Conversation No. 334-1

Date: April 25, 1972
Time: Unknown between 2:25 pm and 3:35 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

Note

Papers
- John D. Ehrlichman

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 3:35 pm.

Conversation No. 334-2

Date: April 25, 1972
Time: 3:35 pm - 4:20 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Ronald L. Ziegler.

Briefing

Vietnam
- Announcement on US troop levels
  - Time
    - Basketball game
    - California
    - News shows
- Ziegler's possible comments
  - The President's report to nation
    - Henry A. Kissinger’s return from Moscow
    - Camp David
- Consultation
- Approval of announcement
- Changes in levels
- May 1, 1972
- Negotiations
  - Announcement
  - Timing
- Kissinger's trip to Moscow
  - Disclosure to press
    - Ziegler's statement
- Secrecy
  - Necessity
- Disclosure to press
- Soviet summit
  - Crisis
  - Answers to questions

Kissinger entered at 3:40 pm.

Ziegler's briefing
- Time

Ziegler left at an unknown time before 3:42 pm.

The President's forthcoming speech on Vietnam
- Draft
  - Review
- Major point
  - Doves, intellectuals
    - Cambodia's speech [April 30, 1970]
    - November 3, 1969 speech
  - Difference in tone
    - Soviets
- Election
  - Relation to Cambodia
- Cambodia
  - Washington Post
- Problems
  - Kent State University
- Appeal to hawks
- Doves
- Problems

John K. Andrews, Jr. entered at 3:42 pm.
-Copy for Kissinger
-Review with Andrews and Winston Lord
-Quality of work

Andrews left at 3:45 pm.

-Kissinger's recommendations
  -Changes
    -Peace terms
    -Hyperbole
-Doves
  -Concern
-Soviets
-Hawks
  -Clark MacGregor's survey
-Kissinger’s schedule
  -Speaking engagement
-Tone
  -Changes

Manolo Sanchez entered at an unknown time after 3:45 pm.

Refreshment

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 3:55 pm.

Vietnam
  -The President's speech
    -Review with Kissinger
      -First part of speech
      -Casualties
      -Timing
    -Negotiations
      -The President's offers to North Vietnam
    -Casualties
      -Statement on number from previous year
    -Kissinger's changes
      -Review by the President
    -Negotiations
      -North Vietnamese refusal to talk

Kissinger's health
-Trip to Moscow
  -Time difference

Kissinger's trip to Moscow
  -Call to Katherine L. Graham
    -Publication of secret papers in *Washington Post*
    -Kissinger's protests
    -Graham's reaction

Vietnam
  -The President's speech
    -Kissinger's revisions
      -North Vietnamese troop figures
      -Battlefield reports
    -Vietnamization program
    -Deletions
      -Future announcement
    -Use of draftees
    -US readiness to negotiate
    -US proposals
    -Bombing
      -Public issue
      -Statement on US objectives
    -Critics

Ziegler entered at 3:55 pm.

Television networks
  -Conversation with H. R. (“Bob”) Haldeman
    -Request
      -The President's speech
        -Basketball game
        -Scheduling
        -Length of speech
        -Delay in game

Ziegler left at 3:56 pm.

Vietnam
  -The President's speech
    -Kissinger's changes
    -North Vietnamese victory
Conv. No. 334-2 (cont.)

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-Deletions
  -Soviet assistance to North Vietnam
-Reference to Middle East
-Liberals
  -US refusal to be humiliated or defeated or to surrender
-Deletions
  -Soviets
-Tone
-US involvement
  -Termination
-Deletions
-US as "great power"
  -The President's responsibilities
    -World leadership
-Stewart J.O. Alsop
  -Conversation with Kissinger
-Evaluation
-Bombing of Hanoi and Haiphong
  -Sherlock Holmes analogy
  -Support
-Bombing
  -Invitation to Moscow
-Frequency
-Kissinger’s trip to Moscow
-Hanoi and Haiphong
-Anatoliy F. Dobrynin
  -Meeting with Kissinger
    -Soviet Summit
-The President's forthcoming speech to retiring congressmen
-Kissinger's briefing for John B. Connally
  -Leonid I. Brezhnev
-Cease-fire in place
  -Reaction to proposal
    -The President's conversation with Alexander M. Haig, Jr.
-Porter
  -Termination of war
-Possible bombing
-Kissinger's meeting with Dobrynin
  -Meeting with Andrei A. Gromyko
-Soviets
  -Assistance to US
    -W[illiam] Averell Harriman, Lyndon B. Johnson and Robert F. Kennedy
-Motives for settlement
-German Treaty
-Middle East
-Strategic Arms Limitation Talks [SALT]
-People's Republic of China [PRC]
-Dobrynin
  -Dealings with present Administration
-Interests of "great powers"
-Gromyko
  -Brezhnev
-The President's speech
-Secrecy
  -Leaks
  -Ziegler, Haldeman, John A. Scali, William P. Rogers and Melvin R. Laird
-Kissinger's changes
  -Lord
  -The President's review
-Rogers
  -Discussion with Kissinger
-Rogers
  -Involvement in PRC, Moscow, SALT and Berlin trips

SALT
-Discussion with Kissinger
-Negotiations
  -Gerard C. Smith
  -Haig
  -Plenary sessions
-Rogers
  -Discussion with Kissinger
  -Anti-ballistic missiles [ABM]
-Smith
  -Contacts with Kissinger
  -Rogers and Laird
-Joint Chiefs of Staff [JCS]
-Smith and Rogers
-Kissingers' trip to Moscow
  -Paper
    -Recall of Smith
    -Wire from the President
-Rogers
Kissinger left at 4:20 pm.

Date: April 25, 1972
Time: 4:23 pm - 4:24 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with Stephen B. Bull.

[See Conversation No. 23-72]
Date: April 25, 1972
Time: Unknown between 4:24 pm and 4:26 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with an unknown person.

