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Conversation No. 326-1

Date: March 22, 1972

Time: Unknown between 5:07 pm - 6:15 pm

Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with John D. Ehrlichman, H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman, John B. Connally, George P. Shultz, Herbert Stein, Donald Rumsfeld and Charles W. Colson.

[Recording begins while the conversation is in progress; this is a continuation of Conversation No. 324-43]

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National economy
     -Pay Board
          -George Meany's resignation
               -The President's possible statement
                     -Television
                          -Reaction
                     -The President's view
                          -Meany
               -Possible West Coast longshoremen strike
          -Press coverage
          -Labor members
          -Meany's resignation
               -Effect on Democratic candidates
                     -Hubert H. Humphrey
                     -Edmund S. Muskie
                     -Humphrey
                          -Busing
                          -Joint Economic Committee
                     -Muskie
                          -Leonard Woodcock
                     -Henry M. ("Scoop") Jackson
               -The President's possible statement
                    -Format and timing
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James D. Hodgson -Woodcock

Shultz left at an unknown time before 6:05 pm.

National economy

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-Pay Board
     -Meany's resignation
          -The President's possible response
               -Networks
               -Format and timing
                     -Possible public perception
               -Forthcoming Cost of Living Council [COLC] meeting
                     -Connally
                     -Timing
                     -George H. Boldt
               -Colson's view
               -Statement
               -Rumsfeld's view
               -Ronald L. Ziegler's statement
               -COLC meeting
                     -Timing
                     -Ziegler's possible statement
                          -Ehrlichman's view
                     -Connally's view
                     -Boldt
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-Pay Board

Shultz entered at an unknown time after 5:07 pm.

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-Price Commission
-Woodcock's possible resignation
     -Hodgson's views
          -Frank E. Fitzsimmons
          -Public Pay Board
-John T. Dunlop
     -Construction industry
-Peter J. Brennan
-Fitzsimmons
     -Hodgson's view
     -International Brotherhood of Teamsters' public image
     -Views
-Construction industry
     -Relationship with Teamsters
     -Dunlop
     -Shultz's view
-COLC meeting
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-Timing
               -The President's possible statement
                     -Ziegler
                     -Colson's view
                     -Doug Johnson [?]
                     -Rumsfeld
                     -Shultz
                     -Preparation
                          -Long Statement
                          -Television statement
                                -William L. Safire
     -Stein's forthcoming briefing
-Composition
     -Virgil B. Day
     -Benjamin F. Biaggini
     -Rocco C. Siciliano
     -Biaggini
          -The President's view
               -Fitzsimmons
          -Rumsfeld's view
               -Day
     -Day
          -Rumsfeld's view
     -Biaggini
          -The President's view
-Meany's resignation
     -Administration response
          -The President's view
               -Connally
               -Rumsfeld
          -Connally's forthcoming speech to the Middlesex Club
               -Boston
               -Club
          -Television shows
               -Today
                     -Size of audience compared to Meet the Press
                     -Herbert E. Kaplow
                     -Barbara Walters
                -Columbia Broadcasting System [CBS] Morning News
                -Meet the Press
                     -Marshall Green
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-Today
                     -Connally's possible appearance
                          -Timing
                               -The President's forthcoming press conference
-Meany's attendance record
-Meany's resignation
     -Administration response
          -Television shows
               -Today
                     -Timing of Connally's appearance
                          -Network news
                               -National Broadcasting Company [NBC]
                     -Location
               -Meet the Press
                     -Possible replacement of Green with Rumsfeld
                          -The President's forthcoming meeting with Green
     -Humphrey, Muskie
     -Administration's response
          -The President's schedule
               -Green
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Ehrlichman, Connally, Shultz, Rumsfeld, and Colson left at 6:05 pm.

