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Conversation No. 418-1

Date: March 7, 1973
Time: Unknown after 4:08 pm and 4:15 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

[Begin segment reviewed under deed of gift]

- Dictation machines
 - Placement in President's bedroom
 - Lighting
 - Repair
 - Communication officer

[End segment reviewed under deed of gift]

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 4:15 pm.

Conversation No. 418-2

Date: March 7, 1973
Time: Unknown between 4:15 pm and 5:50 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

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

- Nelson A. Rockefeller
 - Meeting with President
 - Enthusiasm

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- Speaking abilities
 - Congressional leaders meeting [?]
- Compared with William P. Rogers

Charles Gill

- Employment
 - Roy L. Ash
 - Alternatives

Rose Mary Woods

- Camp David
- Salary
 - Raise
 - Compared with secretaries, special assistants
 - Leonard Garment
 - Patrick J. Buchanan
 - Stephen B. Bull, David N. Parker
- Raise
 - Problems
 - Compared to Haldeman

Manolo Sanchez's salary

- Raise
- Fina Sanchez
- Rex W. Scouten
- White House staff
 - Government pay
- Hours of work
- Raise

Prisoners of War [POWs]

- Celebrity value
 - Reduction
- White House reception
 - Scheduling
 - Need for time to recover
 - Scheduling

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- Flag Day
- Defense Department
- Calls
 - Col. Robinson Risner
 - Capt. Jeremiah A. Denton, Jr.
- Meetings with President
- Veterans of Foreign Wars [VFW]
 - Voice of Democracy contest winners
 - Appearance
 - Clothing
 - White House tours
 - Press coverage
 - Ronald L Ziegler
 - Wire services
 - Appearance
 - President's reaction
 - Compared with Future Farmers of America, Boy Scouts of America,
- Choral Group
 - Stephen B. Bull
- Dress
 - Secret Service agents
 - President's opinion
- Visitors to White House
 - Dwight Chapin [?]
 - Bull
 - President's introduction
 - Applause
 - Effect
 - Congressional members
 - Children
 - Bull
 - Thomas C. Korologos
- Stag dinners

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- Invitations
 - Republican National Committee [RNC]
 - Republican state chairmen
 - Cabinet
 - Supporters of President
- Convenience for President
- Women attendees
 - Compared to men

Women

- Number of appointees
- Qualifications for high positions
 - Compared to Blacks, Mexican Americans
- Women in administration
 - Performance

Vietnam Veterans

- Radio speech
 - John D. Ehrlichman
 - Compared to police officers

The President talked with Ehrlichman at an unknown time between 4:15 pm and 5:50 pm.

Rockefeller

- Capital punishment
 - Organized Crime
 - Drugs
 - Possession amount
 - Distribution
- President's speech on crime, drugs

[End of telephone conversation]

Ehrlichman talked with the President at an unknown time between 4:15 pm and 5:50 pm.

Telephone call

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[End of telephone conversation]

Ehrlichman

POWs

- Event at White House
 - Announcement
 - Timing
- Other events
 - Sammy Davis, Jr. show
 - Vietnam Veterans
 - Armed Forces Day
 - Memorial Day
 - Vietnam War dead
 - Parade
 - Television [TV] coverage
 - Radio speech
 - Naval Academy
 - Armed Forces Day
 - Officers
 - Memorial Day
 - Unknown soldier
 - Missing in action [MIA]
- Dinner
 - Announcement
- Event for children
 - Children at dinner
 - Behavior
 - Numbers
 - Later party
 - Tour of White House
 - MIA
- Meetings with President

President's meeting with freshmen Congress members

- Format
- Size

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- Location
 - Cabinet Room
 - Reaction
- Oval office

[Begin segment reviewed under deed of gift]

- Speech [?]
 - Earl L. Butz
 - Moral theme

- Dinners for contributors
 - 1972 Election

[End segment reviewed under deed of gift]

