Conversation No. 355-1

Date: October 3, 1972  
Time: Unknown between 12:50 pm and 12:59 pm  
Location: Executive Office Building  

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.  

The President's schedule  
- H.R. (“Bob”) Haldeman  
- Robert P. Griffin  
  - Filming session  
  - Meeting afternoon of October 3, 1972  
- Camp David  
  - Confirmation from Clark MacGregor  

Bull left at an unknown time before 12:59 pm.

Conversation No. 355-2

Date: October 3, 1972  
Time: Unknown between 12:50 pm and 12:59 pm  
Location: Executive Office Building  

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Personal returnable]  
[Duration: __1m 2s__]  

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
Sanchez left at an unknown time before 12:59 pm.

Conversation No. 355-3

Date: October 3, 1972
Time: Unknown between 12:50 pm and 12:59 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 30-44]

Conversation No. 355-4

Date: October 3, 1972
Time: 12:59 pm - 1:00 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

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

[See Conversation No. 30-45; one item has been withdrawn]

Conversation No. 355-5

Date: October 3, 1972
Time: Unknown between 1:00 pm and 1:56 pm
Location: Executive Office Building
The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 1:56 pm.

Conversaion No. 355-6

Date: October 3, 1972
Time: Unknown between 1:00 pm and 1:56 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 1:56 pm.
Conversation No. 355-7

Date: October 3, 1972
Time: Unknown between 1:00 pm and 1:56 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 30-46]

Conversation No. 355-8

Date: October 3, 1972
Time: 1:56 pm - 2:07 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with John B. Connally.

[See Conversation No. 30-47; one item has been withdrawn]

Conversation No. 355-9

Date: October 3, 1972
Time: Unknown between 2:07 pm and 2:08 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 30-48]
Conversation No. 355-10

Date: October 3, 1972
Time: 2:08 pm - 2:09 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with Tricia Nixon Cox.

[See Conversation No. 30-49; one item as been withdrawn]

Conversation No. 355-11

Date: October 3, 1972
Time: Unknown between 2:09 pm and 2:10 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with an unknown man.

The President's schedule
- Meeting with Charles W. Colson

Unknown man left at an unknown time before 2:10 pm.

Conversation No. 355-12

Date: October 3, 1972
Time: Unknown between 2:09 pm and 2:10 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 30-50]
Conversation No. 355-13

Date: October 3, 1972
Time: 2:10 pm - 2:11 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with Stephen B. Bull.

[See Conversation No. 30-51]

Conversation No. 355-14

Date: October 3, 1972
Time: 2:15 pm - 3:15 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Charles W. Colson.

The President's schedule
   -Camp David

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Personal returnable]
[Duration: __3m 15s__]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

Campaign practices
   -George S. McGovern’s accusations
-Patrick J. Buchanan
-Attack on morality and corruption
-Public response
  -Colson's conversation with Albert E. Sindlinger
-Response to McGovern
  -John B. Connally’s view
  -Possible risks
  -Media
  -Robert B. Semple, Jr.
-Vice President Spiro T. Agnew
  -Possible comments
-Media coverage
-Media
  -Television
  -National Broadcasting Company [NBC]
  -Coverage
    -John D. Ehrlichman’s view
    -Staff meeting, 8:00 am
  -Columbia Broadcasting System [CBS]
  -American Broadcasting Company [ABC]
-CBS
  -Change
-NBC
  -Telephone calls
  -Leadership
  -David Horowitz [?]
    -Colson’s view
  -The President’s recent meeting
  -Anti-trust suit
    -Radio Corporation of America [RCA]
  -Colson's conversation with John W. Chancellor
    -1972 election
    -Colson’s possible action
-Networks
  -Local stations
  -Administration action
    -Competition
    -Oval Office
    -White House
      -Invitations
-Pattern
Strategic Arms Limitation Treaty [SALT]
  - Signing ceremony
    - Charles H. Percy
    - Clifford P. Case
    - John Sherman Cooper
    - Jacob K. Javits

McGovern
  - Attacks on the President
    - George E. Christian
    - Colson’s view
    - Colson’s conversation with Sindlinger
    - Colson’s previous conversation with Chancellor
      - Chancellor’s view
    - Christian’s view
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-Corruption charges
-Morality
-North Vietnam
-Bombing
-Christian’s view
-Surrogates responses
-Television appearances
-Agnew
-Style
-Compared to McGovern

