Conversation No. 489-35/491-1

Date: April 28, 1971
Time: Unknown between 9:34 am and 11:37 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with H.R. (“Bob”) Haldeman and Henry A. Kissinger; this recording began at an unknown time after 11:06 am; an unknown portion of this conversation was not recorded while the tape was changed.

Melvin R. Laird and William P. Rogers
- President's People’s Republic of China [PRC] initiative
  - Credit
  - Appointment
  - Black admiral [Samuel L. Gravely, Jr.]
- Robert S. McNamara
- Gravely

PRC initiative
- US policy
- PRC messages
  - Compared to those of Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]
  - Summit

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[National Security]
[Duration: 4s]

CHINA

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
Conv. No. 489-35/491-1 (cont.)

NIXON PRESIDENTIAL MATERIALS STAFF

Tape Subject Log
(rev. 9/08)

-Exchange of messages
  -Vietnam
    -US table tennis team
  -Nicolae Ceausescu
  -Taiwan
  -US leftists

Conv. No. 489-35/491-1 (cont.)

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4
[National Security]
[Duration: 1m 8s]

CHINA

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4

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-US approach to negotiations
  -Staff
  -Press
    -Ronald L. Ziegler, William L. Safire, and John A. Scali
    -Support for President
  -Congress

Congress

Kissinger's conversation with John W. Chancellor

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[End of transcript]
President's forthcoming press conference, April 29, 1971
  - Vietnam
    - US proposals
      - Ceasefire
    - Enemy responsibility

Woodstock conference
  - Vietnam
    - Ceasefire
  - Donald W. Riegle, Jr.
    - Statements
  - John D. Rockefeller, IV
    - Reactions to statements
      - Unknown Danish socialist
      - Unknown Norwegian socialist
    - Charles H. Percy
  - Europeans
  - Communists
  - [James] Harold Wilson
  - Denis W. Healey
    - Reaction
      - Americans
      - Europeans
  - Vietnam
    - Press
      - Russell A. Kirk
  - Alastair Buchan
    - Letter to Kissinger
    - Background
      - Imperial Defense College
    - Letter to Kissinger

Possibilities for administration successes
  - Draft
  - Domestic situation
  - Strategic Arms Limitation Talks [SALT]

SALT
  - Rogers
  - Anatoliy F. Dobrynin
    - Schedule
  - Leonid I. Brezhnev
Conv. No. 489-35/491-1 (cont.)

-Tape Subject Log
(rev. 9/08)

-Message
-Negotiations
  -President’s response
-Rogers’ schedule
-Possible debate
-Rogers’ schedule
-Position
  -President’s response
-Timing
-USSR position
-US position
  -Anti-ballistic missiles [ABM]
-Henry M. (“Scoop”) Jackson
-Possible announcement
  -Timing
-Notification
  -Rogers
  -John N. Irwin, II, David Packard, and Thomas H. Moorer
  -Gerard C. Smith and Rogers
  -British, French, and Germans
-Announcement
-North Atlantic Treaty Organization [NATO]
-State Department
  -Latin America
-Smith
-Announcement
  -Smith's schedule
    -Austria
    -Visit to Corinthia
  -Rogers’ schedule

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 3
[Privacy]
[Duration: 3s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 3
- Politburo
- US position
- USSR options

James E. Johnson
  - Swearing-in ceremony
  - Laird
  - [Gravely]

Conv. No. 489-35/491-1 (cont.)

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[End of transcript]

Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 11:06 am.

President's schedule

Bull left at an unknown time before 11:35 am.

McGeorge Bundy
  - Speech on Vietnam

Anti-war sentiment within administration
  - Staff
  - State Department

President's schedule
  - Meeting with Gerhardt Schroeder
    - Dr. Rainer Barzel
  - Meeting with anti-war protesters
    - Robert H. Finch
    - Elliot L. Richardson

Ziegler entered and Kissinger left at 11:35 am.
-Upcoming photo session
  -Timing
  -Rose Garden
  -Look Magazine
  -Control

Haldeman and Ziegler left at 11:37 am.

Conv. No. 489-35/491-1 (cont.)

Conversation No. 491-2

Date: April 28, 1971
Time: Unknown between 11:37 am and 11:42 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

President's schedule
  -Upcoming press photograph
    -Timing
    -Meeting

Bull left at an unknown time before 11:42 am.

Conversation No. 491-3

Date: April 28, 1971
Time: 11:42 am - 11:59 am
Location: Oval Office


Greetings

Photo session
  -Johnson’s nomination
Ronald L. Ziegler entered at 11:43 am.

Blacks
  -Admiral [Samuel L. Gravely, Jr.]
  -Generals
  -Navy

Photo session
  -Timing

Ziegler left at an unknown time before 11:59 am.

Navy
  -Blacks

Johnson's background
  -Possible assistance
    -Race relations
    -Drug problem
  -California
  -Civil Service Commission [CSC]
  -Marine Corps
    -Warrant officer
  -Navy
  -Appointment
  -Qualifications
  -Interest in drug problem

Gravely
  -Meeting with President
  -Senate
  -Schedule
  -Frocking
  -Promotion
    -Procedures
  -Frocking

Navy
  -Promotions
  -Admirals
    -Procedures
An unknown man entered at an unknown time after 11:43 am.

Photo session

The unknown man left at an unknown time before 11:59 am.

