



**NIXON PRESIDENTIAL MATERIALS STAFF**

**Tape Subject Log**  
*(rev. Oct-06)*

Conversation No. 374-1

Date: October 25, 1972  
Time: Unknown between 4:20 pm and 4:40 pm  
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

The President's schedule  
-Forthcoming meeting with Charles W. Colson

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 4:40 pm.

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Date: October 25, 1972  
Time: Unknown between 4:20 pm and 4:40 pm  
Location: Executive Office Building

The President dictated a memorandum for the file.

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1  
[Personal returnable]  
[Duration: 5m 14s ]

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Conversation No. 374-3

Date: October 25, 1972  
Time: 4:40 pm - 5:40 pm  
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Charles W. Colson.

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[Duration: 4m 53s ]

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Watergate

- George S. McGovern
  - Television [TV] appearance, October 25, 1972
  - H.R. ("Bob") Haldeman
- Effect on 1972 election
  - Polls
    - Albert E. Sindlinger' s view
    - Possible voting margins
    - Press release
    - Undecided
- Reaction to news stories
  - Washington Post*
  - White House response
  - Ronald L. Ziegler
  - Haldeman-Dwight L. Chapin memorandum
    - Haldeman' s view
    - George E. Christian rumor
  - John A. Scali
    - San Francisco
    - Vietnam

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- The President's view
- Kenneth W. Clawson's view

#### Press relations

- Nature of relationship
  - Katherine L. Graham
- Henry A. Kissinger, White House staff
  - The President's threat
- William P. Rogers
  - Dedication of *Washington Post* building
- The *New York Times* and *Washington Post*
  - White House strategy
    - Richard Scaife, W. Clement Stone, John A. Mulcahy
  - Influence
    - Charles Percy, John Sherman Cooper, Marlow W. Cook, Robert T.

#### Stafford

- Graham
- Georgetown
- Influence of *Washington Post*
- Daniel L. Schorr, Carl Stern
  - American Broadcasting Corporation [ABC]
  - Chapin story news coverage
    - The President's appearance before prisoners of war [POWs] families group
- Administration strategy
  - John B. Connally's advice
- Public opinion
- Watergate
  - Ziegler's response
    - Robert J. Dole, Clark MacGregor
  - Possible libel suit
    - Haldeman, Chapin
    - Colson
      - Possible testimony
        - Neal B. Freeman
        - Benjamin C. Bradlee

#### Policy toward the Press

- The President's view
  - Compared to the President's handling of North Vietnam, Cambodia, Laos
    - May 8, 1972 decision

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- Kissinger
- John D. Ehrlichman
- Washington Post*
  - Clawson's conversation with Kissinger
  - Bradlee
  - Philip L. Geyelin
  - Influence
- Television stations owned by *Washington Post*
  - WTOP
    - Columbia Broadcasting System [CBS]
  - Miami
  - Federal Communications Commission [FCC] action on license renewal
  - The President's view

Watergate

- Polls
  - Albert E. Sindlinger

Use of radio and TV

- Administration strategy
  - Haldeman
  - 1968 campaign
- Comparison

Manolo Sanchez entered at an unknown time after 4:40 pm.

Colson talked with the White House operator at an unknown time after 4:40 pm.

[Conversation No. 374-3B]

[See Conversation No. 32-43A]

[End of conversation]

*Washington Post, New York Times*

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 5:16 pm.

Colson talked with an unknown woman at an unknown time before 5:16 pm.

[Conversation No. 374-3C]

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[See conversation No. 32-43B]

[End of conversation]

Administration strategy and the press

- Clawson
- Scali's future plans in broadcast journalism
  - The President's view
  - Scali's previous work in journalism
    - State Department
  - Possible effect on network news
    - Dan Rather
- Possible return to California

McGovern's forthcoming speech

- Views of Haldeman, Connally
- Possible response

Vietnam

- Colson's conversation with Jay Lovestone
  - Connally's TV appearance, October 20, 1972
  - War as issue
    - Importance of attacking McGovern's stance

An unknown person entered and left at an unknown time before 5:16 pm.

