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Tape Subject Log (rev. 10/06)

Conversation No. 556-1

Date: August 6, 1971
Time: 9:42 am - 10:00 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Henry A. Kissinger.

[The conversation was in progress when the recording began]

Vietnam negotiations

- Possible publicity
- Possible settlement
 - Condition
 - North Vietnam
 - Acceptance of Nguyen Van Thieu
- Timing
 - Vietnamese election
- Possible publicity
 - Philip C. Habib
 - Xuan Thuy
- David K.E. Bruce
- Channels
 - Lt. Gen. Vernon A. Walters

Pakistan

- Frank F. Church statement
 - Massacre
- Public opinion

Vietnam negotiations

- Prisoners of War [POWs]
 - Possible release
 - Timing
 - Relationship to possible settlement

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

- Unknown person
- Totalitarianism
 - Adolf Hitler
 - Benito Mussolini
 - Communists
 - Pragmatism

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- Francisco Franco
- Greece
- Philosophical opposition compared to diplomatic relations
- PRC
- Barry M. Goldwater

Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]

- Summit
 - Anatoliy F. Dobrynin
 - Letter
 - Possible publication
- Leonid I. Brezhnev
 - Channel
- Aleksei N. Kosygin

PRC

- Tricia Nixon Cox and Edward R.F. Cox
 - Possible trip to Peking
- Possible commerce with US
 - Boeing Corporation

USSR

- Kissinger's call to Gerard C. Smith
 - [Kama River truck plant contract with Mack Trucks, Inc]
- Summit

[Pause]

Busing

- President's position
- Liberal's
- Mood of country
 - Increasing conservatism

President's popularity

- Visit to New York
 - Reception
- Forthcoming presidential election
 - Nelson A. Rockefeller's assessment

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US foreign relations

- Kissinger's forthcoming briefing
 - Five power concept
 - Hugh S. Sidey
- Asia
 - Reassessment of policy
- Combat* [French journal]
 - Foreign commentary
 - US-Soviet relations
 - Peking

National defense

- Budget
- Anti-ballistic Missile [ABM] limitations
 - Smith's proposal
 - USSR reaction
 - Domestic political reaction
 - Conservatives
 - Possible impact on Strategic Arms Limitation Treaty [SALT]

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 3

[Personal Returnable]

[Duration: 59s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 3

The President talked with an unknown person [H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman?] at an unknown time between 9:42 am and 10:00 am.

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President's schedule

- Girls Nation meeting
- Press coverage
- News focus
- New Hampshire

[End of telephone conversation]

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4

[Personal Returnable]

[Duration: 28s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4

[Pause]

Vietnam negotiations

- Habib
- Leaks
- Bureaucracy
- William P. Rogers
- Habib
- Possible publicity
- Compared to PRC trip announcement
- Effect on PRC

President's schedule

- Trip to Maine

Kissinger left at 10:00 am.

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Date: August 6, 1971
Time: 10:00 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown man.

President's schedule

The unknown man left at 10:00 am.

Conversation No. 556-3

Date: August 6, 1971
Time: 10:00 am - 10:03 am
Location: Oval Office

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

President's schedule
-Forthcoming meeting with John B. Connally
-Rudolph A. Peterson meeting
-Congressional leadership meeting

The President and Haldeman left at 10:03 am.

Conversation No. 556-20

Date: August 6, 1971
Time: Unknown between 10:03 am and 10:54 am
Location: Oval Office

Unknown people [Secret Service agents] met.

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President's location
-Oval Office
-Residence

Conversation No. 556-4

Date: August 6, 1971
Time: 10:34 am - 11:38 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman.
[The conversation was in progress when the recording began]

President's appearance before Girls Nation
-Photograph session
-President's comments
-President's comments
-Editing
-Role of women
-Thelma C. ("Pat") Nixon
-Women's liberation

Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 10:34 am.

Signature

Maurice H. Stans

Bull left at an unknown time before 10:37 am.

President's schedule
-Meetings

John B. Connally entered at 10:37 am.