Johnson's tenure at CSC
    -Successor
    -Jayne B. Spain

Civil Service
    -Women

Johnson's qualifications
    -Selection
    -Laird and Chafee
    -Record
    -Race

Administration appointments
    -Criteria

Gen. Daniel ("Chappie") James, Jr.
    -Performance
    -Henry A. Kissinger
    -Speeches
    -Appearance
        -University of Wisconsin
        -"Today" show
    -Rank
    -Defense Department
        -Position
    -Prisoners of War [POWs]
    -Public affairs
    -Laird's appearance before National Council of Churches
        -Chicago
An unknown man entered at an unknown time after 11:43 am.

Schedule

The unknown man left at an unknown time before 11:59 am.

President's Chamber of Commerce speech, April 26, 1971

-Washington Post
-Welfare reform
- John W. Byrnes
- Wilbur D. Mills
- Administration program
- President's meeting with Russell B. Long
  - Carolyn B. Long

Members of the press entered and left at an unknown time during the meeting.

Photo session
  - Seating arrangements
  - [Camera noise]
  - [General conversation]

Johnson's career
  - Marine Corps

[Unintelligible]

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 34s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2

Laird's schedule
President’s schedule
- Forthcoming welcome to First Marine Division [Camp Pendleton, California, April 30, 1971]
- Commandant [Leonard F. Chapman]
- John W. Warner
- Chafee
  - Speech on environment
  - Warner

Navy's environmental activities
- Credit
- Rhode Island

Presentation of gifts
- Cuff links
- Paper weight
- Golf

Laird, Johnson, Hughes, Chafee, and Malek left at 11:59 am.

Date: April 28, 1971
Time: 11:59 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

President's schedule
- Gerhardt Schroeder

Bull left at 11:59 am.
Conversation No. 491-5

Date: April 28, 1971
Time: 12:00 pm - 12:16 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Ronald L. Ziegler.

Tricia Nixon's schedule

Howell Conant
- Plans for photographs
  - Location
  - Look cover
  - Control of photos

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[End of transcript]

Vietnam
- President's posture
  - Opponents to War
    - Double standard
- Critics
  - Loyalty

Tricia Nixon entered at 12:07 pm.

Tricia Nixon's appearance
- Look magazine

Conant's plans for photos
- Illustrations
  - Ann Coffin

Ziegler left at 12:09 pm.
Tricia Nixon's appearance
  -Jacket
  -Conant

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 58s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

Conant entered at 12:07 pm.

Plans for photos
  -Arrangements
    -Window
    -Lighting
    -Posing
  -Weather
  -Arrangements
    -Outside
    -Posing

Ziegler left at 12:09 pm.

Photo session
  -[General conversation]
    -James E. Johnson's appointment
      -Significance
      -California
      -Wedding site
  -Arrangements
  -[General conversation]
  -Henry A. Kissinger

  -Arrangements
-Posing
  -Julie Nixon and [Dwight] David Eisenhower, II
  -Letter
  -Navy
-Arrangements
-Posing
-President's press conference
  -Appointments
    -Johnson
    -Conant’s career
    -Navy
    -Johnson's career
    -Marine Corps
    -Black admiral
    -Alan B. Shepard, Jr.

-Outside

President’s schedule
  -Conant’s family

Refreshments

Ziegler entered at 12:15 pm.

President’s schedule
  -Meeting with Ann Coffin

Ziegler left at 12:15 pm.

Photo session
  -Sunlight
  -Dark tones
  -[General conversation]

The President, Tricia Nixon, and Conant left at 12:16 pm.
Conversation No. 491-6

Date: April 28, 1971
Time: Unknown between 12:16 pm and 12:35 pm
Location: Oval Office

Unknown people [Secret Service Agents] entered.

Call to unknown person

President's location
  -Tricia Nixon

The unknown persons left at an unknown time before 12:35 pm.

Conversation No. 491-7

Date: April 28, 1971
Time: Unknown between 12:16 pm and 12:35 pm
Location: Oval Office

Alexander P. Butterfield and an unknown man met.

President's location
  -Photographs
  -Tricia Nixon

Butterfield and the unknown man left at an unknown time before 12:35 pm.

Conversation No. 491-8

Date: April 28, 1971
Time: Unknown between 12:16 pm and 12:35 pm
Location: Oval Office

Unknown people (Secret Service Agents) entered.
BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Non-historical]
[Duration: 11s]

WEATHER

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

The unknown people left.

Date: April 28, 1971
Time: 12:37 pm - 12:39 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Tricia Nixon, Ann Coffin, and Howell Conant; this recording began at an unknown time after 12:37 pm, while the conversation was in progress.

[General conversation]

Presentation of gifts
   - Cuff links
   - Presidential seal
   - Golf

[General conversation]

   - Coffin
   - Spouse
   - Residence
- [Forename unknown] Anderson
- Conant's residence
- Cities
  - New York
    - President’s memory
    - Traffic
  - Subway
  - Chicago
  - San Francisco
  - Los Angeles
  - New Orleans
  - Charleston
  - Miami
  - New York
  - Chicago
  - San Francisco
  - Los Angeles
    - Beverly Hills
    - Watts

President's schedule
- Upcoming meeting with Gerhardt Schroeder
  - California

Coffin left at 12:37 pm.

