Conversation No. 288-1

Date: October 11, 1971
Time: Unknown between 7:34 pm and 9:26 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 11-46]

Request for a call to Henry A. Kissinger

Conversation No. 288-2

Date: October 11, 1971
Time: 9:26 pm - 9:34 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with Henry A. Kissinger.

[See Conversation No. 11-47; One item has been withdrawn from the conversation]

Conversation No. 288-3

Date: October 11, 1971
Time: Unknown between 9:36 pm and 9:40 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.
Sanchez left at an unknown time before 9:40 pm.

Date: October 12, 1971
Time: Unknown between 8:25 am and 8:30 am
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 8:30 am.
Date: October 12, 1971
Time: 8:30 am
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 11-48]

Request for a call to Ronald L. Ziegler

Date: October 12, 1971
Time: Unknown between 8:30 am and 8:40 am
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with Henry A. Kissinger.

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Privacy]
[Duration: 3s ]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

Kissinger’s schedule
- Chicago
- President’s view

Supreme Court
- Robert C. Byrd
  - The President’s view
  - Hubert H. Humphrey
  - George S. McGovern
- Conservative
  - President’s position
    - Strategy
    - White House staff
    - Ronald L. Ziegler

Chile
- News reports
  - The President’s response
- Alexander M. Haig, Jr.
- John B. Connally
- Charles A. Meyer
- Options paper
- Possible US statement
  - Timing
  - Connally
  - State Department
    - William P. Rogers
    - Graham A. Martin
- Possible statement by the President
  - US position
  - Publicity for US actions

The President's schedule

Vote
Conversation No. 288-7

Date: October 12, 1971
Time: 8:40 am - 8:46 am
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with Ronald L. Ziegler.

[See Conversation No. 11-49]

Conversation No. 288-8

Date: October 12, 1971
Time: Unknown between 8:46 am and 9:19 am
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with John D. Ehrlichman.

Ehrlichman's schedule

Conversation No. 288-9

Date: October 12, 1971
Time: Unknown between 8:46 am and 9:19 am
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 11-50]

Request for a call to Patrick J. Buchanan

Conversation No. 288-10
Date: October 12, 1971
Time: 9:19 am - 9:20 am
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with Patrick J. Buchanan.

[See Conversation No. 11-51]

Conversation No. 288-11

Date: October 12, 1971
Time: Unknown between 9:20 am and 10:04 am
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Patrick J. Buchanan.

- Buchanan's memorandum on Economy
  - Phase II
  - Possible agreement
    - George Meany, George P. Shultz, James D. Hodgson
    - Pay Board

- US foreign relations
  - Forthcoming announcement of US-Soviet Union Summit

The President rehearsed an announcement at an unknown time between 9:20 am and 9:40 am.

[A transcript of the final broadcast of this announcement appears in Public Papers of the Presidents, Richard M. Nixon, 1971, p. 1030]

- Use of forthcoming announcement
  - Strategic Arms Limitation Treaty [SALT]
    - Silos
      - The President’s position
    - Negotiations
      - Anti-ballistic Missiles [ABM]
      - Land based missiles
-Multiple Independently-Targeted Reentry Vehicle [MIRVs]
- US position
- Summit
- Chinese
- US-Soviet relations
  - Effect of negotiations
  - Middle East
  - Europe
  - Japan
  - Announcement

Robert C. Byrd and the Supreme Court
  - The President's instructions to Ronald L. Ziegler
  - Possible appointment to Supreme Court
  - George S. McGovern
  - The President's choice for the Supreme Court
  - Supreme Court
    - Henry M. (“Scoop”) Jackson
    - Hubert H. Humphrey
    - Mildred L. Lillie
      - Ronald W. Reagan
      - Appeals Court of California
      - Experience
      - Earl Warren
      - William J. Brennan, Jr.
      - Abe Fortas
      - William O. Douglas
  - Possibility of Jewish appointee
    - Civil rights
  - Conservatives and democrats
    - Jackson
    - McGovern
    - Byrd
    - Richard H. Poff
    - Edward M. Kennedy [?]
Conv. No. 288-11 (cont.)

Lyndon B. Johnson and Dwight D. Eisenhower
- Supreme Court appointees
  - Warren
  - Brennan
  - Potter Stewart

Supreme Court appointment
- Warren E. Burger
- Southerner as appointee
- Stewart
- Rumors
  - Woman appointee
    - Public opinion
      - Compared with gun control
    - McGovern
      - Lillie
        - Record as judge
        - Husband
        - The President's remark to John N. Mitchell
        - Gerald R. Ford
- Byrd
  - Senate
  - National Association for the Advancement of Colored People [NAACP]
- Senate
- Possible statement
  - Timing

Henry A. Kissinger entered and Buchanan left at 9:40 am.

Moscow
- Leaders

US foreign relations
- Announcement of Kissinger's schedule
  - Briefing book prepared by Buchanan
- Japan
  - Message
  - Negotiations
Victor Louis
- News summary
  - KGB
  - US-Soviet Union
    - Vietnam
  - Vernon A. Walters
    - US proposal on dates
    - Andrei A. Gromyko

Vietnam
- Negotiations
  - Xuan Thuy
  - The President's forthcoming press conference
    - Nguyen Van Thieu
    - Election victory
      - Possible effect
      - President's position
  - Air support
  - US goals
  - Residual military force
    - Kissinger's view
  - American combat role
    - William P. Rogers
    - Melvin R. Laird
    - Timing of announcements
  - Paris negotiations
    - Le Duc Tho
    - Possible US announcement

The President's schedule
- Conversation with Buchanan
  - Shultz
  - Donald H. Rumsfeld
- Supreme Court appointment
  - The President's strategy
    - White House staff
  - McGovern
    - "McGovernment"
  - Humphrey

Kissinger's schedule
Conv. No. 288-11 (cont.)