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Connally's schedule

- Johnnie M. Walters
 - Internal Revenue Service [IRS]
- Forthcoming meeting with Rudolph A. Peterson

President's schedule

- Peterson's meeting

US economy

- Proposed actions
 - Strategy
 - Possible involvement of Arthur F. Burns, Paul W. McCracken, Peter G. Peterson
 - Secrecy
 - President's recent conversation with Burns
 - Burns' salary
 - President's instructions
 - Burns as administration spokesman
 - Forthcoming *Time* magazine story
- Timing
 - Congressional recess
 - People's Republic of China [PRC] announcement
- Letter
- Task force
 - Timing
 - Announcement
 - Connally's recent statement
 - Wage and price board
 - Polls
 - Recommendation
 - Timing
 - Need to show action
- State Department appointees briefing
 - Comments by Connally and George P. Shultz
 - Inflation
- Connally's discussion with *Time* reporter [Larry Malkin]
 - Policy change
- Objectives
 - Inflation
 - Employment
 - Policy change

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- Malkin
 - Time* story
- Possible problem
 - Anticipation of Administration action
- Tax measures
 - Budget
 - Shultz
 - Recommendations
 - Connally's possible comments
 - Timing
 - San Clemente
- New York Times* article
 - Compared to PRC announcement
 - Pentagon Papers
 - Lt. William L. Calley
 - Vietnam
 - Michael J. Mansfield
 - Criticism
- Effect of crisis
 - Public concern
- New York Times* article
 - Quoted
- Timing
 - Effect of international monetary situation
- Wage and price freeze
 - Wage Price Board
 - Name
 - Burns
 - Forthcoming meeting
 - Prices
 - Credit
 - Timing of action
- Import tax
 - Possibility of Congressional approval
 - Wilbur D. Mills
 - Burns's conversation with the President
 - Burns's conversation with the Japanese ambassador
 - Yen
 - Flexibility
 - Possible removal
 - Scope

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- Compared to Payne-Aldrich Tariff
- Psychological impact
- Pierre Rinfret's recommendation
 - Speech
- Need for action
 - President's position as leader
- Wage and price freeze
 - Message to people
 - Work and competitiveness
 - Responsibility of labor and management
 - Studies
- Timing
 - Congressional recess
 - Public move
- Economic indicators
 - Unemployment rate
 - Retail sales
- International situation
 - Effect on timing
 - Connally and Shultz meeting
- Connally's schedule
 - Texas
 - Contact with the President
- President's schedule
 - California
- Shultz
- Risk-taking
- Possible international reaction
- Package
 - Import tax
 - Jobs
 - Investment tax credit
 - Budget constraints
 - Wage and price freeze
- Effect on US public
 - Republican goals
 - Fiscal responsibility
 - Determination to take action
 - Protection of US economy
 - Inflation
 - Unemployment

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- International economic relations
- President's recent message to business

State Department

- Possible administrative change
 - US embassies
 - Economic ministers
- President's conversation with William P. Rogers
 - Connally's talk with Rogers
 - Peter M. Flanigan
 - Peter Peterson
- Economic minister
 - Treasury Department
 - Commerce Department
 - State Department
- Foreign service officials
 - Economic views
- Economic minister
 - Presidential appointment
 - Rank
 - Connally's talk with Rogers
 - Foreign service
 - Compared to British
 - Compared to Japanese
 - Training

US economy

- Proposed action
 - Automobile tax
 - Effect of timing
 - Fall new model season
 - Television advertisement
 - New model season
- Tax credit
 - Railroad industry
 - Need to help business
 - Tax bill
 - Veto
 - Poor
- Football metaphor

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President's schedule

-Rudolph Peterson

Haldeman left at 11:06 am.Rudolph Peterson, Alexander M. Haig, Jr., and George H.W. Bush entered at 11:06 am; the White House photographer was present at the beginning of the meeting.