- Lovestone's and George Meany's forthcoming briefing by Haig
  - Coalition government issue
  - Prisoners of war [POWs]

Watergate and campaign practices

- Polls
  - Sindlinger's view
  - Effect on projected voting numbers
  - The President's position
  - Ziegler and MacGregor's response on Watergate
    - Washington Post*

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1972 campaign

- McGovern's vacillation on issues
- Corruption charges
  - Washington Post*
- McGovern's description of the President's administration
- Compared with other campaign issues
  - 1952 comparison
  - The Louis P. Harris poll
    - The economy, relations with the People's Republic of China [PRC], Soviet Union
- Vietnam War
  - Current status of negotiations
  - Harris poll numbers
    - “Hawks”
  - Uncertainty
    - Settlement
      - Timing
        - 1972 election
    - Public perceptions
      - Progress
  - Thieu
- McGovern's stance
  - Response by the President's surrogates
    - Amnesty, POWs, surrender
    - Harris
    - Kissinger briefing
    - Rogers

The President talked with Kissinger at an unknown time between 4:40 and 5:16 pm.

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[Conversation No. 374-3A]

The President's request for attendance

[End of telephone conversation]

1972 campaign

- Vietnam War and possible peace settlement
  - Harris's analysis
    - Kissinger
  - McGovern's stance
    - Possible attack by Rogers
      - Haig's previous conversation with Colson
    - Possible attack by Melvin R. Laird
      - Laird's schedule
        - Europe
  - Sindlinger's view

Kissinger entered at 5:16 pm.

- Public perception of issue according to Harris, Sindlinger
  - Timing of peace settlement compared with 1972 election
  - Appearance of progress
  - Haig's briefing of Meany
    - Meany's attacks on McGovern
  - Kissinger's conversation with Howard K. Smith
  - McGovern
  - May 8, 1972, bombing and mining of Haiphong Harbor
  - Nature of cease-fire agreement
    - Coalition government
  - Ziegler
    - Achievement of goals
      - Settlement
        - Timing
          - 1972 election
      - Perception of agreement
  - Kissinger's conversation with Max Frankel
  - McGovern
    - Kissinger's briefing
    - Administration strategy
      - Political considerations

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- Timing of briefing
  - Television network coverage
  - Newspaper coverage

Colson left at 5:23 pm.

- Vietnam peace settlement negotiations
  - Cease-fire efforts
    - Possible response from North Vietnamese
    - North Vietnamese statements
    - Nguyen Van Thieu

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4

[National security]

[Duration:     51s    ]

INTELLIGENCE

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4

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- Thieu's actions
  - Timing of US response
    - Compared to 1972 election

An unknown person entered and left at an unknown time before 5:40 pm.

- Thieu's future as US ally
- Dan Rather's recent conversation with Kissinger
  - Timing compared to 1972 election
- McGovern
  - Administration strategy
- Kissinger's meeting with Sir James Plimsoll
  - Briefing for William McMahan
- Incentives
  - Halt to US bombing
- Public perception of cease-fire agreement
  - Conservatives
    - William F. Buckley, Jr.



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- Thieu
  - Frequency of meetings with Ellsworth F. Bunker
  - Political skills compared with military skills
- US political implication
  - Smith's view
  - Kissinger's view
- Coalition government
- Time* article
- South Vietnamese actions
  - Dispatches to Britain, Australia
    - Anatoliy F. Dobrynin
    - George R.S. Baring (The Earl of Cromer)
  - Haig
- Negotiations
  - 1968
    - Compared to 1972
    - Hubert H. Humphrey
  - Administration strategy
    - Timing
      - January 1, 1973, November 20, 1972
    - Le Duc Tho possible meeting with Kissinger in Paris
      - Settlement text
        - Ellsworth F. Bunker

An unknown person entered and left at an unknown time before 5:40 pm.

- Gen. Creighton W. Abrams, Jr.
- Gen. William C. Westmoreland
  - Haig
    - North Vietnamese troops in South Vietnam
      - Economic assistance

Kissinger left at 5:40 pm.

Conversation No. 374-4

Date: October 27, 1972

Time: Unknown between 8:08 am and 8:30 am

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Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

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Sanchez left at an unknown time before 8:30 am.

Conversation No. 374-5

Date: October 27, 1972

Time: Unknown between 8:08 am and 8:30 am

Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

The President's schedule

- Gilroy Roberts
  - Oval Office
- Harold Lee
- Health Services Industry committee
- John D. Ehrlichman
  - House Resolution [HR] 1
- Roberts, Lee
- Haircut
- Ehrlichman

Bull left at an unknown time before 8:30 am.

