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Tape Subject Log
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Conversation No. 456-1

Date: February 23, 1971
Time: Unknown between 12:00 am and 9:42 am
Location: Oval Office

Unknown people [Secret Service] met

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Non-historical]
[Duration: 31s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

Recording was cut off at an unknown time before 9:42 am

Conversation No. 456-2

Date: February 23, 1971
Time: 9:42 am - 9:44 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Ronald L. Ziegler
[Recording begins while the conversation is in progress]

- Press
 - Vietnam
 - Reporting
 - Ziegler's comments to press
 - President's position
 - Washington Post* article
 - Reporting of war

Ziegler left at 9:44 am

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Conversation No. 456-3

Date: February 23, 1971

Time: 9:46 am - 9:48 am

Location: Oval Office

The President met with Alexander P. Butterfield

News summary

-Alterations

-President's comments

-Effect of forthcoming economic meeting

-John B. Connally

-Paul W. McCracken

-George P. Shultz

Butterfield left at 9:48 am

Conversation No. 456-4

Date: February 23, 1971

Time: 9:54 am - 9:55 am

Location: Oval Office

The President met with Alexander P. Butterfield

The President's schedule

- "Open Hour"

-Reporters

-The President's view

-John R. ("Jack") Williams, Jr.

-John B. Waters, Jr.

-Ronald L. Ziegler

Butterfield left at 9:55 am

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Conversation No. 456-5

Date: February 23, 1971
Time: 10:05 am - 11:30 am
Location: Oval Office

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

- Foreign trade policy
 - Peter G. Peterson
 - Administration policy
 - Coordination
 - William P. Rogers and Henry A. Kissinger

Kissinger

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 10

[Privacy]
[Duration: 12s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 10

- General Alexander M. Haig, Jr.
- Admiral Thomas H. Moorer
- Melvin R. Laird
- Press conference on Laos
 - News summary
- Cabinet meeting
- Briefings

The President's schedule

- Governors' conference
 - Laos briefing
 - John D. Ehrlichman
 - President's view

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Alexander P. Butterfield entered at an unknown time after 10:05 am

Vietnam

- Military developments
- Reports
- Leak

Butterfield left at an unknown time before 10:25 am

Economy

- Troika meeting
- Arthur F. Burns' statement
- President's memo
 - Dissemination
 - Action
- Haldeman's conversation with Burns
 - Burns' statements on confidence
 - Effect
 - Stock market

Appointments

- President's view
 - Retired businessmen
 - Retired officers

Open Hour

- Need for accurate reporting
 - Butterfield and Ronald L. Ziegler
 - Color reports for press
 - Role of staff reporter
 - John B. Waters, Jr.
 - John R. ("Jack") Williams, Jr.
 - Taping system
 - Butterfield
 - Transcripts
 - President's orders
 - Butterfield's role
 - President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports
 - John K. Andrews, Jr.
 - James H. Van Alen
 - President's conversation with Van Alan

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-Publicity

-James Udall

Press report

-Vietnam incident

Public statements

-Murray L. Weidenbaum

-Revenue sharing

-Possible compromise

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-John B. Connally

-Maurice H. Stans

-Departmental competition

-Administration policy

The President's schedule

-Cabinet officers

-Staff dinner

-Radio speech

-Forthcoming White House Governors' dinner

-Leslie T. ("Bob") Hope

-Gifts

Kissinger

-Role in Middle East

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4

[Privacy]

[Duration: 30s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4

-Haig

-The President's conversation with Moorer, February 22

-Vietnam

-Paris Peace Talks

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- Conversation with Anatoliy F. Dobrynin
- Paris Peace Talks
- Staff meetings
 - Rogers, Laird, and Connally
- Strategic Arms Limitation Talks [SALT]
 - Rogers' view
 - Kissinger's view
 - Soviet view
 - Berlin
 - Middle East
- Rogers/Kissinger relationship
- National Security Study Memorandum [NSSM]
 - Need for coordination
 - Number
 - Laird and Rogers' participation
- Kissinger role
 - Kissinger/Rogers relationship
- SALT
 - Joseph C. Kraft story
 - Policy differences
 - State of World message
 - William H. Sullivan
 - Leak
 - Need for Administration response
 - Forthcoming call to Rogers
 - Effect
- State of the World message
 - SALT

Conv. No. 456-5 (cont.)