- Evening at the White House
 - Introductions of individuals
 - Paul Keyes' role
 - Impresario
 - Assistance
 - George H. W. Bush
 - Julie Nixon Eisenhower, Tricia Nixon Cox
 - Show themes
 - Irving Berlin
 - “Broken Hearted” [?]
 - Female performer
 - Country
 - “Okie from Muskogee”
 - Patriotic music
 - Berlin
 - President's introduction
 - Orchestra medley

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- Fred Astaire, Ethel Merman, Harry L. ("Bing") Crosby
- Finale
 - “No Business Like Show Business”
- Army Chorus
 - “God Bless America”
- Patriotism
- Jack Benny
 - Supporter of President
 - Classical music
 - Comedy
- Lucille Ball
 - Appeal to children
 - Reruns of "I Love Lucy"
- Value
- Compared to dinners
 - President's experience
- Entertainers
- Benny
- Davis
 - Positive publicity
 - Washington Post*
 - Ziegler
 - Washington Post* coverage
 - Donald Radcliffe
- Stag dinners
 - Press coverage
 - Effect
 - Toasts
 - Advantages
 - Army Chorus
 - Songs
- Evenings at White House
 - Army Chorus
 - “Road to Mandalay”
 - Response of men

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- Response of women
- "Strolling Strings"

Nyugen Van Thieu's visit

- Arrival ceremony
 - El Toro Air Base
 - President's attendance
 - Parade
 - Crowd
 - Statements
- Accommodations in California
 - House
 - Compared to hotel
 - La Jolla
 - San Clemente
 - Rose Mary Woods

President's schedule

- John Ford dinner
 - Citation
 - President's appearance
 - Reception
 - President as host
 - Room capacity
 - Attendees
 - Film institute trustees
 - Supporters of President
 - Taft Schreiber's opinion
 - President's appearance at dinner
 - Compared to John B. Connally event
 - Columbia Broadcasting System [CBS] taping of dinner
 - Excerpts of Ford's films
 - Marine Corps Band
 - Schreiber
 - Medal of Freedom
 - Daily Variety* article
 - Reception

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- Head table
- Introductions
 - Photographs
- Drafting schedule
- Camp David
 - Dinner
 - Meetings with President
 - Departure
 - Ehrlichman
 - Afternoon visits
- International Conference on Vietnam
 - Henry A. Kissinger and Rogers
 - State Department lunch
 - National Security Council [NSC] meeting
 - Strategic Arms Limitation Talks [SALT]
 - Cabinet meeting
- Cabinet meeting
 - Ehrlichman
 - Peter J. Brennan
 - Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
 - Budget
 - Surrogate program
 - Aid to Vietnam
 - Rogers
 - Report to President

Haldeman talked with the White House operator and Rogers at an unknown time between 4:15 pm and 5:50 pm. The President conferred with Haldeman during the call.

[Conversation No. 418-2A]

[See Conversation No. 37-61]

- President's schedule
 - Cabinet meeting
 - Aid to Vietnam

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[End of telephone conversation]

Contributors

- Congressional leaders
- Reaction to Rogers
 - Line in speech
 - President's stature in other countries
- Concerns of supporters
 - Rogers' handling
 - Compared to Kissinger
- Public relations
 - Rogers' role

Melvin R. Laird

- Consultant to White House
- Attendance at meetings
 - Cabinet
 - congressional leaders
- Strategy on Congressional relations
 - Bryce N. Harlow
- Recruitment to White House staff
 - Defense Department
 - Harlow
- Compared to Ehrlichman, Brennan [?], Peter M. Flanigan, William E. Timmons,

Korologos, Richard M. Cook

- Congress's opinion
- Need for White House staff with Congressional background
- Timmons' position

President's schedule

- Meeting with federal Woman's Award recipients
 - Press [?]
 - Length
 - Other meeting
 - Value
 - Bull
 - Haldeman's recommendation