Photograph session

United Nations [UN] Development Program

-Peterson's appointment

-Timing

-Paul Hoffman

-Acquaintance with post

-International organizations

-Bush

-Connally

-Discussions with the President

-Multilateral compared to bilateral aid programs

-Political effect of multilateral action

-Congress

-Representation

-Foreign governments

-Hoffman's orientation

-Compared to Peterson

-The President, Connally, Bush

-Congress

-US public's view

-US interests

-President's forthcoming meeting with Connally

-Views

-The President, Connally, Robert S. McNamara

-US diplomacy

-Compared to Japanese, Western Europe

-Economics

-Coordination in US government

-Department of the Treasury

-Connally

-National Security Council [NSC]

-Multilateral aid programs

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- Treasury Department
- Funding
 - World Bank
 - Inter-American Development Bank
 - Lack of US leverage
 - US contribution
 - President of Peru
 - Position
- Possible change in US policy
 - Treasury Department
 - Bilateral relationships
 - Inter-American Development Bank
 - Brazil and unknown country
 - Treasury Department
 - Export-Import [Ex-IM] Bank
- Peterson
 - Hoffman
 - Coordination with Connally
 - Inter-American Development Bank
- Coordination of international aid efforts
 - Informal meetings
 - McNamara, development banks
 - State Department
 - Board of Directors
 - Ex-Im Bank
 - Burns
 - Henry A. Kissinger
 - Exchange of views
 - Agency for International Development [AID]
 - John A. Hannah
 - Dinner
 - Timing
 - State Department
 - Kissinger
 - McNamara
 - Pierre-Paul Schweitzer
 - International Monetary Fund [IMF]
- Meeting
 - Timing
 - IMF meeting
 - McNamara

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- Dinner
- US policy
 - Representation in international bodies
 - Congress
- Possible Congressional action
 - Wright Patman's comments
 - J. William Fulbright
- UN Development Program
- Hoffman
 - Reorganization
 - Administration support
 - Agencies
 - Contracts
 - State Department
 - Need for coordination
 - Country program basis
 - Compared to individual projects
- UN
 - Public support
- Coordination of US officials
- Meeting

[General conversation]

The President's schedule

- Nashua, New Hampshire

Peterson, *et al.* left at 11:38 am.

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Conversation No. 556-5

Date: August 6, 1971
Time: 11:39 am - 12:02 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Leslie C. Arends, Gerald R. Ford, Robert P. Griffin, Hugh Scott, and William E. Timmons; the White House photographer was present at the beginning of the meeting.

[Rudolph A. Peterson]
-United Nations [UN]

Press

Congressional session
-President's appreciation

John B. Connally
-Recent press conference
-Comments
-President's opening to People's Republic of China [PRC]

Instructions for griffin
-Automobile industry
-Prices
-Taxes
-Need for Congressional cooperation
-Wilbur D. Mills
-Discussion with the President and Connally
-Foreign competition
-Budget
-Charles E. Chamberlain

[Photograph session]
-Unknown person's trip to New Orleans

Economy
-Possible actions
-Political effect
-Republican National Committee [RNC]
-Meeting with Senators

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Conv. No. 556-5 (cont.)

- President's press conference
- Possible action
 - Effect
 - Business and labor
 - Enforcement
 - Analogy to Office of Price Administration [OPA]
 - Arthur F. Burns
- Retail sales figures
- Home sales
- Unemployment rate
 - Full-time workers
 - Part-time workers
 - Michigan, California, Illinois, Ohio
 - Gordon L. Allott
 - Draft
 - Time limitation
 - Bill
 - Cloture
 - Timing

Congressional action

- Michael J. Mansfield
- Appropriation bill
 - Department of Health, Education, and Welfare [HEW]
 - Employment
- House Resolution [H R] 1
 - Family assistance
- Campaign spending bill
 - Jurisdictional dispute
 - Interstate Commerce, House Administration, Ways and Means Committees
 - Carl B. Albert, Harley O. Staggers, Mills, Wayne L. Hays
 - Bill
 - Interstate

US concerns

- President's trip throughout country
 - Ohio and New York
- Generation of peace theme
 - Public reception
 - Vietnam

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- Casualties
 - Current figure compared to previous one
- President's recent press conference
 - Unemployment
 - Relationship to Vietnam War
- Economy
- Foreign policy
 - Pentagon Papers
 - Effect on PRC trip
 - Henry A. Kissinger's role
 - Need to maintain secrecy
 - Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]
 - Great Britain
 - France
 - Japan
 - Okinawa
 - Negotiations
 - Confidentiality
 - Foreign visitors
 - Senate
 - Strategic Arms Limitation Talks [SALT]
 - Berlin
 - Vietnam
 - PRC
 - Press
 - PRC
 - Lawyer-client privilege
- Scott's forthcoming trip to USSR
 - Possible meeting with Aleksei N. Kosygin
 - President's recommendations
 - PRC
 - Confidentiality of channels
 - State Department
 - SALT
 - Berlin
 - Mutual and balanced force reductions
 - President's possible visit to USSR
 - PRC

