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**Tape Subject Log**  
(rev. Oct-06)

Conversation No. 373-25/375-1

Date: October 24, 1972

Time: Unknown between 6:05 pm and 6:30 pm

Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with H.R. ("Bob") Haldeman and John B. Connally. This recording began at an unknown time after 6:05 pm while the conversation was in progress.

[An unknown portion of this conversation was not recorded while the tape was changed]

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 9

[Personal returnable]

[Duration: 2m 12s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 9

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Connally left at 6:25 pm.

Watergate

-*Washington Post* story

-Secret fund

-Disbursement

G[eorge] Gordon Liddy

-Source

-Grand jury testimony

-Hugh Sloan

-Haldeman

-John N. Mitchell

-Authorization to disburse money

-E. Howard Hunt, Jr.

-Ronald L. Ziegler

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- Mitchell, Haldeman
- Secret fund
- Donald H. Segretti
- Hunt
- Maurice Stans
- Mitchell
- Haldeman
- Jeb Stuart Magruder
- Transfer
  - Stans
- John D. Ehrlichman
- Sloan's grand jury testimony
- Washington Post* source
- Grand jury, US Attorney
- Time* magazine
- Grand Jury, Federal Bureau of Investigation [FBI]

Haldeman left at 6:30 pm.

Conversation No. 375-2

Date: October 24, 1972

Time: Unknown between 6:34 pm and 6:40 pm

Location: Executive Office Building

Manolo Sanchez met with an unknown person.

[Unintelligible]

Sanchez and the unknown person left at an unknown time before 6:40 pm.

Conversation No. 375-3

Date: October 26, 1972

Time: Unknown between 9:57 am and 10:01 am

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Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with Henry A. Kissinger.

Vietnam peace settlement

- Political candidates
- Offer of terms
  - Possible effects on negotiations
  - George S. McGovern
    - Prisoners of war [POWs]
    - Cambodia
    - Laos
- The President's instructions
  - Kissinger's forthcoming statements

Conversation No. 375-4

Date: October 26, 1972

Time: Unknown between 9:57 am and 10:01 am

Location: Executive Office Building

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

Haldeman's schedule

- Forthcoming meeting with the President

Conversation No. 375-5

Date: October 26, 1972

Time: 10:01 am - 12:16 pm

Location: Executive Office Building

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

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

[Personal returnable]

[Duration: 4m 17s ]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

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Haldeman talked with the White House operator at an unknown time  
between 10:01 am and 11:04 am.

[Conversation No. 375-5A]

[See Conversation No. 32-44]

[End of telephone conversation]

Haldeman talked with an unknown woman from Dwight L. Chapin's office at an unknown time  
between 10:01 am and 11:04 am.

[Conversation No. 375-5I]

[See Conversation No. 32-44B]

[End of telephone conversation]

[Conversation No. 375-5J]

[See Conversation No. 32-45]

[End of telephone conversation]

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2

[Personal returnable]

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[Duration: 1m 54s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2

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### Vietnam peace settlement negotiations

- The president's schedule
- Henry A. Kissinger's forthcoming briefing
- Possible developments before election
- Press statements
- The president's schedule
  - Ohio
- Possible statements regarding Vietnam
  - Lack of a statement
  - Long Island
    - “Peace with honor”
  - Negotiations
  - “Peace with honor”
  - “Peace with surrender”
- Kissinger's forthcoming statement
  - Procedures
  - Content
    - Four party signatory compared to two party signatory
- Point of statement
  - Tone
    - Haldeman's view
- Provisions of agreement
  - Prisoners of war [POWs]
  - May 8, 1972 proposals
    - POWs, cease-fire
  - Coalition compared to self-determination for South Vietnamese
- Position
  - The President's involvement
  - Press reaction
  - US accomplishments
  - Kissinger's style

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11:04 am.

[Conversation No. 375-5B]

[See Conversation No. 32 – 46]

[End of telephone conversation]

- Cancellation of trip
- Implication
- Kissinger's view
- McGovern's strategy
- Nguyen Van Thieu

Haldeman talked with Chapin at an unknown time between 10:01 am and 11:04 am.

