Conversation No. 501-1

Date: May 19, 1971  
Time: 8:52 am - 8:53 am  
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with Alexander M. Haig, Jr.

[See Conversation No. 3-63]

Conversation No. 501-2

Date: May 19, 1971  
Time: Unknown between 8:52 am and 8:53 am  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown person.

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1  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

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

The unknown person left at an unknown time before 8:53 am.
Date: May 19, 1971
Time: 8:55 am - 9:05 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Henry A. Kissinger.

Strategic Arms Limitation Talks [SALT] negotiations
- Kissinger’s previous meeting with Gerard C. Smith
- Draft statement
- March proposal
- Instructions for Smith
- Schedule
- Smith’s questions
- Multiple Independently Targetable Reentry Vehicle [MIRV]
- Kissinger's backgrounder
- William P. Rogers
- Drafted statement for President
  - Kissinger’s contributions
- President's schedule
  - Meeting with American Red Cross
- Statement for President
  - Wording

Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 8:55 am.

Rogers

Bull left at an unknown time before 9:05 am.

SALT negotiations
- Announcement
  - President's statement
  - Future of negotiations
  - Kissinger's backgrounder
  - Hubert H. Humphrey
  - President's statement
    - President’s position in negotiations
    - Kissinger’s draft statement
  - Schedule
  - Leaks
Kissinger left at 9:05 am.

Conversation No. 501-4

Date: May 19, 1971
Time: 9:05 am - 10:14 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with William P. Rogers.

Weather

President's trip on the Sequoia, May 18, 1971

Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 9:05 am.

An item to be copied

Bull left at an unknown time before 9:45 am.

President's trip on the Sequoia, May 18, 1971

Middle East
- A Newsweek article
- An unidentified Columbia University professor
- President's meeting with Landrum Bolling
- Quakers
- US policy
- Negotiations
- Anwar el-Sadat
- Rogers’ view
- Orientation to the West
- Military situation
- Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]
- Meeting with Rogers
  - Joseph P. Sisco
  - State Department
  - Importance of peace agreement
  - USSR military assistance
    - Costs
    - Suez Canal
    - Effect of Suez Canal agreement
  - US support of Israel
    - Effect of USSR presence
- Sisco
- USSR withdrawal
- Possible agreement
- Malik Faisal ibn Abd al-Aziz al-Saud [Faisal, King of Saudi Arabia]
  - Visit to US

Bull entered at an unknown time after 9:05 am.

Bolling's letter
  - Copy
  - Israel

Bull left at an unknown time before 9:45 am.

Middle East
  - An article in Newsweek
    - Author
    - Sadat
    - President's May 18, 1971 meeting with Congressional leaders
      - U. Alexis Johnson
      - Editor of Al-ahram, Mohammed Heikal
    - Relationship with Sadat
    - Rogers’ tour

Bull entered at an unknown time after 9:05 am.

Copied items

Bull left at an unknown time before 9:45 am.
Middle East
- Sadat
  - Meeting with Rogers
- Heikal
  - Relationship with Sadat
  - Wife
- Sadat
  - Meeting with Rogers
    - Settlements
    - Suez Canal
    - Economic assistance
- US policy
  - Egypt, Arab Countries, Jews
  - Potential for breakthrough
  - Compared with Vietnam
  - European response
    - Rogers’ trip
      - France
      - Robert Schumann
- Sadat
  - Meeting with Rogers

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 3
[National Security]
[Duration: 2m 25s]

-ISRAEL

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 3

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-Israel
  - Rogers’ trip
    - Reception
BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 6
[National Security]
[Duration: 1m 7s]

ISRAEL

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 6

-Economy
-Immigration
-US aid
-A Newsweek article
-1972 election
-American Jews
-Support for President's policies
-Hubert H. Humphrey
-Henry M. (“Scoop”) Jackson
-Edward M. (“Ted”) Kennedy
-President's policies

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4
[National Security]
[Duration: 1m 23s]

ISRAEL

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4
BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 7
[National Security]
[Duration: 1m 6s]

MIDDLE EAST

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 7

-Golda Meir
   -Meeting with Rogers
   -Cabinet
-Sadat
   -Sisco meeting
   -Dr. Mahmoud Fawzi's schedule
   -Fawzi
-Faisal's visit

[The President talked with an unknown person at an unknown time between 9:05 am and 9:45 am]
[Conversation No. 501-4a]

Return call from H.R. (“Bob”) Haldeman[?]