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 3
[Personal returnable]
[Duration: __2m 1s__]
END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 3
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Issues
-Corruption charges by McGovern
-Effectiveness as issue
-Christian’s view
-The economy, the Vietnam War, competence of candidates, busing
-Lyndon B. Johnson
-Johnson
-Television stations
-Watergate
-Democrats
-Edward M. Kennedy
-The President’s view
-Hugh W. Sloan, Jr.
-Lawrence F. O’Brien, Jr.
-Current activities
-The President’s view
Advertisement in Boston newspaper
   -Defense budget
     -Cuts
       -Hubert H. Humphrey
   -Busing
   -Legalization of marijuana
   -Welfare
   -Aid to parochial schools
   -Quotes
   -Democrats for Nixon
   -Committee to Re-Elect the President [CRP]
   -Raymond A. Gallagher, unknown person
   -McGovern's welfare proposals
   -McGovern's charges
     -Connally’s analysis
     -Surrogates handling
     -Agnew
   -McGovern advertisement promising accomplishments
     -South Dakota
     -Massachusetts and Missouri
       -John F. Kennedy, Harry S. Truman, Johnson
     -Possible response from the administration
   -Colson's conversation with Franklyn C. (“Lyn”) Nofziger
     -Documentary
       -California
       -McGovern
         -World War II bombing
           -Charges on Vietnam War
BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 5
[Personal returnable]
[Duration: 10m 11s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 5

Social Security
- Possible veto

Water bill
- Congress
- Possible veto by the President

Moral corruption charges against the President's administration
- Courage
  - Veto
  - McGovern
    - Colson’s view

Water bill

Welfare
- Bill
  - Possible compromise
    - Eliot L. Richardson
    - Adlai E. Stevenson, III
  - The President’s instructions
  - House Resolution [HR] 1, Title I
  - Possible filibuster
  - Social Security
    - Titles II, III and IV
    - Possible veto
Henry A. Kissinger entered at 2:55 pm.

HR 1

Kissinger’s schedule
  - New York friend

Michael J. Mansfield
  - Possible trip

[General conversation]

Administration’s opponents

Colson left at 2:58 pm.

Foreign policy defense
  - Connally

Mansfield
  - Possible trip
    - Timing
      - 1972 election
      - People’s Republic of China [PRC]
    - McGovern
      - Kissinger’s concern
    - Bipartisan approach
      - Conservatives
        - John C. Stennis

McGovern
  - Corruption charges against the President's administration
  - Press standards
  - Analogy to hypothetical charge
    - Press reaction
    - The President’s view

Odds on the President's election
  - Polls
Negotiations on Vietnam War settlement
   - McGovern's peace plan
   - Negotiating strategy
     - Postponement of resolutions
   - Timing
   - Nguyen van Thieu
   - Bombing
   - Tripartite government in South Vietnam
   - Administration response
     - Communist government
     - Current negotiations
   - Kissinger’s forthcoming trip
     - Announcement
       - Timing
         - Kissinger’s schedule
         - PRC
   - W[illiam] Averell Harriman
     - Thieu’s future
   - McGovern
     - Campaign
       - Compared to the President’s
         - Kissinger’s view
         - Loyalty

The President’s schedule
   - Camp David
   - Speech
     - Raymond K. Price, Jr.
     - The President’s instructions to Kissinger
   - Upcoming telephone call to the President
     - Kissinger’s schedule
     - New York
     - Vietnam
     - Statement

Ehrlichman entered at 3:08 pm.

SALT
   - Signing ceremony
     - Andrei A. Gromyko’s telephone call
Kissinger
-PRC

Kissinger left at 3:10 pm.

Richardson
-The President’s schedule
- Camp David

Welfare legislation
- Ehrlichman’s previous telephone call with Richardson
  - Russell B. Long
  - Stevenson amendment
  - Abraham A. Ribicoff
- Veto possibility
  - Kenneth R. Cole, Jr.
- Richardson’s conversation with Ehrlichman
  - Department of Health, Education, and Welfare [HEW]
  - Implications
  - Cole, Thomas C. Korologos
- The President’s forthcoming meeting with Richardson
  - Timing
  - Cole
  - Political judgement required
- Welfare reform issue
  - The President’s strategy
  - New York Times
  - Liberals
    - Ribicoff
  - Long
  - Debt ceiling
    - Wilbur D. Mills
  - Stevenson
    - Richardson’s view
    - Possible liberal shift

Ehrlichman left at 3:15 pm.
Conversation No. 355-15

Date: October 5, 1972
Time: Unknown between 8:08 am and 9:16 am
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 9:16 am.

