Date: March 18, 1971  
Time: 4:42 pm - 4:46 pm  
Location: Oval Office  

The President met with Rose Mary Woods

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1  
[Personal Returnable]  
[Duration: 3m 53s]  
END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2  
[Personal Returnable]  
[Duration: 10s]  
END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2

Woods left at 4:46 pm
Date: March 18, 1971  
Time: Unknown between 4:46 pm and 5:00 pm  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Alexander P. Butterfield

President’s schedule
- National Alliance of Businessmen reception, March 19, 1971
  - Business Council reception
  - Thomas E. Dewey funeral
  - Length
  - Number attending
  - Time
  - Location
  - Number
  - Business Council reception
  - Receiving line
  - Remarks by President
  - Lynn A. Townsend
  - John D. Harper
  - Number of events

[The President talked with H. R. (“Bob”) Haldeman at an unknown time between 4:46 pm and 5:00 pm]

[Conversation No. 469-2A]

- Number of events
- President’s remarks
- Luncheon
- Purpose
- Receiving line
- Group
- Receiving line
- Group

The President conferred with Butterfield

- Receiving line
[End of telephone conversation]
- Receiving line
  - Purpose
- Guests attending

Maurice H. Stans’ dinner, March 25, 1971
  - Stag dinner
  - Guest list
    - Stans and Peter [M. Flanigan?]
  - Receiving line
  - Guests attending
    - Number
  - Dress
  - President’s role
  - Receiving line

Latin American ambassadors’ dinner, April 6, 1971
  - Dress
    - African ambassadors’ dinner
    - Emil (“Bus”) Mosbacher, Jr.
    - Later dinners
    - Mosbacher
    - Lucy A. Winchester
    - Latin American ambassadors’ preference

Reverend [Forename unknown] Akaka of Hawaii
  - Commitment
  - Possible May visit
  - Possible conflict
    - Tricia Nixon’s wedding plans

[The President talked with an unknown person [John D. Ehrlichman?] at an unknown time between 4:46 pm and 5:00 pm]

[Conversation No. 469-2B]

Meeting with John B. Connally
  - Ehrlichman’s possible attendance

Personnel
Supersonic Transport [SST]
- Future strategy
  - Henry M. (“Scoop”) Jackson
  - Warren G. (“Maggie”) Magnuson
- White House position

[End of telephone conversation]

Akaka reception
- Location
- Possible conflict with wedding
- Possible May visit
  - Wedding date

Thelma C. (Ryan) (“Pat”) Nixon’s schedule
- Possible forthcoming trips
  - Constance M. (Cornell) (“Connie”) Stuart
  - Wedding
  - Length
  - May

President’s schedule
- Connally

Butterfield left at an unknown time before 5:00 pm

Date: March 18, 1971
Time: Unknown between 4:46 pm and 5:00 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with the White House operator

Call to George P. Shultz
Date: March 18, 1971
Time: Unknown between 4:46 pm and 5:00 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with George P. Shultz

President’s schedule
  - Meeting with John B. Connally
  - Previous meeting with Arthur F. Burns
  - Connally

Paul W. McCracken

Cabinet members
  - George W. Romney
  - John A. Volpe
  - Maurice H. Stans

Congress

Burns

Stans, McCracken

Quadriad

Domestic Council
  - Subcommittee on Economics
    - Attendees
      - Burns
      - James D. Hodgson, Stans, Romney

Consumer Price Index briefing, March 19, 1971
  - Hodgson
  - Location

Economy
  - Timing of improvement
    - President’s view
Conversation No. 469-5

Date: March 18, 1971
Time: Unknown between 5:00 pm and 5:03 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with the White House operator

   Call to Ronald H. Walker

Conversation No. 469-6

Date: March 18, 1971
Time: Unknown between 5:03 pm and 5:25 pm
Location: Oval Office

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

   President’s schedule

[The President talked with Ronald H. Walker between 5:03 pm and 5:04 pm]

[Conversation No. 469-6A]

   Walker’s work on Whitney M. Young, Jr. funeral
       - Compared with Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr. funeral

[End of telephone conversation]

Rose Mary Woods entered at 5:04 pm

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 2m 28s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
Woods left at an unknown time before 5:25 pm