[End of telephone conversation]

Middle East
- Faisal's visit
- State Dinner
- US relations with Egypt
  - Rogers’ meeting with Sadat
  - Sudan, Algeria, Syria
- Sudanese
- Egyptians

Strategic Arms Limitation Talks [SALT]
- President's statement in San Clemente
- A Message to Vienna
  - US position
- Antiballistic Missile [ABM]
- Offensive weapons
- Response to US proposal
  - Timing
  - Substance
- Leonid I. Brezhnev
- Agreement

[Haldeman talked with the President between 9:45 am and 9:46 am]

[Conversation No. 501-4B]

[See Conversation No. 3-64]

[End of telephone conversation]

SALT
- Agreement
  - Public statement, letter
    - Wording
  - ABM
  - Gerard C. Smith
-Provisions
-ABM
-Public statement, letter
-Multiple Independently Targetable Reentry Vehicle [MIRV]
-President's schedule
-Anatoliy F. Dobrynin
  -Instructions
-Provisions
-Congress
  -Michael J. (“Mike”) Mansfield, Edmund S. Muskie
-Possible Leaks
-[Lyndon B.] [?] Johnson
-ABM
-Prospects
-ABM
  -Charles H. Percy
-Provisions
-Interpretations
  -Differences
-Schedule
  -Meeting with Congressional leaders
  -Televised announcement
  -Timing
  -Smith
-Brezhnev
  -Pierre E. Trudeau's visit to USSR
-ABM
  -J. William Fulbright
-Future
-Announcement
  -Middle East negotiations
  -USSR
  -Cabinet and National Security Council
  -Timing

Sadat

Israel

Rogers left at 10:14 am.
Conversation No. 501-5

Date: May 19, 1971
Time: Unknown between 10:14 am and 10:22 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

Request for an item

Bull left at an unknown time before 10:22 am.

Conversation No. 501-6

Date: May 19, 1971
Time: Unknown between 10:14 am and 10:22 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown person.

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

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

The unknown person left at an unknown time before 10:22 am.
Conversation No. 501-7

Date: May 19, 1971
Time: 10:22 am - 11:04 am
Location: Oval Office

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

[Unintelligible]

Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 10:22 am.

President's schedule
- Henry A. Kissinger

Bull left at an unknown time before 10:24 am.

[Unintelligible]

Strategic Arms Limitation Talks [SALT]
- Vienna

Kissinger entered at 10:24 am.

- Kissinger’s meeting with Gerard C. Smith
  - Smith’s response
    - Arms Control and Disarmament Agency [ACDA]
  - President's meeting with William P. Rogers
    - Smith’s response
    - Rogers’ response
      - President’s view
  - Smith's schedule
    - Briefings and backgrounders
    - Photo session with President and delegation
      - Rogers and Melvin R. Laird
  - Announcement
    - Cabinet
      - Possible leaks
        - Kissinger's briefing for John B. Connally, Vice President Spiro T. Agnew, and Elliot L. Richardson
    - Congressional leaders
Nixon Presidential Materials Staff

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-Cabinet
-Coverage of meeting
-Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]
-Congressional leaders
-Cabinet
-USSR
-Coverage of meeting
-Timing
-Cabinet
-Congressional leaders
-Location
-Cabinet
-Length of meeting
-Congressional leaders
-Kissinger's backgrounders for media
-J. William Fulbright
-Length
-Smith
-Democrats
-Michael J. (“Mike”) Mansfield
-Kissinger's briefings
-President's note
-John A. Scali
-Anti-ballistic missiles [ABM]
-Critics
-Supporters
-Richard Wilson, William F. Buckley, William S. White
-Stewart J.O. and Joseph W. Alsop

Foreign policy
-Rogers’ trip to Middle East
-Coverage
-Haldeman's call to Rogers in London
-Berlin
-People's Republic of China [PRC] initiative
-Vietnam
-Middle East
-Rogers’ trip
-Israel
-Suez Canal
-State Department
-Golda Meir
- Rogers
- Kissinger's briefings
- Rogers