[Conversation No. 375-5C]

[See Conversation No. 32-47; one item has been withdrawn]

Vietnam peace settlement

- Kissinger's statement
- Prospects for peace
- McGovern's advisor's criticism
  - Timing of settlement compared to the 1972 election
  - Haldeman's view
- Kissinger
  - Thieu
  - Television [TV] appearance
  - Haldeman's handling
  - Alexander M. Haig, Jr.'s handling
- Public impression
  - Political considerations
  - Timing
  - Character of settlement
- Compared with 1962 Laotian settlement
  - Kissinger's view
- Type of settlement
  - Kissinger's view
- Problems with public impression
  - Thieu's role

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- North Vietnamese pressure
  - US
- Importance of Kissinger's statement
- McGovern's position on Vietnam
  - Strategy
  - Thieu
  - Kissinger
  - Timing of pact
    - October 31, 1972
  - Thieu
    - Military
- Kissinger's statement
  - Nature of argument
  - Translation issues
    - Ambiguity
  - Implementation of cease-fire

### 1972 campaign issues

- Administration strategy
  - Patrick J. Buchanan's view
  - Response to corruption charges
    - Reassurance of US allies
    - The President's view
      - Aggressive policy
  - Buchanan's view
    - Public sentiment
    - Watergate
    - Vietnam issue
- The President's forthcoming speeches
  - Raymond K. Price, Jr.'s office
  - Campaign trip
    - Farm speech, "Radio Address on the American Farmer"
      - Schedule
    - Motorcade
      - Schedule
    - Possible statement on defense
      - Defense foreign policy issue
  - Focus on defense issues
    - McGovern's changes in positions
    - Foreign policy
    - Scheduling

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- Ohio
  - Price
- Kissinger
- Timing
- Administration position review
  - Haldeman's forthcoming meeting with Kissinger
- Domestic issues
  - Washington Post* story on the President's October 25, 1972 speech
    - Compared to story on McGovern's television speech
      - Vietnam
  - Implications of story
    - Education
      - Aid to parochial schools
    - Busing
    - Catholics
- TV
  - Vietnam
  - Options
  - Vietnam peace settlement possibility
    - Timing compared with the election
    - possible public perceptions

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 7

[Personal returnable]

[Duration: 8m 12s ]

Haldeman talked with Chapin at an unknown time between 10:01 am and 11:04 am.

[Conversation No. 375-5D]

[See Conversation No. 32-48; One item has been withdrawn]

[End of telephone conversation]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 7



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House Resolution [HR] 1 legislation

- John D. Ehrlichman's view
- Timing

Vietnam peace settlement negotiations

- Democratic Republic of Vietnam [DRV] [North Vietnam] strategy
  - Thieu
  - Desire to end war
  - US response
    - The President's view
      - October 31, 1972
  - Bombing halt
    - Kissinger's position
    - Meeting with Le Duc Tho
    - The President's response
    - Haig
    - American public
    - Lyndon B. Johnson
      - Media commentator's point, October 23, 1972
    - Progress in negotiations
  - Kissinger's conversations with Max Frankel, Richard ("Dick") Wilson, William F. Buckley, Jr., William White, Howard, K. Smith

Manolo Sanchez entered at an unknown time after 10:01 am.

Food request

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 11:04 am.

White House schedule

- Daily strategy meeting attendance
  - Haldeman, Ehrlichman, Colson
  - Clark MacGregor
  - Corruption issue
  - 8:15 am meeting
    - MacGregor, Robert H. Finch, Donald H. Rumsfeld, Peter M. Flanigan, Herbert G. Klein, Herbert Stein, Caspar W. ("Cap") Weinberger

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Kissinger and the Vietnam peace settlement negotiations

- The President's view
- North Vietnamese actions

Harry S. Dent

An unknown man entered at an unknown time after 10:01 am.

Telephone call request by William M. Colmer

- Administrative assistant [Trent Lott]

The unknown man left at an unknown time before 11:04 am.

