible wording on Vietnamization policy
- Relation to troop withdrawals

Mansfield entered at 10:35 am

Greetings

Kissinger left at 10:36 am

Vietnam

- President's forthcoming call to Ellsworth F. Bunker
- Military situation
- Withdrawal date
- South Vietnamese leaders
- Withdrawal of United States' troops
- Rate

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- Numbers
- Ceiling
- Level
- Announcement
- Dates
- Level
- Future announcements
- President's options
- Negotiations
- Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]
 - Attitude
- United States' position
 - President's options
- Soviet Union
 - President's options
- Deadline
- President's plans
- Troop withdrawals
- Chance of a breakthrough
- Announcements
- Withdrawal of troops
- Anatoliy F. Dobrynin's mission
- United States' offer
- Date
- United States' plans
- Cease fire
- President's speech, April 7, 1971
- Negotiations
 - President's forthcoming conversations with Dobrynin
 - Possible topics
 - North Vietnamese
 - Madame Nguyen Thi Binh and Long Di [sp?]
 - Date
 - United States' position
 - Troop withdrawals
 - Laos
 - President's policy
- Arms control negotiations
 - Leonid I. Brezhnev and Andrei A. Gromyko
 - Communist Party Congress
 - Fight

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- Military people
- Arms limitation issue
- Political people
 - Aleksei N. Kosygin
- Brezhnev's role
- Detente
- Arms limitation
- Date
- President's options

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Berlin

- United States-Soviet Union negotiations

Middle East

- United States' policy
- Israel
 - Support
 - United States' policy
 - Other nations
 - Cease fire
- Anwar el-Sadat
- Soviet Union

Vietnam and Laos

- Mansfield's support for President
- Troop withdrawal
 - Announcement
- South Vietnamese
 - Military operations
 - Location
- Negotiations
- Prospects

President's trip to Montana

- Timing
- Labor Day
- Announcement

President's briefing on Vietnam

- Value

Mansfield left at 11:03 am

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Conversation No. 245-7

Date: April 6, 1971

Time: Unknown between 11:03 am and 11:10 am

Location: Executive Office Building

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The President talked with the White House operator

[See Conversation No. 42-10]

Conversation No. 245-8

Date: April 6, 1971

Time: Unknown between 11:03 am and 11:10 am

Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with Marjorie P. Acker

[See Conversation No. 42-11]

Conversation No. 245-9

Date: April 6, 1971

Time: Unknown between 11:03 am and 11:10 am

Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with the White House operator

[See Conversation No. 42-12]

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Conversation No. 245-10

Date: April 6, 1971
Time: 11:10 am - 11:11 am
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with Marjorie P. Acker

[See Conversation No. 42-13]

Conversation No. 245-11

Date: April 6, 1971
Time: Unknown between 11:11 am and 11:13 am
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with the White House operator

[See Conversation No. 42-14]

Conversation No. 245-12

Date: April 6, 1971
Time: 11:13 am - 11:14 am
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with Marjorie P. Acker

[See Conversation No. 42-15]

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Conversation No. 245-13

Date: April 6, 1971
Time: Unknown between 11:14 am and 11:19 am
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with the White House operator

[See Conversation No. 42-16]

Conversation No. 245-14

Date: April 6, 1971
Time: 11:19 am - 11:21 am
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with Alexander P. Butterfield

[See Conversation No. 42-17]

Conversation No. 245-15

Date: April 6, 1971
Time: Unknown between 11:21 am and 11:35 am
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with the White House operator

[See Conversation No. 42-18]

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Conversation No. 245-16

Date: April 6, 1971
Time: 11:35 am - 11:37 am
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with Stephen B. Bull

[See Conversation No. 42-19]

Conversation No. 245-17

Date: April 6, 1971
Time: Unknown between 11:37 am and 1:00 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with Henry A. Kissinger

Changes in a report or speech

Kissinger's schedule

Conversation No. 245-18

Date: April 6, 1971
Time: 1:00 pm - unknown before 1:45 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Henry A. Kissinger

President's speech on Vietnam, April 7, 1971

Draft

- Changes
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- Kissinger's suggestions

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- Language
- Dates
- Additions
- Language
- Withdrawal of troops
 - Language
 - Points
 - Wording
- Negotiated settlement
 - Articles
 - Additions
 - President's intentions
 - Wording
- Withdrawal of troops
 - Dates
 - Numbers
 - Figures
 - William P. Rogers' briefing
 - Chart
 - Use
 - Cabinet briefing
 - Vice President Spiro T. Agnew
 - Chart
 - Casualties
 - Sensitivity
 - Kissinger's briefings
- Casualties
 - Tet offensive
 - Use of figures
 - Tet comparison
 - Laos
 - Background
 - Estimates
 - Comparisons
 - South Vietnamese casualties
 - Significance
 - United States' ground forces
 - Replacement by United States' air sorties
 - Charges by George S. McGovern
 - McGovern
 - Possible Kissinger rebuttal
 - Television

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- United States' policy goals in Southeast Asia
 - Wording
 - Changes
- United States' casualties
 - Rate
- South Vietnamese operations
 - Wording
- North Vietnamese attacks from Laos on United States ~~Comes~~ No. 245-18 (cont.)
- Supply lines and logistics
- North Vietnamese major offenses
 - Language
- Vietnamization policy
 - Success of Cambodian operations
 - Unknown man's views
- Consequences of failure in Vietnam
 - Middle East
 - President's policy
 - Popular opinion
 - Jews in Europe
 - Nazis
 - American attitude
- Vietnamization policy
 - Success
 - Language
- End of United States' involvement in war
 - Wording of statement
 - South Vietnamese defense
- Residual force
 - Rogers
 - United States' options
- Opposition to President's policies
- United States' policy
- Press
- Intellectuals
 - Harvard University
 - Yale University
 - Princeton University

Support for the President

- President's conversation with H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman
- Kissinger's list
- John J. McCloy

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-[Forename unknown] Kekold [sp?]

-[Forename unknown] Nolan

-[Forename unknown] Wheeler

-Thomas S. Gates, Jr.

-Conservatives

-Liberals

-McCloy

-Lawyers

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-David Rockefeller

-Nelson A. Rockefeller

-Kissinger's forthcoming conversation with Rockefeller

-Politicians

-Veterans of Foreign Wars

-Congressmen

Ford Foundation

-Unknown man at foundation

-McGeorge Bundy

-Support for Edmund S. Muskie's trips to Africa

-President's travels contrasted

-Emoluments

-Muskie

-Unknown man's conversation with Kissinger

Soviet Union

-Soviet Minister to the United Nations

-Leonid I. Brezhnev

-United States - Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR] relations

-Possible United States' response

-Anatoliy F. Dobrynin

-Communist Party Congress

-Result

-Haldeman

-President's political options

-Cambodia and Laos

-Bombing of North Vietnam

President's speech on Vietnam, April 7, 1971

-Revisions

-Goal

-Withdrawal

-Program

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- Peace conference
- Prisoners of War
- All-Indochina peace conference
- Wording of appeal to Hanoi to start serious negotiations
- Withdrawal
- American involvement
- Timetable of withdrawal of outside forces
- Offer

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Recording was cut off at an unknown time before 1:45 pm