Conversation No. 374-6

Date: October 27, 1972

Time: 8:30 am - 8:45 am

Location: Executive Office Building

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The President met with John D. Ehrlichman.

- House Resolution 1 [HR 1] legislation
  - Taxpayers
  - Social Security
    - Tax increase
      - The President's previous statements
      - Compared to the President's philosophy
  - Outlays
    - Caspar W. ("Cap") Weinberger
    - George P. Shultz
  - Full employment balance
  - Congress
  - Social Security provisions
    - Amount of increase
      - Effect
    - Disability payments
      - Medicare
    - Shultz
  - Welfare reform
    - Proposals by the President's administration
    - Congressional action
      - Payroll tax increases
        - Compared with social security tax increases
        - Benefits for aged, disabled
        - Washington Post* letter to the editor
  - Shultz
    - Treasury Department
    - Forthcoming conversation with Ehrlichman
- Budget
  - Outlays
    - Amounts
      - Fiscal Year [FY] 1974
    - Full employment
    - Outlay ceiling
      - FY 1973 compared with FY 1974 numbers
    - FY 1974
      - Full employment
      - FY 1973 administration target
      - FY 1974 full employment

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- Weinberger
- Bill signing
  - Environmental legislation
  - Possible statement
    - Timing with Vietnam peace negotiations
    - Legislative workload
    - The President's schedule
      - Henry A. Kissinger's trip to Saigon
  - The President's schedule
    - Reports on negotiations

Ehrlichman left at 8:45 am.

Conversation No. 374-7

Date: October 27, 1972  
Time: Unknown between 8:45 am and 9:03 am  
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with Henry A. Kissinger.

Kissinger's schedule  
-Forthcoming meeting

Conversation No. 374-8

Date: October 27, 1972  
Time: Unknown between 8:45 am and 9:03 am  
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 32-66]

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Conversation No. 374-9

Date: October 27, 1972  
Time: 9:03 am - 9:04 am  
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with Stephen B. Bull.

[See Conversation No. 32-67]

Conversation No. 374-10

Date: October 27, 1972  
Time: 9:06 am  
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 32-68]

Conversation No. 374-11

Date: October 27, 1972  
Time: 9:10-9:50 a.m.  
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Patrick J. Buchanan.

White Paper on campaign practices  
-The President's instructions  
-For the record  
-Editor of *Barron's*

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-Subjects

- International Telephone and Telegraph [ITT] case
  - The President's press conference
- Soviet Union grain deal
  - The President's involvement
- Carpet industry gift charges
- Corruption
- American Federation of Teachers [AFT] support for McGovern
  - Right to strike
  - Campaign contributions
  - Press coverage
- ITT, Watergate
- The Milk Fund
  - Congress
    - Wilbur D. Mills

Henry A. Kissinger entered at 9:14 am.

White paper

- Watergate cover up and campaign practices
  - Reports on H.R. ("Bob") Haldeman involvement
  - Washington Post* article, October 27, 1972
    - Democratic National Committee
      - San Francisco
    - Clean administration
    - Sabotage
      - Information on rallies
        - Necessity
          - News summary
  - Barry M. Goldwater's campaign
  - Democratic campaign tactics
    - Action against Edward R.F. Cox
    - Republican Phoenix headquarters
    - Damage in San Francisco
    - Los Angeles
    - Republican National Convention
      - McGovern supporters
        - Damage
    - Violence
    - Lack of criticism
    - Organization of demonstrators

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- Rallies of the President, Thelma C. ("Pat")  
Nixon, [Julie Nixon Eisenhower, Tricia  
Nixon Cox]
- Hecklers
- Free speech
- Lack of criticism
- Campaign finances
- Double standard
- Desperation tactics
- Reasons

McGovern and 1972 campaign

- The President's view
- McGovern's position on Vietnam
  - White House attacks
  - Settlement
    - W[illiam] Averell Harriman's statement
  - Communist government in South Vietnam
  - Prisoners of war [POWs]
  - Laos, Cambodia
  - Disarmament of South Vietnam
  - Unconditional withdrawal of US
  - "Peace with surrender"
  - "Peace with Honor"
  - White House attacks
    - Vice President Spiro T. Agnew
  - Effect on negotiations
  - Thailand
  - McGovern settlement terms
    - Cambodia
    - Laos
    - POWs
    - Peter Lisagor's statement on coalition government
  - Administration achievement of peace terms
  - Effect on critics