[The President talked with an unknown person at an unknown time between 10:05 am and 10:25 am]

[Conversation No. 456-5A]

Request that Ehrlichman join them

[End of telephone conversation]

Kissinger

- Abraham Lincoln
- Press image
 - Kissinger's role

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- President
- Laird and Rogers

The President's schedule

- Governors' conference
 - Possible briefing on Laos operation
- Governors' concerns
- Publicity

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Media reports

- Dennis Warner's article
- [Forename unknown] Crawford
- Crosby S. Noyes
- Dissemination
 - Herbert G. Klein
 - Robert J. Dole
- New York Times* article on revenue sharing

Ehrlichman entered at 10:25 am

- Administration response
 - President's position
 - Comments to governors
- Weidenbaum's testimony
 - Ehrlichman's conversation with Weidenbaum
 - Hubert H. Humphrey
 - Connally's role
 - Rationale
 - Substance
 - The President's meeting with Wilbur D. Mills
- President's conversation with Connally
- Ehrlichman's conversation with Nelson A. Rockefeller
 - Comments by the President
 - Alternatives to revenue sharing bill
- Connally's forthcoming talk to governors
- Ehrlichman's comments
- Reaction to the President's programs
 - Rockefeller
 - John Briggs
 - The President's commitment to revenue sharing
 - Precedents

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Governors' conference

-The President's forthcoming talk

-Content

-Domestic issues

-Laos

-Vietnam

-Focus of conference

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-Preston Smith

-Welfare costs proposal

-Rockefeller's reaction

-John V. Lindsay

-Forthcoming lawsuit

-President's comments

-Welfare reform

-Revenue sharing

-Ehrlichman's comments

-Regional commissions

-Administration policy

-Edward L. Morgan

-Connally

-Democrats' counter-proposal

-Connally's view

-Media coverage of administration presentations

-Weidenbaum

-Ziegler's role

-President's comments

-Administration presentation

-Connally's view

-Media briefings by Donald H. Rumsfeld and Ehrlichman

-Media coverage

-President's view

-Possible future press briefing

-Ziegler

-Computer printout

-Revenue sharing

Ziegler entered at 10:41 am

-Media coverage

-Statements

-Tone and style of presentation

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- Rumsfeld
- Ehrlichman

Weidenbaum's statement

- Ziegler's and Ehrlichman's statements

Wage and price controls

- George P. Shultz
- Administration's options
- Davis-Bacon Act
- Effect

Conv. No. 456-5 (cont.)

Ehrlichman and Ziegler left at 10:45 am

Kissinger

- Speeches
 - William L. Safire and Rogers
 - Burns
- Relations with Rogers
 - Department of State
 - Access to the President
 - Haldeman's previous conversation with Rogers
 - Haldeman's and Rose Mary Woods' roles
 - Role of National Security Council [NSC]

-Ecuadorean tuna boats

- Dole
- The President's reaction
- Rogers' role
 - Organization of American States [OAS]
 - Resolution

-Role and workload

- Presidential involvement
- Ambassador from Cyprus
- Nicaraguan transistors
 - Peterson
- Use of NSC staff
 - Compared to Domestic Council
- Presidential involvement
- Rogers

-Information routing

- Ehrlichman
- Peter M. Flanigan

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- Presidential involvement
- Compared with Department of State personnel
- Rogers
- Role
- Vietnam
- Connally

[Haldeman talked with Kissinger at an unknown time between 10:45 am and 10:52 am]

Conv. No. 456-5 (cont.)