Tricia Nixon's wedding
- Photo session
  - California
  - Possible settings
    - Beach
  - White House
  - Photo session
  - Weather
  - Lighting
  - [General conversation]
    - Unknown baby

Tricia Nixon and Conant left at 12:39 pm.
Conversation No. 491-10

Date: April 28, 1971
Time: 12:39 pm - 1:06 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Gerhardt Schroeder, Henry A. Kissinger, and Helmut Sonnenfeldt; members of the press and Stephen B. Bull were present at the beginning of the meeting.

Greetings

Seatings for photograph

Kissinger's office
  -Lunch

Photo session

[General Conversation]

  -Konrad Adenauer [?]
  -President's trip to Federal Republic of Germany [FRG], 1969
    -Adenauer [?]
    -Death

Bull and members of the press left at an unknown time before 1:06 pm.

FRG
  -Economy
    -Performance
  -East-West relations
  -US Relations
  -British
  -President's relationship with Schroeder
  -Parliament
  -Cabinet members
    -Education and Science
      -Hans Leussink
  -Berlin
  -State Secretaries
  -Government
East-West relations
- Berlin negotiations
- Strategic Arms Limitation Treaty [SALT]
- European Security Conference
- Middle East

Berlin negotiations
- US position on Berlin
  - Access
  - Relationship with FRG
  - Political and economic activities

East-West relations
- Prospects
- SALT negotiations
- US-Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR] positions
- North Atlantic Treaty Organization [NATO]
- SALT

Middle East
- William P. Rogers’ trip
  - Prospects
  - Israel
  - Egypt
    - Anwar el-Sadat
  - US role
- Possible ceasefire
- US position
  - Ceasefire
  - Balance of forces
  - Dialogue
- Settlement
  - Prospect
- Suez

East-West relations
- FRG
- Berlin
- NATO
- FRG
  - Communication with Eastern Europe
- Berlin
  - Access
  - Four Power occupation
  - Link to FRG
- Negotiations
- European Security Conference
  - US position
  - Prospects

Bull entered at an unknown time after 12:39 pm.

President’s schedule

Bull left at an unknown time before 1:06 pm.

- Timing of conference
- Detente
- Trade
- Reduction of tensions

Common Market negotiations
- NATO
- Great Britain
  - Entry
- US position
  - Balance of power

Balance of power
- European political unity
- US and Great Britain
- USSR, People’s Republic of China [PRC], and Japan

PRC
- Vietnamization
- Ping-pong team
- Policies

Vietnam
- North Vietnamese position
- USSR and PRC
  - Military situation
- PRC’s possible role
- Impact on US
- US policy
- Prospects
- Prisoners of War [POW] issue

West Germany and Japan
- Economics
- Nuclear weapons
- East-West relations
- US defense role
  - Deterrent to nuclear threats
- Japan

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[National Security]
[Duration: 4s]

JAPAN

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

FRG
- US relations
- Policies

Farewells

Schroeder, Kissinger, and Sonnenfeldt left at 1:06 pm.
Conversation No. 491-11

Date: April 28, 1971
Time: 1:07 pm - 1:56 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Ronald L. Ziegler, H.R. (“Bob”) Haldeman, and Manolo Sanchez.

President's schedule

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[End of transcript]

Schedule

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 1:47 pm.

- Conference
  - Herbert G. Klein
  - John W. Dean, III
  - Richard G. Kleindienst

Previous photo session
  - President and Tricia Nixon
  - Howell Conant

Conant
  - Background
  - Photography
  - Qualifications

Oliver F. (Ollie”) Atkins
  - News shots
  - Photographs
    - Haldeman’s view
  - President's portrait
Conant  
-President's schedule  
*Look* magazine  
-Writer

Ann Coffin  
*Look* magazine

Christopher S. Wren  
-Arthur P. Henderson

Oval Office windows  
-View

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2

[National Security]

[Duration: 10s]

OVAL OFFICE

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2

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-Aesthetics  
-Pictures  
-Curtains  
-Light

Conant's schedule  
-President's possible portrait  
-Atkins

President's schedule  
-Unknown California photographer
Conant
- Photo session
  - *Look* cover
  - President and Tricia Nixon

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 38s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

Youth conference
  - Resolution on homosexuality
  - Cabinet

President's schedule
  - California trip
    - Forthcoming welcome to First Marine Division, April 30, 1971
    - Radio
      - "A Salute to Agriculture", May 2, 1971
    - Ship yard contracts
      - Jobs
      - Program
      - President's previous maritime messages
    - John B. Connally
      - Lockheed announcement
        - Timing
    - Unemployment
      - Ship yard contracts
    - President's conversation with John D. Ehrlichman
      - Breeder reactor
    - Lockheed
      - Connally

Connally's Chamber of Commerce speech, April 27, 1971
Connally

Cabinet
- George W. Romney
- Unknown speech
- John A. Volpe
- Press
- Elliot L. Richardson
- Maurice H. Stans
- Volpe
- Rogers C. B. Morton
- Style
- Jack Drown
- Statements

Black admirals
- [Samuel L. Gravely, Jr.]
- Press

Blacks in Defense Department/government
- General Daniel ("Chappie") James, Jr.
- Arthur A. Fletcher
- James E. Johnson
- Appointment

Department of Defense
- Secretary of the Navy
  - John H. Chafee
- Stanley R. Resor
- Secretary of the Air Force
  - Robert F. Froehlke
- Secretary of the Navy
  - Charles S. Thomas
    - Support for Dwight D. Eisenhower
- Melvin R. Laird
- Secretary of the Army
  - Froehlke
    - Laird
- Resor
- Bob Claiborne
  - Nephew
-Secretary of the Navy
  -Connally