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Steins's briefing technique
-The President's view
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National economy

-The President's program

-Consumer Price Index [CPI]

-Wage and price controls

-Success

-Possible freeze on food prices

-Stein's view

-Farmers

-Meat

-Cattle

-Hogs
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Council of Economic Advisors [CEA]
-Marina von N. Whitman
-Stein's view

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-Speeches
          -Ezra Solomon
               -The President's view
               -Stein's possible speech on wage and price controls
Stein left at 6:08 pm.
     The President's schedule
          -Forthcoming COLC meeting
          -Forthcoming meeting with Green
                -Henry A. Kissinger's views
                     -Green's possible press statement
                          -State Department
                               -Shanghai Communique
                     -Alexander M. Haig, Jr.
                     -Haldeman's view
                     -William P. Rogers
                     -Taiwan, Republic of China
                     -Green's forthcoming appearance on Meet the Press
          -Florida
               -Press conference
               -The President's view
                     -Meany
                     -Camp David
          -Press conference
               -Pay Board story
               -International Telephone and Telegraph [ITT]
          -Haldeman's schedule
          -Press conference
               -Patrick J. Buchanan views
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-Schedule

Manolo Sanchez entered at an unknown time after 6:08 pm.

-George C. Wallace

Instructions

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 6:15 pm.

-ITT

The President's forthcoming press conference -Responses

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-ITT
-Life magazine story
-Peter M. Flanigan
-Ziegler
-Harry S. Truman, Franklin D. Roosevelt

The President and Haldeman left at 6:15 pm.

Conversation No. 326-2

Date: March 24, 1972

Time: Unknown between 9:20 am and 9:38 am

Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with John D. Ehrlichman.

News summary

-Unknown person

-Resignation

- -Possible press conference question
- -Elliot Richardson
 - -Unknown man

Conversation No. 326-3

Date: March 24, 1972

Time: Unknown between 9:20 am and 9:38 am

Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 22-10]

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Conversation No. 326-4

Date: March 24, 1972 Time: 9:38 am - 9:45 am

Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with Charles W. Colson.

An unknown person entered and left at an unknown time between 9:38 am and 9:45 am.

[See Conversation No. 22-11; one item has been withdrawn from this conversation]

Conversation No. 326-5

Date: March 24, 1972

Time: Unknown between 9:45 am and 9:50 am

Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with an unknown person.

Report

- -Borders
- -British
- -Delivery

Manolo Sanchez entered the room at an unknown time between 9:45 am and 9:50 am.

Conversation No. 326-6

Date: March 24, 1972

Time: Unknown between 9:45 am and 9:50 am

Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

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Conv. No. 326-5 (cont.)

Unknown item

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 9:50 am.

Conversation No. 326-7

Date: March 24, 1972

Time: Unknown between 9:45 am and 9:50 am

Location: Executive Office Building

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

Haldeman's schedule
-Meeting with the President

Conversation No. 326-8

Date: March 24, 1972 Time: 9:50 am - 10:45 am

Location: Executive Office Building

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

Pay Board

-George Meany's resignation

- -Charles W. Colson's efforts
- -Clark MacGregor's possible effort
- -Congress
- -Statements by Michael J. Mansfield and Jacob K. Javits

International Telephone and Telegraph [ITT]

-Colson's efforts

John B. Connally

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-Comments on Today
          -Meany's resignation from the Pay Board
          -Food prices
                -Meat prices
                -Earl L. Butz
                     -Farm prices
                     -Retailers
                          -Transportation costs
          -Meany's resignation from the Pay Board
                -Meany's attendance at Pay Board meetings
                     -Meany's conversation with George H. Boldt
                -Effect
          -Tone
     -News summary
          -The President's view
     -Performance
          -Herbert G. Klein
     -Comments regarding Meany's resignation from Pay Board
     -Interview technique
          -Reaction of Haldeman, John D. Ehrlichman and George P. Shultz
     -The President's view
          -Irving R. Levine [?]
     -Previous call to Haldeman
          -Jews
                -Arthur F. Burns, Hobart Rowan, Nathaniel Samuels
                -Burns
                -The President's view
                     -Edmund S. Muskie
     -Forthcoming call from Haldeman
     -Secretary
Anti-Semitism
     -Haldeman's view
The President's schedule
     -Camp David
Middle East
     -The President's forthcoming memorandum to Henry A. Kissinger
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-Soviet Union -John N. Mitchell

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-Kissinger's advice in 1970

-Japan

-Israel -Elections Conv. No. 326-8 (cont.)