Economy
- President’s forthcoming meeting with John B. Connally
- President’s previous talk with George P. Shultz
  - John D. Ehrlichman
  - George W. Romney
  - Arthur F. Burns
  - Maurice H. Stans
  - Paul W. McCracken
  - John A. Volpe
  - Winton M. (“Red”) Blount
  - Ehrlichman
  - Patrick J. Buchanan
  - McCracken

McCracken
- Forthcoming call from Haldeman
  - Burns

President’s schedule
- Connally

Haldeman left at an unknown time before 5:25 pm

Date: March 18, 1971
Time: Unknown between 5:04 pm and 5:25 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull

Items for President’s signature

Bull left at an unknown time before 5:25 pm
Date: March 18, 1971  
Time: Unknown between 5:04 pm and 5:25 pm  
Location: Oval Office

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

Haldeman’s call to George P. Shultz
  -Meeting concerning Construction Wage Council
    -George W. Romney
    -John A. Volpe
    -Winton M. (“Red”) Blount
    -Arthur F. Burns

Haldeman’s talk with John D. Ehrlichman
  -Romney
  -Burns
  -Edwin L. Harper [?]
  -Paul W. McCracken
  -Number of meetings
  -McCracken, Burns

Haldeman left at an unknown time before 5:25 pm

Date: March 18, 1971  
Time: 5:25 pm - 6:22 pm  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with John B. Connally

Greetings

Connally’s schedule
-Connally’s health

Rose Mary Woods entered at 5:25 pm

Editing changes

Refreshments

Editing changes

Woods left at 5:26 pm

Connally’s meeting with Arthur F. Burns
- Balance of payments
  - Federal Reserve staff in Washington, DC or New York
    - Possible statement concerning interest rates
  - Paul A. Volcker’s previous conversation with Burns
  - Board of Governors
  - Alfred Hayes
  - Connally and Burns
    - Statement
- Relations between Burns and Connally
- Burns
- Relations between Burns and President
- Connally’s image
- Burns’ statements to Congress
  - Investment tax credits
  - Social Security changes
  - Wage and income policy
- Burns’ career
  - Chairman of Council of Economic Advisors [CEA]
  - Chairman of Federal Reserve
  - Counselor to the President
- Connally’s public statements concerning Burns
  - Federal Reserve
- Burns’ public statements
  - Chairman of CEA
  - White House staff
  - Secretary of Treasury
- Tax policy
  - Jurisdiction
- Burns’ statements
- Social Security
  - Response of others
    - Possible outcome
    - Effect
    - Federal Reserve System
- Monetary policy
- Congressional testimony
  - Reasons
  - Possible outcome
    - Social Security
    - Investment tax credit bill
- Previous Quadriad meeting
  - President’s behavior
    - Reason
      - Paul W. McCracken and George P. Shultz
- Burns’ statements
  - Reason
    - Connally’s response
- Forthcoming meeting of Burns and President
  - Burns’ support for President
- Burns’ statements
  - Possible outcome
  - President’s decisions
    - Connally, Burns
      - Advice
- Burns’ staff
  - Economy by 1972
- Forthcoming meeting between Burns and President
  - Connally’s view
    - Economic policy
    - Relations
- Burns’ career
- Forthcoming meeting between Burns and President
- Burns’ actions
- Influence with President
  - Cabinet
  - Burns
- Forthcoming meeting between Burns and President
- Burns
  - Possible outcome of actions
    - Influence on economic policy
    - Contribution to administration
-Forthcoming meeting between Burns and President
  -Burns
    -Shultz, McCracken
    -White House staff
      -Monetary policy
  -Burns’ relations with President
    -Burns’ actions
      -Outcome
      -Treasury and Federal Reserve
  -Burns as CEA chairman
    -George T. Humphrey
    -Gabriel Hauge
    -Vice President Spiro T. Agnew
    -Oveta Culp Hobby
    -Jim [James P.?] Mitchell
    -A Cabinet meeting
      -President’s statement
      -Mitchell
      -Humphrey
      -Dwight D. Eisenhower
  -Relations with President
  -Connally’s relations with Lyndon B. Johnson
    -Changes
    -John F. Kennedy advisors
  -Compared with Burns’ relations with President

Burns
  -Forthcoming meeting with President
    -Topics of conversation
      -Connally’s view
      -CEA
      -Office of Management and Budget [OMB]
    -Burns’ public statements
      -Monetary policy
      -Tax policy
      -Wage and price controls
    -Burns’ jurisdiction
      -Effect on President
    -Forthcoming Quadriad meeting