Foreign policy

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- The President's record compared to previous administrations
 - Franklin D. Roosevelt
- Goals
 - Timing
 - Griffin's campaign
 - Vietnam
 - Economy
 - Employment

Economy

- Employment
 - Survey
- Public opinion
 - Foreign policy compared to domestic policy

Foreign policy

- Vietnam war policy
 - Public support
- PRC
 - Public support
- Recommendations for Congressional speeches
 - Vietnam
 - PRC
 - Taiwan
 - United Nations [UN]
 - US goal
 - Averting threat to peace
 - Long-term benefit

Economy

- Inflation
- Unemployment
- Administration's intention to act
- President's recent press conference
- Connally
 - Contact with Congressmen
- Automobile sales
- Trade
 - Most Favored Nation [MFN] status
 - Romania and Bulgaria
 - Vietnam War
 - Romania

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- Nicolae Ceausescu
- Bulgaria
- East-West trade
- Vietnam War
- Kama River truck plan contract with Mack Trucks, Inc.
- Kissinger
- President's approval
- Peters G. Peterson
- USSR
- Middle East
- Kissinger's briefing
- Griffin, Ford, and Arends

Gift

- Golf balls

Arends and Timmons left at 11:59 am.

HEW appropriation bill

Busing

- Administration's position
- Blacks

Lockheed vote

- William V. Roth, Jr. and J. Caleb Boggs
- Connally
- President's call to Boggs
- Clark MacGregor
- Peter M. Flanigan
- Dow chemical

Ford, Griffin, and Scott left at 12:02 pm.

Conversation No. 556-6

Date: August 6, 1971

Time: Unknown between 12:02 pm and 12:06 pm

Location: Oval Office

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The President met with Alexander P. Butterfield.

President's schedule

-Forthcoming meeting

-[Signing ceremony of the report of the Council on Environment Quality]

-Attendees

-Number

-John C. Whitaker

-Press

Butterfield left at an unknown time before 12:06 pm.

Conversation No. 556-7

Date: August 6, 1971

Time: Unknown between 12:02 pm and 12:06 pm

Location: Oval Office

The President met with Alexander P. Butterfield.

The President's schedule

-Briefcase

-Materials for signing

Butterfield left at an unknown time before 12:06 pm.

Conversation No. 556-8

Date: August 6, 1971

Time: 12:06 pm

Location: Oval Office

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 7-64]

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Conversation No. 556-9

Date: August 6, 1971
Time: 12:06 pm - 12:13 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with John C. Whitaker, Russell E. Train, Robert Cahn, Gordon J. F. MacDonald, and Alexander P. Butterfield; press photographers were present at the beginning of the meeting.

Washington Post

President's visit to New York

- "No, No, Nanette"
- Ruby Keeler
- Bobby Van

[Photograph session]

- General conversation
 - Environmentalism
 - Clean air and water
 - San Clemente

Rose Mary Woods [?] entered at an unknown time after 12:06 pm.

- Texas, Oklahoma, Massachusetts

Woods [?] left at an unknown time before 12:13 pm.

Report

Anecdote

- Bert Andrews
 - *New York Herald-Tribune*
 - State Department coverage
 - John Foster Dulles
- Illustration of environmentalism

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Dinner

-Unknown person's wife

Unknown person

President's schedule

-California

Council on Environmental Quality staff

-President's appreciation for work

Presentation of gifts by President

-Paperweights

Whitaker, *et al.* left at 12:13 pm.

Conversation No. 556-10

Date: August 6, 1971

Time: Unknown between 12:13 pm and 12:15 pm

Location: Oval Office

The President met with Alexander P. Butterfield.

Signing documents

-Pens

-Michael J. Mansfield

Butterfield left at an unknown time before 12:15 pm.

