Conversation No. 312-1

Date: January 9, 1972
Time: Unknown between 12:39 pm and 12:41 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

Forthcoming telephone call to Henry A. Kissinger

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 18s ]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
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Sanchez left at an unknown time before 12:41 pm.

Conversation No. 312-2

Date: January 9, 1972
Time: Unknown between 12:39 pm and 12:41 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 18-16]

Conversation No. 312-3
Date: January 9, 1972
Time: Unknown between 12:39 pm and 12:41 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 12s ]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

Sanchez left at an unknown time after 12:39 pm.

Date: January 9, 1972
Time: 12:41 pm - 12:52 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with Henry A. Kissinger.

[See Conversation No. 18-17; two items have been withdrawn from the conversation]
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**Conversation No. 312-5**

Date: January 9, 1972  
Time: Unknown between 12:52 pm and 12:55 pm  
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with the White House operator

[See Conversation No. 18-18]

**Conversation No. 312-6**

Date: January 9, 1972  
Time: Unknown between 12:52 pm and 12:55 pm  
Location: Executive Office Building

The President dictated a memorandum for the file.

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Personal Returnable]  
[Duration: __15s___]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

[The dictation continues as Conversation No. 312-8]
Conversation No. 312-7

Date: January 9, 1972  
Time: 12:55 pm - 1:18 pm  
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with Charles W. Colson

[See Conversation No. 18-19; three items have been withdrawn from the conversation]

Conversation No. 312-8

Date: January 9, 1972  
Time: Unknown between 1:18 pm and 1:25 pm  
Location: Executive Office Building

The President played back and dictated a memorandum for the file.

[This is a continuation of Conversation No. 312-6.]

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1  
[Personal Returnable]  
[Duration: 35s]  

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
Conversation No. 312-9

Date: January 9, 1972
Time: 1:25 pm - 1:28 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with Rose Mary Woods.

[See Conversation No. 18-21; one item has been withdrawn from the conversation]

Conversation No. 312-10

Date: January 9, 1972
Time: Unknown between 1:28 pm and 1:35 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with an unknown person.

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 11s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

The unknown person left at an unknown time before 1:35 pm.
Conversation No. 312-11

Date: January 9, 1972
Time: 1:35 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The White House operator talked with the President.

[See Conversation No. 18-22]

Conversation No. 312-12

Date: January 9, 1972
Time: Unknown between 1:35 pm and 2:56 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President dictated a letter to Rose Mary Woods [?].

Unknown daughter of Kakeui Tanaka
   - Name and address
   The President’s luncheon
   - Gift

Conversation No. 312-13

Date: January 9, 1972
Time: Unknown between 1:35 pm and 2:56 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.
Sanchez left at an unknown time before 2:56 pm.

Date: January 9, 1972
Time: 2:56 pm - 2:57 pm
Location: Executive Office Building
The President talked with Mrs. Nora L. Moore.

[See Conversation No. 18-23]

Date: January 9, 1972
Time: Unknown between 2:57 pm and 4:42 pm
Location: Executive Office Building
The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

The President’s schedule
Sanchez left at an unknown time before 4:42 pm.

Date: January 9, 1972
Time: Unknown between 2:57 pm and 4:42 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 13s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 4:42 pm.
Conversation No. 312-16

Date: January 9, 1972
Time: 4:42 pm - 4:43 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with Julie Nixon Eisenhower.

[See Conversation No. 18-25; one item has been withdrawn from the conversation]

Conversation No. 312-17

Date: January 9, 1972
Time: Unknown between 4:43 pm and 4:46 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

Instructions on placement of unknown object

The President and Sanchez left at 4:46 pm.

Conversation No. 312-18

Date: January 11, 1972
Time: Unknown between 12:21 pm and 12:29 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.
[The recording begins at an unknown time while the meeting is in progress]

The President’s schedule

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 12:29 pm.
Conversation No. 312-19

Date: January 11, 1972
Time: Unknown between 12:21 pm and 12:29 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with an unknown person.