-SALT
  - Kissinger's briefing
    - President's role
    - Smith's role
    - Kissinger's role
    - State Department role
  - U. Alexis Johnson
    - Attendance at SALT announcement, May 20

-Smith
  - Possible meeting with Rogers
  - State Department
  - Rogers

-Agreement
  - Smith
  - Vladimir S. Semenov
  - President's meeting with Rogers
    - USSR reaction
    - Brezhnev
    - PRC initiative
  - Rogers
    - Knowledge
  - State Department
  - ACDA

-Smith
  - Meeting with Rogers

-Rogers
  - Kissinger
  - Haldeman's call
  - Meeting with President
    - Dobrynin
  - A phone call from Haldeman
    - Forthcoming meeting

-Dobrynin

-Rogers
  - Forthcoming meeting with Haldeman
  - Response
    - Kissinger's role
    - Dobrynin
    - Forthcoming meeting with Haldeman
-Middle East
  -Rogers’ trip
    -Reports
      -Kissinger’s view
      -Joseph J. Sisco
      -Egypt
      -Reports
      -Kissinger's reports
  -Rogers’ work
    -Laos, Cambodia
  -SALT
    -Kissinger's briefings
      -State and Defense Departments
      -Recent developments
      -Rogers’ trip
        -Results
      -USSR
    -Announcement
  -Rogers
    -Efforts
  -Vietnam
  -SALT
    -Laird
      -Meetings with President and Kissinger
    -Smith and delegation
      -Meetings with Kissinger
      -Reception

Kissinger left at 10:53 am.

  -Congressional leaders
  -Rogers
    -Kissinger's and President's roles
  -Rogers
    -Forthcoming meeting with Haldeman
      -Reports to President
        -Middle East
        -Kissinger
  -Middle East
    -Meeting with President
      -Possible Summit
  -SALT
The President and Haldeman left at 11:04 am.
The President met with an unknown person.

President’s schedule

The President and the unknown person left at an unknown time before 11:07 am.

Conv. No. 501-7 (cont.)

Conversation No. 501-31

Date: May 19, 1971
Time: Unknown between 11:56 am and 12:00 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown woman.

President’s schedule
   -An unknown item

The unknown woman left at an unknown time before 12:00 pm.

Conversation No. 501-9

Date: May 19, 1971
Time: 12:00 pm - 12:02 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Alexander P. Butterfield.

[Unintelligible]

President's schedule
   -Meetings with Strategic Arms Limitation Talks [SALT] delegation

Butterfield left at 12:02 pm.
Conversation No. 501-10

Date: May 19, 1971
Time: Unknown between 12:02 pm and 12:07 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with an unknown person.

Rose Mary Woods’ schedule [?]

[End of conversation]

Conversation No. 501-11

Date: May 19, 1971
Time: Unknown between 12:02 pm and 12:07 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown woman.

A request

The unknown woman left at an unknown time before 12:07 pm.

Conversation No. 501-12

Date: May 19, 1971
Time: 12:07 pm - 12:28 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Rose Mary Woods.

Greetings
Weather

White House entertainment and social affairs
- Entertainers at White House dinners
  - Stephen B. Bull
  - Unknown entertainer
  - Leslie T. (“Bob”) Hope
  - Richard (“Red”) Skeleton
  - Pearl M. Bailey
  - John Wayne
    - Unknown entertainer
    - Support for the President
    - Visits to the White House

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

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 36s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2
An unknown man
   - Health
      - A letter from President

Thelma C. (“Pat”) Nixon
   - Cabinet wives' luncheon

Woods
   - An honorary degree from Pfeiffer College
      - A luncheon
         - Woods’ speech
      - Commencement speaker
         - A rabbi from Springfield, Massachusetts
            - Speech
            - Work as Indiana prison chaplain
            - Letter from Raymond K. Price, Jr.
   - Milton and Emily Rose
   - Woods’ speech
      - Service with the President
   - Woods’ television speech
   - Woods’ television interview
      - Terence Cardinal Cooke
      - Demonstrators
         - Washington, DC demonstrators
         - President’s position
      - Interviewer’s response
      - Charlotte, North Carolina
   - President's previous trip to Pfeiffer College in 1965
      - Milton Rose
      - President’s previous visit to [Forename unknown] Babcock’s home
         - A trustee's recollection
   - Woods’ Charlotte, North Carolina television interview
      - Distribution
   - Trip
   - Commencement events
      - Weather
   - Comments to Woods regarding support for President

Joe [Surname unknown]
   - Speech at policeman's event in Winston-Salem, North Carolina
William P. Rogers

Henry A. Kissinger entered at 12:24 pm.