Vietnam telephone poll

- The President's request
- Release of prisoners of war [POWs]
- Cease-fire
- Non-communist government in South Vietnam
- Issue of bombing halt during negotiations
- Public reaction

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 10

[Personal returnable]

[Duration: 8m 54s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 10

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Vietnam peace settlement

- McGovern's position
- North Vietnamese position
  - Issue of provisional government
- Possible impact of 1972 election
- Kissinger's concerns

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- Polls
  - Haldeman's recent conversation with Kissinger
    - George H. Gallup
      - Results
    - Louis P. Harris
      - Forthcoming results
    - Timing of remaining polls
    - North Vietnamese options
      - Possible assassination of Thieu
      - Possible bloodbath in South Vietnam
  - McGovern's position
    - North Vietnam
    - Thieu
    - Administration poll
  - Interpretation
  - Public perception
    - Thieu
    - Administration efforts
    - Type of settlement
- Kissinger's statement and briefing preparation
  - John A. Scali, Ronald L. Ziegler
  - Possible question and answer [Q&A] session
  - Colson, Ehrlichman

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 12

[Personal returnable]

[Duration: 1m 12s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 12

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Haldeman talked with the White House operator at an unknown time between 10:01 am and 12:16 pm.

[Conversation No. 375-5E]

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[See Conversation No. 32-49]

Haldeman talked with Chapin at an unknown time between 10:01 am and 12:16 pm.

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 13

[Personal returnable]

[Duration: 9m 23s]

[See Conversation No. 32-49; one item has been withdrawn]

[End of telephone conversation]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 13

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Motorcade security

- Robert H. Taylor
- Speed
- Small towns
- Stopping for flowers from people
- Hecklers
- Communications between the President and driver
  - Microphone
  - Taylor
- Chicago
  - Varying speed
  - Locations of bands in relation to the President
    - Possible plans for demonstrators
    - Atlanta
  - Richard B. Ogilvie, Charles H. Percy
  - Location of press
  - Highways compared with main streets
    - Previous trip to Westchester County, NY
  - Observers

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- Crowd control
- Exposure to crowd
- Thelma C. ("Pat") Nixon

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 14

[Personal returnable]

[Duration: 7m]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 14

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1972 campaign

- Vietnam peace settlement negotiations
  - Kissinger's statement
  - Scali
    - Kissinger
    - Advice
- Instructions for the staff
  - Vietnam
  - News summary
- Public perception
- Administration strategy
  - Response to McGovern's Vietnam stance
    - “Peace with surrender”
- Sabotage and campaign practices
  - TV audience size for McGovern's speech

Haldeman talked with an unknown person on his staff at an unknown time between 10:01 am and 12:16 pm.

TV audience share figures

- McGovern's speech on corruption
- Connally's broadcast

[End of telephone conversation]

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McGovern's speech on corruption

- Audience for television broadcast
  - New York
  - Comparison to Connally's broadcast
  - Share compared with rating

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 15

[Personal returnable]

[Duration: 9m 37s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 15

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1972 campaign and Vietnam

- Administration strategy
  - POWs
  - Amnesty
    - Attacks on McGovern's position
    - Cease-fire agreement
      - POWs
        - The President's plan compared with McGovern's plan
        - Vice President Spiro T. Agnew
- Press coverage
  - McGovern's approach
- Bombing halt compared with continuation of bombing
- Haig
  - Public opinion and use of slogans

1972 campaign issues

- McGovern's comments
- National defense
- Vietnam
- Welfare
  - McGovern

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- Vietnam
  - Amnesty
- Busing
- Parochial school aid
- Abortion
- National defense
  - Plant closings, spending cuts
- Taxes
- Federal spending
- Welfare
- Presentation of campaign practices issue
  - Administration efforts
    - Press reaction
      - MacGregor, Ziegler
    - The President's position
    - Colson

Chapin talked with Haldeman at an unknown time between 10:01 am and 12:16 pm.