[Conversation No. 456-5B]

Request that he join them in Oval Office

[End of telephone conversation]

The President's schedule

- NSC meeting date
- Attendance
- Frank J. Shakespeare
- Rogers

Kissinger entered at 10:52 am

- Connally
- Timing
- Michael J. ("Mike") Mansfield breakfast
- Carl B. Albert
- Cabinet meeting
- Preparation
- Agenda
- Laotian situation
- Connally
- Timing
- Dates
- Schedule conflicts
- Attorney General
- Preparation
- Morning meetings

Haldeman left at 11:05 am

Vietnam military developments

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- Death of General Do Cao Tri
 - Circumstances
 - Impact
 - Successor
 - Ellsworth F. Bunker cable to Kissinger
 - Competence of Tri's successor
 - General Creighton W. Abrams, Jr.'s and Bunker's view
- General Nguyen Van Thieu Conv. No. 456-5 (cont.)
 - Nguyen Cao Ky
- Cambodia operations
 - Developments
 - Tri
 - Leadership
 - Planning
- Abrams
- [Forename unknown] Davidson
 - Competence
- General William C. Westmoreland
 - View of war
 - Charles E. ("Chip") Bohlen
 - Moorer's cable to Abrams
 - Press stories
 - Possible briefing
- Military situation
 - Westmoreland's view
 - Army of the Republic of Vietnam [ARVN] competence
 - Bunker's cable
 - Effect in Saigon
 - Abrams and Thieu
 - Lam Son operation
 - [Forename unknown] Southerland
 - Lieutenant General Hoang Xuan Lam
 - ARVN
 - Public relations plan
 - Briefing format
 - Leaks to media
- Media coverage
 - Compared to civil war

Manolo Sanchez entered at an unknown time after 11:05 am

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Book by Carl Sandburg
-Civil War generals

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 11:30 am

Media coverage

- Newsweek* story on the President
 - Joseph W. Alsop
 - President's role
 - European leader's view
 - Laos

Conv. No. 456-5 (cont.)

- Source
 - Edward R. G. Heath
 - Georges J. R. Pompidou
 - Unknown Italian

Vietnam

- President's view of news coverage
- ARVN
 - Laotian operation
- United States' troop withdrawal
 - Time schedule
 - Conditions
 - Release of Prisoners of War [POWs]
- Visit by Haig
 - Laird's view
 - Abrams
 - Kissinger's position
 - Kissinger's conversation with Dobrynin
 - President's position
 - Haig's role
 - Bunker and Thieu
- Peace proposal
 - Condition
 - Time schedule

SALT

- Dobrynin
 - Letter to Aleksei N. Kosygin from the President
 - Letter from Kissinger
 - Response

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- Gerard C. Smith
 - President's view
- Press reports
 - State of World message
 - SALT section
 - Kissinger
 - Rogers

Conv. No. 456-5 (cont.)

[The President talked with the White House operator at an unknown time between 11:05 am and 11:30 am]

[Conversation No. 456-5C]

Call to Haldeman

[End of telephone conversation]

[The President talked with Haldeman at an unknown time between 11:05 am and 11:30 am]

[Conversation No. 456-5D]

- Leak in State Department
 - SALT section of speech
 - Ziegler
 - Effect on State of World message
 - Haldeman's investigation

[End of telephone conversation]

- Berlin negotiations
 - Public relations
 - Leak to media
 - Timing
 - President's role
 - President's position
 - Conclusion
 - Timing
 - Message to [David] Kenneth Rush
 - The President's role
 - Timing
 - Public relations

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SALT

- Proposal
- Smith and Rogers
 - New York Times* editorial
 - Letter to Kosygin from the President
 - Smith's reaction
 - Rogers' reaction
 - President's view Conv. No. 456-5 (cont.)
 - Laird
 - Smith
 - Credit for negotiations' success
 - Antiballistic Missile [ABM]
 - Laird
 - Kissinger's conversation with Laird

Dobrynin

- Letter to Kosygin from the President
 - Editing
 - Changes
 - Multiple Independently-Targeted Reentry Vehicles [MIRVs]

General Joseph Maurer

- Civil War record
 - General William T. Sherman
 - General Ulysses S. Grant
 - Lincoln
- Vietnam
 - Military objectives
 - ARVN troops

Vietnam

- New York Times* article
 - Laos action
 - ARVN troops
 - Tchepone
 - Ho Chi Minh Trail
 - Rationale
 - Thieu's position
 - President's view
 - ARVN troops
 - Press accounts
 - Rowland Evans
 - Administration public relations

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- The President
- Laird's statements
 - Administration position
 - Bombing
 - ARVN
- Air strikes
 - Military situation
 - North Vietnamese supplies
 - Possible locations
 - Possible statement
 - Supplies
 - Surface-to-Air Missile [SAM] sites
 - Rationale

Conv. No. 456-5 (cont.)

