



# NIXON PRESIDENTIAL MATERIALS STAFF

## Tape Subject Log (rev. 10/08)

Conversation No. 537-1

Date: July 2, 1971  
Time: Unknown between 2:48 pm and 2:50 pm  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Manolo Sanchez and an unknown person

The President's schedule

Sanchez and the unknown person left at an unknown time before 2:50 pm

Conversation No. 537-2

Date: July 2, 1971  
Time: 2:50 pm - 4:02 pm  
Location: Oval Office

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

White House social events  
-Luncheon for Consuelo Velasco Alvarado  
-Dinners for state guests

The President's schedule  
-William H. Carruthers

Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 2:50 pm

Meeting Carruthers and Mark I. Goode

Bull left at an unknown time before 3:37 pm

Schedule

Carruthers and Goode entered at an unknown time after 2:50 pm

National Archives speech, July 3, 1971  
-Arrangements

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- Seating, podium, camera set-up
- Timing
  - The President's arrival
  - Audience
  - Holding room
- Makeup
- Speaker Carl B. Albert, Chief Justice Warren E. Burger
- Camera set-up
  - Off-camera announcers
- Introduction of the President
- Army Chorus
- The President's closing remarks
- Army Chorus rendition of the National Anthem
  - The President's location during anthem
  - Use of anthem
- Timing cues for the President
- Length of remarks by others
- Applause
  - Size of audience
- Camera angles
- Need for holding room
- The President's method of presentation
  - Use of text
- Closing remarks
  - Playing of national anthem
- Timing

### Carruthers and Goode left at 3:06 pm

#### National Archives speech

- Arrangements

#### Certification of the Twenty-sixth Amendment

- Procedures
  - Administrator of General Services
- "Young Americans in Concert" group
  - Honor America Day
  - Audience for ceremony
  - Witnesses to ceremony
    - Male, female
    - Race
- Timing of ceremony

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- Effect
  - Support for the eighteen-year-old vote
- California
- Concert group tour of Europe
- The President's schedule
  - California
  - Ohio
  - Oklahoma
- Location, timing
  - The President's departure for Camp David

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### National Archives speech

- Elements
  - Patriotism
    - Public reaction to negativism
  - Use of John Brown anecdote
- Raymond K. Price, Jr., John K. Andrews, Jr.
  - Thomas Jefferson theme in William L. Safire's draft
    - George Washington, John Adams
  - Appeal to Democrats
    - John F. Kennedy
  - Jefferson
- [Thomas] Woodrow Wilson, [John] Calvin Coolidge
- Deaths of Jefferson and Adams
- Youth of Revolutionary War figures
  - Comparison to Napoleon Bonaparte, Alexander III [the Great]
- Timing
- Compared to the Cambodia speech
- Length and pace
- Theme
- Use of television
- Joint appearance by leaders of executive, judicial, legislative branches
  - Pentagon Papers case
  - Burger
  - Albert
    - Contrast to John W. McCormack, Samuel Rayburn
    - Gerald R. Ford, Hugh Scott, John Sherman Cooper

### Effectiveness of speakers

- William P. Rogers
- Melvin R. Laird, Elliot L. Richardson

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## **Tape Subject Log**

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- George W. Romney
- John A. Volpe
  
- Ambassadorial appointments
  - Robert H. Finch
  - Donald H. Rumsfeld
    - Japan
    - Business interests
      - Peter M. Flanigan
  - Henry Cabot Lodge
    - Argentina
    - Finland
      - Henry A. Kissinger
    - Financial status
    - Assignment
  
- National Archives event
  - Thelma C. (Ryan) ("Pat") Nixon's schedule
  
- Latin America
  - Mrs. Velasco's visit
  - Economic conditions
    - United States
      - Family assistance program
  
- Unnamed child
  
- Unemployment statistics
  - Washington Star*
  
- News events
  - Economy
  - Kissinger
    - Concerns
  - 1969 October anti-Vietnam War demonstrations
    - Letter to Georgetown student
    - General Lewis B. Hershey
    - Vice President Spiro T. Agnew
    - Le Duc Tho, Xuan Thuy
    - Hershey
      - Flanigan
      - The draft