President’s schedule

Conversation No. 334-5

Date: April 25, 1972
Time: Unknown between 4:24 pm and 4:26 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 23-73]

Conversation No. 334-6

Date: April 25, 1972
Time: 4:26 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 23-74]

Conversation No. 334-7

Date: April 25, 1972
Time: 4:28 pm - 4:55 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

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

Ronald W. Reagan
- Reaction to briefing

Congress
- Briefing

Vietnam
- Bombing halt
- A study
  - Tom C. Huston
    - Haldeman' note from Kenneth L. Khachigian [?]
    - North Vietnamese communications to Lyndon B. Johnson via William Averell Harriman
  - Analysis
  - Publication of documents
    - Harriman
    - Timing
    - Arrangements
      - Henry A. Kissinger

- Documents
  - Huston
  - Official release
  - Kissinger
  - Publication
    - Value of story

The President’s schedule
- Forthcoming speech
  - Networks
  - Helicopter
    - Time

Vietnam
- Hawks
  - Reaction to Administration's policies
    - Reasons
    - Soviets
  - Settlement
The President's schedule
  -Meeting
    -Time
    -Rogers
  -Meeting with Republic of Korea Foreign Minister [Kim Yong-Shik]
    -Troops in South Vietnam

Vietnam
  -The President's speech
    -Speechwriter
      -John K. Andrews, Jr.
        -Abilities
        -Contributions to text and tone
        -Youth

Alexander P. Butterfield entered at 4:35 pm.

The President's schedule
  -Dinner for retiring congressmen

Butterfield left at 4:37 pm.
  -Timing
  -Value
The President talked with Ronald L. Ziegler between 4:43 and 4:45 pm.

[Conversation No. 334-7A]

[See Conversation No. 23-75]

[End of telephone conversation]

Press
- Reaction to Kissinger's trip to Moscow
  - Credibility
  - People’s Republic of China [PRC]
  - Public reaction

Kissinger's trip to Moscow
- Public reaction
  - Katherine L. Graham
  - Washington Post
    - Letters to editor
  - Press reaction
  - Hostility

Press
- Administration's reactions

The President's schedule
- Trip to Florida
  - Meeting with Gerard C. Smith and verification panel
- Press conference
  - Foreign policy

Vietnam issue
- Congress
  - Madame Nguyen Thi Binh's letter
    - Robert J. Dole
  - Effect on congressional elections
    - The President’s defeat of Jerry Voorhis in 1946
    - Congressional reaction

The President's dinner
- Col. Albert Shoepper
- Butterfield
Haldeman talked with an unknown person at an unknown time between 4:37 and 4:55 pm.

[Conversation No. 334-7B]

The President's dinner
  -Ford
  -Albert
  -Frank T. Bow

[End of telephone conversation]

The President's schedule
  -Stephen B. Bull
  -Barber

Shoepper

Haldeman talked with an unknown person at an unknown time between 4:37 and 4:55 pm.

[Conversation No. 334-7C]

The President's dinner
  -Preparations
    -Bull
      -Barber
      -Appointment

[End of telephone conversation]

Haldeman left at 4:55 pm.

Date: May 2, 1972
Time: Unknown between 9:06 am and 9:28 am
Location: Executive Office Building
The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

The President's schedule
  - Meeting
  - Time
  - Announcement
  - Meeting
    - Telephone call to Alexander M. Haig, Jr. [?]
    - Timing

Bull left at an unknown time before 9:28 am.

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Date: May 2, 1972
Time: Unknown between 9:06 am and 9:28 am
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with an unknown person [Alexander M. Haig, Jr.?].

Meeting with the President

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Date: May 2, 1972
Time: 9:28 am - 10:00 am
Location: Executive Office Building

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

J. Edgar Hoover
  - Death
    - Call from Richard G. Kleindienst
  - Announcement
    - The President
Haig entered at 9:29 am.

Haldeman left at 9:30 am.

Tony Watkins.

State Department

Vietnam

-Negotiations

-Henry A. Kissinger
-Message to Haig
-Time in Paris
-Future call to Haig
-Meeting
-Quang Tri
-Bin Dinh province
-South Vietnamese army
-Regiment
-Location
-Pacified area
-Memorandum
-Quang Tri
-Capture
-Army of the Republic of Vietnam [ARVN] division
-Commander Gen. Vu Van Giai
-North Vietnamese assault
-South Vietnamese units
-Escape
-Contact with North Vietnam
-North Vietnam
-US air strikes
-Gen. Creighton W. Abrams, Jr.’s request

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2
[National Security]
[Duration: ___3s___]

INTELLIGENCE

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2

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-Wounded
-Number to North Vietnam
-Deaths
-Significance of figures
-North Vietnamese invasion
- Abrams's report
  - Tone
  - ARVN
    - US training program
- ARVN response
  - US advisors
    - Relations with South Vietnamese counterparts
    - Compared with Cambodia

US military
- Adm. Elmo R. Zumwalt, Jr.
  - Recent policies
    - Impact on navy
    - Discipline

Vietnam
- North Vietnamese invasion
  - Wounded
  - Air strikes
    - Number
      - TACAIR
      - Military region [MR] one
    - Impact
  - Quang Tri
    - Capture
      - Reasons
      - South Vietnamese leadership
      - Significance
  - Hue
    - South Vietnamese Commander, General Phu [sp?] [Forename unknown]
    - South Vietnamese units
      - Marines
      - Rangers
    - South Vietnamese tanks
      - Losses
      - Latest report
      - Errors
    - Capabilities
    - Tanks
      - West Europe
      - Shipment by air
      - Problems
- Okinawa
- Missiles
  - Effectiveness
    - Helicopters
    - Tanks
    - Tests
  - Use by South Vietnamese and US helicopter crews
- North Vietnamese invasion
  - MR Two
    - Battles
  - Kissinger's report on pause in fighting
    - Paris negotiations
  - Kontum
    - Possible loss
    - Timing
    - Retreat
      - Execution
    - South Vietnamese performance
    - Possible loss
    - Air strikes
    - Importance
- MR Three
  - Saigon
    - Scare stories
  - Abrams
  - North Vietnamese losses
  - Route One in Cambodia
    - Opening
- MR Four
  - Abrams
  - ARVN success
  - An loc
  - Patrols
    - Contacts with North Vietnam
- MR One
  - Latest reports
  - South Vietnamese counterattacks
- ARVN
  - Performance
- Air strikes
  - Hanoi and Haiphong
  - Kissinger
- Abrams
- US public reaction
  - Relation to Strategic Arms Limitation Talks [SALT]
  - Support
- Impact on North Vietnam
  - US bargaining position
- ARVN
  - Morale
  - US support
  - Implementation
- Paris talks
  - William J. Porter
  - Importance
- Air strikes
  - Kissinger’s recommendations
    - B-52s
    - Problems
  - Haig’s recommendation
    - Concentration of force
    - Planning
    - Intensity
    - First strikes
    - Pressure on Abrams
      - Adm. Thomas H. Moorer
      - Moorer
        - Call from Haig
  - Importance
    - North Vietnam
    - ARVN morale
    - US public opinion
- Press reports
  - Long Tieng
  - Pnompenh
- Press coverage
  - Columbia Broadcasting System [CBS]
    - ARVN unit
  - Kissinger
  - Press
    - Liberals
    - Defensiveness
    - Paris talks and SALT
- Public opinion
-Desire for action
-Abrams
-Reaction to invasion
-John W. Vogt, Jr.
-Reaction
-Abrams
-Ellsworth F. Bunker
-Meeting with Nguyen Van Thieu
-Contacts With ARVN
-Bunker
-Message to Thieu
-US support
-Work with ARVN
-Kissinger
-Paris trip
-Thieu