Maurer

Kissinger left at 11:30 am

Conversation No. 456-6

Date: February 23, 1971

Time: Unknown between 11:30 am and 11:36 am

Location: Oval Office

The President met with Alexander P. Butterfield

The President's schedule

- White House entertainment
 - Introduction by the President
 - Up With People
 - Leslie T. ("Bob") Hope
 - President's view

Butterfield left at an unknown time before 11:36 am

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Conversation No. 456-7

Date: February 23, 1971
 Time: 11:36 am - 11:48 am
 Location: Oval Office

The President met with Milton R. Young, Mark Andrews, Lee W. Huebner, and twenty-five members of the North Dakota Legislature [list of names unavailable]; the White House photographer was present during the meeting White House 456-5 (cont.)

[General conversation]

-Seating

Revenue sharing

-Importance to North Dakota

-Rural development

-Administration policy

-Funding

Presentation of gifts by the President

Description of Oval Office

-Theodore ("Teddy") Roosevelt

-John B. Connally

Young, et al. left at 11:48 am

Conversation No. 456-8

Date: February 23, 1971
 Time: 11:48 am
 Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull

Photo with John R. ("Jack") Williams, Jr.

Bull left at 11:48 am

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Conversation No. 456-9

Date: February 23, 1971
 Time: 11:49 am - 12:02 pm
 Location: Oval Office

Conv. No. 456-7 (cont.)

The President met with John R. ("Jack") Williams, Jr., John D. Ehrlichman, and Lee W. Huebner; the White House photographer was present during the meeting

Greetings

Arizona

- Water consumption
 - Future projects
 - Timing
 - Funding
 - President's view
 - Arizona congressional delegation
 - John J. Rhodes
 - Administration policy
 - Caspar W. ("Cap") Weinberger
- Budget
- Economy
 - Unemployment
 - Aerospace industry
 - Mining
 - Agriculture
 - Construction
 - Real estate
- United States' economy
 - Administration policy
 - Administration efforts
- Water
 - Arizona policies
 - Effect on future

Presentation of gifts by the President

Williams left and Ronald L. Ziegler entered at 11:57 am

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Ehrlichman's phone conversation with the Vice President

-Governors' meeting

-Media coverage

-Rationale

-Revenue sharing

-Media coverage

-The President's forthcoming talk

-Remarks by the President and the Vice President

Conv. No. 456-9 (cont.)

-Format

-John B. Connally's remarks

-Administration policy

-President's comments

Ziegler's press briefing

-Henry A. Kissinger's briefing

White House festivities

-Photographs

Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 11:57 am

Schedule

Ehrlichman, et al. left at 12:02 pm

Conversation No. 456-10

Date: February 23, 1971

Time: 12:02 pm - 12:06 pm

Location: Oval Office

The President met with John B. Waters, Jr., Patsy (Temple) Waters, Cynthia Waters, John B. Waters, III, John D. Ehrlichman, Ronald L. Ziegler, and Lee W. Huebner; the White House photographer was present during the meeting

Arrangement for photo

[General conversation]

-Speaking engagement by the President

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- Children
- Howard H. Baker, Jr.

Presentation of gifts by the President

Description of Oval Office

Tennessee politicians

Conv. No. 456-9 (cont.)

J. B. Waters, Jr., et al. left at 12:06 pm

Conversation No. 456-26

Date: February 23, 1971

Time: Unknown between 12:06 pm and 12:16 pm

Location: Oval Office

Stephen B. Bull talked with an unknown man

Alexander P. Butterfield

Conversation No. 456-11

Date: February 23, 1971

Time: 12:06 pm - 12:07 pm

Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull [?]