[Conversation No. 375-5F]

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 16

[Personal returnable]

[Duration: 2m 58s ]

[See Conversation No. 32-50; one item has been withdrawn]

[End of telephone conversation]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 16

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Watergate

-Colson's analysis

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- Effect on fund raising
- Effect on campaign workers
- Denials
  - Ziegler, MacGregor, Robert H. Dole
- Effect on voters
  - Lower middle class blue collar workers
    - Understanding and care
    - Issues of concern
      - Amnesty
      - Abortion
- Effect on upper income suburban voters
- Results of effect on fund raising and party workers
- Swing vote
- Voters' perceptions of the President
  - The President's character
- Combined impact on voters
  - McGovern's previous speech, October 25, 1972
    - Campaign fund irregularities
    - International Telephone and Telegraph [ITT]
    - Carpet manufacturers

US-Soviet Union wheat deal

- Allegation of illegal profits
  - White House response
    - Administration denials
      - Advantages and disadvantages
    - Wait and see attitude
    - Administration defense
  - White paper
    - The president's orders
    - MacGregor, Agnew
    - Defense against lying
      - Washington Post* article, October 25, 1972
    - McGovern charges against the President and his administration
      - Effect
    - Lying
      - The President's role
      - MacGregor
- Accusations of McGovern's lying
  - Proof
    - Charges against Haldeman



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- Evidence
- Ziegler, MacGregor
- Strategy of attack on Administration
- Administration strategy
- McGovern strategy
- Prominence of story after the election
- Weinberger's view
  - Post-1972 election investigation
  - Richard G. Kleindienst
  - Libel suit

Chapin talked with Haldeman at an unknown time between 10:01 am and 12:16 pm.

[Conversation No. 375-5G]

[See Conversation No. 32-51; one item has been withdrawn]

[End of telephone conversation]

1972 campaign and campaign practice allegations

- Political campaign and previous allegations
  - Donald F. Nixon
  - The President's residences
- Watergate
- MacGregor as spokesman for response to McGovern's allegations
  - Agnew
  - Dole
  - Political nature of charges
  - Line of defense
  - Ziegler
- Vietnam
- Effect of McGovern's charges on voters
  - California
  - Massachusetts
- Colson's staff
- 1968 campaign

Vietnam issue

- North Vietnamese
- Cuban missile crisis
- Value

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The President talked with an unknown person at an unknown time between 10:01 am and 12:16 pm.

[Conversation No. 375-5H]

Request for a meeting with Ziegler

[End of telephone conversation]

Vietnam issue

-Value to the administration compared with value to McGovern

The President's forthcoming trip to West Virginia and Kentucky

-Arch A. Moore, Jr.

-Schedule

Speeches

-Radio address on Defense Policy, October 29, 1972

-Amnesty

-Volunteer army

-Israel

-Defense

-US supremacy

-Communism

-Job growth

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 19

[Personal returnable]

[Duration: 8m 53s ]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 19

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Campaign practices charges

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- Response
  - Colson
  - Articles
  - Agnew
  - Strategy
  - MacGregor
  - Political charges
  - Political answer

Haldeman left at 12:16 pm.

Conversation No. 375-6

Date: October 26, 1972

Time: Unknown between 12:16 pm and 12:36 pm

Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

[Personal returnable]

[Duration: \_\_6s\_\_]

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Sanchez left at an unknown time before 12:36 pm.

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Date: October 26, 1972

Time: Unknown between 12:16 pm and 12:36 pm

Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with an unknown person.

The President's schedule

-Thelma C. ("Pat") Nixon

Conversation No. 375-8

Date: October 26, 1972

Time: Unknown between 12:16 pm and 12:36 pm

Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with an unknown person.

The President's schedule

-Forthcoming meeting with Ronald L. Ziegler

Conversation No. 375-9

Date: October 26, 1972

Time: Unknown between 12:16 pm and 12:36 pm

Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 32-52]

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Conversation No. 375-10

Date: October 26, 1972  
Time: 12:36 pm - 12:38 pm  
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with John K. Andrews, Jr.

[See Conversation No. 32-53; one item has been withdrawn]

Conversation No. 375-11

Date: October 26, 1972  
Time: 12:40 pm - 12:49 pm  
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Ronald L. Ziegler. Discontinuities occurred at time of original recording.