Navy
  -Chafee
    -Navy League
    -Admirals
    -Women
    -Liberals
  -Arthur W. Radford
  -Admiral Thomas H. Moorer
  -Admiral Elmo R. Zumwalt, Jr.
  -Changes in uniform

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President's schedule
  -Trip to California
    -Welcome to First Marine Division
      -John A. Scali
    -Possible press coverage
      -“Color”

President's television interviews
  -Duration
    -Barbara Walters
    -Helen Thomas
    -Cyrus L. Sulzberger
    -American Broadcasting System [ABC]
    -Network commentators
    -American Society of Newspaper Editors [ASNE]
    -Thomas
    -Questions
  -Issues
    -Exposure
  -Press conferences
    -Frequency
  -Editors
-Dan Rather

Rather
  -Conversation with Ziegler, April 27, 1971
  -Cabinet officers
  -Story

Network coverage of Tricia Nixon's White House tour
  -National Broadcasting Corporation [NBC]
  -Columbia Broadcasting System [CBS]
  -Show
    -Length
  -White House weddings
  -Morning show
  -Special
  -Prime time
  -Control
  -Time slot
  -Pictures
  -Alice Roosevelt Longworth
  -Charles A. Lindbergh
  -First White House wedding
  -Woodrow Wilson
  -Longworth
  -News show
  -Prime time
  -Length
  -Staff
  -Network
  -Commentators
  -Pictures
  -Rose Garden
  -Blue Room
  -Weddings
  -Longworth

White House photographers' dinner
  -President's schedule
    -Executive Office Building [EOB]
      -Roosevelt Room
      -Frank E. Cancellare
        -Picture
Ziegler left at 1:47 pm.

President's schedule
-Visit to Lyndon B. Johnson Library
-Possible gift to Johnson
  -Andrew Jackson portrait
  -Claudia A. (“Lady Bird”) Johnson
-National Gallery of Art
  -Mellon family
  -Clement E. Conger
-Loan
-Harry S. Truman
  -Steinway piano

President's upcoming news conference, April 29, 1971
-Podium
-ASNE
-Microphone
-Podium
-Make-up
  -Use

Ziegler entered at 1:50 pm.

White House news photographers
-Cabinet Room

Ziegler left at 1:50 pm.

President's make-up
-News conference
  -Use

Press conferences
-William H. Carruthers
-Make-up
  -Perspiration
  -Eyes
  -Experimentation

Administration line-up
Demonstrators
- President's schedule
- Laird

The President and Haldeman left at 1:56 pm.

Date: April 28, 1971
Time: Unknown between 1:56 pm and 2:05 pm
Location: Oval Office

Unknown people (Secret Service agents) entered.

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Agency Policy]
[Duration: 3s]
END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

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President's location
- Cabinet Room

Conv. No. 491-11 (cont.)

The conversation was cut off at an unknown time before 2:05 pm.

Conversation No. 491-13

Date: Unknown between April 28 and May 5, 1971
Time: Unknown between 2:07 pm, April 28 and 9:04 am, May 5, 1971
Location: Oval Office

Unknown people (Secret Service agents) entered at an unknown time after 2:07 pm.

President's location
- Executive Office Building [EOB]

The conversation was cut off at an unknown time before 9:04 am, May 5, 1971.

Conversation No. 491-14

Date: May 5, 1971
Time: 9:35 am - 10:15 am
Location: Oval Office

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

President's schedule
- Meeting with John B. Connally
  - Ronald L. Ziegler
  - West Coast stories
    - Los Angeles Times
Sugar quota
-Connally
-Bryce N. Harlow
-Political impact
-Foreign policy
-Connally
-Options
-Connally
-Harlow
-Staff
-Domestic Council
-State Department
-Agriculture
-Politics
-Office of Management and Budget [OMB]
-Lobby
-Connally and Harlow

Trade
-Japan
-Peter M. Flanigan
-George P. Shultz

President's schedule
-Shultz
-Solomon

Sugar quota
-Peterson
-Options

Schedule
-Peterson
- Business Council
  - Vice President Spiro T. Agnew, Connally, Maurice H. Stans, Shultz, and Peterson
  - Meetings
  - Effectiveness
  - Connally
  - Support for administration
  - Flanigan
  - President’s involvement

President's previous meeting with voluntary action group
  - Reception
  - President's schedule
    - Meetings
    - Cabinet

President's meeting with Quadriad, May 4, 1971
  - Federal Republic of Germany [FRG]
    - Monetary problems

President's schedule
  - Quadriad meeting
    - Timing

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 3
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 25s ]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 3
Conv. No. 491-14 (cont.)

Haldeman left at 10:15 am.

Conv. No. 491-15

Date: May 5, 1971
Time: Unknown between 10:15 am and 10:27 am
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 2-83]

Conv. No. 491-16

Date: May 5, 1971
Time: Unknown between 10:15 am and 10:27 am
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with Henry F. Byrd, Jr.

[See Conversation No. 2-84]

Conv. No. 491-17

Date: May 5, 1971
Time: Unknown between 10:15 am and 10:27 am
Location: Oval Office
The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 2-85]

Conversation No. 491-18

Date: May 5, 1971
Time: Unknown between 10:15 am and 10:27 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown woman.