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Public relations

- Goals
 - Congress
 - Ehrlichman
 - Need to decide
- President's image
 - World leader, peacemaker
 - Rogers
 - Preservation
 - Compared to John F. Kennedy's administration
 - Civil rights
 - Bangladesh
- President's speeches
 - Focus on big picture
 - Compared to international monetary situation, budget
 - People's Republic of China [PRC]
 - Union of Soviet Socialist Republics {USSR}
 - National spirit
- President's image as world leader, peacemaker
 - Compared to Dwight D. Eisenhower, John Kennedy, Lyndon B. Johnson
- John Kennedy's failures
 - “John Kennedy's 13 Great Mistakes in the White House”
 - Publishing information
 - Haldeman's copy
 - Library book
 - Check-outs
 - Frequency
 - Publisher
 - Malcolm Smith, Jr.
 - Mutual Broadcasting System [MBS]
 - Need for reprinting
 - Haldeman's meeting with *Newsweek* reporter
 - Writer's point of view
 - Kissinger
 - Support for President's philosophy
 - Nixon Doctrine

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- Second Inaugural Address
- Chapter on Laos
 - Vietnam, Ngo Dinh Diem assassination
 - Criticism of John Kennedy
 - Press conference on Laos
 - Andrei A. Gromyko
 - W[illiam] Averell Harriman
- Smith
 - Whereabouts
- First printing
 - Purchase
 - Edward M. ("Ted") Kennedy
- Goals
 - Clarification
- President's historical legacy
 - President as political innovator
 - Franklin D. Roosevelt
 - New Federalism
 - Boldness
 - Anticommunism
 - PRC trip
 - Price and wage controls
 - Leadership
- Domestic programs
 - Legacy
 - Avoidance
 - Crime
 - Problems for President
 - New Federalism, New Majority
 - Energy, environment
 - Public interest
 - Oil industry
 - CBS TV show
 - Negative results
- Taxes
 - New Federalism
 - Lack of positive credit

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- Value
 - Government reorganization
 - Public interest
 - Lack
 - White House counselors
 - Cabinet departments
- Leadership
- Achievement of goals
 - Limitations
- Foreign Policy
 - Crises
 - Trips
 - Africa
 - Latin America
 - Europe
 - USSR
 - PRC
 - Japan
- Major issues
 - Government spending, taxes
 - Bureaucracy
 - Revenue sharing
 - New majority
 - Reestablishment of U.S. world leaderships
 - Prisoners of War [POWs]
 - US-PRC relations
 - Social issue
 - Family
 - Police department
 - Army
 - Volunteers
 - Religion
 - Patriotism
 - Self-help
 - Moral integrity
 - Sacrifice
 - Puritan work ethic

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- “Square America”
 - Patrick J. Buchanan
 - New Establishment
 - Herman Kahn
- Scheduling approach
- Goals
 - 1974 election
 - Scheduling approach
 - Senate, governorships
 - House of Representatives
 - Target districts
 - Visit to localities
 - Regional balance
 - South
 - Mississippi
 - John C. Stennis event
 - New Orleans
 - Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW)
 - Al Smith event
 - New York
 - Iowa
 - Herbert Hoover birthplace event
 - Focus on big issues
 - TV appearances
 - Vetoes
- President's schedule
 - March, April
 - State dinners
 - Lee Kuan Yew
 - Giulio Andreotti
 - Lee Kuan Yew
 - Stag dinner
 - Wife's attendance
 - Speech
 - Press coverage
 - Howard K. Smith