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An unknown person entered and left at an unknown time between 9:50 am and 10:45 am.
          -Andrei A. Gromyko's offer
                -Soviet presence in Egypt
                     -Israel
                     -Kissinger's response
                         -1972 election
                              -Jews
                              -Democrats
          -The President's forthcoming visit with Leonid I. Brezhnev
                -Soviet presence in Egypt
                     -Mediterranean
                     -Israel
          -Kissinger
                -The President's view
                     -Jews
                           -Mitchell
                           -Max M. Fisher
                           -Golda Meir's statements regarding the President
                           -Support for the President
                           -Effect on US policy
                                -People's Republic of China [PRC]
                                -Soviet Union
                                -Mediterranean
                                     -Oil
                                     -Israel
                                           -Barry M. Goldwater
                                           -US relationship with Arabs
                                                -United Arab Republic [UAR]
          -The President's forthcoming visit to the Soviet Union
                -Opportunity to alter Us policy
                -Dwight D. Eisenhower
          -Soviet presence in the Middle East
          -Israeli occupation of territory
                -Compared to Okinawa
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-Pearl Harbor
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-The President's forthcoming memorandum to Kissinger -Camp David

Jews

- -Media
 - -Haldeman's view
 - -Mitchell
 - -Views regarding the President
- -Anti-Semitic vote

Middle East

- -The President's forthcoming memorandum to Kissinger
 - -Timing
 - -US policy

Jews

- -President's forthcoming trip to the Soviet Union
- -Pressure regarding Israel
 - -Burns
 - -Leonard Garment
 - -Fisher
- -Support for the President

News media

- -Television coverage of the President's previous statement on Meany
 - -American Broadcasting Corporation [ABC]
 - -Ronald L. Ziegler's expectations
 - -ABC
 - -Length of statement
 - -Reaction
 - -Consumer Price Index [CPI]

Connally

- -Comments on *Today*
 - -National Broadcasting Corporation [NBC]
 - -Haldeman's view
 - -Charts
- -The President's view
- -Schedule

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Federal Reserve Board
     -Appointments
          -Roles of Burns and Connally
          -Haldeman's previous conversation with Shultz
                -Shultz's previous conversation with Burns
                     -Frederic V. Malek's role
                     -Burns's role in approving appointments
                     -The President's role
                          -Malek
                          -Burns
                          -Connally
                          -Shultz
Connally
     -The President's view
     -Haldeman's view
MacGregor
     -House members
News summary
     -ITT
          -James O. Eastland's committee's activities
                -San Diego
                -Haldeman's view
Media coverage of administration
     -The President's view
     -Haldeman's view
          -Sherman Adams
          -Harry H. Vaughn
     -Robert C. Wilson, Robert H. Finch, Herbert G. Klein
          -The President's view
     -Sheraton Hotels
Connally
Administration's activities
     -Drugs
     -[Pay Board]
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-Staff morale

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-The President's previous statement regarding Meany
          -Haldeman's view
     -Drugs
Federal Bureau of Investigation [FBI]
     -FBI experts compared to external experts
The President's instructions
     -Russell A. Kirk
     -Robert A. Nisbet
The President's schedule
     -Possible press meeting with China experts
           -Ziegler's views
                -Soviet Union
          -Wives
     -Press conferences
          -Value
          -Timing
                -Camp David
                -Gridiron dinner
                     -Television
                -The President's forthcoming trip to the Soviet Union
     -Possible fireside talk on drugs
           -Timing
           -Preparation
                -The President's view
           -Format
                -Telephones
     -Radio talks
           -Raymond K. Price, Jr.
                -Emil ("Bus") Mosbacher, Jr.'s talk with Haldeman
                -Gridiron dinner
Supreme Court
     -Mitchell
The President's schedule
     -Press conferences
          -Timing
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-Vacations

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-Democratic National Convention
          -Republican National Convention
     -Marvin L. Kalb
          -Kissinger
                -Soviet Union trip
          -Ziegler
Kissinger's schedule
     -Chicago, Houston, Dallas
          -Television talk shows
     -Connally
          -Texas
                -Houston
                -Dallas-Ft. Worth
     -Kalb
     -Columbia Broadcasting System [CBS]
          -Size of television audience
          -Treatment of the administration
William P. Rogers
     -Kissinger
     -Comments regarding Arthur K. Watson
Watson
     -Incident on airplane
          -Public reaction towards President
                -Bible Belt
                     -Haldeman's view
          -Frank F. Church's comments
                -Chinese
     -Rogers
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Haldeman left at 10:45 am.