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## **Tape Subject Log**

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- Popularity
- As symbol of the draft
- Forthcoming statement
- Kissinger

Ronald L. Ziegler entered at 3:37 pm

### News coverage

- Unemployment
- James D. Hodgson
- Statistical aberration
- Decrease
- Vietnam casualties
- Monthly figures
- Charles W. Colson
- Reporting
- John A. Scali, Colson
- Pentagon Papers case
- Rogers' comments
- Laird
- Research and Development [RAND] Corporation
- Declassification of documents

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### Pentagon Papers

- Public reaction
- Brookings Institute
- Acceptance of classified documents
- RAND Corporation
- Reaction to case
- Tom C. Huston
- Daniel Ellsberg
- Status of case
- J. Edgar Hoover
- Conspiracy investigation
- Richardson
- John D. Ehrlichman
- Action on Defense Department employee [Surname unknown Cooke]
- Polygraph examinations
- Ehrlichman
- Laurence E. ("Larry") Lynn, Jr.
- Richard V. ("Dick") Allen
- Comments about Lynn
- Laird

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- Comments
- Declassification investigation
  - Laird
- Congressional investigation
  - Frank Stanton
- Television program about the “Selling of the Pentagon”
- Congress, television
  - Confidential sources
- Colson
- Potter Stewart
  - Question to *Washington Post* reporter about publishing information
  - Delay or prevention of prisoner of war [POW] release in Vietnam
    - First Amendment rights
    - Alexander M. Bickel
- Limitation of White House access by *Washington Post*, *New York Times*
  - National security stories
  - Background briefings
  - Off-the-record, political stories

Conv. No. 537-2 (cont.)

### Kissinger’s trip

- Press
  - Ziegler
- General Alexander M. Haig, Jr.
  - Discussion of Pentagon Papers case with ambassadors
    - Ellsworth F. Bunker
    - Kenneth B. Keating
    - Leonard Unger
- Press interest
  - Paris
  - Albert
  - Michael J. (“Mike”) Mansfield
- Rogers, Laird

### Asia

- Agnew, Kissinger, Laird
- Focus
  - Vietnam
  - Israel
    - Richard M. Helms
- Lyndon B. Johnson comparison

### Unemployment statistics

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## Tape Subject Log (rev. 10/08)

- Decrease
  - Handling of news story
  - Statistical aberrations
  - Hodgson
    - Comparison to George P. Shultz
  - John B. Connally

The President, Haldeman, and Ziegler left at 4:02 pm

Conv. No. 537-2 (cont.)

Conversation No. 537-3

Date: July 2, 1971

Time: Unknown between 4:02 pm and 4:08 pm

Location: Oval Office

Unknown men entered

[Unintelligible]

Recording was cut off at an unknown time before 4:08 pm

Conversation No. 537-4

Date: July 5, 1971

Time: Unknown between 4:03 pm and 6:15 pm

Location: Oval Office

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

Certification of the Twenty-sixth Amendment

- Ceremony
  - "Young Americans in Concert"
- The press
  - Photo and film shots
- Race
  - Young Americans group

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- Reaction to the White House and to the presidency
  - The President's arrival from Camp David by helicopter
  - Photographs
  - Refreshments
  - Accommodations
    - Washington Hotel
    - Reaction of young people to staying in hotels
- Group's forthcoming trip to Europe Conv. No. 537-2 (cont.)
- Concert
- Possible public performance in Washington, DC after trip
  - Constitution Hall
  - John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts opening
  - Inaugural concert
- Young people
- Dwight L. Chapin
- Significance of ceremony
  - Compared to formal signing ceremonies
    - Public service jobs bill
  - Ceremonial events
- Compared to Eagle Scouts
  - William H. Carruthers
  - Effectiveness
  - Unnamed person's reaction
  - Robert L. Kunzig
- Procedures for the Twenty-sixth Amendment
  - Kunzig
  - John J. Gilligan
    - Ohio ratification
  - Delivery of certification document to the General Services Administration [GSA]
    - Pick-up by unnamed GSA clerk
  - Credit, press coverage
- Ceremony
  - Press coverage
    - Television networks
  - Witnesses
    - Race
      - The President's meeting with Sammy Davis, Jr.
      - Black constituents



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**Tape Subject Log**  
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- Youth group
- Signing ceremony pens
- Parker brand

[The President talked to the White House operator at 4:28 pm]

[Conversation No. 537-4A]

Conv. No. 537-4 (cont.)