Vietnam peace settlement negotiations

- Henry A. Kissinger's recent press briefing
- George S. McGovern's plan
- Duration
- “Peace is at hand”
- Settlement deadline and the 1972 election
- North Vietnam
  - October 8, 1972 concessions
- The President's May 8, 1972 proposals
  - “Peace with honor” compared with “peace with surrender”
- Translation of Vietnamese statement
  - The President's view
  - Coalition government
- Future meeting
- Coalition government
  - The President's opinion
  - Concessions
- Economic aid

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- Possible press coverage
  - “Peace is at hand”
  - McGovern
- Questions on bombing
  - 20<sup>th</sup> parallel
- North Vietnam
  - October 8, 1972 concessions
- Nguyen Van Thieu’s role and strategy
  - National Council of National Reconciliation and Concord
- Murrey Marder’s question about timing of settlement
  - History of negotiations
  - Threat to peace
  - Kissinger’s response

Ziegler left at 12:49 pm.

Conversation No 375-12

Date: October 26, 1972

Time: Unknown between 12:49 pm and 2:01 pm

Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

[Personal returnable]

[Duration: 1m 1s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

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The President's schedule  
-H.R. ("Bob") Haldeman

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 2:01 pm.

Conversation No. 375-13

Date: October 26, 1972  
Time: 2:01 pm - 2:04 pm  
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Alexander P. Butterfield.

The President's schedule, October 27, 1972  
-Harold Lee  
-"Radio Address on the American Farmer"  
-Souvanna Phouma  
-Ethnic press reception  
-Thelma C. ("Pat") Nixon

Butterfield left at 2:04 pm.

Conversation No. 375-14

Date: October 26, 1972  
Time: 2:05 pm - 2:29 pm  
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with H.R. ("Bob") Haldeman. Discontinuities occurred at the time of original recording.

Vietnam peace settlement negotiations  
-Henry A. Kissinger's recent press briefing  
-John A. Scali's view  
-Kissinger's possible briefings for networks and wire services

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- The President's May 8, 1972 decision
- 1972 election as factor in negotiations
- Nature of agreement
  - Compared with George McGovern's position
  - Prisoners of war [POWs]
  - Integrity of South Vietnamese government
  - Arms and assistance to South Vietnamese
  - Complete withdrawal of US forces
  - Timing
- Press interpretation
  - Lead press story
    - “Peace is at hand”
  - Assessments of Kissinger's briefing
  - Alexander M. Haig, Jr.
  - Charles W. Colson
  - Scali
- Points to be made at briefing
  - The President's view
- Herbert G. Klein
- Ronald L. Ziegler
  - Skill as a briefer
    - Compared with Kissinger
- Stage of negotiations
  - Timing
- Kissinger
- McGovern's position
  - Administration response
    - Nguyen Van Thieu's role
- Kissinger
- Signing of agreement
  - Haig's concern
  - Timing
  - Thieu
- Administration strategy
  - Public opinion
    - Colson's analysis
      - Corruption issue damage
      - Soft suburbanites
      - Labor
      - South
- Bombing pause



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- Haig
  - John B. Connally
  - Vice President Spiro T. Agnew
- Preparation of talking paper
  - Surrogates
- “Peace with honor” compared with “peace with surrender”

The President’s schedule

- The President’s forthcoming trip to West Virginia and Kentucky
- Timing

White House staff and public relations

- John D. Ehrlichman

Vietnam peace settlement negotiations and 1972 campaign

- Kissinger and the President
  - Forthcoming trip to California
- Thieu
  - Possible statements
- Statements about McGovern’s campaign tactics
  - Clark Macgregor, Robert J. Dole
  - Colson
    - Unity of White House statements
- McGovern stance on Vietnam
  - White House attacks
  - Surrender
  - POWs
- Administration readiness to attack McGovern
  - McGovern’s strategy
  - Colson’s view
- Haig’s view of the press at Kissinger’s briefing
  - McGovern’s supporters in the press
    - Reaction to progress in the peace talks
      - Kissinger’s response
  - Murrey Marder’s reaction
- Settlement
  - Press view
    - Coalition government
    - Thieu
  - Partial cease-fire
  - POWs

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- Laos
- Cambodia
- Incompleteness
- Public relations
- Translation issues
- Press
- Kissinger's meeting with Scali on briefing preparation

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2

[Personal returnable]

[Duration: 3m]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2

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Haldeman left at 2:29 pm.

Conversation No. 375-15

Date: October 26, 1972

Time: Unknown between 2:29 pm and 2:40 pm

Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 32-54]

Conversation No. 375-16

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Date: October 26, 1972  
Time: Unknown between 2:29 pm and 2:40 pm  
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with an unknown person.