Hoover
-Performance
-Enemies

Vietnam
-Abrams
-Press briefings
-The President
-Melvin R. Laird
-Abrams
-Dealings with press
-Quang Tri
-Kontum
-Kissinger
-Soviet summit
-US acceptance
-People’s Republic of China [PRC] trip
-Free elections
-Thieu
-Air strikes against Hanoi and Haiphong
-Impact on North Vietnam
-Cessation
-Reasons
-Soviet Union
-Washington Special Actions Group [WSAG]
Haig left at 10:00 am.

Date: May 2, 1972
Time: Unknown between 10:00 am and 10:25 am
Location: Executive Office Building

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

J. Edgar Hoover
-Death
  -Announcement
  -Funeral
    -John N. Mitchell
    -White House control
    -Clyde A. Tolson

Federal Bureau of Investigation [FBI]
-Appointment of new director
  -Acting Director
    -[Forename unknown] Micko [sp?]
    -Tolson
      -Health

Hoover
-Death
  -Patrick J. Buchanan
  -Announcement by the President
    -Information
      -Hoover’s career
  -Memorial service
  -John D. Ehrlichman
    -Melvin R. Laird
  -The President's support during career
    -Opposition to critics
      -Press
Date: May 2, 1972
Time: Unknown between 10:00 am and 10:25 am
Location: Executive Office Building

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

Lt. Gen. Vernon A. Walters
- Confirmation by Senate
- Loyalty
- Job at Central Intelligence Agency [CIA]
- Compared with J. Edgar Hoover

Hoover
- Announcement of death
- Delay

Date: May 2, 1972
Time: Unknown between 10:00 am and 10:25 am
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with Manolo Sanchez.

Request for meeting

Date: May 2, 1972
Time: Unknown between 10:00 am and 10:25 am
Location: Executive Office Building
The President talked with H. R. (“Bob”) Haldeman.

J. Edgar Hoover
- Successor
  - Acting Director
    - Clyde A. Tolson
  - Confirmation
  - Election
  - Selection
    - Compared to Cabinet appointments
    - Criteria
  - Confirmation
    - Problems
    - Delays
  - Acting Director
    - Capable aide
    - Limited term
  - Compared with Supreme Court vacancy
  - Appointment
    - Problems

Date: May 2, 1972
Time: 10:25 am - 10:35 am
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Patrick J. Buchanan.

J. Edgar Hoover
- Death
  - Written statement
    - Release
    - Text
    - Mourning
    - Career
      - Service
      - Loyalty
Conv. No. 334-15 (cont.)

-Buchanan left at 10:35 am.

Conv. No. 334-16

Date: May 2, 1972
Time: 10:35 am - 10:37 am
Location: Executive Office Building

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

[See Conversation No. 23-103]

Conv. No. 334-17

Date: May 2, 1972
Time: Unknown after 10:37 am and 10:43 am
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Patrick J. Buchanan.

-Buchanan left at 10:43 am.
Conversation No. 334-18

Date: May 2, 1972  
Time: 10:43 am - 10:44 am  
Location: Executive Office Building  

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

[See Conversation No. 23-104]

Conversation No. 334-19

Date: May 2, 1972  
Time: Unknown between 1:20 pm and 1:22 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 1:22 pm.
Date: May 2, 1972
Time: 1:22 pm - 1:23 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Alexander P. Butterfield.

Butterfield left at 1:23 pm.

Date: May 2, 1972
Time: Unknown between 1:23 pm and 4:38 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

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

The President's schedule
- Domestic activities
- Grocery store
- Richard A. Moore
- J. Edgar Hoover's funeral
  - Eulogy
  - Burial service
  - Richard G. Kleindienst

Hoover
- Successor
- Nominee
- Selection
  - Timing
  - Postponement
  - Election year consideration
- L. Patrick Gray
  - Commitment
- Statement
  - Preparation
Conv. No. 334-21 (cont.)

- John D. Ehrlichman
- Ronald L. Ziegler
- Release
  - Timing
- Review by the President
- Length

Conversation No. 334-22

Date: May 2, 1972
Time: Unknown between 1:23 pm and 4:38 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with an unknown person.

Greetings

The unknown person left at an unknown time before 4:38 pm.

Conversation No. 334-23

Date: May 2, 1972
Time: Unknown between 1:23 pm and 4:38 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.
Sanchez left at an unknown time before 4:38 pm.

Date: May 2, 1972  
Time: Unknown between 1:23 pm and 4:38 pm  
Location: Executive Office Building

The President dictated a memorandum for the file.
Date: May 2, 1972
Time: Unknown between 1:23 pm and 4:38 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President dictated a memorandum for the file.

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Personal returnable]
[Duration: 1m 53s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Personal returnable]
[Duration: 47s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

Date: May 2, 1972
Time: Unknown between 1:23 pm and 4:38 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President dictated a memorandum for the file [portions were replayed].

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Personal returnable]
[Duration: 47s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
Date:  May 2, 1972  
Time:  Unknown between 1:23 pm and 4:38 pm  
Location:  Executive Office Building  

The President dictated a memorandum for the file.

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1  
[Personal returnable]  
[Duration: 2m 34s ]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1  
[Personal returnable]  
[Duration: 2m 43s ]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

Conversation No. 334-28

Date:  May 2, 1972  
Time:  Unknown between 1:23 pm and 4:38 pm  
Location:  Executive Office Building  

The President dictated a memorandum for the file.