Conversation No. 355-16

Date: October 5, 1972
Time: Unknown between 8:08 am and 9:16 am
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with an unknown person.

Ronald L. Ziegler

The unknown person left at an unknown time before 9:16 am.
Conversation No. 355-17

Date: October 5, 1972
Time: Unknown between 8:08 am and 9:16 am
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 9:16 am.

Conversation No. 355-18

Date: October 5, 1972
Time: Unknown between 8:08 am and 9:16 am
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with an unknown person.

The unknown person left at an unknown time before 9:16 am.

Conversation No. 355-19

Date: October 5, 1972
Time: Unknown between 8:08 am and 9:16 am
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with Henry A. Kissinger.

Request for a meeting
Conversation No. 355-20

Date: October 5, 1972
Time: Unknown between 8:08 am and 9:16 am
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with John D. Ehrlichman.

Railroad retirement legislation
   -Veto

Welfare reform legislation
   -Abaraham A. Ribicoff amendment
   -Adlai E. Stevenson, III amendment
   -William V. Roth
   -Title I
   -Family Assistance Plan [FAP]
      -Amount of money
      -Length of assistance
   -Strategy
   -Roth

Conversation No. 355-21

Date: October 5, 1972
Time: 9:16 am - 9:50 am
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Henry A. Kissinger.

Nguyen Van Thieu
   -Negotiations
      -Recalcitrance
   -Alexander M. Haig, Jr.
Soviet Jewry
- Emigration
  - The President’s forthcoming press conference
    - [William P. Rogers]
    - Senate
- US relations with the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]
  - US public relations
  - George S. McGovern
  - Senate
  - Public debate
- Kissinger’s schedule
  - Senate Foreign Relations Committee meeting, October 4, 1972
    - Jacob K. Javits
  - US-Soviet relations
    - Kissinger’s points
  - J. William Fulbright
  - John Sherman Cooper
  - John J. Sparkman
  - William B. Spong, Jr.

Andrei A. Gromyko
- Helicopter

Vietnam
- Possible settlement
  - The President’s forthcoming press conference
    - Ronald L. Ziegler
  - Thieu
    - South Vietnamese government
      - North Vietnam
        - Unknown persons comment
  - Watergate
  - Negotiations
    - Hanoi
    - Cease-fire and bombing halt
    - 1972 election
- 1972 election
  - Saigon
  - Hanoi
- Bombing
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  - Thieu
    - September 11, 1972 publicity
      - August 29, 1972 proposal
    - The President’s January 25, 1972 proposal
- McGovern’s Vietnam speech
  - Response
  - The President’s instructions
- Negotiations
  - Hanoi
  - Status of talks
    - Kissinger’s view
      - Timing of possible settlement
    - Possible settlement
  - Thieu
    - North Vietnamese in South Vietnam
    - US troop withdrawal
    - POWs
- Haig
  - Possible US withdrawal
    - POWs
    - Cease-fire
    - Timing
      -- 1972 election
- Bombing
  - North Vietnam
- Withdrawal
  - Cease-fire
    - Unilateral basis
  - Prisoner exchange
- Thieu
  - Haig
    - Role
    - Message
      - Ellsworth F. Bunker
- Bombing
  - Negotiations
    - Timing
      - 1972 election
    - Haig
- The President’s conversation with Gromyko, October 2, 1972
- McGovern’s position on issues
  - Peace offer
  - Kissinger’s schedule
  - The President’s forthcoming press conference
- The President’s forthcoming press conference
  - Busing
  - Negotiations
- McGovern
  - Kissinger’s view
- Moscow
- Press treatment
- Vice President Spiro T. Agnew
- 1972 election
- Amnesty
- Legalization of marijuana
- Unknown issue
- Federal spending
- Welfare programs
- Europe
- Asia
  - US bases
- Speech, October 4, 1972
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    - US allies
- Indira Gandhi
- Pham Van Dong
- Haig
- Rogers
  - Involvement
- McGovern’s forthcoming speech
- Negotiations
  - 1972 election
  - Thieu
  - Roscoe Drummond
- McGovern
  - W[illiam] Averell Harriman
- Settlement
  - North Vietnamese
    - Kissinger’s concern
The President talked with an unknown person at an unknown time between 9:16 am and 9:50 am.