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[Duration: 6s ]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

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The unknown person left at an unknown time before 2:40 pm.

Conversation No. 375-17

Date: October 26, 1972  
Time: 2:40 pm - 2:41 pm  
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with Alexander M. Haig, Jr.

[See Conversation No. 32-55]

Conversation No. 375-18

Date: October 26, 1972  
Time: Unknown between 2:41 pm and 2:50 pm  
Location: Executive Office Building

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The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 32-56]

Conversation No. 375-19

Date: October 26, 1972

Time: 2:50 pm - 2:51 pm

Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with Alexander M. Haig, Jr.

[See Conversation No. 32-57]

Conversation No. 375-20

Date: October 26, 1972

Time: 3:13 pm

Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 32-58]

Conversation No. 375-21

Date: October 26, 1972

Time: 3:15 pm - 4:00 pm

Location: Executive Office Building

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

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### Vietnam peace settlement negotiations

- The President's forthcoming conversation with Henry A. Kissinger
- The President's previous conversation with Alexander M. Haig, Jr.
- Kissinger's briefing for White House surrogates
  - Haldeman's role
  - Haig's role
  - Charles W. Colson
  - Ronald L. Ziegler
- White House response to press reports
  - The President's view
  - John A. Scali
  - John B. Connally
  - William P. Rogers
  - Melvin R. Laird
  - Colson's role
  - Kissinger's role
- Importance of cease-fire talks to 1972 election
  - Administration stance
    - Timing of cease-fire
    - North Vietnam
      - Kissinger's statement
- McGeorge Bundy's appearance on Columbia Broadcasting System [CBS]
  - Settlement timing
  - Kissinger's conversation with Bundy
    - The President's view
- Bundy's statements
  - William F. Buckley
  - North Vietnam
    - October 8, 1972 concessions
    - POWs
- Kissinger
  - Backgrounder
  - The President's recent conversation with Haig
  - Recent press briefing
    - Points
      - “Peace with surrender”
- Kissinger's relationship with “peaceniks”, politicians
  - The President's view
  - Colson and Scali's role

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- Public relations

- Importance as a political issue

- Kissinger's public relations role

  - Relationship with the press

    - Joseph C. Kraft

    - Walter L. Cronkite, Jr., David Brinkley, John

      - Chancellor (New York), Richard G. Valeriani, Dan

      - Rather, [Arnold] Eric Sevareid

- Kissinger's persuasiveness

  - Truth

- Handwritten note from the President

The President talked with the White House operator at an unknown time between 3:15 pm and 3:28 pm.

[Conversation No. 375-21A]

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Vietnam peace settlement negotiations

- US position

  - 1972 election

    - The President's recent conversation with Haig

      - Kissinger

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The President talked with Haig between 3:28 pm and 3:29 pm.

[Conversation No. 375-21C]

[See Conversation No. 32-61]

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Vietnam peace negotiations

- Possible press conference by the President
  - Clark MacGregor's and Colson's view
  - Possible press conference on Air Force One
    - The President's forthcoming trip to California
- Kissinger, Haldeman, John D. Ehrlichman
  - Expanded press pool
    - Associated Press [AP]
  - Press coverage
  - Questions about the 1972 election and Vietnam
- Radio talk
- Press relations
  - Newspaper coverage
  - Informal nature of question and answer [Q&A] session
    - Photographers
  - Ziegler
  - Arrangement of staff and press pool
    - Strategy on answering
  - Philip Potter
  - Peter Lisagor, *Washington Post*
  - Garnett D. ("Jack") Horner
  - Networks
  - News magazines
    - Time*, *U.S. News and World Report*
  - Informal meeting compared with office press conference
    - Sarah McClendon

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- Donald H. Segretti
- The President's possible response to questions
  - Staff
  - 1972 campaign
- Potter
- CBS
  - Dan Rather
- Theodore H. ("Teddy") White
- Showmanship
- 1972 election
- Timing
  - San Clemente
- Purpose
- Record

The President's schedule

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Haldeman left at 4:00 pm.

Conversation No. 375-22

Date: October 26, 1972

Time: Unknown between 4:00 pm and 4:15 pm

Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.



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