Woods
- Honorary degree form Pfeiffer College

J. William Fulbright
- Visit to Soviet Embassy

Woods left at 12:24 pm.

Strategic Arms Limitation Talks [SALT]
- Agreement
  - Language of text
    - Anatoliy F. Dobrynin
  - Changes
  - Process of amendment

[H.R. (“Bob”) Haldeman talked with the President between 12:24 pm and 12:25 pm]

[Conversation No. 501-12A]

[See Conversation No. 3-65]

[End of telephone conversation]
SALT talks
- US relations with Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]
  - Dobrynin
  - Wheat and grain
  - A British computer
- U. Alexis Johnson
  - Meeting with Dobrynin
  - Soviet Jews
  - Timing
  - Kissinger’s schedule

Melvin R. Laird
- Memo on Vietnamese defense mechanization
- Special Research Group [SRG]
- Possible effect
  - Possible leak
- Meeting with Kissinger

Kissinger left at 12:28 pm.

Date: May 19, 1971
Time: Unknown between 12:28 pm and 12:30 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown person

[Unintelligible]

The unknown person left at an unknown time before 12:30 pm.

Date: May 19, 1971
Time: 12:30 pm - 1:03 pm
Location: Oval Office

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

Strategic Arms Limitation Talks [SALT]
- William P. Rogers
  - Meeting with Haldeman
  - Role in negotiations
    - Notification
    - Anatoliy F. Dobrynin
    - Meeting with President
      - Rogers’ statement in London
    - Role in negotiations
      - Reaction
      - Melvin R. Laird
      - Henry A. Kissinger and President
        - Assurances
  - Timing of talks
    - Rogers’ trip
    - President's message from San Clemente
      - Rogers’ knowledge
      - Call to Haldeman

- Role
  - Kissinger
    - News magazines and background columns
    - Effect
      - North Atlantic Treaty Organization [NATO] meeting
      - Response
    - Kissinger
      - Forthcoming briefings
        - Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]
    - Rogers
      - Agreement
        - President’s knowledge
        - Rogers’ knowledge
      - Gerard C. Smith
        - Meetings with Kissinger and Rogers
    - Background
      - Rogers’ call to Haldeman
      - Rogers’ testimony on Capitol Hill
      - Kissinger's and President's roles
Middle East
- Rogers’ reports to the White House
  - Rogers’ view
  - Kissinger
  - President

SALT agreement
- Background
  - Haldeman’s meeting with Rogers
  - President’s goals
  - Success
  - Rogers’ role
  - Haldeman's knowledge
  - Kissinger's meetings with Dobrynin
  - Rogers’ questions
  - Possible forthcoming meeting of President with Kissinger
    - Rogers’ role

Foreign policy
- Paris peace negotiations
- People's Republic of China [PRC]
  - Kissinger
  - Rogers’ future and role
  - Middle East negotiations
    - Rogers
      - Prospects for success
    - Kissinger and Alexander M. Haig, Jr.
    - Jews
    - Rogers’ role
- PRC
  - Kissinger, Rogers
  - Agha Muhommed Yahya Khan
- SALT
  - Rogers’ role
    - Rogers' meeting with Haldeman
      - President

[The President talked with Henry A. Kissinger at an unknown time after 12:30 pm]

[Conversation No. 501-14a]

Request to come to the meeting
[End of conversation]

Foreign policy
  - SALT agreement
  - Notification of Rogers

Manolo Sanchez entered at an unknown time after 12:30 pm.

Refreshments

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

Foreign policy
  - Rogers’ role
    - Relations with President, Kissinger
      - State Department

Kissinger entered at 12:43 pm.