Consumer Price Index
  -President’s previous talk with Shultz
-New figures compared with previous month
  -Food prices
  -Effect
    -Inflation rate

Personal income and industrial output
  -March figures
  -Car sales
  -March figures, April 15, 1971
  -First quarter figures

Economy
  -Administration policy
  -Burns, Quadriad
  -Prices
    -Burns
  -Milton Friedman
  -Market response
    -Unemployment and inflation
      -President’s view
  -Forecast
    -March figures
  -Shultz
  -Economists
  -Growth
  -Possible changes
    -President’s policy
      -President’s view
    -Consumers
    -President’s talk with a friend in New York City
      -Observations on a boxing match
        -New York City restaurants
        -Response
          -Rose, Sugar, and Super Bowls
    -General Charles A. J. M. de Gaulle’s remarks on France
      -Public opinion
        -Effect of Vietnam War

Vietnam
  -President’s November 3, 1969 speech
    -Effect
    -Johnson
-Public opinion
  -Effect of past actions
    -President’s view
-Military action
  -Laos
    -Effect
  -Casualties
    -Effect
    -Troop withdrawals
    -President’s forthcoming speech
    -Draft
-General Nguyen Van Thieu
  -President’s goals for South Vietnam
  -Communism
    -President’s view
    -Effect on public opinion

Soviet Union
  -William P. Rogers and Henry A. Kissinger
  -Strategic Arms Limitation Talks [SALT]
    -Effect on public

Vietnam
  -Public opinion
  -Johnson’s actions
    -Democrats and the “Establishment”
      -Eugene J. McCarthy
      -Effect on public opinion

US in 1969
  -Compared with 1967 and 1968
    -Urban and campus unrest, economy
  -Justice Department under John N. Mitchell
    -Compared with W. Ramsey Clark

Economy
  -Current situation
  -Youth wages
  -Review
    -Connally and staff, Shultz, McCracken
    -Possible changes in policy
      -Taxes
- Administration policy
  - President’s view
- President’s meeting with Heads of State
  - Balance of payments
  - Other countries’ economies
- Burns’ comments
  - Effect
- Public opinion
  - Connally, President, and Burns’ roles
- Review
  - Taxes
- Budget
  - Connally’s view
    - 1065
  - Deficits and revenues
  - President’s policy
    - Spending
- Taxes
  - An unknown man
  - Banks
  - Savings and loans
  - Need to increase spending
- Public opinion
  - Burns
- Monetary policy
  - Burns
- Interest rates
  - Connally’s statements
  - Timing
    - Fluctuation
    - Benefits to Administration
    - November 1972
    - 1971, 1972
- Unemployment
  - Fluctuations
    - 1971, 1972
- Inflation
  - 1971, 1972
- 1065 in budget
  - Unemployment in 1971
  - Inflation by November 1972
  - Lending institutions
- Businesses
- Business and labor
- Housing
- Interest rates
  - Connally’s view
  - 1971, 1972
- Columnists
- International banking
  - Columnists
  - Balance of payments
    - European banks

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4
[National Security]
[Duration: 16s]

NETHERLANDS

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4

- Adolf Hitler
- US troops in Europe
- 1969 compared with 1971 interest rates
- Gold
- Netherlands, Switzerland
- European bankers’ meeting
  - David Rockefeller
  - Herbert P. Patterson
  - Vice President of First City National Bank
- Balance of payments
  - Possible statement by President or Rogers
  - Secretary of Defense
    - US troops in Europe
    - Effect
- Soviet Union
- Middle East, SALT
- Effect
- Dutch ambassador
- State Department luncheon
- [Forename unknown] Tezarny [sp?] comments
- US economic policy

Economy
- Taxes
  - Burns, President
  - President’s forthcoming meeting with Burns
  - Monetary policy
- Wages and prices
  - A previous meeting
    - Romney, John A. Volpe, Winton M. (“Red”) Blount, Maurice H. Stans
  - Possible freeze
  - President’s concern
  - Effects
  - Connally’s view
  - Wage and price bureaucracy
  - President’s role
  - James D. Hodgson
    - Possible agreement with labor
- Labor
  - Blount
  - Congress
    - President’s legislative proposals
    - Transportation
  - Blount
  - Unions
  - Possible legislation
    - Timing
      - Connally’s view
    - Effect
    - Timing
  - President’s forthcoming meeting with Burns
  - Quadriad meeting
- Forecast
  - Review
  - Stans, Hodgson, Blount, Volpe, Romney, Clifford M. Hardin
  - Possible meeting with President
-Forthcoming Cabinet meeting
  -Effect