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- Roscoe Drummond
- Joseph W. Alsop
- Views on world
 - Vietnam
- Stag dinners
 - Size
 - New Establishment
 - Leaders
 - Howard K. Smith
 - Donald McI Kendall
 - New Labor
 - Conservative Academics
 - Texas
 - Labor, church leaders
 - Foreign policy interest
 - “Elites”
 - Invitations
 - Newbold (“Newby”) Noyes, Jr.
 - Katherine L. Graham
 - Mike Flynn, *New York Daily News*
 - Adrian Lee [?], [unintelligible name]
- Lee Kuan Yew
 - Private dinner
 - Press coverage
 - Guest list [?]
- State dinners
 - Andreotti
 - Trip to Key Biscayne
 - Congressional recess
 - Kakuei Tanaka Visit
 - Scheduling
 - Relation to trip to USSR
- Another state visit
 - Black
- VFW speech
- Trip to California
- Europe trip

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- [Emperor of Japan] Hirohito
- Tanaka visit
- Mohammed Reza Pahlavi [Shah of Iran] visit to US

Public relations

- Tour of nation
 - Value
 - Reception
 - Influence of POWs
- Events at White House
 - Value to President
 - Paul Keyes
 - Pearl M. Bailey, Willy Brandt
 - TV
 - Film footage
 - Francis A. ("Frank") Sinatra
- Publicity of previous trips
- Need for activity

Congressional relations

- Objectives
 - Budget battle
 - Legislated appropriations
 - Veto overrides
 - Public pressure on Congress
 - Surrogates
 - Support for President
 - Letter writing campaign
 - Self-help
 - President's veto
- Aid to North Vietnam
 - Compared to budget battle
 - Public support
 - Rogers, Kissinger, Elliot L Richardson, George P. Shultz, William E. Simon
 - Assistant Secretaries

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Conversation No. 418-2 (cont'd)

[Begin segment reviewed under deed of gift]

Manolo Sanchez entered at an unknown time after 4:15 pm.

Women

Charles G. ("Bebe") Rebozo
-Marriage

[End of segment reviewed under deed of gift]

Sanchez and Haldeman left.

Conversation No. 418-3

Date: March 9, 1973

Time: Unknown between 2:12 pm and 2:15 pm

Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

[Begin segment reviewed under deed of gift]

President's schedule
-Meeting

Camp David
-Traffic

[End of segment reviewed under deed of gift]

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The President talked with H. R. {"Bob"} Haldeman at an unknown time between 2:12 pm and 2:15 pm.

[Conversation No. 418-3-A]

President's meeting with Haldeman

[End of telephone conversation]

Schedules

-Copies

-Dates

-Extra copies

-Tricia Nixon Cox, Julie Nixon Eisenhower

Sanchez left at an unknown time between 2:12 pm.

Conversation No. 418-4

Date: March 9, 1973

Time: Unknown between 2:12 pm and 2:15 pm

Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See also Conversation No. 37-68]

Conversation No. 418-5

Date: March 9, 1973

Time: Unknown between 2:15 pm and 3:05 pm

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Conversation No. 418-3 (cont'd)

Location: Executive Office Building

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

President's schedule

The President talked with Charles G. ("Bebe") Rebozo between 2:15 pm and 2:18 pm.

[Conversation No. 418-5A]

[See also Conversation No. 37-69]

[End of telephone conversation]

Public relations

- Crime speech
- Name of slogan
 - Clean Air Act, Safe Streets Act, New Federalism
 - Patrick J. Buchanan, William L. Safire, [unintelligible name]
- Legislative package
 - Request for capital punishment
 - Congress
 - Criminal code revision
- Need for phrasemaker
 - Herbert G. Klein [?]
 - Editor
 - Work with Ehrlichman
 - Crime speech
 - Ehrlichman's edits
 - Cop killers
 - Criminal penalties
 - Ehrlichman's work load
 - Importance of work
 - Hugh Scott
- Cabinet meetings
 - Compared to Dwight D. Eisenhower's cabinet
 - William P. Rogers [?]