[See Conversation No. 6-139]

[End of telephone conversation]

[Pause]

Young people

- Visibility
- Media coverage
- President's Commission on Campus Unrest
  - Establishment in June 1970
  - Dr. G. Alexander Heard
- Changes since 1970
  - 1970 statement about crisis in the university system
  - Commencement addresses
  - Anti-Vietnam War protests
    - Decline
    - Attention paid by students, press

Ronald L. Ziegler entered at 4:29 pm

Certification ceremony for the Twenty-sixth Amendment

- Press coverage
  - Robert Pierpoint
- Mexican girl
  - Reaction
- Spirit of event
- Eighteen-year-olds
  - Attitude towards presidency
- The President's remarks
- Distribution of signing ceremony pens
  - J. Bruce Whelihan
- East Room setting
  - Press room

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## **Tape Subject Log** (rev. 10/08)

-The President's birthday call to Julie Nixon Eisenhower in Athens, Greece

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[Duration: 9s ]

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- "Young Americans in Concert"

-Black youth

-Singing

-Comparison to Mormon Tabernacle Choir

-National Archives event, July 3, 1971

-Army Chorus

-Youths

-Television networks

-Coverage of event

-Herbert E. Kaplow

-Attitude towards children

-Jewish families

-Bar Mitzvahs

Jews

-Daniel Ellsberg

-Henry A. Kissinger, Leonard Garment

-Reaction to case

-Compared to Julius and Ethel Rosenberg espionage case

-Morton H. Halperin

-Alger Hiss

Blacks

-Espionage

-Activism compared to Communism

-Angela Y. Davis

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Jews

-Espionage

National Broadcasting Company [NBC] special on the Pentagon Papers

-Max Frankel and news panel

-James J. Kilpatrick, Jr.

-Questioning

-Frankel's performance

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-Benjamin C. Bradlee

-Ken Crawford [?]

-Kilpatrick

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[Privacy]

[Duration: 11s]

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-Kilpatrick

Values

-The President's remarks at certification ceremony

-Strength, wealth

-Idealism

-Practical application

-Youths

-Haynes B. Johnson

-*Washington Post* article

-Basic needs

-Discretionary needs

-Higher, spiritual needs

-Path for the future

Pentagon Papers case

-The President's July 6, 1971 Kansas City appearance

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- Possible statement
  - William P. Rogers' role
- Polls
  - Public opinion
  - Ellsberg's revelation of the documents
  - Public exposure to issue
  - Supreme Court decision

Conv. No. 537-4 (cont.)

Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 4:28 pm

- President's schedule
- The barber
  - Forthcoming trip

Bull left at an unknown time before 6:15 pm

- Pentagon Papers case
- Melvin R. Laird

## Vietnam War

- Opponents of the President's policies
  - The war as issue during 1972 campaign
    - Gerald R. Ford's reaction
    - Democratic candidates
- Effectiveness as issue
  - Scripps Howard News Service
  - The President and Republicans
    - Opponents
  - Kansas City appearance by the President
  - Press conference
  - Prisoners of war [POWs]
    - Lives compared to First Amendment rights
    - Charles W. Colson
    - Congress
    - Press attitude
      - Martin S. Hayden's editorial
      - Television appearance
- Presentation of issue
  - The President's efforts to end the war
  - Necessity of secrecy
    - Cambodia, Laos
    - Decrease in US casualty figures

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- Forthcoming Kansas City appearance
  - Hayden's attendance
  - Allusion to channels of foreign policy
    - The People's Republic of China [PRC]
    - Strategic Arms Limitation Talks [SALT]
  - Kissinger
  - Rogers
    - Europe, Middle East
  - Number of the President's meetings with heads of state
    - General Alexander M. Haig, Jr.
    - Confidential nature
      - Josip Broz Tito
      - Record
      - State Department
    - Head of state dinners
    - France, Germany, England
    - Italy
    - Romania
    - Thailand, Belgium
    - The Pope
    - Confidentiality of meetings
- Warren E. Burger's recounting of anecdote about Benjamin Franklin
  - Sealing of the minutes of the Constitutional Convention for forty years
    - John Adams, Thomas Jefferson