Lockheed
  -Forthcoming week’s developments
  -Supersonic Transport [SST] vote
    -Environmentalists
      -Liberals
    -Future in Senate
      -Warren G. (“Maggie”) Magnuson
      -Henry M. (“Scoop”) Jackson
      -Connally’s forthcoming meetings
        -Lloyd M. Bentsen, Jr.
        -John Sherman Cooper
        -J. N. Mitchell
    -President’s position
    -Future
      -Liberals and environmentalists
    -Forthcoming developments

Connally left at 6:22 pm

Date: March 18, 1971
Time: 6:22 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with the White House operator

Call to Tricia Nixon
Conversation No. 469-11

Date: March 18, 1971
Time: 6:22 pm - 6:23 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with Tricia Nixon

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 1m 28s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

Conversation No. 469-12

Date: March 18, 1971
Time: 6:24 pm - 6:25 pm
Location: Oval Office

Tricia Nixon talked with the President

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 33s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
Conversation No. 469-13

Date: March 18, 1971
Time: Unknown between 6:25 pm and 7:32 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Rose Mary Woods

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 5m 6s]

H. R. (“Bob”) Haldeman entered at 6:26 pm
Henry A. Kissinger entered at 6:30 pm
Woods left at 6:31 pm

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

Kissinger’s previous meeting with Anatoliy F. Dobrynin
- Berlin
  - A draft agreement
    - Kissinger’s concurrence
  - [David] Kenneth Rush
  - Draft agreement
    - US response
  - Another item
    - Response

Supersonic Transport [SST]
- Vote in Congress
- Congress
  - President’s meeting with John B. Connally
  - Environmentalists
  - Vote in Congress
    - Tally
      - President’s view
  - Environmentalists
    - President’s view
    - Kissinger’s view
  - France and the US
  - Administration action
  - Senate
  - Clark MacGregor
  - President’s supporters
    - Effect
    - Commercials
  - Soviet Union
  - Legislation
    - Prototypes
  - Public opinion
    - Compared with flights to Moon
    - Effect of Lyndon B. Johnson’s last two years in office
      - Connally
        - President’s November 3, 1969 speech
    - President’s accomplishments

Economy
  - Arthur F. Burns
  - Dow-Jones average
    - November 1972
    - Current reading
    - Effect of SST vote

SST

Alexander P. Butterfield entered at 6:40 pm

An unknown item

Butterfield left at 6:41 pm

President’s press conference, March 19, 1971
Conv. No. 469-13 (cont.)

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-SST
-Foreign policy
A press conference in California

President’s televised interview, March 20, 1971
-Time
- Kissinger’s meeting with Dobrynin

John D. Ehrlichman’s report to Haldeman
-George W. Romney meetings

SST
-Administration opponents

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 5
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 10s]
END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 5

Vietnam
-Military situation
- A memo
- Laos operation figures
  - Success
  - Sihanoukville [Kompong Som]
  - Effect on North Vietnamese Army
- Possible enemy action
 - Cambodia, Laos
  - North Vietnamese troop levels

Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 6:31 pm

Connally
Bull left at an unknown time before 6:45 pm

Vietnam
  - Effect of Laotian operation (Lam Son)
  - Enemy supplies
    - Decreases
  - President’s forthcoming interview with Howard K. Smith
    - Information
  - President’s April 7, 1971 speech
    - Laos operation
  - President’s position

Ehrlichman entered at 6:45 pm

  - International establishment
  - Possible negotiations
  - Walt W. Rostow
    - Previous meeting with Kissinger
  - Position
    - Support for the President
  - President, Johnson Cabinet
    - Dean Rusk
    - Robert S. McNamara
  - Negotiations
    - Chou En-lai’s visit to North Vietnam
    - Soviet Union
  - Negotiations
    - Soviet Union
    - People’s Republic of China [PRC]
  - North Vietnamese government
    - Effects of War
      - Casualties
      - Population decreases
  - Military situation
    - North Vietnamese troops
      - Cambodia
    - Laos
      - US air strikes
      - Richard M. Helms
      - Weather
    - Cambodia
      - North Vietnamese troops
-Supplies
  -Route 4
- Sihanoukville [Kompong Som]
- Phnom Penh
- Press coverage