Conversation No. 556-11

Date: August 6, 1971

Time: Unknown between 12:13 pm and 12:15 pm

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Location: Oval Office

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 7-65]

Conversation No. 556-12

Date: August 6, 1971

Time: 12:15 pm - 12:16 pm

Location: Oval Office

The President met with Rose Mary Woods.

The President's schedule

-Memorandum

-Unknown secretary

Woods left at 12:16 pm.

Conversation No. 556-13

Date: August 6, 1971

Time: 12:16 pm - 12:17 pm

Location: Oval Office

The President talked with Wright Patman.

[See Conversation No. 7-66]

Conversation No. 556-14

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Date: August 6, 1971
Time: Unknown between 12:17 pm and 12:20 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Alexander P. Butterfield.

The President's schedule
-*Sequoia*
-Menu selection

Instructions to Charles W. Colson

Henry A. Kissinger

Butterfield left at an unknown time before 12:20 pm.

Conversation No.556-15

Date: August 6, 1971
Time: Unknown between 12:17 pm and 12:20 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 7-67]

Conversation No. 556-16

Date: August 6, 1971
Time: Unknown between 12:17 pm and 12:20 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 7-68]

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Conversation No. 556-17

Date: August 6, 1971
Time: Unknown between 12:17 pm and 12:20 pm
Location: Oval Office

The White House operator talked with the President.

[See Conversation No. 7-69]

Conversation No. 556-18

Date: August 6, 1971
Time: 12:20 pm - 12:21 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with Linda Davis.

[See Conversation No. 7-70]

Conversation No. 556-19

Date: August 6, 1971
Time: 12:21 pm - 12:37 pm
Location: Oval Office

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

George H.W. Bush

The President talked with the White House operator at an unknown time between 12:21 pm and

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12:23 pm.

[Conversation No. 556-19A]

[See Conversation No. 7-71]

[End of telephone conversation]

Bush

- Schedule
- Trip to New Hampshire
- Barbara Bush

President's schedule

- Trip to New Hampshire
- Nursing home
- Governor of New Hampshire
- Louis C. Wyman
- Thelma C. ("Pat") Nixon
- Other guests

The President talked with Louise H. Dagney between 12:23 pm and 12:24 pm.

[Conversation No. 556-19B]

[See Conversation No. 7-72]

[End of telephone conversation]

President's schedule

Henry A. Kissinger entered at 12:24 pm.

Vietnam negotiations

- James B. ("Scotty") Reston's article
- North Vietnam objections
- George P. Shultz
- Background briefing
- Geneva Accords
- Paris
- US withdrawal

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- Nguyen Van Thieu
- Shultz
- Xuan Thuy
 - US withdrawal
 - Timing

People's Republic of China [PRC]

- New York Times* article
- Xuan's comment
 - Red China compared to PRC

Orval H. Hansen

Marvin L. Esch

PRC

- Comments about Kissinger
- Admiration for intelligence
- Comments about the President

Vietnam negotiations

- Reston article
 - Economic assistance
 - Xuan's comments
 - Seven points
 - US withdrawal
 - Economic assistance
- Kissinger's meeting
 - North Vietnam line to USSR
 - US advisors
 - Aid
 - Xuan
 - US withdrawal
 - Timing
- Le Duc Tho
 - Return
- Nguyen Van Thieu
 - Election
 - Possible action by North Vietnam
 - Xuan
- Statement of principles
- Prisoners of war [POWs]

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- Thieu
- USSR
- Chances for settlement
- Thieu
- Lt. Gen. Duong Van Minh

President's schedule

- National Security Council [NSC] meeting
- Arthur F. Burns meeting
- NSC meeting
- Cabinet
- Paris negotiations
- Service secretaries
- Editors

State Department

President's recent press conference

- Question

India-Pakistan crisis

- Kissinger's conversation with Haldeman
- NSC
- Joseph J. Sisco
- State Department
 - Arms embargo
 - President's position
 - Rose May Woods
 - Possible effect
- New York Times*

USSR

- Dealings with US journalists

Vietnam negotiations

- Xuan's comments
 - Term PRC
 - Nicolae Ceausescu
- State Department

The President, Kissinger, and Haldeman left at 12:37 pm.