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1  
[Personal returnable]  
[Duration: 2m 43s ]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

Conversation No. 334-29
Date:  May 2, 1972
Time:  Unknown between 1:23 pm and 4:38 pm
Location:  Executive Office Building

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

Private memoranda
   -Filing

Tape recorder
   -Problem
     -Repair

Briefcase

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 4:38 pm.

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Personal returnable]
[Duration: 1m 29s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
Date: May 2, 1972
Time: Unknown between 1:23 pm and 4:38 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with an unknown person.

Door

Conversation No. 334-32

Date: May 2, 1972
Time: Unknown between 1:23 pm and 4:38 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

Weather

*Sequoia* cruise
- Departure time

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 4:38 pm.

Conversation No. 334-33

Date: May 2, 1972
Time: Unknown between 1:23 pm and 4:38 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with an unknown person.

Return call

Conversation No. 334-34
Date: May 2, 1972
Time: 4:38 pm - 4:39 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with Stephen B. Bull.

[See Conversation No. 23-112]

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Conversation No. 334-35

Date: May 2, 1972
Time: 4:40 pm - 4:41 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

Alexander M. Haig, Jr. talked with the President.

[See Conversation No. 23-113]

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Conversation No. 334-36

Date: May 2, 1972
Time: Unknown after 4:41 pm - 6:17 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with H. R. (“Bob”) Haldeman.
BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Personal returnable]
[Duration: 56s.]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

J. Edgar Hoover
   -Death
     -Publicity
       -Compared with Dwight D. Eisenhower's death
     -Press reports
       -Past criticism

Vietnam
   -North Vietnamese invasion
     -Refugees

Hoover
   -Rotunda
   -Lying-in-state
     -Justice Department
   -Successor
     -Selection
       -John D. Ehrlichman
   -Senate
   -Federal Bureau of Investigation [FBI]
     -Congressional investigation
       -Problems
   -Successor
     -Selection
       -Senate
       -1972 election
         -Climate of opinion
       -Postponement
         -Statement
         -Political issue
Alexander M. Haig, Jr. talked with the President between 4:49 and 4:51 pm.

[Conversation No. 334-36A]

[See Conversation No. 23-114]

[End of telephone conversation]

Vietnam
- US air strikes
  - Concentration
- US training programs
- [Unintelligible]
- Robert F. Kennedy

Hoover
- The President's statement
  - Raymond K. Price, Jr.
  - News reports
- Funeral
- Publicity
- Detractors
- Flags
  - Half-mast
    - The President's order
- 1972 election
  - Issue

John B. Connally

Unknown person

The President talked with the White House operator at an unknown time between 4:51 and 4:57 pm.
[Conversation No. 334-36B]

[See Conversation No. 23-115]

[End of telephone conversation]

**Meeting**

- Duration
- Unknown person's speech

Manolo Sanchez entered at an unknown time after 4:51 pm.

**Machine**

- Removal

Sanchez left at 4:57 pm.

The President talked with Tricia Nixon Cox between 4:57 and 4:58 pm.

[Conversation No. 334-36C]

[See Conversation No. 23-116; one item has been withdrawn from the conversation.]

[End of telephone conversation]

**Hoover**

- The President's statement
  - Ehrlichman
  - Law and order
  - Detractors

Jerry V. Wilson

Byron R. White

Robert C. Mardian

Curtis W. Tarr

Bill Woods

Connally
Unknown person's reaction

Connally
- Party at ranch
- House
  - Tour by Haldeman
  - Reaction of Idanell (Brill) (“Nellie”) Connally
- Gift
  - World's Fair of 1939
  - Letter from the President
  - Shelly [sp?] Smith
  - Value
  - Location

Vietnam

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 5
[Personal returnable]
[Duration: 1m 33s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 5

Unknown person's views
- New York Times
- Indians
- United Nations [UN]
- Blacks

Virgil Percy [sp?] 
- Union magazine editor
- Time
- Meeting with the President
The President's schedule
   - Trip to Annapolis
     - Transportation
     - *Sequoia*
       - Naval Academy cadets
     - Publicity
       - Compared with meeting with astronauts
     - *Sequoia*
     - Chapel service
     - Return to Washington
   - Domestic events
     - Ehrlichman
     - Problems
     - Scheduling
     - Hoover statement
       - Timing
       - Price
     - Radio
       - Audience
       - Replays

FBI
   - Importance
   - Director
     - Nominee

Central Intelligence Agency [CIA]
   - Lt. Gen. Vernon A. Walters

Vietnam
   - Refugees
     - News stories
     - Significance
     - News stories
     - Public support for the President
   - North Vietnamese invasion
     - Soviet aid
     - Soviet summit

Sanchez entered at an unknown time after 4:58 pm.

The President's schedule
- *Sequoia* cruise
  - Preparations
  - Time
  - Attendance
  - The President's pipes

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 5:26 pm.

Vietnam
  - The President's policies
  - Polls
  - Soviet summit
    - Approval rate
  - Enemy casualties in Laos

The President's schedule
  - Hoover eulogy
  - Trip to Annapolis
    - The President's speech
      - Subject

[Haldeman talked with an unknown person at an unknown time between 4:58 and 5:26 pm.]

[Conversation No. 334-36D]

[End of telephone conversation]

The President talked with the White House operator at an unknown time between 4:58 and 5:26 pm.

[Conversation No. 334-36E]

[See Conversation No. 23-117]

[End of telephone conversation]

FBI
  - Richard G. Kleindienst
The President talked with Clyde A. Tolson between 5:26 and 5:27 pm.

[Conversation No. 334-36F]

[See Conversation No. 23-118]

[End of telephone conversation]

Haldeman talked with an unknown person at an unknown time between 5:27 and 5:30 pm.

[Conversation No. 334-36G]

The President’s schedule

[End of telephone conversation]
Conv. No. 334-36 (cont.)

- problems
  - tradition
- armory
  - arrangements
- selection
  - criteria

Hoover
  - eulogy
  - john foster dulles
  - succession
  - tolson
  - age

Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 5:27 pm.

Meeting with ehrlichman

Bull left at an unknown time before 5:30 pm.

Ehrlichman entered at 5:30 pm.

Ronald L. Ziegler

Hoover
  - death
  - news stories
  - the president's announcement
    - news release
  - ziegler

The President talked with the White House operator at an unknown time between 5:30 and 5:31 pm.