  - SALT
    - Rogers
      - Notification of agreement
        - State Department bureaucracy
    - Smith
      - Meeting with President
      - Meeting with Kissinger
      - Meeting with Rogers
    - Rogers’ role
  - Rogers
  - SALT
    - Administration position

Sanchez entered at an unknown time after 12:43 pm.

  - Kissinger's backgrounders
    - Smith, Rogers
    - Rogers’ NATO meeting

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 1:03 pm.

  - Rogers
    - Promises to be informed
-Position
-Position in Middle East
-Rogers’ role

-Backgrounder strategy
-SALT
-Presidential initiative
-Rogers’ role
-Meetings with President
-Smith
-President's actions
-San Clemente

-Smith
-Meeting with Kissinger, May 19, 1971
-Relations with Rogers

-Roles of Laird, Rogers, and Smith
-Knowledge of agreement
-Kissinger's briefings
-John A. Scali
-Rogers’ meeting with Haldeman
-President's role
-Rogers’ role
-Smith’s role
-Arms Control and Disarmament Agency [ACDA]

-President's role
-Rogers’ call to Haldeman
-Need for unified statement

-Administration’s position
-State Department
-President's role
- Presidential initiative
-USSR
-History
-Rogers
-Compared with John F. Kennedy's initiatives on nuclear test ban
-Dean Rusk
-George Ball
-[Name Unintelligible]

-Public statements
-Rogers’ role
-Kissinger
Congressional votes
- Gaylord Nelson Amendment
- Michael J. Mansfield Amendment
- Charles McC. Mathias Amendment
- Nelson Amendment
  - Significance
  - Clark MacGregor

SALT Agreement
- Rogers’ role
  - Meetings with President
    - Smith
    - Antiballistic Missiles [ABM]
  - President's role
    - Private communication
    - Kissinger's knowledge

Chronology
- Rogers’ trip
- Dobrynin
  - Soviet intentions
  - President’s report to Rogers

Calls to Rogers
  - Timing

President's role
Rogers’ role
Language of announcement
- Rogers’ view
- Smith
- USSR
  - Dobrynin
  - [Unintelligible name]
  - Meaning
  - Rogers’ response

Alexander P. Butterfield entered at 12:58 pm.

Rogers
  - Testimony in Congress
    - J. William Fulbright
Butterfield left at 1:00 pm.

-Call to President
  -Haldeman's forthcoming call
  -President's return call
  -Address to the annual convention of the American National Red Cross
  -Haldeman's forthcoming call
- President's location

-Laird
-Rogers’ role
-Public statements
  -White House
  -Fulbright
  -State Department
  -Fulbright and Senate Foreign Relations Committee
-Presidents press conference
  -Haldeman's and President's forthcoming calls to Rogers
-Presidents schedule
  -Meeting with Laird and Kissinger
  -Call to Rogers

Haldeman and Kissinger left at 1:03 pm.

Date: May 19, 1971
Time: Unknown between 1:03 pm and 1:14 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.
Sanchez left at an unknown time before 1:14 pm.

Date: May 19, 1971
Time: Unknown between 1:03 pm and 2:05 pm
Location: Oval Office

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

Strategic Arms Limitation Talks [SALT]
- William P. Rogers’ role
- Haldeman's call
  - President's previous meetings with Rogers
    - Gerard C. Smith
    - Antiballistic missile [ABM]
    - President's role
  - Anatoliy F. Dobrynin
  - Rogers’ trip to Europe
  - Public statements
    - President, Henry A. Kissinger
    - Presidential initiative

Kissinger entered at 1:14 pm.

- Melvin R. Laird
  - Kissinger's forthcoming meeting
-President's meeting with Rogers
-Smith, ABM
-President's role
-Rogers’ role
-Smith
-U. Alexis Johnson
-Forthcoming call
-Rogers’ role
-Laird
-Kissinger's forthcoming meeting
-Laird's memorandum on Vietnamese modernization

Kissinger left at 1:18 pm.