### Pentagon Papers case

- New York Times*
  - Editorial
    - Stewart J. O. Alsop
- Frankel's veracity
  - Neil Sheehan's involvement
  - Kilpatrick's questions
  - Sheehan's involvement
    - Leak of information
      - John N. Mitchell
      - Colson
      - J. Edgar Hoover
        - Request for private report
    - Laird
    - Public opinion
    - Delays

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- Limitation of access by the *New York Times*, *Washington Post*
  - Rich Smith [?]
- Access preference to the *Chicago Tribune*, *Los Angeles Times*
  - Don Ervin, Aldo B. ("Elbow") Beckman
  - Beckman's father-in-law
- Release of information
  - World War II
    - Chicago Tribune* Conv. No. 537-4 (cont.)
    - Franklin D. Roosevelt
  - Kennedy's administration
    - Los Angeles Times*
  - Laos
    - 1962 accords
    - Ho Chi Minh Trail
- Timing
- The President's conversation with Haig
  - Security clearances
    - Limitations on non-governmental contractor personnel clearances
  - Central Intelligence Agency [CIA] briefings for President in 1961-68 period out of office
    - Denial by Kennedy and Lyndon B. Johnson
    - McGeorge Bundy, Research and Development [RAND] Corporation
    - Haldeman's need for clearance while handling Fairchild account for the J. Walter Thompson Agency
  - Limitation of outsider clearances in the future
    - Benefits
- Need for confidentiality
  - Effect on Rogers

### Schedule

- Reverend John J. McLaughlin

### The President's July 6, 1971 Kansas City speech

- Topics to be covered
- Comparison to Rochester, New York and Birmingham, Alabama remarks
- Foreign policy
  - Confidentiality of meetings with foreign leaders
  - Helsinki
  - Allusion to ongoing negotiations
  - SALT
- Television coverage
  - Filming of Kansas City appearance

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- Camera set-up, lighting
- Timing in relation to availability of film to networks
- Topics
  - Foreign policy emphasis
  - Kissinger

Ziegler left at an unknown time before 6:15 pm

Conv. No. 537-4 (cont.)

- News summary
  - Television commentary on the President's July 3, 1971 National Archives speech
    - Dan Rather
    - NBC
      - Kaplow
      - Bicentennial
    - Bicentennial Commission
      - Need to strengthen membership
      - Staff
  - Distribution of film of event

Speeches

- The President compared to Roosevelt, Dwight D. Eisenhower
  - Public perceptions
  - Frequency of radio talks

The President's television appearances

- Certification ceremony's effectiveness
  - Other events
- Decision to forgo July 1 press conference
  - Pentagon Papers as focus
  - Louis Harris poll, George H. Gallup poll
  - Foreign policy
    - Kissinger
  - Domestic policy issues
    - John B. Connally

Connally

- Possible effectiveness as Secretary of State
- Haldeman's conversation with Connally
  - Connally's morale

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Economic policy

- Hobart Rowen and other columnists
- Commentary about possible changes
- Arthur F. Burns
- Connally
- Albert E. Sindlinger's comments about effect on the stock market

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4

[National Security]

[Duration: 2m 44s]

INDIA-PAKISTAN

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4

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An unknown person [Bull?] entered at an unknown time after 4:28 pm

President's schedule

The unknown person [Bull?] left at an unknown time before 6:15 pm

Items requested by the President

Pentagon Papers

- Statements feasibility

Presidential approval poll

- Effect of Pentagon Papers case and recent events
- Gallup poll
- Chapin
- White House poll
- Gallup poll
- Harris poll
- Colson



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-Press conference  
 -Patrick J. Buchanan's analysis  
 -Impact of Pentagon Papers case

Vietnam veterans' demonstration  
 -John F. Kerry

The President and Haldeman left at an unknown time before 6:15 pm

Conv. No. 537-4 (cont.)

Conversation No. 537-5

Date: July 5, 1971

Time: Unknown between 6:15 pm and 6:27 pm

Location: Oval Office

Unknown men entered

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

[Non-historical]

[Duration: 1m]

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