-Negotiations
  -North Vietnam
    -General Nguyen Van Thieu’s government
  -Forthcoming US Presidential election

-Effect of 1972 Election
  -Kissinger’s view
    -Effect on negotiations

-Effect of 1968 Election
  -Johnson
  -Hubert H. Humphrey
-Negotiations
  -US domestic situation
  -Timing
    -Thieu

-Negotiations
  -US proposals
  -Cambodia and Laos
  -Cease fire
  -US troop withdrawal
  -Prisoners of War [POWs]
  -US troop withdrawal
    -Timing
    -Effect

-Forthcoming US military action
  -Troops
  -Air strikes
  -Kissinger’s report for President
  -Helicopter pilots

Kissinger’s schedule
  -Henry Brandon
    -Book party
    -Wiretaps
      -Haldeman

Kissinger left at 6:50 pm
Economy
- Ehrlichman’s report
  - Meetings of Maurice H. Stans and three unnamed others
  - Reason
  - Wage and price controls
  - Importance
    - Paul W. McCracken and Burns
  - Domestic Council
    - Ehrlichman
    - George P. Shultz
-Cabinet Committee on Economic Policy
  - Stans
  - Clifford M. Hardin
  - Compared with Congressmen and Senators
  - Domestic Council
-Cabinet Committee on Construction Costs
- Ehrlichman’s attendance at March 20, 1971 meeting
- Possible Domestic Council meeting
- A presentation
  - President
  - Vice President Spiro T. Agnew
  - Shultz
-Income strategy
  - Shultz
  - Burns
  - McCracken
  - Burns
- Administration jurisdictions
  - Problems
  - Kissinger’s comment
  - Domestic Council
  - Cabinet meeting
    - James D. Hodgson
- Construction costs
  - Shultz
  - Hodgson

Cabinet
- Future
- Possible trips
  - Romney, John A. Volpe, Hardin, Stans, Winton M. (‘Red’) Blount
-Blount’s plans for post office construction
  -Army Corps of Engineers
  -General Services Administration [GSA]
    -Effect on personnel
  -Army Corps of Engineers
  -Effects at GSA
  -Congress
  -Romney
    -Possible call from Ehrlichman
      -Domestic Council meeting
      -Hodgson
      -Postponement of March 20, 1971 meeting
      -Domestic Council meeting
        -President’s possible attendance
  -Revenue sharing
    -Romney and Volpe

Burns
  -Jurisdiction
    -Domestic Council
  -Possible meeting with construction costs group
    -McCracken
      -Edwin L. Harper
  -Shultz
  -Forthcoming meeting with President
    -Timing
  -Connally
    -Jurisdictions
  -Forthcoming meeting with President

Connally
  -Meeting with Burns
    -Jurisdictions
      -Investment tax credits
      -Social Security

Economy
  -Jurisdictions
    -Shultz
    -Romney
    -Agnew’s role
    -President’s role
    -Jurisdictions
- Stans, Hardin, Romney, Volpe, Burns
- Shultz

Volpe
- Automobile insurance
- Possible future
- Italian support for President
- Rocco C. Siciliano
- Support for President
- Interdepartmental committee on oil spills
  - Chairmanship
  - Oil spills conference at The Hague
    - President’s knowledge
  - William D. Ruckelshaus

Economy
- Jurisdictions
  - Shultz
  - Domestic Council

Blount
- Cabinet meeting

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 7
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 2m 44s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 7

Economy
- Jurisdictions
  - Shultz
    - Shultz’s position
  - President’s role
  - Burns

President’s schedule
- Thomas E. Dewey funeral
  - Departure time
  - Meeting with Burns
  - Time
    - President’s departure

Economists and professors
  - Compared with women, children

Cabinet meetings
  - William P. Rogers’ suggestion
    - Frequency
  - Previous meeting
    - Ehrlichman’s view
    - President’s view
  - Nicaragua
  - Kenya
  - Volpe’s automobile proposal
  - Romney
  - Format

Domestic Council meeting
  - Frequency
  - President’s role
  - Format

Cabinet meetings
  - President’s attendance
  - Rogers

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