The President's location in the Executive Office Building [EOB]

Conversation No. 312-20

Date: January 11, 1972
Time: Unknown between 12:21 pm and 12:29 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 18-63]

Conversation No. 312-21

Date: January 11, 1972
Time: 12:29 pm - 2:39 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with Charles W. Colson.

[Conversation No. 312-21A]

[See Conversation No. 18-64]

H. R. (“Bob”) Haldeman entered at 12:35 pm.
End of telephone conversation]

Colson's health

The President's schedule
   - The President's forthcoming trip to the People's Republic of China [PRC]
   - Meeting of bipartisan leaders
   - Hawaii
   - Length of flight
   - Bipartisan meeting
   - Cabinet meeting
   - George W. Romney meeting
   - Cancellation
     - John D. Ehrlichman
   - Housing message
     - Timing
   - Camp David
     - Return to Washington
   - Ehrlichman
   - January 13, 1972
     - Vietnam announcement
     - Timing
   - Melvin R. Laird
   - Neil H. McElroy
   - Swearing-in ceremony of John E. Sheehan
   - Romney meeting
     - Domestic Council
       - Ehrlichman
   - Laird, McElroy
   - Vietnam announcement
   - McElroy
   - Sheehan
   - Robert O. Anderson
   - Vice President Spiro T. Agnew
   - Romney
     - John A. Volpe
     - Ehrlichman
   - Cabinet meeting
   - January 25, 1972
     - Republican leaders
   - January 26 and 27, 1972
-January 28, 1972
  -Rainer Barzel
  -DeWitt Wallace
-Governors dinner
-Emilio Colombo
-Prayer breakfast
-Republican governors dinner
-Bipartisan leaders meeting
-Arthur S. Flemming swearing-in ceremony
-Sheehan swearing-in ceremony
-Health industries group
-Laird, William P. Rogers, John N. Mitchell, John B. Connally
-Haldeman's role in scheduling
  -Domestic Council, Henry A. Kissinger
-Telephone calls
-Camp David
  -Preparation for State of the Union speech
-Congressional leaders briefing on foreign policy
  -Time
  -State of the Union speech
  -Michael J. Mansfield
  -President’s involvement
    -Extent
    -Preparation
    -William E. Timmons
    -Delivery of report
    -Leaks

An unknown person entered and left at an unknown time before 2:39 pm.

-Maj. Gen. James D. (“Don”) and Betty Hughes
  -Thelma C. (“Pat”) Nixon
  -Children
  -Florida
    -The President’s need to study
  -Rose Mary Woods
-The President's attendance at party for aides
-Don Hughes and family
-Dinner marking third anniversary of the 1969 Inauguration
  -Possible attendees

-Size
-Woods

-Other attendees
-General Lewis B. Hershey

-Size
-Other attendees
-Constance M. (“Connie”) Stuart, Lucy A. Winchester
-John A. Scali
-Charles W. Colson
-Robert J. Brown
-John C. Whitaker

-Wallace dinner, January 28, 1972
-Woods's role

-Guests
-Hobart D. (“Hobe”) Lewis
-Fred Waring
-Kennedy Center

Appointments
-Richard G. Kleindienst
-Haldeman’s talk with Ehrlichman
-Possible appointment as Attorney General
-Timing
-Confirmation as Attorney General
-Ehrlichman’s view
-Compared to Mitchell’s
-Mitchell’s view
-Campaign committee
-Use of wiretaps as issue
-Clark MacGregor
-Kleindienst
-Possible campaign role
-Timmons
-Attorney General position
-Kleindienst
-Haldeman’s and Ehrlichman’s possible talk with Mitchell
-Mitchell
  -Campaign committee
- Kleindienst
  -Possible role
- Timing of action
  -The President’s forthcoming trip to the PRC