The President's schedule

-Press

Bull [?] left at 12:07 pm

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Conversation No. 456-12

Date: February 23, 1971
Time: 1:05 pm - 2:09 pm
Location: Oval Office

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

The President's schedule
-Governors' conference
-President's comments

[The President talked with John D. Ehrlichman at an unknown time between 1:05 pm and 1:12 pm]

[Conversation No. 456-12A]

-Media coverage
-White House dinner

[End of telephone conversation]

Suspension of Davis-Bacon Act
-Briefing of congressmen
-Clark MacGregor's view
-Robert P. Griffin
-Jacob K. Javits
-Administration position

White House dinner
-Press coverage
-Columbia Broadcasting System [CBS] interest
-Herbert J. ("Jackie") Gleason
-Charles W. Colson
-Guest list
-Thelma C. (Ryan) ("Pat") Nixon's view
-Advantages
-Compared to Edward K. ("Duke") Ellington dinner
-Gleason
-President's position
-Beverly Sills
-Location of stage

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- Richard ("Red") Skelton
- Johnny Cash
- Press coverage
- Mrs. Nixon's view

Newsweek story on State of World message

- Leak
 - Haldeman's conversation with William P. Rogers Conv. No. 456-12 (cont.)
 - Henry A. Kissinger
 - James J. Kilpatrick, Jr.
 - Strategic Arms Limitation Talks [SALT]
 - Arms Control and Disarmament Agency [ACDA]

Colson entered at 1:12 pm

- Davis-Bacon Act
 - Colson's role
 - Effect
 - Wage Price Board
 - Wage and price freeze
 - James D. Hodgson
 - Colson's view
 - Effect on unions
 - Purpose

[Haldeman talked with the White House operator at an unknown time between 1:12 pm and 1:30 pm; the President and Colson can be heard in the background]

[Conversation No. 456-12B]

Call to MacGregor

[End of telephone conversation]

- Suspension of Davis-Bacon Act
 - Administration position
 - Raymond K. Price, Jr.
 - President's view
 - Purpose
 - Labor's view
 - Peter J. Brennan
 - Administration strategy

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- Ehrlichman's view
- Criticism from left
- Credibility
- John B. Connally's view
- The President's view

[Haldeman talked with MacGregor at an unknown time between 1:12 pm and 1:30 pm; the President and Colson can be heard in the background] Conv. No. 456-12 (cont.)

[Conversation No. 456-12C]

- Congressional briefing
- Timing

[End of telephone conversation]

- Administration strategy
 - Joint statement by George P. Shultz and Colson
 - Wording
 - Labor Department section
 - Public versus private statement
 - Purpose of Davis-Bacon Act
 - Union wages
 - Re-instatement
 - Timing
 - State Department view
 - President's view

[Haldeman talked with the White House operator [?] at an unknown time between 1:12 pm and 1:30 pm; the President and Colson can be heard in the background]

[Conversation No. 456-12D]

Call to Shultz

[End of telephone conversation]

- Suspension of Davis-Bacon Act
 - Administration strategy
 - Joint statement by Shultz and Colson
 - Wording
 - Justification of Davis-Bacon Act

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-Union wages

Shultz entered at 1:30 pm

-Department of Labor view

-Paul W. McCracken

-Willie J. Usery, Jr.

-Brennan

Conv. No. 456-12 (cont.)

-Effects of opposition

-William L. Safire

-Schedule

-State of the World address

-Oil and steel actions as precedent

-Steel prices

-Bargaining process

-Conditions that fostered Davis-Bacon Act

-Consistency of administration's actions

-Steel and oil actions

Rose Mary Woods entered at 1:50 pm

-Safire

-The President's schedule

Woods left at 1:54 pm

State of the World address

-Safire

-Price

-Kissinger

-*Newsweek* story

-Leak

-Rogers

-ACDA

-Haldeman's conversation with Rogers

-Kissinger

National Security Study Memoranda [NSSMs]

-Haldeman's conversation with Kissinger

-Melvin R. Laird

-Number

-Alexander P. Butterfield

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Haldeman left at 1:56 pm

Davis-Bacon Act

-Statement from administration

-Wording

-Rationale for administration action

-Meaning to industry

-Colson's call to concerned party

-Construction industry

-Hodgson's statement

Conv. No. 456-12 (cont.)