-Rogers’ role
-President's role
-President's press conference
-Statement of position

Rogers
-Call to President
-Purpose
-Gaylord Nelson and Michael J. Mansfield Amendments
-Vice President Spiro T. Agnew

[The President talked with the White House operator at an unknown time between 1:14 pm and 1:18 pm]

[Conversation No. 501-16A]

[Conversation No. 3-66]

[End of telephone conversation]

Rogers
-Call to President
-Role in SALT negotiations

Laird's meeting with Kissinger

[The President talked with Rogers between 1:18 pm and 1:29 pm]
[Conversation No. 501-16B]

[See Conversation No. 3-67]

[End of telephone conversation]

Presidency

Ronald L. Ziegler entered at 1:29 pm.

Ziegler's daily press briefing
- Supersonic Transport [SST]
  - Boeing Corporation
    - Gerald R. Ford
    - Contract

SALT agreement
- White House handling
  - Schedule of events
    - Cabinet meeting
      - Congressional leaders meeting
  - Possible leaks
    - Cabinet
      - Announcements of meeting and agenda
- Congressional leaders meeting
  - Time
    - Possible leaks
      - Ziegler's conversation with Kissinger and John A. Scali
      - J. William Fulbright
      - President's statement
        - Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR] sensitivity
  - Time
- Cabinet meeting
  - Time
- Congressional leaders meeting
  - Ziegler's announcement
    - Possible leaks
- Television crew arrivals
- Congressional leaders meeting
  - Possible press calls to Ziegler
    - Subject
    - Mansfield and Nelson amendments
Foreign policy
   - Mansfield
     - Position on Nelson Amendment
   - Charles McC. Mathias Amendment
     - Time of vote
   - SALT agreement
     - Congressional leaders meeting
     - Rogers
     - Possible press calls to Ziegler
     - Timing of calls
     - Congressional vote
   - President's May 18, 1971 meeting with Congressional leaders
     - Peter H. Dominick
     - Mansfield and Mathias amendments
     - SALT agreement
     - Purpose
   - SALT agreement
     - Mansfield Amendment
     - Congress
   - USSR
   - Schedule of events
     - Cabinet meeting
     - Time
     - Calls to Cabinet
     - Ziegler's announcement of May 20, 1971 schedule
     - Television camera arrival
     - Cabinet meeting
     - Time
     - Alexander P. Butterfield
   - President's announcement
     - Forthcoming press conference
     - Language to be used
     - Significance
     - Duration
     - Significance
     - USSR
     - US position
     - Importance of delivery
     - President's demeanor
     - Text
     - Public perceptions
Ziegler left at 1:50 pm.

-SALT
   -President's announcements
   -Rogers’ role
   -President's role
   -Haldeman's talks with Rogers
   -Public statements
   -Rogers’ role
      -Haldeman's talk with Rogers
   -President's previous meetings with Rogers
      -Smith
   -Rogers’ call to President
      -Agnew's possible trip to Korea

-Rogers and Kissinger
-US-USSR Summit
-Middle East
-Rogers’ tenure
-Vietnam
-PRC
-Kissinger
-Rogers
   -North Atlantic Treaty Organization [NATO] meeting
   -Possible Summit
   -PRC
      -Agha Mohammad Yahya Khan
-State Department
-SALT
-USSR
-Dobrynin
-Paris peace talks
-North Vietnam
-Kissinger
-Rogers
-Possible meeting with President
-Paris peace talks
-Kissinger
-Rogers
-Xuan Thuy
-Kissinger
-Lyndon B. Johnson, Nelson A. Rockefeller
-Xuan Thuy
-Kissinger
-Ho Chi Minh
-Mansfield
-Meeting with President
-Yahya Khan
-Kissinger
-USSR
-SALT agreement
-Kissinger's statements
-Rogers
-USSR
-Kissinger's briefings
-PRC
-Rogers
-Europe
-Kissinger
-PRC
-Yahya Khan
-PRC
-President's possible talk with Rogers
-Yahya Khan
-Joseph S. Farland

Kissinger entered at 2:02 pm.
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-SALT
  -Kissinger's meeting with Laird
    -Weapons programs of US and USSR
    -Rogers’ role
    -Rogers’ and Laird's response

Haldeman and Kissinger left at 2:05 pm.  Conv. No. 501-16 (cont.)