Douglas L. Hallett's memorandum to Colson
- Merits
- Speechwriting
  -Forthcoming campaign
  -Unknown person
  -Franklin D. Roosevelt
    -Samuel I. Rosenman
    -Raymond Moley
    -Robert Sherwood
    -Harry Hopkins
  -Compared to William L. Safire

Speeches
- Quality
  -Gettysburg Address
  -Inaugural address, nomination acceptance speech

William P. Rogers
- [Kissinger]
- Meeting with the President
  -Scheduling
  -Laird
- State Department
  -News summary
  -Foreign trips
    -Thelma C. (“Pat”) Nixon's trip to Africa
    -Politics
    -The President’s 1953 experience
    -Advance work
    -Business community, embassy staff, US information Agency [USIA], Peace Corps, Agency for International Development [AID]
  -US embassies
    -The President's itineraries
-1969 Asian trip
-Foreign contact
-Diplomatic wires
-Kissinger

Kissinger
-Relations with the President

Rogers

The President's schedule
-Forthcoming campaign
-Forthcoming meeting with Romney, Congressional leaders Maurice H. Stans, James Hughes
-Foreign leaders
-Barzel, Dutch foreign minister, Colombo
-Domestic leaders
-Cabinet
-Preparation for PRC trip
-Ehrlichman's concerns
-Environment, health services, elderly
-Perceptions of the President's use of time
-The President's health

The State Department
-PRC trip
-Marshall Green
-U. Alexis Johnson
-John N. Irwin, II
-Rogers
-Handling
-Kissinger
-Washington Special Actions Group [WSAG]
-Joseph J. Sisco
-Possible ambassadorship to Iran
-Area of responsibility
-Relations with Rogers

Rogers
-Recent talk with Haldeman
-Relations with Kissinger
- Alexander M. Haig, Jr.
  - Forthcoming PRC trip
  - Richard F. Pedersen
- Qualities
  - As strategist
  - As tactician
    - Foreign service officers
  - Forthcoming talk with Haldeman

Haig's assessment of Kissinger

Nelson A. Rockefeller
  - Call to Kissinger
  - Media coverage
  - Possible Kissinger resignation

Kissinger
  - Women's National Press Club speech
    - Paul W. Keyes's call to the President
    - Compared to Gridiron speech
    - Value
  - Marvin L. Kalb
    - Possible Columbia Broadcasting System [CBS] appearance by Kissinger
    - Today show
  - Public exposure
  - PRC trip
  - Talk with Haig
    - State of the World report
      - Mitchell, Rogers
      - Rockefeller’s call
      - Timing of release
  - Women’s National Press Club speech
  - Possible resignation
  - Health
BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 15
[Privacy]
[Duration: 23s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 15

-Jack J. Dreyfus, Jr.
  -Health
    -Dilantin
    -Epilepsy
  -Health

Dreyfus
  -Book
    -Depression
    -Dilantin

Kissinger
  -Health

PRC trip
  -Dr. W. Kenneth Riland
    -Kissinger
BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 6
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 2m 18s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 6

-Preparations
  -Food
    -Banquets

Kissinger
  -Forthcoming campaign
  -Ehrlichman
  -Rogers
  -Unknown person

Kissinger
  -Social life
    -Haldeman’s and the President’s view
    -Freudian analysis

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 8
[Privacy]
[Duration: 42s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 8

Kissinger’s schedule
-Women’s National Press Club speech

Julie Nixon Eisenhower
- Tricia Nixon Cox
- Opinion of David N. Parker
  - Staffing
  - First Family scheduling
    - Tricia Cox

White House staff
- Dwight L. Chapin
  - PRC trip advance work
    - Parker
  - Julie Eisenhower

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 9
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 2m 36s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 9

Use of poll

Kissinger
  - Value to administration
    - Celebrity
      - Possible consequence to health
        - 1960 campaign
      - Differences between being in and out of office
        - Women
        - Trip