Colson and Shultz left at 2:09 pm

Conversation No. 456-13

Date: February 23, 1971

Time: Unknown between 2:09 pm and 3:00 pm

Location: Oval Office

The President met with unknown people [Manolo Sanchez and Stephen B. Bull?]

[Unintelligible]

The unknown people [Sanchez and Bull?] left at an unknown time before 3:00 pm

Conversation No. 456-14

Date: February 23, 1971

Time: Unknown between 2:09 pm and 3:00 pm

Location: Oval Office

The President met with unknown people [Alexander P. Butterfield and Stephen B. Bull?]

Schedule

The unknown people [Butterfield and Bull?] left at an unknown time before 3:00 pm

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Date: February 23, 1971
Time: Unknown between 2:09 pm and 3:00 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with the White House operator

Call to William L. Safire

Conversation No. 456-16

Date: February 23, 1971
Time: 3:00 pm - 3:05 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Alexander P. Butterfield

The President's schedule

Butterfield left at 3:05 pm

Conversation No. 456-17

Date: February 23, 1971
Time: 3:05 pm - 3:08 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with William L. Safire

State of the World message
-Melvin R. Laird and William P. Rogers
-National security

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- Defense
- Arms control
- Schedule

Conversation No. 456-18

Date: February 23, 1971
Time: Unknown between 3:08 pm and 3:22 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Alexander P. Butterfield

Schedule

Butterfield left at an unknown time before 3:22 pm

Conversation No. 456-19

Date: February 23, 1971
Time: Unknown between 3:08 pm and 3:22 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown person

Schedule

The unknown person left at an unknown time before 3:22 pm

Conversation No. 456-20

Date: February 23, 1971
Time: Unknown between 3:22 pm and 4:06 pm
Location: Oval Office

Unknown people [Secret Service?] met

The President's location

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Recording was cut off at an unknown time before 4:06 pm

Conversation No. 456-21

Date: February 23, 1971

Time: 4:08 pm - 4:09 pm

Location: Oval Office

The President met with Ronald L. Ziegler

Media coverage

- Governors' conference
- President's appearance
- James D. Hodgson

Ziegler left at 4:09 pm

Conversation No. 456-22

Date: February 23, 1971

Time: 4:12 pm - 6:18 pm

Location: Oval Office

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

Governors' conference

- President's appearance
- Use of forums
- Role
- John B. Connally's role
- John D. Ehrlichman
- Former Governors' Committee

State of the World message

- William L. Safire's role
- Melvin R. Laird's role
- Henry A. Kissinger
- Press report
- Leak
- William P. Rogers
- Haldeman's conversation with Kissinger

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- Strategic Arms Limitation Talks [SALT]
 - News story
- Anatoliy F. Dobrynin
- SALT
 - United States' letter
 - Leonid I. Brezhnev
 - Andrei A. Gromyko
 - Kissinger's role
- Length
- SALT story
 - Impact
 - Tactics
- Kissinger
 - Workload

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2

[Privacy]

[Duration: 3m 58s]

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Press coverage of the President

- Press conference
 - Topics
 - Foreign policy
 - Domestic policy
 - Length
 - Efficacy
 - Timing
 - Length
 - 1962 campaign
 - Edmund G. ("Pat") Brown

The President's schedule

- Camp David

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- Connally
- Rogers
- Laird
- Admiral Thomas H. Moorer
- President's forthcoming press conference
- National Security Council [NSC] meetings
 - Kissinger
 - Rogers

Conv. No. 456-22 (cont.)

Arthur F. Burns

- Revenue sharing
- Daniel P. ("Pat") Moynihan

The President's meeting with Science Advisory Committee

- Results
 - Dr. Edward E. David, Jr.
- Participants
- Congressmen

Schedule

- Press coverage
- Connally
- The Vice President
- The President's previous meeting with North Dakota Congressmen
 - Results
 - Effect of Air Force One use
 - Grand Forks trip
 - Rationale
- National Security Study Memoranda [NSSMs]
 - Haldeman coordination

Fifty-two foreign service officers who signed Cambodian letter

- U. Alexis Johnson
- Results
 - Resignations
 - Assignments
 - Vietnam
 - Civil Operations Revolutionary Development Support [CORDS]
 - Ellsworth F. Bunker
- Johnson's view
 - Promotion recommendations
 - President's view