President's schedule
- Meeting with Alexander M. Haig, Jr.

The unknown woman left.

Conversation No. 491-19

Date: May 5, 1971
Time: Unknown between 10:15 am and 10:27 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown woman.

Alexander M. Haig, Jr.'s. location
- Central Intelligence Agency [CIA]
- Schedule

The unknown woman left.

Conversation No. 491-20

Date: May 5, 1971
Time: Unknown between 10:27 am and 10:30 am
Location: Oval Office
The President talked with Melvin R. Laird.

[See Conversation No. 2-86]

Date: May 5, 1971
Time: Unknown between 10:27 am and 10:30 am
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with an unknown man [John N. Mitchell?].

Thaddeus R. Beal
- Military preparations
  - Demonstrations

Demonstrations
- President's previous conversation with Melvin R. Laird
- Congress
  - Capitol police

Bull left at an unknown time before 10:30 am.
Date: May 5, 1971
Time: 10:30 am - 11:27 am
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with an unknown person.

John B. Connally’s location

Peter G. Peterson and Peter M. Flanigan entered and the unknown person left at 10:30 am.

Japan
- H.R. (“Bob”) Haldeman's memorandum
- David M. Kennedy
  - Mission
  - Possible US position
- Time
- Congress
- Japanese position
- Yen
  - Value
  - Treasury Department
- President’s forthcoming meeting
  - Monetary crisis
- Automobiles
  - Peterson's meeting with Lee A. Iacocca
  - Ford's position
- State Department
  - U. Alexis Johnson
- Defense Department
- Commerce Department
- Connally
- Protectionism
  - Steel, automobiles, computers
- Commodities
- Peterson's schedule
  - Business Council
    - Speech
- Steel
- Possible US strategy
- Textiles
-US industries
  -Automobiles
    -Toyota
    -Ford
    -West Coast
  -Imports
    -Market share
  -Negotiations
  -Japanese position
-Trade and investment restrictions
-Yen
-Economists
  -Views
-Long-range US economic goals
  -Industries
    -Trade
    -Security
  -Balance of power
-Planning
-Guidelines
-Legislation
-Requirements
-Congress
-Open market
-Protectionism
-Raw materials
-Technology
-Labor
-Korea, Taiwan
-Competition with US
-US economic goals
-Automobiles
-Europeans
  -Concerns
  -Negotiations
  -Restrictions
  -Japanese exports
-People’s Republic of China [PRC]
-Free markets
-Analogy
  -Unilateral disarmament
-Japanese position
BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[National Security]
[Duration: 31s]

JAPAN

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

-US options
-US economic policy
-Exports
-US embassy personnel
  -Marshall Green
  -Armin H. Meyer
  -Ambassador
    -Economics office
    -Customs office
  -State Department
-Long-range US economic goals
-Study

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4
[National Security]
[Duration: 10s]

JAPAN

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4
Peterson's briefing concerning US competitive position

- Charts
- Reaction
- Audience
  - Office of Management and Budget [OMB]
  - National Security Council [NSC]
- Congress
  - Clark MacGregor
- Consensus
- Business Council
  - Timing
  - Schedule
  - Maurice H. Stans
  - Connally
  - George P. Shultz
- Labor
  - Shultz
  - National Commission on Productivity
  - George Meany
  - American Federation of Labor-Congress of Industrial Organizations [AFL-CIO]
- President’s forthcoming meeting with Meany
- Questions
- Complexity
-US long-range plans
  -Vietnam
-Charts
-Press
-Coverage
-Comprehensive nature
-Experts
-Television
  -Audience
  -Educational television
-Possible speech by President
  -Duration
  -Highlights
  -Charts
  -Forthcoming White House conference
    -Business and labor in 1990
  -Timing
  -Audience
    -Labor
    -Bipartisanship
-Japan
-Work
-John A. Scali
-Audience
  -Television
  -Radio
  -Press
-Peterson's possible role
  -Facts
  -Briefing aspects
-Possible speech by President
  -President’s view of future
  -Policy guidelines
  -Charts
  -Radio
  -Briefing
    -Henry A. Kissinger
    -Peterson's possible role
-Senators and Congressmen
-Audience
-Possible speech
  -Senators and Congressmen
-President and Peterson
  -Roles
  -East Room
  -State Dining Room
  -Timing
  -Cabinet
-Impact
-Length
-Points

International monetary conditions
  -Schedule
  -Possible US response
  -Gold
  -Paul A. Volcker
    -Meeting with Peterson
  -Exchange rates
    -Connally
  -Gold
  -US stock market
    -Volcker
  -US investors
  -Impact on US
    -Concerns
      -Sales
      -Consumer price index [CPI]
  -Dutch
  -Germans
  -Europeans
    -Controls on US investments
      -Germans
      -Common market
    -Exports
    -Controls
  -Exchange rates
    -Japanese
    -Floating
    -Dollar
  -European bankers
    -Arthur F. Burns
    -Dollar
  -Dollar
- Weakness
- Interest rates
- Bankers
- US balance of payments
  - Interest rates
- Bankers
  - David Rockefeller
- US economy
  - Interest rates
    - Dollar
    - Deutsche mark [Dm]
    - Burns
  - Fiscal restraints
- Europe
  - Control on investments
  - Restrictions
- Dollar
  - Possible floating
    - Impact on negotiations
- Dollar
  - Numbers
- Federal Republic of Germany [FRG]

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2
[National Security]
[Duration:  17s ]

GERMANY

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2

-Dm
  - Revaluation
  - Volcker
-Burns’ call to Karl Klasen

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 5
[National Security]
[Duration: 5s] Conv. No. 491-23 (cont.)