The President talked with White House operator at an unknown time between 9:40 am and 9:58 am.

[Conversation No. 288-11A]

Request for a call to George Meany

[See Conversation No. 11-52]

[End of telephone conversation]

Meany
- Possible cooperation with administration
  - Economy
  - Forewarning of announcement
  - Arms control

Leaks

Non-leakage of announcements
- PRC trip
- SALT
- Summit

Kissinger talked with George Meany at an unknown time between 9:20 am and 9:58 am.

[Conversation No. 288-11B]

[See Conversation No. 11-53]

[End of telephone conversation]
Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 9:40 am.

The President's schedule
- Shultz

Bull left at an unknown time before 9:58 am.

The President talked with White House operator at an unknown time between 9:40 am and 9:58 am.

Request for a call to George P. Shultz

[Conversation No. 288-11C]

[See Conversation No. 11-55]

[End of telephone conversation]

Kissinger's schedule
- Meany
- Dinner with the President, October 12, 1971
-Meeting with the President, October 14, 1971

The President talked with George P. Shultz between 9:58 am and 10:04 am.

[Conversation No. 288-11D]

[See Conversation No. 11-55]

Kissinger left at an unknown time before 10:04 am.

[End of telephone conversation]

Date:  October 12, 1971
Time:  Unknown between 10:04 am and 10:14 am
Location:  Executive Office Building

The President talked with White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 11-56]

Request for a call to George P. Shultz

Date:  October 12, 1971
Time:  10:14 am - 10:16 am
Location:  Executive Office Building

The President talked with George P. Shultz.

[See Conversation No. 11-57]
Conversation No. 288-14

Date: October 12, 1971
Time: Unknown between 10:16 am and 10:31 am
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with Henry A. Kissinger.

Kissinger's schedule
  -Alexander M. Haig, Jr.
  -Press conference

Conversation No. 288-15

Date: October 12, 1971
Time: Unknown between 10:16 am and 10:31 am
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 11-58]

Conversation No. 288-16

Date: October 12, 1971
Time: 10:16 am - 10:31 am
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with Rose Mary Woods.

[See Conversation No. 11-59; one item has been withdrawn from the conversation]
Conversation No. 288-17

Date: October 12, 1971
Time: Unknown between 10:32 am and 11:19 am
Location: Executive Office Building

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

Henry A. Kissinger
  -Schedule
  -Chicago
    -Charles H. Percy

The President's schedule
  -Clark MacGregor

Kissinger

Conversation No. 288-18

Date: October 12, 1971
Time: Unknown between 10:32 am and 11:22 am
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Rose Mary Woods.

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 4s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
The President's announcement
- Wording

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 53s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2

Supreme Court appointments
- George S. McGovern
- Robert C. Byrd
- Edmund S. Muskie
- Hubert H. Humphrey
- Press reports
- John Kenneth Galbraith

Charles G. ("Bebe") Rebozo
- Mike Royko’s newspaper column
  - John F. Kennedy and the President
    - Comparisons
  - Kennedy
    - Compared with Nixon
      - People's Republic of China [PRC]
      - Cuba
- Charles W. Colson
  - Column distribution
  - Muskie
BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 3
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 44s ]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 3

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George A. Smathers

The President's political fortune
   - *Newsday* article
   - The President finances
     - The President’s view
     - The press
   - Press
   - Liberals
     - Berlin Summit
       - Edward M. Kennedy
     - W. Averell Harriman
       - Henry A. Kissinger
     - Relations with Soviet Union
       - Humphrey
     - William F. Buckley, Jr.
       - Newspaper report
       - Supreme Court
     - Pay Board
     - Lyndon B. Johnson

Supreme Court appointments
   - White House staff
   - Leak of Byrd name
   - Jews
     - Possibility of appointment
     - Edward H. Levi
       - University of Chicago
     - Leonard Garment
     - William L. Safire
       - Advice
- Political support
  - Israel
- Garment
  - Bernard J. ("Bunny") Lasker
  - Kissinger
- Warren E. Burger
  - Affiliations
- Clement F. Haynsworth, Jr.
- Procedures and timing
- Woman appointee
  - Woods schedule
    - Liz Carpenter
      - Johnson
        - Mr. and Mrs. Abe Fortas
- Mildred L. Lillie
  - Ronald W. Reagan
  - Samuel W. Yorty
  - Former chief Thomas Reddin
  - Evelle J. Younger
  - Experience
    - Superior Court judge
    - Appeals Court judge
    - Age
    - Religion
    - Political affiliation
    - Record with California Supreme Court
    - Compared with Burger
    - Husband's ethnic background
- Gail Patrick Jackson
  - Endorsement
- Possibility of Senate confirmation
  - Yorty

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: _2m 42s_]
END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4

Woods left at an unknown time before 11:22 am.

Date: October 12, 1971
Time: Unknown between 10:32 am and 11:22 am
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with an unknown person.

Greetings

Request for telephone call by unknown person

Date: October 12, 1971
Time: 11:19 am - 11:20 am
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with H. R. (“Bob”) Haldeman.
[See Conversation No. 11-60]

Conversation No. 288-22

Date: October 12, 1971
Time: Unknown between 11:20 am and 11:22 am
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Alexander P. Butterfield.

Agreement

The President and Butterfield left at 11:22 am.