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Admiral Raymond A. Spruance

- Philippines
- Edward G. Lansdale
- Charles Bohanan [sp?]
- Unknown man

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[Personal Returnable]

[Duration: 4m 50s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 3

Polls

- Vietnam
- Prisoners of War [POWs]
 - Rescue raids
 - Cease-fire
 - Prisoner exchanges

Dwight D. Eisenhower's stag dinners and lunches

- Number by year
 - Attendance
- Compared with the President's social functions
 - Attendance
 - Heads of State
 - Prime Minister of Ireland
- R. Anthony Eden [Earl of Avon]

The President's schedule

- Rural Development Council
 - Meeting with press
 - Remarks by President
- Clifford M. Hardin
 - Edwin L. Harper

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- Briefing
- Meeting with editors
 - Press plan
 - Cabinet officers
 - President
- Robert D. Ray
- Richard B. Ogilvie
- Warren E. Hearnes
- Patrick J. Lucey
- Mechanics of arrivals
 - Air Force One
 - Senators and Congressmen
 - Public relations
- Rochester trip
 - Nelson A. Rockefeller
 - John N. Mitchell
 - Itinerary
- Davis-Bacon Act
 - Charles W. Colson
- Swearing-in of Thomas S. Kleppe
- Civil rights leaders' meeting with the President
 - Ehrlichman
 - George W. Romney
 - Roy Wilkins
 - Dorothy Height
 - Whitney M. Young, Jr.
 - Robert J. Blackwell
 - Berkeley G. Burrell
 - Value

Conv. No. 456-22 (cont.)

Kissinger

- Role in foreign relations
 - Rogers
 - Dobrynin
- President's possible conversation with Kissinger
- Rogers
- Laird
- Compared to Burns
- Compared to Leonard Garment

[The President talked to an unknown person at an unknown time between 4:12 pm and 5:51 pm]

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[Conversation No. 456-22C]

Request for Harry S. Dent
-Location

[End of telephone conversation]

The President's schedule
-Leslie T. ("Bob") Hope
-Accommodations
-Herbert J. ("Jackie") Gleason
-Blair House

Conv. No. 456-22 (cont.)

[Haldeman talked with an unknown person in Robert H. Finch's office at an unknown time between 4:12 pm and 5:51 pm]

[Conversation No. 456-22A]

Invitation for Finch to meet with the President

[End of telephone conversation]

Old Executive Office Building office
-Finch
-Rogers' office
-Space
-The President's offices
-Roosevelt Room
-Cabinet Room

Kissinger
-Rogers

Dent entered at an unknown time after 4:12 pm

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 6
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 24m 15s]

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END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 6

Dent left and Finch entered at 5:51 pm

Hope

Conv. No. 456-22 (cont.)

William J. Casey appointment

[The President talked with an unknown person at an unknown time between 5:51 pm and 5:52 pm]

[Conversation No. 456-22D]

General Alexander M. Haig, Jr.

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 11

[Personal Returnable]

[Duration: 8s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 11

[End of telephone conversation]

The President's schedule

-Kissinger

-Safire

[Haldeman talked with an unknown person at 5:52 pm; the President and Finch can be heard in the background]

[Conversation No. 456-22B]

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Status of Casey appointment

[End of telephone conversation]

Casey appointment

*****Conv. No. 456-22 (cont.)*****

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 7

[Personal Returnable]

[Duration: 4m 1s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 7

Milk Fund

-Milk money

-Distribution

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 8

[Personal Returnable]

[Duration: 3m 5s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 8

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 9

[Personal Returnable]

[Duration: 7m 53s]

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END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 9

The President's activities

- Public relations
- Bryce N. Harlow
 - Congressional action
 - Reaction time to administration action
- Health program
- The Vice President

Conv. No. 456-22 (cont.)

Old Executive Office Building office

- Office locations
- Receptions
- Secretary

Connally

- Efforts
- Attendance at White House dinners
- Health
- Schedule

The President's schedule

- Camp David

Alexander P. Butterfield entered at 6:05 pm

- Church service
- Meeting with Kissinger

Butterfield left at 6:09 pm

- Connally's schedule
 - Idanell (Brill) ("Nellie") Connally

Finch's schedule

- Trip to Europe
- Timing

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Haldeman and Finch left at 6:18 pm

Conversation No. 456-23

Date: February 23, 1971

Conv. No. 456-22 (cont.)