Conversation No. 326-9

Date: March 24, 1972

Time: Unknown between 10:45 am and 12:54 pm

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Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

Note for John B. Connally -Rose Mary Woods

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 12s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 12:54 pm.

Conversation No. 326-10

Date: March 24, 1972

Time: Unknown between 10:45 am and 12:54 pm

Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with an unknown man.

Briefing book

-Instructions on binding

The unknown man left at an unknown time before 12:54 pm.

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Conv. No. 326-9 (cont.)

Date: March 24, 1972 Time: Unknown between 10:45 am and 12:54 pm Location: Executive Office Building
The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1 [Personal Returnable] [Duration: 7s]
END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 12:54 pm.
Conversation No. 326-12
Date: March 24, 1972 Time: Unknown between 10:45 am and 12:54 pm Location: Executive Office Building
The President met with an unknown person.

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1 [Personal Returnable] [Duration: 14s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

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******************************** The unknown person left at an unknown time before 12:54 pm. Conversation No. 326-13 Date: March 24, 1972 Time: Unknown between 10:45 am and 12:54 pm Location: Executive Office Building The President met with Manolo Sanchez ***************************** BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1 [Personal Returnable] [Duration: 7s] END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1 ******************************* Sanchez left at an unknown time before 12:54 pm.

Conversation No. 326-14

Date: March 24, 1972

Time: Unknown between 10:45 am and 12:54 pm

Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with an unknown person.

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An unknown man's location

Conversation No. 326-15

Date: March 24, 1972

Time: Unknown between 10:45 am and 12:54 pm

Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 22-12]

Conversation No. 326-16

Date: March 24, 1972 Time: 12:54 pm - 1:12 pm

Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with Charles W. Colson.

[See Conversation No. 22-13; one item has been withdrawn from this conversation]

Conversation No. 326-17

Date: March 24, 1972

Time: Unknown between 1:12 pm and 1:16 pm

Location: Executive Office Building

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

Pending legislation
-Section 315 on equal time

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- -The President's previous call to Charles W. Colson
- -Democrats
- -Possible candidate debates
- -Television
 - -Minor candidates
- -The President's view

Peter M. Flanigan
-John D. Ehrlichman

Conversation No. 326-18

Date: March 24, 1972 Time: 1:16 pm - 1:17 pm

Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with Ronald L. Ziegler.

[See Conversation No. 22-15]

Conversation No. 326-19

Date: March 24, 1972 Time: 1:24 pm - 2:00 pm

Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Ronald L. Ziegler.

The President's forthcoming press conference
-Possible topics
-Patrick J. Buchanan
-Northern Ireland
-Press coverage

Public relations

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-John B. Connally's previous Today appearance
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-Donald Rumsfeld's previous Meet the Press appearance

The President's forthcoming press conference

- -The President's possible demeanor
 - -Ziegler's view
 - -Connally
- -National economy
 - -Pay Board
- -Judiciary Committee
 - -Michael J. Mansfield
 - -Vote on Richard G. Kleindienst's nomination

National news items

-Herbert Stein's statement

-Ziegler's view

-Food prices

-Price Commission

-Connally's statement

- -Unknown person [Hubert H. Humphrey?]
 - -Productivity Commission
- -Busing
 - -Detroit
 - -Stephen J. Roth
 - -Moratorium
 - -Department of Justice
- -New York banks' prime rate
 - -Unknown bank
 - -First National Bank

The President talked with H.R. ("Bob") Haldeman at an unknown time between 1:24 pm and 1:28 pm.