GERMANY

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 5

-President's schedule
-Meetings
-Volcker
-International bankers
  -Yen, guilder
-Possible US position
  -Exchange rates
    -Floatation
-Crisis
-Press
-Crisis
  -Dollar
  -Domestic reaction
    -Federal Reserve Board [FRB]
-Schedule
  -President’s possible statement
  -Confidence
    -Connally and Paul W. McCracken
  -Connally's role
-Schedule
-Gold
  -US position
    -Price
-Europe
BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 6
[National Security]
[Duration: 40s ]

GERMANY

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 6

-Connally
  -Role
  -Statement
-Schedule
  -Timing
  -Attendees at meeting
    -Quadriad
    -Triad
      -Peterson, Volcker, Flanigan
      -Burns
      -Timing

Peterson's briefing
  -Possible speech
  -Congressmen

Japan
  -Haldeman
  -Press
BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 3
[National Security]
[Duration: 28s]

JAPAN

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 3

Ezra Solomon
  -Council of Economic Advisors [CEA]

President's schedule
  -Wedding plans

Peterson, and Flanigan left at 11:27 am.

Date:  May 5, 1971
Time:  Unknown between 11:27 am and 11:31 am
Location:  Oval Office

Unknown people (Secret Service agents) entered.

President's location

The unknown person left at an unknown time before 11:31 am.
Conversation No. 491-25
Date: May 5, 1971
Time: 11:31 am - 11:33 am
Location: Oval Office
The President met with Thelma C. (“Pat”) Nixon and Tricia Nixon; this recording begins at an unknown time while the conversation is in progress.

Oval Office
- Appearance
- Windows
- Views

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 55s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

Mrs. Nixon and Tricia Nixon left at 11:33 am.

Conversation No. 491-26
Date: May 5, 1971
Time: 11:33 am - 11:38 am
Location: Oval Office
The President met with Ronald L. Ziegler.
Kent State University
- Anniversary
- Ziegler's statement to press
  - Raymond K. Price, Jr.
  - Wording
    - Sorrow
- Jackson State University
- President’s interview with television networks, January 4, 1971
- Interviews with parents
- Summary

Lt. William L. Calley, Jr. case
- President's possible meeting with Reid Kennedy
- President's schedule
  - California

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Media
- Kent State
- CBS
- Asia

President's schedule
- Possible trip to Europe
  - American Bar Association [ABA]
  - Chief Justice Warren E. Burger and John N. Mitchell
    - View
  - Ziegler's possible press statement

Ziegler left at 11:38 am.
Conversation No. 491-27

Date: May 5, 1971
Time: 11:39 am - 11:40 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Alexander P. Butterfield.

- President's schedule
  - Upcoming Federal Civilian Service awards
  - Years of service

Butterfield left at 11:40 am.

Conversation No. 491-28

Date: May 5, 1971
Time: 11:40 am - 12:08 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Paul W. McCracken, Ezra Solomon, and George P. Shultz; the White House photographer and Stephen B. Bull were present at the beginning of the meeting.

Greetings

Bull left at 11:40 am.

- Photo session
  - Seating arrangements
  - Weather

- Solomon's appointment
  - Announcement
    - Timing
  - Solomon’s schedule
    - Stanford University
    - Council of Economic Advisors [CEA]
Economy
- Prospects
- Direction
- Confidence
- Unemployment
- Prices
  - Mortgage rates
- Confidence
  - Stock market
  - Business planning
  - Consumers
- Views
- Pierre Rinfret
  - Views
- Paul A. Samuelson
- Congress
- Retail sales
  - McCracken's conversation Harry B. Cunningham
  - Chain stores
  - Consumer sentiment
  - Chain stores
  - McCracken’s conversation with Cunningham
- Mail orders
  - Shultz’s trip to Chicago
    - Montgomery Ward
  - Business
  - Size
- Automobiles
- Imports
  - President's previous meeting with Peter G. Peterson
  - Japan
    - CEA
    - Solomon

US competitive position
- Foreign policy analogy
  - Armaments
    - Anti-ballistic missiles [ABM]
- Free trade economics
- Trade barriers
  - Japan
  - Europeans
- Japanese exports
- US
  - Japanese exports
- Automobiles
- Long-range economic plans
- Businessmen
- Labor
- Long-range projects
- Japan
- Europe
  - Common market
    - Great Britain
- Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]
  - Productivity
- People’s Republic of China [PRC]
  - Gross National Product [GNP]
    - Japan
- Overseas Chinese
  - Singapore
  - Taiwan
  - Bangkok
  - San Francisco
- Japan
- Possible study
  - US production goals
- Agriculture
  - Forthcoming “Salute to Agriculture” address, May 7, 1971
  - Farm labor
    - Costs
- Productivity
- Industry
  - Machinery
- Solomon’s visit to Burma
- Need for review
- State Department
  - Vietnam
  - Middle East
  - Latin America

Foreign Policy
- Vietnam
- Middle East
- USSR
  - US relations
- West
  - Europe
  - US
- Vietnam
  - Korea
  - Japan
  - PRC
  - Pacific