[Conversation No. 334-36H]

[See Conversation No. 23-119]

[End of telephone conversation]

Haldeman left at 5:31 pm.
Ehrlichman talked with Ronald L. Ziegler between 5:35 and 5:37 pm.

[Conversation No. 334-36I]

[See Conversation No. 23-120]

Ehrlichman conferred with the President at an unknown time during the conversation.

FBI
- Acting Director
  - The President's nomination
    - Congress
    - Timing

[End of telephone conversation]

FBI
- Acting Director
  - Appointment
    - Timing
  - Gray
    - Ehrlichman's recommendation
  - Nomination
    - Permanent successor
      - 1972 election
        - Partisanship
  - Gray
    - Nomination
      - Conditions
      - Congressional investigation
        - Martin Luther King
        - Wiretap
        - Preventive detention
        - Possible questions
  - Hoover's successor
    - Announcement
      - Kleindienst
An unknown person entered at an unknown time after 5:37 pm.

Unknown request

The unknown person left at an unknown time before 5:46 pm.

Hoover's successor
  -Appointment
  -Devine
  -Reelection

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 7
[Personal returnable]
[Duration: 2m 33s ]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 7

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 8
[Personal returnable]
[Duration: 8m 3s ]

Bicentennial in Philadelphia
  -Problem
AN UNKNOWN PERSON ENTERED AT AN UNKNOWN TIME AFTER 5:37 PM.

THE UNKNOWN PERSON LEFT AT AN UNKNOWN TIME BEFORE 5:46 PM.

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 8

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The President's schedule
  -Nelson A. Rockefeller
  -Statement
    -Support from Republican governors
      -Governors Conference in White Sulphur Springs
    -Public support
      -Meeting with the President
    -Length

Bicentennial in Philadelphia
  -Frank L. Rizzo
    -Ehrlichman's call
    -Commission
      -Recommendation on Philadelphia
        -Problems
        -Finances
        -Conversations with Rizzo
      -State of Pennsylvania
        -Highway funds
      -Appropriations
        -Adverse recommendations
    -Rizzo
      -Meeting with Ehrlichman
      -Alternative proposals

Tax reform
  -Wilbur D. Mills's letter
    -Answer
    -Meeting with Mills
      -Connally's recommendation
    -Problems
Welfare reform
  -Senate Finance Committee
    -Republicans
      -Meeting with the President
      -Ehrlichman's recommendation
      -Proposals
      -Criticism
      -Elliot L. Richardson and James D. Hodgson
      -Russell B. Long
  -House Resolution [HR] 1
    -Administration's position
  -The President's meeting with Senate Finance Committee
    -Meeting with Ehrlichman
  -Ehrlichman's appearance on Meet the Press
    -Question
      -"Workfare"
    -Family assistance
    -Republican senators' proposals
      -Criticism
  -Possible questions for the President during recent Texas trip
    -Budget
    -Inflation
    -Welfare costs

Postal system
  -Ehrlichman's conversation with Hobart D. ("Hobe") Lewis
    -Subsidy
      -Life
      -Problems with elimination
      -Life
        -Future

Unemployment
  -Plan
    -Lewis's article
      -Title
      -Connally
      -Mailing
      -Reprints

Ronald L. Ziegler entered at 5:55 pm.
Phone call
- Richard C. Valeriani

The President's schedule
- Haldeman
- An announcement
- Meeting with Rockefeller

FBI
- Acting director
- Morning briefing

The President's schedule
- Meeting with Rockefeller
  - Time
  - Duration
  - News story
    - Acting Director of FBI
  - Time

FBI
- Acting Director
  - Nomination
  - A briefing
  - Senate
  - Partisanship
    - Timing of selection
  - Successor to Hoover
    - Kleindienst announcement
    - Confirmation problems
    - Announcement of interim director
      - Public acceptance
    - Selection
      - Postponement
        - Election year
        - Senate approval

Ziegler left at 6:03 pm.

The President talked with the White House operator at 6:03 pm.

[Conversation No. 334-36J]
The President's schedule
   -Trip to Annapolis
     -Discussion with Haldeman
     -Possible stops
     -Hoover

The President talked with Helen Gandy between 6:06 and 6:07 pm.

[Conversation No. 334-36K]

[See Conversation No. 23-122]

[End of telephone conversation]
-Youth
  -Naval officers
  -University of Maryland students
  -The President's identification
-Control of conversation
-Emphasis on young members of staff
-Control
-Transportation
-Stopover
  -Supermarket
  -Planning
  -Thelma C. ("Pat") Nixon
  -Small store
  -Jews
  -Chains
    -Connally
    -Safeway
    -Sanchez
    -Victorio Delacruz
-Dinner with midshipmen
  -Ziegler
  -Newspaperman
    -Robert Semple
    -New York Times
      -Pulitzer Prize
    -Wire service reporter
      -Walter Meares [sp?]
  -Edward E. Carlson
    -United Airlines
  -Edward E. Carlson, Jr.
    -Hubert H. Humphrey
    -Ambition
  -John K. Andrews, Jr.

Andrews

Ziegler
  -Age

The President's schedule
  -Trip to Soviet Union
     -Soviet summit
Conv. No. 334-36 (cont.)

-Summer trips

Briefcase

Ehrlichman left at 6:17 pm.

Conversation No. 334-37

Date: May 4, 1972
Time: Unknown between 1:52 pm and 2:51 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Personal returnable]
[Duration: 2s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 2:51 pm.

Conversation No. 334-38

Date: May 4, 1972
Time: Unknown between 1:52 pm and 2:51 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with an unknown person.
The President's schedule
- Meeting with Henry A. Kissinger
- Time

Conversation No. 334-39

Date: May 4, 1972
Time: Unknown between 1:52 pm and 2:51 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

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

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 2:51 pm.

Conversation No. 334-40

Date: May 4, 1972
Time: Unknown between 1:52 pm and 2:51 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 23-151]
Conv. No. 334-39 (cont.)

Conversation No. 334-41

Date: May 4, 1972
Time: 2:51 pm - 2:57 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with Richard A. Moore.