[Conversation No. 355-21A]

Request

[End of telephone conversation]

-Bombing
-Bunker
-Possible involvement
-Kissinger’s possible role
-Americans
-Thieu
-US economic aid

Kissinger's schedule
-William F. Buckley, Jr.
-Upcoming conversation with Kissinger
-The President's schedule
-Proposal
-John N. Mitchell
-Stephen B. Bull

Kissinger left at 9:50 am.

Conversation No. 355-22

Date: October 5, 1972
Time: 9:51 am - 10:20 am
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Ronald L. Ziegler.

Meeting

Office problem
The President's forthcoming press conference
- Details
  - Watergate
  - Charges about hiding in the White House
    - Presentation of issues
      - Charles W. Colson's memorandum
    - Ziegler’s reports
    - Ziegler’s recent response
    - Possible response
      - Congress
      - Presidential duties
      - George S. McGovern
  - Tone
- Vietnam War
  - Nguyen Van Thieu
  - Speculation
  - Henry A. Kissinger
  - News interest
    - Optimism and pessimism
- Soviet-American trade
  - Maritime agreement
  - Jewish emigration from the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]
    - Discussion with [William P. Rogers]
    - Abraham A. Ribicoff
    - Rogers
- Prisoners of war [POWs] and the Vietnam War
  - Laos
  - Administrations efforts
    - POW families
    - Charles McC. Mathias, Jr.
  - Press coverage
  - Negotiations
    - H.R. (“Bob”) Haldeman
- Charges of corruption against the President's administration
  - Possible use of Jerome R Waldie quote
  - Adolf Hitler analogy
  - Vietnam
    - Efforts to prevent a communist government
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    -Waldie

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  -Vietnam
    -Questions to Ziegler from Donald Fulsom of United Press International [UPI]
      -Fulsom
    -Communist government

The President's residences
  -Sump pump-heating system
  -San Clemente
  -Jack N. Anderson column
  -Jim Deakin
  -Leak
  -Florida
    -Secret Service
    -Pool at Key Biscayne
      -Bulletproofing
    -Heating system
  -Improvements
    -Secret Service comment
      -Electrical works
      -Surveillance camera
  -Deakin

Press relations
  -Vietnam
    -Negotiations
      -US
  -PRC
  -Cambodia
  -Reflection of the President
  -Negotiating
  -1972 election
  -The President's record for last four years
    -Ziegler’s statement to the press
  -Past press conferences and press contacts
    -Administrations position
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  -Possible conversation with Cronkite
  -Columbia Broadcasting System [CBS] proposal for interviews
    -The President’s instructions
      -McGovern [?]
    -Debate-type format
    -Response
      -Telephone calls
      -Ziegler’s secretary

-The President's schedule
  -Equal time
  -Networks
  -1972 election
    -California
  -Labor Day

McGovern's charges of corruption
  -James B. (“Scotty”) Reston
  -Hugh S. Sidey
  -William F. Buckley, Jr.
  -Vice President Spiro T. Agnew
    -Response

The President's schedule
  -Radio talk
    -Busing
    -Explanation for bill vetoes

1972 election
  -Debating
    -Instructions for Ziegler
    -McGovern's voting record
    -Michael J, Mansfield
    -Hubert H. Humphrey
    -Washington and White House press corps
    -Double standard
    -McGovern
    -R. Sargent Shriver

Ziegler left at 10:20 am.
Conversation No. 355-23

Date: October 5, 1972
Time: Unknown between 10:20 am and 10:40 am
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Personal returnable]
[Duration: 2s]
END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
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Sanchez left at an unknown time before 10:40 am.

Conversation No. 355-24

Date: October 5, 1972
Time: 10:40 am - 10:42 am
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Ronald L. Ziegler.

The President’s forthcoming press conference
-Photograph
- California [property?]
- Possible handling of question
Timing for Ziegler's briefing

Ziegler left at 10:42 am.