Conversation No. 501-17

Date:  May 19, 1971
Time:  Unknown between 2:05 pm and 2:10 pm
Location:  Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

  President's schedule
    -Henry A. Kissinger
    -Melvin R. Laird

Bull left at an unknown time before 2:10 pm.

Conversation No. 501-18

Date:  May 19, 1971
Time:  2:10 pm - 2:56 pm
Location:  Oval Office

The President met with Melvin R. Laird and Henry A. Kissinger.

Greetings

Laird's health
Laird's schedule
- Defense planning committee
- Meeting of North Atlantic Treaty Organization [NATO]
- Nuclear Planning Group
  - Brussels
  - Germany
- Meeting with European cabinet ministers
  - Relationship
  - France
  - Harmon[?] [Surname unintelligible], Helmut Schmidt
  - Agenda
    - Violence
  - US policy
  - Mutual and Balanced Force Reductions [MBFR]
    - NATO Council meeting

MBFR
- Defense Department study
  - Strategic Arms Limitation Treaty [SALT]
  - Alexsei N. Kosygin
- US and Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR] policy on forces
- European Security Conference
- Importance of agreement
  - Format
  - Timing
- US policy
  - Laird’s and William P. Rogers’ statements
- Europeans' position
  - SALT agreement impact
  - USSR
    - Andrei A. Gromyko
    - Kosygin
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[National Security]
[Duration: 4s]

CANADA

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2

-Strategy
-Meetings
  -Europeans
  -US and USSR
  -Warsaw pact
  -US allies
  -Laird's and Rogers’ statements
    -Defense Department study
    -Laird's meetings with defense ministers in Lisbon
    -Kissinger's forthcoming talk with Rogers
    -Laird's and Rogers’ schedules
      -Lisbon
    -Meeting of Laird and Rogers
-Defense Department study
-Nature of negotiations
  -NATO and Warsaw pact
-USSR

Defense Department staff
  -Deputy Secretary of Defense
    -David Packard
      -Work
    -Reuben F. Mettler of TRW. Inc.
  -Financial regulations
    -Packard's Hewlett-Packard holdings
    -Mettler
      -Possible tenure
- Blind trusts
  - Secretary of the Treasury
- Mettler
  - Work at TRW
  - Possible stock sale
- Packard
  - Schedule
    - Possible notification of SALT agreement

SALT agreement
  - Possible effects
    - Charles H. Percy, Michael J. (“Mike”) Mansfield, W. Stuart Symington
    - Antiballistic missile [ABM] and offensive weapons
      - US and USSR negotiating position
    - May 20, 1971 meeting with Congressional leaders
- USSR
- Laird's position vis-à-vis Congress
- ABM
- US and USSR negotiating position
- Congress
  - James B. Pearson

An unknown person [Manolo Sanchez?] entered at an unknown time after 2:10 pm.

Refreshments

The unknown person [Sanchez?] left at an unknown time before 2:44 pm.

Salt agreement
  - Meetings with Congressional leaders
    - May 18, 1971
  - Soviets negotiating practices
    - Meetings with Congressional leaders
    - May 18, 1971
      - Notification of agreement
        - Laird
  - USSR
    - Telegraph Agency of the Soviet Union [TASS]
      - Announcement
  - Public opinion
    - Administration handling of MBFR and Vietnamization
    - Columnists
-Congress
  -J. William Fulbright
  -"Fence Riders"
  -Mansfield
-Administration efforts
  -Announcements
    -Effect
      -Senate reports
    -Gerard C. Smith and SALT delegation in Vienna
      -Performance
      -Soviets’ negotiation practices
-US position
  -ABM and offensive limitation
    -USSR
    -Laird's previous statements
      -Reiteration
      -Effect on "Doves" and "Fence Riders" in Congress