Press relations

- Administration policy on returning calls to the press
  - The president's orders
  - Washington Post* Watergate story
    - Murrey Marder, Carroll Kilpatrick, Joseph C. Kraft

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- New York Times
- Libel actions
  - John M. Mitchell
  - Maurice H. Stans
  - Haldeman

McGovern and 1972 campaign

- McGovern's position on Vietnam
- Aid to Laos and Cambodia
- Ramifications
  - Communism Laos and Cambodia
  - Thailand
  - South Vietnam
  - Peace with surrender
    - Guarantees on POW's
    - Good faith of enemy
- White House attacks on McGovern criticism
  - McGovern position
    - Terms of agreement
    - Ability to obtain same terms previously
  - Charles W. Colson
  - Response by the White House
  - Kissinger's previous trip to Paris
    - R. Sargent Shriver's statement on the President's morality
      - The president's order to response
      - Administration use of trip
        - Indira Gandhi
      - Hanoi
      - Reason for trip

Vietnam peace settlement

- The press
  - Ronald L. Ziegler's view
  - The President's view
    - Motivations
      - Thieu
      - POWs
      - Laos, Cambodia
        - Bombing and mining, May 8, 1972
        - Summit meeting with Soviets, May 1972
- Mood



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- Issue of the coalition government
  - Le Duc Tho
  - Thieu's strategy
    - Opposition in South Vietnam
    - Communists
  - Cease-fire agreement
  - Elections in Vietnam
    - Prospects

- The press
  - Alexander M. Haig, Jr.'s conversation with Marder
  - White House treatment of *Washington Post*
  - White House attacks on McGovern, Shriver
    - President's view
  - Strategy
  - McGovern's Vietnam position
    - Thieu

Publication of White Paper by *Barron's*

- Reprints
- Release by an individual
  - St. Louis Globe-Democrat*
  - Clark MacGregor
- Reason for publication
  - For campaign
  - For the record

1972 campaign

- Television [TV] program October 26, 1972
  - Press coverage
  - Networks

McGovern campaign tactics

- Bombing
- Violence
- Hecklers
  - Location
- Treatment of McGovern, Shriver compared with the President

Vietnam peace settlement

- 1972 campaign

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- Aggressive campaigning
  - Agnew
    - Cease-fire Agreement
    - Secrecy
- Administration campaign strategy
  - McGovern attacks
    - Delay of peace
    - “Peace with honor”
    - “Peace with surrender”
- Hanoi’s public release of settlement
  - Content of agreement
- 1972 election
  - Timing of settlement
  - Prospects for peace

Buchanan left at 9:30 am.

- Vietnam peace settlement
  - Administration campaign strategy
  - Political aspects
    - Contrast with McGovern proposals
    - Coalition government
    - POWs
    - Laos, Cambodia
    - Defense of South Vietnam
    - North Vietnam
    - Thieu’s position
    - Propaganda
      - North Vietnam
      - Signing of agreement
      - Western propaganda
      - US support for Thieu
  - Intelligence information
    - North Vietnamese officials
      - North Vietnamese strategy and 1972 election
      - October 26, 1972

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[National security]

[Duration:  11s ]

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INTELLIGENCE

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- Present situation
  - Message to North Vietnamese
  - Kissinger's schedule
- Press relations
  - Kissinger's press briefing, October 26, 1972
  - The President's view
    - Lisagor
    - Bernard Kalb
  - Killed in action [KIA] figures for previous week
  - Media coverage
- Type of settlement
  - No surrender
    - Desire of American public
  - McGeorge Bundy's appearance on TV

Watergate

- The *New York Times*
- The *Washington Post* story on campaign charges
  - White House response
  - H.R. ("Bob") Haldeman and secret fund
    - The President's view
    - Kissinger's view
  - Nelson A. Rockefeller's campaign tactics
    - Wiretaps
      - Rockefeller's associates
- Watergate
- Wiretapping
- Central Intelligence Agency [CIA]
- Watergate break-in
  - Democratic National Committee [DNC]
    - Lawrence F. O'Brien, Jr.
  - Responsibility
  - Hubert H. Humphrey
  - Edmund S. Muskie

