Conversation No. 152-1

Date: October 29, 1972
Time: Unknown between 7:55 pm and 8:58 pm
Location: Camp David Study Table

John V. (“Jack”) Brennan talked with an unknown person.

[See Conversation No. 222-2]

The President's telephone call to reception honoring John G. Tower
- Arrangements
  - [First name not known] Johnston

Brennan talked with Johnston at an unknown time between 7:55 pm and 8:58 pm.

The President's telephone call to reception honoring Tower
- Telephone hookup
  - Dan Milne
  - Tower’s announcement
    - [The President’s] forthcoming call
  - Quality
  - Arrangements

Conversation No. 152-2

Date: October 29, 1972
Time: Unknown between 7:55 pm and 8:58 pm
Location: Camp David Study Table

John V. (“Jack”) Brennan talked with the Camp David operator.

[See Conversation No. 222-3]

Request for [first name not known] Johnston
Brennan talked with Johnston at an unknown time between 7:55 pm and 8:58 pm.

The President's telephone call to reception honoring John G. Tower, October 29, 1972
- Arrangements
  - Time
  - The President's schedule
  - Establishment of call
  - Line

Dan Milne joined the conversation at an unknown time between 7:55 pm and 8:58 pm.

The President's telephone call to Tower
- Arrangements
  - Hookup
    - Receiving telephone in Texas
    - Timing

Milne conferred with an unknown person at an unknown time between 7:55 pm and 8:58 pm.

The President's telephone call to Tower
- Arrangements

[End of conferral]

The President's telephone call to Tower
- Arrangements
  - Tower
  - Switch to public address system
  - Presidential extension
    - Brennan

Conversation No. 152-3

Date: October 29, 1972
Time: Unknown between 8:55 pm and 9:02 pm
Location: Camp David Study Table

John V. (“Jack”) Brennan talked with the Camp David operator.
Arrangements for the President's call to John G. Tower

The President talked with Tower at 8:58 pm.

[See Conversation No. 182-1]

Greetings

The Camp David operator talked with Brennan at an unknown time between 8:58 pm and 9:02 pm.

Brennan's monitoring of call
   - Intercept
   - Inability to listen on the line

Conversation No. 152-4

Date: October 30, 1972
Time: Unknown between 9:30 am and 10:33 am
Location: Camp David Study Table

The President talked with the Camp David operator.

[See Conversation No. 222-8]

Request for a call to Henry A. Kissinger.

Conversation No. 152-5

Date: October 30, 1972
Time: 10:33 am - 10:43 am
Location: Camp David Study Table

The President talked with Henry A. Kissinger.
Vietnam negotiations
- Message from North Vietnam
- John D. Ehrlichman’s previous conversation with Kissinger
  - Ehrlichman’s call to the President
  - The President’s forthcoming Chicago speech
- Possible actions by North Vietnam
  - Acceptance of meeting, delay, break-off of talks
  - US response
    - Public expectations
    - News media efforts
  - Negotiating position
    - 1972 election
  - The President’s public statements
    - Caution
- William P. Rogers
  - Possible statement
    - Timing
- George S. McGovern’s statement on aid to South Vietnam
  - Possible response by Vice President Spiro T. Agnew
  - Kissinger’s view
  - William F. Buckley, Jr.’s article
- The President’s note to Nguyen Van Thieu
  - US policy
    - The President’s conversation with Alexander M. Haig, Jr.
- Thieu’s silence
  - The President’s view
- North Vietnamese
  - Forthcoming US election
  - Possible actions
    - Possible US military reprisals
    - Kissinger’s view
- Presentation of US position
  - The President’s forthcoming speech in Chicago
- Possible US military reprisals
  - Kissinger’s view
- Kissinger’s possible meeting with military leaders
  - Current US military action
  - The President’s schedule
- Adm. Thomas H. Moorer’s schedule
- The President’s schedule
  - Speech drafts
- The President’s forthcoming Chicago speech
  - Type of settlement
    - Status of negotiations
    - The President’s view
- Rogers
- US liberals
  - Reaction to possible settlement
    - Statement by Clayton Fritchey
    - Lyndon B. Johnson’s previous efforts
- 1972 election
  - R.W. Apple of the New York Times
    - McGovern’s chances
- Timing of message
  - Possible statement by Rogers
    - Charles W. Colson
- McGovern’s statements
  - Agnew’s forthcoming response

Conversation No. 152-6

Date: October 30, 1972
Time: Unknown between 10:43 am and 10:44 am
Location: Camp David Study Table

The President talked with the Camp David operator.

[See Conversation No. 222-10]

Request for a call to H.R. (“Bob”) Haldeman
Date: October 30, 1972
Time: 10:44 am - 10:48 am
Location: Camp David Study Table

The President talked with H.R. (“Bob”) Haldeman.

[See Conversation No. 222-11]

Vietnam negotiations
- The President’s conversation with Henry A. Kissinger
  - North Vietnamese message
  - Possible North Vietnamese action at Paris peace talks
    - John D. Ehrlichman’s view
    - Acceptance of talks, delay, break-off of talks
    - US response
    - Type
  - Domestic and foreign policy matters
    - Watergate
      - Kissinger, Ehrlichman
      - Charles W. Colson
    - William P. Rogers’s possible statement
      - The President’s orders
    - George S. McGovern’s statements
      - Vice President Spiro T. Agnew’s response
  - North Vietnamese message
    - Rogers
    - Kissinger’s previous conversation with Rogers
    - Kissinger’s forthcoming conversation with Colson
  - McGovern’s position on aid to South Vietnam
    - Agnew’s response
    - Rogers’s possible statement
      - Timing
  - Status
    - US response to North Vietnamese message
    - McGovern’s responsibility
  - Public knowledge
    - The President’s view
  - Critics
    - Colson
Conversation No. 152-8

Date: October 30, 1972  
Time: Unknown between 5:00 pm and 5:22 pm  
Location: Camp David Study Table

The President talked with the Camp David operator.

[See Conversation No. 222-13A]

The President's call to Richard J. Daley
  -Callback  
  -Col. Jack Reilly

Conversation No. 152-9

Date: October 30, 1972  
Time: 5:22 pm - 5:23 pm  
Location: Camp David Study Table

The President talked with Richard J. Daley.

[See Conversation No. 222-13B]

Chicago commuter train accident
  -Expression of sympathy  
  -The President's cancellation of trip  
  -Casualty figures  
  -Status  
  -Offer of aid  
    -John Volpe  
  -The President's schedule  
  -Cancellation of parade  
  -The President's attempts to reach Daley  
    -Greetings to Richard and Eleanor (Guilfoyle) Daley