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- President's use of rhetoric
- John A. Scali
- John A. Volpe
- Phrasemaking
 - Scali
 - Domestic Council
 - Speech writing
 - Crime speech
 - Ehrlichman
 - Taxes and spending
 - Education
 - Family budget
- Phrasemaking
 - Spiro T. Agnew's contributions
 - Television [TV]
 - Rogers
 - Critique
- Agnew
 - Problems of leadership
 - Compared to John B. Connally, Nelson A. Rockefeller
 - President as Vice President under Eisenhower
 - Role of Vice President
 - Cabinet
- Crime Speech [?]
- Appointments
 - New appointments
 - Ambassadors
 - Pool of 40 candidates
 - New career appointees
 - Blacks
 - Labor unionists
 - Black appointments
 - Compared to State Department
 - Foreign Service Officers [FSO]
 - Career compared to non-career appointments

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- Limits
- Iceland, Malta, Yugoslavia, Venezuela,
- Indonesia, Malaysia, Afghanistan, Dominican Republic
- Difficult assignments
- Hold-overs
- Australia
 - Marshall Green
- Belgium
 - Robert Strausz-Hupe
- France
 - John Irwin
- India
 - Daniel P. ("Pat") Moynihan
- Iran
 - Richard A. Helms
- Italy
 - Volpe
- Spain
 - Adm. Horacio Rivero
- Turkey
 - William B. Macomber, Jr.
- Contributors
 - Problem for Maurice H. Stans
- Careerists
 - Rogers
- Contributors
 - Priority
- Replacements
 - Strausz-Hupe'
 - Conservatives
 - Rivera
- Philip K. Crowe, John D. J. Moore
- Thomas Burns
 - Career Service
 - Labor Background
 - George Meany
- Blacks

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- Careerist from State Department
- Strausz-Hupe, Rivero [?], Burns
- Replacements

Manolo Sanchez and Fina Sanchez

- Pay
 - Source of funds
 - Residence appropriations
 - Interior Department
 - Civil Service
 - GS level
 - Base pay
 - Room and board
 - Overtime
- Total pay
 - Fina Sanchez
 - Compared to domestic work
- Starting pay
 - Increases

[Begin segment reviewed under deed of gift]

- Bonus

[End segment reviewed under deed of gift]

- Total pay
 - Increase

Kissinger entered at 2:35 pm.

John Downey

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- Mother's illness
- President's message
 - Chou En-lai
- Release from prison
- Call to Downey's brother

Kissinger talked with the White House operator at an unknown time between 2:35 pm and 2:46 pm.

[Conversation No. 418-5B.]

[See Conversation No. 37-70]

[End of telephone conversation]

- Release from prison
 - Hong Kong
- Press statement
 - Edward M. ("Ted") Kennedy
 - Ronald L. Ziegler

People's Republic of China [PRC]

- Release of prisoners
 - Robert J. Flynn, Philip E. Smith
 - Downey

Pay raises

- Sanchez, Kissinger
- PRC Dr. K. E. Bruce appointment
 - Head of liaison office
 - State Department's recommendation
 - Edwin W. Martin
 - Ambassador to Burma
 - President's experience
 - Latin America
 - Brazil
 - Malcolm Smith, "John F. Kennedy's 13 Great Mistakes in the

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White House"

- Liaison office
 - Transportation
 - Military plane
 - Peking

Edwin Martin

- Misidentification

Bruce

- Appointment to the liaison office
 - Back channel communication
 - State department officers
 - Alfred L. Jenkins, John H. Holdridge
 - Announcement

Press conference

- Announcements
 - Liaison office appointments
 - USSR visit
 - State visits
 - Tanaka
 - Connection with PRC announcement
 - Prisoners' release compared to liaison office
 - Bruce's appointment

Bruce

- Age
 - Compared to Chou En-lai

Messages

- President's letter
- Kissinger's letter to Chou En-lai
 - Bruce

Announcement

- Bruce

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The President talked with William Downey at an unknown time between 2:35 pm and 2:46 pm.