US competitive position
- Long-term
- Europe
- Japanese
- PRC
- Africa
- Latin America
- Asia
- Long-range planning
- Prospects
- Pacific
- Europe
  - Germans
  - British
  - French
  - Italians
- Middle East
- USSR
- Japan
  - US policy
  - Relations

Solomon
- Role

Burma
- President's visit in 1953
  - U Nu
  - Pegu
- Solomon's visit
- Herbert Hoover
-Humor

Caribbean
- Tourism
  - Nassau, Jamaica

French
- Paris

Burma

Cities
- New York
  - Consumer Price Index [CPI]

CPI
- John D. Ehrlichman
- New York
  - Numbers
  - California

Burma

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 3
[National Security]
[Duration: 17s]

BURMA

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 3

- Resources
- Thailand
- Poverty
-Compared to Bolivia, Haiti
  -President's visit in 1953

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4
[National Security]
[Duration: 19s] Conv. No. 491-28 (cont.)

BURMA

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4

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-Socialists
  -President’s visit in 1953
    -Rangoon

CEA
  -Solomon's assignment
  -Role
  -Challenges
  -McCracken
  -Herbert Stein
  -Shultz
  -Peterson
  -Peter M. Flanigan
  -John B. Connally
  -James D. Hodgson
  -Nathaniel Samuels
  -Ehrlichman

Housing in Washington, DC
  -Real estate

McCracken, Solomon, and Shultz left at 12:08 pm.
Conversation No. 491-29

Date: May 5, 1971
Time: Unknown between 12:08 pm and 12:11 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

President's schedule
- Federal Civilian Service awards ceremony
- Arrangements
  - Press
  - Positioning
  - Mr. and Mrs. Samuel M. Cohn
  - George P. Shultz
  - Presentation of awards
  - Photograph
  - Press

Bull left at an unknown time before 12:11 pm.

Conversation No. 491-30

Date: May 5, 1971
Time: 12:11 pm - 12:23 pm
Location: Oval Office

Stephen B. Bull met with Mr. and Mrs. Samuel M. Cohn, Mr. and Mrs. U. Alexis Johnson, Dr. and Mrs. Edward F. Knipling, Dr. and Mrs. Fred Leonard, Mr. and Mrs. George H. Willis, Robert E. Hampton, John B. Connally, Clifford M. Hardin, George P. Shultz and Frederic V. Malek.

Federal Civilian Service Awards ceremony
- Arrangements
  - Press
  - The Cohns and Shultz
  - The Kniplings
The President entered and the press entered and left at an unknown time after 12:11 pm.

Presentation of awards
- [Camera noise]
- Cohn
  - Contributions
    - Fiscal policy management
    - Federal budget process
- Johnson
  - Contributions
    - Diplomacy
      - Vietnam
      - Okinawa
- Knipling
  - Contributions
    - Entomology
- Leonard
  - Contributions
    - Medical research
- Willis
  - Contributions
    - Financial statesmanship
    - International monetary systems

Group photograph

Presentation of gifts
- Presidential seal

Oval Office
- Decoration
  - Thelma C. (“Pat”) Nixon
Conv. No. 491-30 (cont.)

- Carpet
  - Color
- Ceiling
- State gifts
  - Korea
- President's schedule
- Executive Office Building [EOB] office
- Seals

Weather
- Tulips

Federal service
- Years

[General conversation]

The Cohns et al., left at 12:23 pm.

Press photograph
- Robert D. ("Bob") Lee

Bull left at 12:23 pm.

Conversation No. 491-31

Date: May 5, 1971
Time: 12:23 pm - 12:43 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with John G. Tower, Robert D. ("Bob") Lee, Jill Lee, A. J. ("Bob") Blase, and Richard A. Moore; members of the press were present at the beginning of the meeting.

Introductions

Goodwill Industries

[General conversation]
-Lapel pin

[Camera noise]

[General conversation]
Presentation of gifts
  -Tie clasp

Goodwill Industries

Press

Lee, Mrs. Lee, Blase, and Moore left at 12:28 pm.

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[End of transcript]

President's visit to Lyndon B. Johnson Library
  -Invitation to Tower
  -President's schedule
    -Florida
    -Ben F. Barnes
  -President's schedule
    -Plane
    -Johnson
      -Library

Texas drought
  -[Preston Smith]
  -Clifford M. Hardin
  -Political impact
  -Administration position
    -Congress
      -Tower's and Robert D. Price's bill
      -Democrats
    -John B. Connally
    -Hardin
    -John D. Ehrlichman
- Domestic Council
- Disaster declaration
- Hardin
- President's possible memoranda
- Tower's schedule
  - Ehrlichman
  - Price
  - Bill
  - Federal relief
  - Loans
  - Hay
  - Credit
  - Small Business Administration [SBA]
  - President's position

Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 12:28 pm.

Photograph
- Oliver F. (“Ollie”) Atkins

Bull left at an unknown time before 12:43 pm.

Decade of service dinner for Tower, May 27, 1971
- Dallas
- Possible film clip by President
  - Tape
  - Radio
  - Message

Atkins entered at an unknown time after 12:28 pm.

Photograph
- Distribution
  - Texas papers

Atkins left at an unknown time before 12:43 pm.