Speechwriting
  - Hallett’s memorandum
-Patrick J. Buchanan
-Ziegler
-Quality
-The President’s efforts
-Memorable phrases

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 10
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 1m 51s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 10

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CBS
-Frank Stanton
-Television appearances
  -The President’s January 2, 1997 interview with Dan Rather
    -Ratings
    -The President’s demeanor
    -Rather’s view

The President's press conferences
-Demeanor
-Rather interview
-Introduction
  -Mark I. Goode

Hallett memorandum
-Eastern establishment
  -Compared to mass of America
    -Work ethic
    -State of the Union speech

Public attitudes on foreign policy, US supremacy
-Shultz's and Ehrlichman’s January 10, 1972 review with Haldeman
Shultz
- Qualities
- The administration's image
  - Comments at recent staff meeting
    - Unemployment
    - Inflation
- Unemployment
  - John F. Kennedy's administration
    - Dwight D. Eisenhower
  - Arthur Goldberg's tenure as Secretary of Labor
    - Activity
  - Administration's position and actions
    - Inflation
    - Tax policy
  - Peter G. Peterson, James D. Hodgson
    - Tours of country
    - West Coast

*Washington Post* editorial on unemployment
- Vietnam
- Labor market
  - Compared to number of jobs
- Military personnel
- Peacetime economy
  - Expansion

Space shuttle
- Hubert H. Humphrey, Edmund S. Muskie
  - Opposition
    - Differences in focus
    - Florida and New Hampshire

Colson's suggestion
- Hallett’s memorandum
- Target groups
  - Aerospace, shipping, other industries

Unemployment
- Administration's posture
  - Concern
- The President’s possible action

Public trust and confidence in the President
  - Economy
    - Stock market
      - Connally’s comments
    - Need for understatement
      - Herbert Stein’s memorandum

Government spending
  - Administration issue
  - Statistics
    - Deficits
    - Budget message
    - Connally
    - Pre- and post-1969 budgets
  - Problems with cuts
    - Perception
  - Priorities
    - Defense budget
      - Right wing

Foreign policy focus
  - Issues
    - Taxes, Nixon Doctrine, defense, international affairs

Administration’s goals for the future
  - The American spirit
    - Shultz’s and Ehrlichman’s view
  - Health
  - Environment
  - Peace

Drug traffic
  - Difficulty of showing results
  - Task force recommendations
    - Arrest of traffickers
      - Grand juries
    - Offer of immunity
      - Suppliers
Shultz
- Spokesman role
  - Connally, Ehrlichman

Domestic issues
- Busing
  - Texas, Tennessee
- Suburban housing
- Pollution

Shultz
- Possible statement for the President on the spirit of America
  - Raymond K. Price, Jr.

Speechwriting
- Hallett’s view
- Compared to Lyndon B. Johnson and Eisenhower
  - Eisenhower’s
    - Emmett Hughes
    - Bryce N. Harlow

The President’s speeches
- Dignity of work, Newport speech, Nebraska speech
  - Hallett

Television press conferences
- Frequency
- Type
  - World conference with editors
  - Scholastic
- Length of time

“Color” events
- Hallett
  - Mrs. Nixon’s activities
  - The President’s activities
    - Shipyard
    - Meeting with unknown woman in Florida
    - American Federation of Labor-Congress of Industrial Organizations
      [AFL-CIO] meeting of November 19, 1971
    - Effect on polls
Assessment of year's events for 1971
   - Attacks on the administration
   - Laotian military action
   - Pentagon Papers case
   - Congressional relations
   - Vietnam bombing

Connally
   - Hallett
   - Strengths
   - Personality
     - Compared with the President's
   - 1970 election critique

Press conferences
   - First year of administration
   - Format
   - Preparation
   - Advantages
     - Staff
     - TV coverage
       - Prime time
         - Connally
         - East and West Coasts