[Conversation No. 418-5C]

[See Conversation No. 37-71]

Health of Downey's mother

Announcement

-Kissinger call to Ziegler

Kissinger talked with the White House operator at an unknown time between 2:35 pm and 2:46 pm.

[Conversation No. 418-5D]

[See Conversation No. 37-72]

Announcement

-Prisoners' release

-Downey

-Timing

-Wording

-Request to Chou En-lai

-Downey's mother

-Illness

-Thomas J. Meskill

-Connecticut

-Appeal

-Ziegler

Telephone call to Meskill

The President talked with the White House operator at 2:46 pm.

[Conversation No. 418-5E]

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[See Conversation No. 37-73]

[End of telephone conversation]

Call to Meskill
-Reasons for call

Announcement
-Downey
-Ziegler

Kissinger talked with Ziegler at an unknown time between 2:46 pm and 2:53 pm. The President can be heard in the background.

[Conversation No. 418-5F]

[See Conversation No. 37-74]

Downey
-Private message to Chou En-Lai

[End of telephone conversation]

Release of Downey
-Announcement
-State Department's role
-Method of Appeal
 -Edward Kennedy
 -Letters, telephone calls
-Meskill
 -Telephone calls
-Credit
 -Announcement
 -Ziegler
-Telegram
-Announcement

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-PRC

-Announcement

-Selective release

-[unintelligible name]

-Howard K. Smith

-*New York Times*

-*Washington Post*

-*New York Times*

-Call to Charlie Daniel

-Handling

-President's message to Chou

Meeting with. Rogers

-Reasons

-Report on trip

-Cabinet meeting

-Rogers' statement

-US commitment

-Ehrlichman

-Spiro T. Agnew

Foreign Aid

-Congress

-Pakistan

-India

-Weapons

-Armored personnel carriers [APCs]

-Spare parts, repaired equipment

-David Packard

-Contract

-Delegation

-Kenya

-Uganda

-Size

-Evacuation

-Thomas P. Melady

-Idi Amin

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- Letters
- Melady's return

Ziegler's Announcement

Kissinger left at an unknown time after 2:46 pm.

- Downey release
- Kissinger's skills

Kissinger entered at an unknown time before 2:53 pm.

- President's press conference
- Timing
- Announcement
- PRC
- Bruce

Kissinger left at 2:53 pm.

[Begin segment reviewed under deed of gift]

- Public relations
- Strategy
- Plan
- Vetoes
- George H. W. Bush
- Spokesperson
- Janet Johnson

- Bush
- New York City mayoral election
- Primary
- Nelson A. Rockefeller

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- William T. Cahill
- John N. Mitchell

House Campaign Committee

- Robert C. ("Bob") Wilson
 - Resignation
- Clarence ("Bud") Brown, Jr.
 - Succession struggle
- Wilson's staff
 - Compared to Agnew's staff

[End segment reviewed under deed of gift]

President's schedule

- Republican Congress members
 - Meeting with President
 - Cabinet room, Oval Office [?]
 - Freshmen
- Function on Saturday
 - William E. Timmons
 - Evening at the White House
- Camp David
- Church service
- Shamrock presentation
 - Gift
 - Ashtray

The President talked with Meskill between 3:00 pm and 3:02 pm.

[Conversation No. 418-5G].

[See Conversation No. 37-75]

[End of telephone conversation]

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Public relations

- Budget
 - Statements
- Cabinet meeting
- Plan
- President's public appearances
 - Advance work
- Press conferences
- Radio speeches
- Meetings with Congress members
- William J. Baroody, Jr.
 - Outside assistance
 - Meeting with Charles W. Colson

H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman left at 3:05 pm.

Conversation No. 418-6

Date: Unknown between March 9 and March 12, 1973

Time: Unknown between 3:05 pm, March 9 and 12:46 pm, March 12, 1973

Location: Executive Office Building

Unknown people met.

Inquiry

- President's location [?]

The conversation was cut off at an unknown time before 12:46 pm, March 1973.