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-Kissinger's view

Campaign strategy

- Attacks on McGovern
- Vietnam as issue
- Aggressive campaigning
  - Barry M. Goldwater
- McGovern attacks on Vietnam peace settlement
  - Effect on peace settlement talks
  - Effect on US

Vietnam peace settlement negotiations

- North Vietnamese strategy
  - Publication of settlement terms
  - Possible White House strategies
  - Thieu's actions
    - Dispatching of ambassadors worldwide
    - Referendum proposal
    - Kissinger's conversation with Joseph W. Alsop
    - William F. Buckley, Jr.'s possible visit with Thieu
      - Catholicism
  - Post-1972 election strategy
    - Gen. Creighton W. Abrams, Jr.
    - Kissinger's role
  - Thieu's position in light of US strategy
  - South Vietnamese government
    - Administrative structure
  - 1972 campaign
    - John B. Connally
    - Haig's call to Connally
- Reaction to timing of settlement
- Kissinger's talk with Alsop
  - Forthcoming article
- Haig's forthcoming telephone call to Cardinal Cooke
- Kissinger's forthcoming telephone call to Ronald W. Reagan
  - The President's May 8, 1972 decision
  - Coalition government
  - Attack on McGovern
- Haig's forthcoming telephone calls to Samuel W. Yorty, George C. Wallace

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 5

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[Duration: 1m 41s ]

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Vietnam

- Kissinger's forthcoming telephone call to Connally
  - Colson's previous call to George E. Christian
  - The President's May 8, 1972 decision
- Agnew
  - Haig's briefing
  - The President's view
  - The President's relationship with conservatives
    - The President's November 3, 1969 speech
    - Demonstrations
  - Mining Haiphong, bombing North Vietnam
  - Negotiations
- Thieu
  - US strategy
- North Vietnam
  - Strategy
  - Message
- North Vietnam position compared with US position
  - Bombing halt
  - Progress
  - Timing

The President's schedule

- Harold Lee
- Hong Kong

Kissinger's forthcoming telephone call to Connally

- Kissinger's forthcoming telephone call to the President

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Kissinger left at 9:50 am.

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Date: October 27, 1972  
Time: Unknown between 9:50 am and 9:52 am  
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

H.R. ("Bob") Haldeman's forthcoming meeting with the President

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 9:52 am.

Conversation No. 374-13

Date: October 27, 1972  
Time: 9:52 am  
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 32-69]

Conversation No. 374-14

Date: October 27, 1972  
Time: 9:52 am  
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with the White House operator.

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[See Conversation No. 32-70]

Conversation No. 374-15

Date: October 27, 1972  
Time: 9:52 am - 9:54 am  
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with Dwight L. Chapin.

[See Conversation No. 32-71; one item has been withdrawn]

Conversation No. 374-16

Date: October 27, 1972  
Time: 9:55 am - 11:08 am  
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Charles W. Colson.

The President's schedule  
-H.R. ("Bob") Haldeman  
-Bills for signature, veto

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1  
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[Duration: 12m 17s ]

Haldeman entered at 9:56 am.

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1972 campaign

- McGovern's position on Vietnam peace settlement
  - News summary
    - Patrick J. Buchanan, Henry A. Kissinger
    - The President's orders to attack McGovern
    - Possible attack on R. Sargent Shriver
    - Prisoners of war [POWs]
    - Disarmament of South Vietnam
    - Coalition government
    - Timing of US pullout
  - Kissinger's public statements
    - John A. Scali's view
  - "Peace with honor" compared with "Peace with surrender"
  - Electorate
    - The President's view
- The White house and the press
  - Joseph C. Kraft
  - Communication with the *Washington Post*
    - Murrey Marder's call to Alexander M. Haig, Jr.
  - The President's orders for Kissinger
    - New York Times*
  - William P. Rogers
    - William H. Sullivan
  - John B. Connally
    - Haig
- Delegating authority
  - Comparison to [Thomas] Woodrow Wilson
    - Vice President Spiro T. Agnew

Record of opponents' statements on issues

- Polls
- Efforts of Colson's staff
- Six Crises*
  - James B. ("Scotty") Reston
  - William F. Knowland