Themes
   - New Federalism
   - New American Revolution
-Forthcoming State of the Union speech
  -Cheerlines
    -Leonard Garment’s view
    -Ehrlichman
  -Price
    -Drafts

The President's programs
  -Hallett’s view
    -Compared to Ehrlichman and Shultz

Public impressions of the President
  -The President
    -1971
  -Muskie
  -Poll
  -Connally
  -Colson
  -Kissinger
  -Hallett
    -Establishment press
  -Poll
    -Public trust
      -Louis P. Harris
      -Muskie
  -The President compared to Harry S. Truman, Lyndon Johnson, Eisenhower
  -Vietnam
    -Troop withdrawal announcements
  -Balance
    -Complacency and unsettledness
  -Difficulty in ascertaining
Busing
  - Ehrlichman
  - Courts
    - Unknown judge
    - Possible appeal
    - Supreme Court
  - Ehrlichman
    - Legislative course
    - Constitutional amendment

Muskie
  - Hallett’s analysis
  - Poll

News media
  - Treatment of the Democrats

Images of presidential qualifications

The President's image
  - Public perceptions
  - Foreign policy focus
  - Ehrlichman, Shultz
  - Domestic issues
    - Environment
    - Foreign policy focus on the Soviet Union and PRC
    - Muskie’s possible argument
-Unemployment
  -Poll
  -Appeal to youth
  -The President’s birthday

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 13
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 3m 33s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 13

Press conferences
  -Necessity
  -Preparation
    -Briefing books
  -Questions
    -Unknown press conference
    -International press conference
    -Scholastic press conference
    -Hallett’s analysis
      -Eastern Establishment
      -Colson’s view

Programs
  -Ehrlichman, Shultz
  -Presidential empathy

The President’s forthcoming trip to the PRC

Domestic Council
  -Ehrlichman

Haldeman left at 2:39 pm.
Conversation No. 312-22

Date: January 11, 1972
Time: Unknown between 2:39 pm and 3:43 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 18s ]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 3:43 pm.

Conversation No. 312-23

Date: January 11, 1972
Time: Unknown between 2:39 pm and 3:43 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with an unknown person.
BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 4s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

The unknown person left at an unknown time before 3:43 pm.

Conversation No. 312-24

Date: January 11, 1972
Time: Unknown between 2:39 pm and 3:43 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with Alexander M. Haig, Jr.

Haig's health

News

Vietnam
  -Military action
  -Press coverage

Haig’s health
Conversation No. 312-25

Date: January 11, 1972  
Time: Unknown between 2:39 pm and 3:43 pm  
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 18-65]

Conversation No. 312-26

Date: January 11, 1972  
Time: 3:43 pm - 3:49 pm  
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with Henry A. Kissinger.

[See Conversation No. 18-66]

Conversation No. 312-27

Date: January 11, 1972  
Time: Unknown between 3:49 pm and 4:02 pm  
Location: Executive Office Building

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

The President's meeting with William P. Rogers

Memorandum from Raymond K. Price, Jr.
- State of the Union speech
Conversation No. 312-28

Date: January 11, 1972  
Time: Unknown between 3:49 pm and 4:02 pm  
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 18-67]

Conversation No. 312-29

Date: January 11, 1972  
Time: 4:02 pm - 4:03 pm  
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with Stephen B. Bull.

[See Conversation No. 18-68]

Conversation No. 312-30

Date: January 11, 1972  
Time: Unknown between 4:03 pm and 4:05 pm  
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 18-69]
Conversation No. 312-31

Date: January 11, 1972
Time: 4:05 pm - 4:06 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with Thelma C. (“Pat”) Nixon.

[See Conversation No. 18-70; one item has been withdrawn from the conversation]

Conversation No. 312-32

Date: January 11, 1972
Time: Unknown between 4:06 pm and 4:08 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 16s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 4:08 pm.