[See Conversation No. 23-152]

Conversation No. 334-42

Date: May 4, 1972
Time: Unknown between 2:57 pm and 3:02 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

Ray Conniff
- Arrival
- Meeting with the President
  - Photograph
  - Certificate
  - Tour of Oval Office
  - Gifts

Henry A. Kissinger
- Meeting with the President

Bull left at an unknown time before 3:02 pm.
Date: May 4, 1972  
Time: Unknown after 2:57 pm until 3:03 pm  
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Ray Conniff and Alexander P. Butterfield; the White House photographer was present at the beginning of the meeting.

Mrs. Emily Jo Ann (Imhof) Conniff  
-Trip to California  
-Baby  
-California adoption laws

Norman Vincent Peale  
-Visit with the Conniff  
-Best wishes  
-Wishes

Meeting with Ray Conniff

Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 2:57 pm.

Presidential gift  
-Ash tray  
-Emily Conniff

Bull left at an unknown time before 3:03 pm.

Ray Conniff  
-Singers

Conniff and Butterfield left at 3:03 pm.

Conversation No. 334-44

Date: May 4, 1972  
Time: 3:04 pm - unknown before 5:35 pm  
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Henry A. Kissinger and H. R. (“Bob”) Haldeman.
Greetings

J. Edgar Hoover
- Funeral

John B. Connally

The President's foreign policy
- The President’s instincts
  - EC 121
    - William P. Rogers and Melvin R. Laird
  - November 3, 1969 speech
    - Shortcomings
  - Camp David
  - Cambodia
    - Blockade
  - Laos
    - US reaction
  - US reactions
  - Laird
  - Alexander M. Haig, Jr.'s. mission
  - Rogers
  - US assault

Soviets
- Connally
- Summit
  - Cancellation
    - Significance

Vietnam
- Public reaction
  - Lyndon B. Johnson's position
    - Military moves
  - The President's policies
    - Compared with Johnson
  - Air strikes
    - Abrams and Laird
    - The President's orders
      - Adm. Thomas H. Moorer
-Hue
-Duration
-Intensity

-Summit
  -Cancellation
  -Blockade

-US goal
-1972 election
-Bombing
  -Escalation
  -Public opinion
  -Senate reaction

-US goal
-Soviet Summit
-US stakes
  -Connally
-South Vietnam
-Air attacks
  -Intensity
  -Connally
  -Civilian casualties
  -Railroad yards
  -Docks
    -Soviet ships
    -Military installations
      -Civilians

-North Vietnam
-Goals
  -Defeat of the President
  -Ramifications

-US defeat
  -Consequences
    -Domino theory
      -Thailand
      -Indonesia
      -Israel

-Soviets
  -View of the President and Kissinger
-People's Republic of China [PRC]
-Romania
-Cuba
-Dealings with North Vietnam
-Policies toward US
-Negotiations
  -Questions
    -Le DucTho [?]
  -Prisoners of war [POWs]
-North Vietnamese strategy
  -Defeat of negotiated settlement
-North Vietnamese conditions
  -Plenary meetings
  -Preparations for bombing
  -Bombing halt
-Bombing
  -Blockade
    -The President's explanation to public
      -Kissinger
        -Moscow trip
          -William J. Porter
      -Refusal to surrender
      -Cutoff of military supplies
    -Soviets
      -Summit cancellation
        -Likelihood
      -Impact of two-day strike
      -Kissinger's recommendation
  -Blockade
    -Advantages
      -Abrams and Laird
-Bombing
  -Rail lines to the People's Republic of China [PRC]
  -Oil dumps
  -Extent
  -The President's speech
  -Duration
  -Abrams
  -Hue
  -B-52s
    -F-4s
  -Hanoi and Haiphong
-Targets
  -Petroleum, oil, and lubricants [POL] dumps
  -Power plants
  -Rail yards
- Coordination with blockade
  - Soviet summit
    - Cancellation
      - Blockade
      - Bombing
      - Television announcement
  - Blockade
    - Summit
    - Warning
    - The President's announcement
      - Necessity
      - Explanation to public
  - Summit
    - Cancellation
  - Blockade
    - Explanation to governments shipping to North Vietnam
      - Kissinger
      - Porter
      - Le Duc Tho
    - Retaliation
      - Kontum
      - Dong Ha
      - Quang Tri
    - Duration
      - Cease-fire
      - POW release
      - Withdrawal of US forces
    - Cease-fire
      - Nguyen Van Thieu's response
  - Bombing
    - Extent
    - Damage to North Vietnam
    - The President's speech
  - Thieu
    - Cease-fire
  - Bombing and blockade
    - Cessation
      - Conditions
      - POWs
    - Cease-fire
      - Conditions
    - US troop withdrawal
Conv. No. 334-44 (cont.)

-Nixon's speech
-Preparation
-Loss of hue
-Bombing
-Advantages
-Soviet response
-Soviet summit
-Cancellation
-Connally's views
-US foreign policy
-Credibility
-Europe
-Soviet Union
-Middle East
-Africa
-Latin America
-US response to North Vietnamese invasion
-US policy in Vietnam
-November 3, 1969
-The President's trip to PRC
-Troop withdrawals
-Negotiations
-The President's Soviet trip
-Summit cancellation
-Bombing
-Problems
-Blockade
-Haig's views
-North Vietnamese invasion
-1972 election
-The President's response
-Bombing and blockade
-Oil supplies
-Rail lines
-B-52s
-Roads
-POL dumps
-Concentration
Kissinger talked with the White House operator at an unknown time between 3:04 and 3:44 pm.

[Conversation No. 334-44A]

[See Conversation No. 23-153]

[End of telephone conversation]

   Hoover’s funeral
       -Eulogy

   Vietnam
       -Bombing
           -Conversation with Moorer
       -Blockade
           -The President's announcement
               -Timing
           -Problem
               -International law

The White House Operator talked with Kissinger at an unknown time between 3:04 and 3:44 pm.

[Conversation No. 334-44B]

[See Conversation No. 23-154]

The President conferred with Haldeman at an unknown time during the conversation.

   Blockade
       -The President's announcement

Kissinger conferred with the President at an unknown time during the conversation.