Time: Unknown between 6:18 pm and 6:40 pm

Location: Oval Office

Unknown men [Secret Service?] met

The President's schedule

Recording was cut off at an unknown time before 6:40 pm

Conversation No. 456-24

Date: February 23, 1971

Time: 6:42 pm - 7:18 pm

Location: Oval Office

The President met with Henry A. Kissinger

Vietnam

- General Alexander M. Haig, Jr. visit
 - Melvin R. Laird
 - General Nguyen Van Thieu
 - General Creighton W. Abrams, Jr.
 - Purpose
 - Military situation
 - Purpose
- Kissinger's conversation with John Sherman Cooper
- Democrats
 - Edward M. ("Ted") Kennedy, Michael J. ("Mike") Mansfield, and J. William Fulbright
 - Administration response
 - Troop withdrawal

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- General Do Cao Tri
 - Successor
 - Ellsworth F. Bunker's message to Kissinger
- Laos Briefing
 - E. Ross Adair
 - Age
 - Congressional service
 - John B. Connally
 - William P. Rogers
 - John N. Mitchell

H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman entered at an unknown time after 6:42 pm

The President's schedule

- National Security Council [NSC] meeting
 - Timing
- Swearing-in ceremony
- Frank J. Shakespeare
- George H. W. Bush
- NSC meeting

Middle East

- Israeli/Arab talks
 - Prospects
 - Kissinger's view
 - Administration position
 - Report to the President
 - Middle East
 - Laos

The President's schedule

- NSC meeting
 - Timing

State Department translator

- Lieutenant General Vernon A. Walters
- President's view
- Possible position at White House

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[National Security]

[Duration: 1m 1s]

PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

Conv. No. 456-24 (cont.)

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 3

The President's schedule

- William J. ("Jack") Edwards
 - William E. Timmons
- Public relations
 - Administration policy on Vietnam
 - Meetings with reporters
 - Walter L. Cronkite, Jr., [Arnold] Eric Sevareid, John A. Scali, and John W. Chancellor
- NSC meeting
 - Briefings by Admiral Thomas H. Moorer
 - Vietnam
 - Briefing by Joseph J. Sisco
 - Middle East
 - Briefing by Richard M. Helms
 - Laos
 - Attendance
 - Bush
 - Connally
 - Mitchell
 - The Vice President
 - Undersecretaries
 - David Packard
 - General John W. Vogt, Jr.
 - Moorer

Kissinger left at 7:02 pm

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 1m 22s]

Conv. No. 456-24 (cont.)

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4

The President's conversation with Kissinger
-Middle East

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 5
[National Security]
[Duration: 30s]

MIDDLE EAST

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 5

- Kissinger
- Israel
- Rogers
- Workload

- Kissinger
 - Role in administration
 - Foreign policy
 - President's position
 - United States-Soviet Union relations

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- President's role
- Anatoliy F. Dobrynin
- The President's role
- Workload
- Rogers
 - Haldeman's conversation with Rogers
 - State Department leak
 - Kissinger's comments to press Conv. No. 456-24 (cont.)
 - Gerard C. Smith
 - Strategic Arms Limitation Talks [SALT] negotiations role
 - President's role
 - Alekssei N. Kosygin
 - Rogers
 - Department of State
- Middle East

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 7

[National Security]

[Duration: 46s]

MIDDLE EAST

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 7

- Kissinger's view
 - Israel
 - Compared to Vietnam
- Role
 - Press briefings
 - Meetings
 - Middle East
- William L. Safire
 - Laird
- Writing style

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-Safire and Raymond K. Price, Jr.

Haldeman left at 7:18 pm

Conversation No. 456-25

Date: February 23, 1971

Time: 7:18 pm

Location: Oval Office

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The President met with Manolo Sanchez

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

[Personal Returnable]

[Duration: 1m 10s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

The President and Sanchez left at 7:18 pm