[Conversation No. 326-19A]

National economy

-New York banks' prime rate

-Connally

[End of telephone conversation]

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The President's forthcoming press conference
-Vice President Spiro T. Agnew
-Statement in New Orleans
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-Vice Presidency

-The President's view

-Politics

-Primaries

-George C. Wallace

-Campaign spending

-Buchanan's view

-Wallace

-Section 315 regarding equal time

-Possible debates

-Howard H. Baker, Jr.'s equity amendment

Haldeman talked with the President between 1:28 pm and 1:29 pm.

[Conversation No. 326-19B]

[See Conversation No. 22-16]

[End of telephone conversation]

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The President's forthcoming press conference
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-Politics

-Possible debates

-The President's view

-Timing of political speeches

-Debates

-The President's forthcoming trip to the Soviet Union

-Press interest

-Itinerary

-Agenda

-Strategic Arms Limitation Talks [SALT]

- Trade

-International Telephone and Telegraph [ITT] case

-Peter M. Flanigan

-Thomas F. Eagleton's attack

-Ziegler's statements

-Richard W. McLaren's statements

-Chile

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-Statement Department
          -Dwight D. Eisenhower
               -Sherman Adams
          -Harry S. Truman
               -Alger Hiss
               -Harry H. Vaughn
          -Scandals
               -Proof of charges
                     -Harry S. Truman
Press
     -Ziegler's forthcoming list
          -The President's view
               -Television
               -Radio
          -Nicholas P. Thimmesch
          -Frank van der Linden
          -Richard ("Dick") Wilson
          -Clark R. Mollenhoff
          -Wire services
               -Frank Cormier
               -Ziegler's view
                     -Helen Thomas
                     -Gaylord Shaw
          -Preparation
The President's forthcoming press conference
     -Schedule
          -Timing
          -Length
               -Jim Deakin
               -Cormier
Unknown man
     -Views of the press
     -Busing
          -Liberals
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Unknown man [George C. Wallace?]

- -Tax reform
- -Democratic presidential candidates
 - -Combined tenure in Senate
 - -Inactivity

The President's forthcoming press conference

- -National economy
 - -Price control
 - -Consumer Price Index [CPI]
 - -George Meany
 - -Leonard Woodcock
- -Busing legislation
 - -South
 - -School bus accident
- -Separate but equal education
 - -Ziegler's statement regarding the President's views
 - -Brown vs. the Topeka Board of Education
 - -The President's view
- -Ziegler's view
- -George P. Shultz's views

The President's schedule

- -Press conferences
 - -Frequency
 - -The President's forthcoming trip to the Soviet Union
 - -Democratic National Convention
 - -The President's view
 - -Ziegler's conversation with Haldeman
 - -Format
 - -Timing and location
 - -Democratic National Convention
 - -Republican National Convention
 - -San Clemente
 - -Democratic National Convention
 - -The President's view
 - -Staff schedules
 - -Youth
 - -Possible international press conference
 - -The President's forthcoming trip to the Soviet Union
 - -Ziegler's conversation with Haldeman

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-The President's demeanor
               -Compared to Connally's demeanor
                    -Meany
                     -Charts
Agnew
     -Press coverage
     -Statements to press
          -California
               -ITT
          -Ziegler's view
               -Defensiveness
     -Press coverage
The President's forthcoming press conference
     -National economy
          -The President's program
               -Price controls
                    -Humphrey, Meany
                     -Food prices
                          -Price Commission
                          -Middlemen
                          -Farmers
                     -Ziegler's view
                          -Pay Board
                    -Inflation
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Ziegler left at 2:00 pm.

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Conversation No. 326-20

Date: March 24, 1972 Time: 2:05 pm - 2:06 pm

Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with Ronald L. Ziegler.

[See Conversation No. 22-18]

Conversation No. 326-21

Date: March 24, 1972

Time: Unknown between 2:06 pm and 2:22 pm

Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 22-19]

Conversation No. 326-22

Date: March 24, 1972 Time: 2:22 pm - 2:23 pm

Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with Edward J. Gurney.

[See Conversation No. 22-20]