Texas drought
- Rain
- Crops
- Cattlemen
- Texas and Oklahoma
- New Mexico
- Political impact
- Ehrlichman's possible call to H.R. ("Bob") Haldeman
- President's conversation with Hardin
- Democrats
- Administration's position
  - Domestic Council

Bull entered at 12:43 pm.

President's schedule
  - Haldeman

Bull and Tower left at 12:43 pm.

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Date: May 5, 1971
Time: 12:43 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

Instructions

Sanchez left at 12:43 pm.

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Date: May 5, 1971
Time: 12:43 pm - 1:13 pm
Location: Oval Office

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

President's conversation with John G. Tower
  - Texas drought
-Clifford M. Hardin
-Political impact
-Bill
-Administration activities
  -Gen. George A. Lincoln
  -Peter M. Flanigan
  -Possible legislation
-Oklahoma, Texas, and New Mexico
-Tower’s trip to Texas
-Hardin's trip to Texas
-Flanigan
-John B. Connally
-Flanigan
-Public relations
-Decade of service dinner
  -President’s possible involvement
    -Possible message by President
    -President's schedule
    -Television
    -Length
-Dedication of Lyndon B. Johnson Library
  -Invitation by Johnson
  -Tour of library
    -Texas Republicans
    -Texas Republicans

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Fulbright Committee
  -Testimony of unknown Navy Lieutenant
    -Congressional Record

Promotion of Zosimo Delacruz

Congress
  -Connally
  -John N. Mitchell
- Connally
  - Views on Democrat leadership
  - Possible coalition
    - Republicans and Southern Democrats
  - Mitchell's possible role
  - House Republican leadership
    - Gerald R. Ford and Leslie C. Arends

President's schedule
- Meeting with Mitchell, Ford, and Arends
- Connally
- Financial meeting
- Meetings

Unemployment in key states
- John J. Rhodes’ proposal
  - Peter M. Flanigan
- Economic problems
- California
- National Security Council [NSC]
  - 1972 defense budget
- Inventory
- Congress
- California
- Washington
- Los Angeles
  - Unemployment rate
- Sun-belt strategy
- Inter-agency group
  - Defense contracts
- Defense
  - Caspar W. (“Cap”) Weinberger
- Impact on 1972 elections
- Timeframe
- Economy
  - Prospects
- Flanigan
- Staff
- NSC
- Defense contracts
  - David Packard
  - Procurement
NIXON PRESIDENTIAL MATERIALS STAFF

Tape Subject Log
(rev. 9/08)

-Closing of bases
  -Henry A. Kissinger
  -Locations

Demonstrations
  -Capitol Hill

[Haldeman talked with an unknown person at an unknown time between 12:43 pm and 1:13 pm]

[Conversation No. 491-33A]

  -Report on activities

[End of telephone conversation]

  -John W. Dean, III
    -John D. Ehrlichman
  -Schedule

[The President talked with the White House operator at an unknown time between 12:43 pm and 1:13 pm]

[Conversation No. 491-33B]

[See Conversation No. 2-87]

[End of telephone conversation]

  President's schedule
    -Connally
    -Meeting with Mitchell
    -Arends

[The President talked with Dean at an unknown time between 12:43 pm and 1:13 pm]

[Conversation No. 491-33C]

[See Conversation No. 2-88]

[End of telephone conversation]

  Demonstrations
-Capitol Hill
  -Timing
  -Robert Maheu
  -Police
-Lincoln Memorial
-Southern Christian leadership group
-Demonstrators
  -Appearance
  -Vietnam

President's schedule
- Meeting with Mitchell, et al.
- Congressmen
- George Meany
  - Schedule

President's schedule, May 7, 1971
- "Salute to Agriculture"
- Meany

House Republican leadership
- Ford
- Arends
- Southerners

Senate
- Robert A. Taft, Jr.
  - Leadership
  - Southerners
- Hugh Scott
- Howard H. Baker, Jr.
  - "Southern strategy"
- Scott

Kent State University
- Columbia Broadcasting System [CBS] News coverage
  - First anniversary
  - Pictures
    - William K. "Billy" Schroeder
    - Uniform
      - Reserve Officer Training Corps [ROTC]
  - High school
Conv. No. 491-33 (cont.)

NIXON PRESIDENTIAL MATERIALS STAFF

Tape Subject Log
(rev. 9/08)

- College
  - Allison B. Krause
  - Father
    - Arthur A. Krause
- Veterans
- Production
- Communists

Conv. No. 491-33 (cont.)

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Kent State
  - Networks
  - Impact
  - Letters
    - Charles W. Colson

President's previous press conference, May 1, 1971
  - Patrick J. Buchanan's views
    - Domestic issues
    - Vietnam
    - Range of issues
    - 1962 campaign
    - Questions
      - John Birch Society

Press conferences
  - Television
  - News
  - Radio
    - Coverage
  - Television
  - Future
  - Television
    - Live
    - Camera
    - President's schedule
    - Press
Vietnam
   -CBS reportage
   -Possible administration counterattacks
   -Televised press conferences

Kent State
   -Network coverage

The President and Haldeman left at 1:13 pm.

Date: May 5, 1971
Time: Unknown between 1:13 pm and 3:00 pm
Location: Oval Office
Unknown people (Secret Service agents) entered.

President's location
   -Executive Office Building [EOB]

[Unintelligible]

President’s location
   -EOB

The conversation was cut off at an unknown time before 3:00 pm.