   Moorer
       -Location
           -Swearing-in ceremony
[End of telephone conversation]

Vietnam
- Blockade
  - North Vietnamese invasion
  - US response
- South Vietnam
- POWs
- Negotiations
  - Kissinger
    - Moscow, Paris
  - Porter
- North Vietnamese response
- US offers
  - North Vietnamese escalation
    - Plenary session
    - Kontum
- North Vietnamese positions
  - Imposition of communist government
- The President's speech
- Kissinger's speech at the Metropolitan Club
  - Answer to question
- US victory
- Blockade
  - Advantages
  - Plans
- Naval action
  - Cruiser
    - Haiphong
    - Attacks on shore batteries and docks
- Blockade
  - Departure of ships
  - Docks
  - Departure of ships
  - Mines
    - Haig
    - Problems
  - Summit cancellation
- Bombing
- Kissinger's recommendations
  - Hanoi, Haiphong
- Kissinger's luncheon with Anatoliy F. Dobrynin
  - Soviet summit
    - The President's trip to Moscow
    - Cancellation
      - The President's statement
        - Television
- Connally
  - Discussion with the President

Haldeman talked with the White House operator at an unknown time between 3:04 and 3:44 pm.

[Conversation No. 334-44C]

[See Conversation No. 23-155]

The President conferred with Kissinger at an unknown time during the conversation.

Vietnam
  - Moorer
    - Meeting

Kissinger's trip to New York
  - Departure
    - Time
    - Speech

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4
[Personal returnable]
[Duration: 18s.]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4

Vietnam
-Report
  -Copy
-Abrams
  -Verdun
    -Unknown German general
    -Philippe Petain
    -Outcome
    -Erich Falkenhayn

Israel
-Arms aid
  -Yitzhak Rabin

Haldeman talked with Connally.

[End of telephone conversation]

Vietnam
-Soviet summit
  -Connally
-Bombing
-Blockade
-Bombing
  -Hanoi and Haiphong
-North Vietnamese response

Defense Department
-Laird
  -Replacement
    -Connally
-Abrams
-Laird
  -Contacts with the President
    -[David] Kenneth Rush
  -Contacts with Abrams
    -Moorer

Kissinger talked with the White House operator at an unknown time between 3:04 and 3:44 pm.

[Conversation No. 334-44D]

[See Conversation No. 23-156]
[End of telephone conversation]

Vietnam
  - Haig
    - Attendance at meeting
    - Loyalty
    - Abrams
  - John W. Vogt, Jr.
    - Abrams
  - Haig
    - Chain of command
      - Moorer
      - Laird
        - Responsibilities
      - Chairman of Joint Chiefs of Staff [JCS]
        - Contacts with the President
    - Bombing

Winston S. Churchill
  - Book on World War I
  - World War II

The White House operator talked with Henry Kissinger at an unknown time between 3:04 and 3:44 pm.

[Conversation No. 334-44E]

[See Conversation No. 23-157]

The President conferred with Kissinger at an unknown time during the conversation.

Message to Moorer

[End of telephone conversation]

Vietnam
  - Chain of command
    - Laird

Connally entered at 3:44 pm.
Greetings

Hoover
- The President's eulogy
  - Compared with eulogies for Dwight D. Eisenhower and Everett M. Dirksen
- Duration
- Hoover
- Hoover's career
  - Significance
  - Patriotism
- Greatness
- Recognition
- Appointment
  - Herbert C. Hoover
  - Accomplishments
- Lyndon B. Johnson
- Robert F. Kennedy
- John F. Kennedy
- Joseph P. Kennedy
- Edward M. Kennedy
- Robert Kennedy

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 8
[National security]
[Duration: 35s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 8

- Disagreement with the President
  - Lou Nichols
  - Alger Hiss case
    - J. Edgar Hoover's position
    - FBI investigation
      - Findings
    - Franklin D. Roosevelt
Kissinger talked with an unknown person at an unknown time between 3:44 and 3:55 pm.

[Conversation No. 334-44F]

J. Edgar Hoover
-Death
-Age
-Mistakes
-Detractors
-Estate
-Sidney Richardson
-Friendship with the President
-Swimming
- Richardson
- Clint Murchison
-Social occasions
BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 9
[Personal returnable]
[Duration: 6s ]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 9

-Richardson
-Murchison
-Deals
-Business
-Murchison
-Telephone call
-Robert Young
-New York Central Railroad
-Allegheny Corporation
-Murchison

Richardson
-Athens, Texas
-Locale
-Agriculture
-A bank
-Arthur Underwood's father
-Early career
-Oil field
-Bert Burnett
-Anne Burnett Andrews
-Husband
-Burnett
-Return to Athens
-New car
-Oil prospectors
-Underwood
-Wealth
-[Forename] Winn
-Real estate
-Murchison
Manolo Sanchez entered at an unknown time after 3:44 pm.

Refreshment

J. Edgar Hoover
-Death
-Sanchez

Refreshment

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 3:55 pm.

Connally
-Haig

US foreign policy
-Mistakes
-North Koreans
-Shooting down of EC-21
-US response
-Kissinger
-Rogers and Laird
-The President's speech, of November 3, 1969
-Public reaction
-Follow-up
-Cambodia
-The President's meeting with Rogers and Laird
-"Menu" air strikes
-Intensity
-Confidentiality
-Rogers and Laird
-Objections
-Consequence
-Rogers and Laird
-Delays in orders
-Testimony
-Attitude of Ellsworth F. Bunker and Abrams
-Contradictions
-Support of the President
-US casualties
  -Laird
   -Fishhook
-South Vietnamese forces
  -Delta area
  -Flooding
-Rogers and Laird
  -John N. Mitchell
  -Kissinger’s schedule
  -Camp David
  -Opposition to US policies

Vietnam
  -Blockade in 1970
   -Haiphong
   -PRC
   -Air strikes
   -Impact
  -Cambodia invasion
   -Impact on US casualties
  -Laos [Lam Son, 1971]
   -Laird
   -Abrams
   -Rogers
   -Major problem
   -Abrams
     -Trip to Bangkok
  -Impact on US casualties
  -Abrams
    -Restrictions on US advisors
     -Laird
     -US advisors
     -Sortie ceiling
     -Command structure
  -Proposed assignment of Haig
    -Laird’s reaction

Haig entered at 3:55 pm.