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- Kissinger
- Possible television [TV] special
  - Testing of Dan Rather's predictions
  - Timing
    - 1972 election
  - Press coverage
  - Columbia Broadcasting System [CBS]

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2

[Personal returnable]

[Duration: 11m 23s ]

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Vietnam and the 1972 election

- McGovern
  - Sympathy appeal
  - Campaign strategy
  - Proposals for peace in Vietnam
    - Focus of White house response
  - Media coverage, October 26, 1972
    - Possible public response
    - Ending the war in 1969
      - W[illiam] Averell Harriman
  - McGeorge Bundy
    - Kissinger
- Watergate as issue
- McGovern's statements
  - Credibility
    - Colson's view
  - Campaign strategy
    - Attacking Shriver
      - Buchanan's view
- Robert J. Dole's statements

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- Administration strategy
  - Ziegler's view
  - The president's recent views
  - McGovern's recent remarks
    - US casualties
  - Use of Agnew for White House response
  - Use of Rogers for press conference
  - Support for the President
  - Dole

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 3  
[Personal returnable]  
[Duration: 5m 8s ]

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- 1972 campaign
  - Vietnam War demonstrations
    - Boston
      - Federal building
  - McGovern's peace settlement proposals
    - Withdrawal timetable

The President left after an unknown time after 9:56 am.

- Shriver
  - Kissinger's trips

The President entered at an unknown time before 11:05 am.

- Haldeman
  - Newspaper story in *Washington Post* about 1962 activities
- Donald F. Nixon
- Albert E. Sindlinger's views

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- Public opinion
  - Polls
    - Measure of success
    - Louis P. Harris, Sindlinger, Richard M. Scammon
    - Important factors
      - Busing, amnesty, abortion, foreign policy
      - Vietnam
  - Press
  - McGovern
    - Opportunity to attack administration
    - Economic issues, Vietnam
  - Limitations on administration's popularity
    - Public perception of McGovern campaign
  - Vietnam
    - Moral issue
      - Frank E. Fitzsimmons
      - “Peace with honor”
    - Sindlinger
      - Economy
    - The President's standing
      - George H. Gallup
    - Kissinger

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Terence Cardinal Cooke and John P. Cardinal Cody's request for  
peace prayers

Request for a telephone call to Kissinger

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Haldeman talked with Kissinger at an unknown time between 11:05 and 11:08 am.

[Conversation No. 374-16A]

Vietnam update

- Kissinger's call to Connally
- Haig's briefing of George Meany

[End of telephone conversation]

Vietnam peace settlement

- Connally's views

The President, Haldeman and Colson left at 11:08 am.

Conversation No. 374-17

Date: October 27, 1972

Time: Unknown between 1:34 pm and 2:40 pm

Location: Executive Office Building

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

Schedule

Haldeman left at an unknown time before 2:40 pm.

Conversation No. 374-18

Date: October 27, 1972

Time: Unknown between 1:34 pm and 2:40 pm

Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

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Sanchez left at an unknown time before 2:40 pm.

Conversation No. 374-19

Date: October 27, 1972

Time: Unknown between 2:30 pm and 2:40 pm

Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

Request for a meeting with Charles W. Colson

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 2:40 pm.

Conversation No. 374-20

Date: October 27, 1972

Time: 2:40 pm - 2:50 pm

Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Charles W. Colson.

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1972 campaign

- Poll results
  - Vietnam peace settlement
  - George S. McGovern
    - Negativism
  - Economy
  - Foreign relations with Soviet Union and the People's Republic of China [PRC]
- Election strategy
- Louis P. Harris's report
  - Prospects
  - Vietnam and prisoners of war [POWs]
    - South Vietnam elections
  - The President compared with McGovern
    - Speech potential
    - South Vietnam elections
  - William P. Rogers, Spiro T. Agnew, John B. Connally
    - Possible television advertisement
  - McGovern's Vietnam position
    - Compared with the President's position
    - Surrender
    - POWs

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Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 2:40 pm.

The President's schedule  
-Forthcoming Oval Office meeting with Robert J. Dole

Bull left at an unknown time before 2:50 pm.

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 3

[Personal returnable]

[Duration: 59s]

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The President and Colson left at 2:50 pm.