-Soviet summit
-Cancellation
  -US initiative
  -Compared with U-2 incident
    -Dwight D. Eisenhower
    -Impact on public opinion
  -US action
-The President's attendance
  -Position
    -1972 election
    -Use of power of office
      -Nuclear weapons
-North Vietnamese invasion
  -Stakes
    -Soviet Vietnam
    -US reaction
      -Plans
-Bombing
  -Problems
    -Predictability
      -Churchill on World Wars I and II
    -Predictability
      -North Vietnamese readiness
-Blockade
  -Necessity of bombing
    -Railways, roads and POL dumps
      -Haig’s view
  -Problems
  -Goals
    -Relation of summit to war
-US stakes
  -Victory
-Implementation
-Announcement
  -Conditions
- Return of POWs
- Ceasefire in Vietnam
- US troop withdrawals
  - Timing
  - Chances of success
- Bombing
  - Situation in South Vietnam
    - Abrams
      - Hue, Kontum and III corps
- Blockade
  - Problems
    - Laird
      - Kissinger
- Bombing
  - Limitations
- Blockade
  - Departing ships
  - Bombing
    - Targets
      - Docks, POL, railroads, power plants
    - Civilians
    - Possible effects
      - Cancellation of summit
      - Berlin
      - Cambodia
      - Berlin
        - Willy Brandt
      - Cuba
BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 10
[National Security]
[Duration: 19s]

CUBA

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 10

-Plans
-Soviet reactions
  [Helmut Sonnenfeldt]
-Bombing
  -Disadvantages
  -Propaganda
  -Duration
  -Soviet summit
  -POWs
  -Kissinger’s trip to Moscow
  -Impact on Johnson
-Blockade
  -Advantages
  -Soviet response
    -Compared with Cuban blockade
-Bombing
  -Targets
    -POL dumps
    -Mining
    -Docks
  -Haiphong
  -Johnson’s experience
    -Guerrilla war
    -Sihanoukville
- Shock effect
-PRC response
  -Prospects
- Mobilization
  - Soviets
  - Airlift
- Bombing
  - Air fields
  - C-5As
- North Vietnamese resupply
  - Delays
  - PRC
  - Soviet supplies
- Blockade
  - Advantages
  - Problems
  - Public support
  - POWs
  - Ceasefire
  - US troop withdrawal
  - Connally’s reaction
- Michael J. Mansfield's resolution
  - Terms
- Negotiations
  - Release of POWs
  - US pull-out
  - Connally’s response
  - South Vietnamese defeat
  - US pull-out
- Blockade
  - Connally’s response
  - Soviet reaction
  - Summit
- US stakes in war
  - Casualties
  - Integrity
  - Credibility
- Negotiations
  - Package of offers
  - Thieu
  - POWs
    - Emphasis
    - Symbolism
    - Geneva agreements
- Escalation of war
-International law
-Necessity
-Bombing
-Abrams
-Concentration
- B-52s
- Moorer
- F-4s
- Summit
-The President's speech
-Impact on South Vietnamese military situation
- South Vietnamese performance
- III and IV corps

-Cease-fire
-Problems
-Blockade
-Cessation
- Conditions
-Impact on South Vietnam
-Psychological effect on North Vietnam
-Landings in North Vietnam
-US ground forces
- Marines
- Vinh
-Diversionary tactics
- Abrams
-South Vietnamese forces
-Planning
-Operation Overlord
- Eisenhower

-Blockade
-Time
-Conversation with Moorer
- Secrecy
- Laird
- Rush

-Plans
-Moorer
- Blockade plans
-US task force
-Mines
-Departing ships
Kissinger talked with the White House operator at an unknown time between 3:55 and 5:15 pm.

[Conversation No. 334-44G]
[See Conversation No. 23-158]

Sanchez entered at an unknown time after 3:55 pm and conferred with the President, Haldeman and Connally.

Refreshment

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 5:15 pm.

Sanchez's statement

Kissinger talked with Moorer.

[End of telephone conversation]
- US command
  - William E. Depuy
    - Meeting with the President in 1965
    - Quest for more troops

- Abrams
  - Frederick C. Weyand
  - Chain of command
  - Contacts with Haig
    - Problems
    - Communication

- Haig
  - Assignment to Vietnam
    - Communication
    - Promotion
  - Removal of Abrams
    - Weyand

- Abrams
  - Work with South Vietnam
  - Replacement
    - Haig
      - Timing
  - Superior
    - Laird
      - Control
  - Troop withdrawals
  - Vietnamization
  - Gen. William C. Westmoreland

- Laos operation
  - Problems

- Response to North Vietnam invasion
  - Kontum
  - An Loc

- Replacement
  - Connally's reaction
    - Haig
      - Problems
      - Replacement on National Security Council [NSC]
        - William A.K. (“Tony”) Lake
        - W. Averell Harriman
        - George S. McGovern
        - Edmund S. Muskie
Alexander P. Butterfield talked with Kissinger at an unknown time between 3:55 and 5:15 pm.

[Conversation No. 334-44H]

[See Conversation No. 23-159]

The President conferred with Connally during the conversation.

-Rush

[End of telephone conversation]

Vietnam
  -Moorer
    -Meeting
      -Unknown Chinese admiral
  -Abrams
    -Replacement
  -Blockade
    -Call to Rogers
      -Timing
    -Rogers
      -Cambodia
      -Return to US
  -Laird
    -Replacement
      -Connally
      -Haig
      -Abrams
      -Problems
    -Assignment
      -Abrams
    -Rush
  -Abrams
    -New assignment
Kissinger talked with the White House operator at an unknown time between 3:55 and 5:15 pm.

[Conversation No. 334-44I]

[See Conversation No. 23-160]

[End of telephone conversation]
Soviet summit
  -Kissinger's speech

Vietnam
  -Moorer
    -Meeting with the President and Haig

The White House operator talked with Kissinger at an unknown time between 3:55 and 5:15 pm.

[Conversation No. 334-44J]

[See Conversation No. 23-161]

[End of telephone conversation]

Vietnam
  -Moorer
    -Meeting with the President
      -Purpose
    -The President's announcement
      -Winston Lord and John K. Andrews, Jr.
      -Kissinger
    -Draft
      -Andrews
      -Lord

Moorer entered at 5:15 pm.

Moorer's meeting
  -John H. Chafee

Connally's presence

Vietnam
  -The President's meeting with Moorer
    -Confidentiality
      -Laird
      -Abrams
    -Blockade
      -Announcement
        -Timing
Kissinger left at 5:25 pm.

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    -POLs
    -Railroads
    -Docks
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The conversation was cut off at an unknown time before 5:35 pm.