Defense issues
  -Wright-Patterson Air Force Base [AFB]
    -Robert A. Taft, Jr., William B. Saxbe
      -Votes on draft extension, ABM
      -Interview with Cleveland Plain Dealer after meeting with President
    -Laird's strategy
  -Clark MacGregor
    -Role
    -President's meeting with Taft and Saxbe
  -Portsmouth, New Hampshire Navy Yard
    -Margaret Chase Smith
    -Thomas J. McIntyre
      -Vote on ABM
  -Smith
  -MacGregor's and Kissinger's role
  -Wright-Patterson AFB
    -President's meeting with Saxbe
    -Possible Florida relocation
      -Patrick AFB
      -Edward J. Gurney
  -Laird's role with Congress
    -President's role
  -Donald W. Riegle, Jr.
  -Army reorganization
Defense Department staff
  - Deputy Secretary of Defense
  - Corporate executives
  - Requirements
    - Mettler
  - Bert S. Cross at 3M Corporation
  - Requirements
  - John H. Chafee
    - Future plans
  - Secretary of the Navy
    - John W. Warner
      - Experience in negotiating
        - Brazil
  - Secretary of the Army
    - Requirements
    - Stanley R. Resor
    - Army’s present status
    - Thaddeus R. Beal
      - Background
    - Robert F. Froehlke
      - Present position
  - Laird’s possible forthcoming meeting with Peter M. Flanigan
    - Bob Wolf
    - Ambassadorships
  - Secretary of Army
    - Replacement for Resor
      - Announcement
      - Timing
    - John S. Foster, Jr.
  - Army’s current status
    - Draft
      - Saxbe’s statement
      - Prospects
      - Saxbe’s position
        - Wright-Patterson AFB
        - Son’s Vietnam service
  - Replacement for Resor
    - Listing of possible replacement
      - Flanigan
    - President’s schedule
      - Lyndon B. Johnson Library dedication
Announcement
-Retirement date
-Froehlke
  -Possible confirmation
  -Relations with Laird
  -Background
  -Century Insurance Company
  -Work
  -Public testimony
  -Edward M. (“Ted”) Kennedy

-Deputy Secretary of Defense
  -Robert Clinton Moot
    -National Security Council [NSC] undersecretaries group
  -Packard
  -Charles D. (“Tex”) Barton
    -Financial regulations
  -Financial regulations
  -Compared with State and Treasury Departments

Vietnam
-Prisoners of War [POWs]
  -Laird's conversation with Kissinger
  -North Vietnam

-Needs
  -Continued military assistance
    -Modernization

-POWs
-Importance
-POW wives
  -A poll
  -Kissinger's meeting
  -Marianne Nelson
  -Mrs. [Forename unknown] Dahlberg [?]

-US forces (Volunteer Army)
-James L. Buckley’s amendment
  -Kissinger, President
-Gen. William C. Westmoreland
-Volunteers, draft
-William F. Buckley's column
-President, Kissinger
-Buckley Amendment and other amendments in Senate
-Laird’s analysis
-Cambodia
  -Current situation
  -Needs
    -Personnel
  -Current level of assistance
  -Current military assistance program
  -Needs
    -Personnel
  -Marshall Green and Emory C. Swank
  -Possible meeting of President and Rogers
  -Green
  -Needs
    -Funds
    -Personnel
  -A forthcoming report from Laird
    -Meeting of President, Laird, and Rogers
    -Green

Defense Department staff
  -Packard
    -Possible ambassador to Japan
    -Family
    -Relations with Laird and President
    -Work
      -Effect
      -Kissinger's experience
    -Possible ambassador to NATO
      -Robert F. Ellsworth
      -Job
        -Family
      -Possible future Cabinet job
        -Department of Housing and Urban Development [HUD]
        -Department of Transportation
    -Health
    -Work
    -Background
      -Stanford University Board of Trustees
      -Intellectuals, "Georgetown crowd", Business Council
  -Secretary of the Army
    -Laird's forthcoming meeting with Flanigan
    -Announcement of Resor's departure
    -President's possible meeting with Flanigan
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Tape Subject Log
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-Froehlke[?]
-Requirements
-Deputy Secretary of Defense
-Mettler
   -Previous work
-Roy L. Ash

President's schedule
   -Meeting with Smith and SALT delegation

Kissinger left at 2:55 pm.

Defense Department staff
   -Deputy Secretary of Defense
   -Packard
      -Planned departure date
   -Secretary of the Army

Laird's health

Laird left at 2:56 pm.

Conv. No. 501-19

Date:  May 19, 1971
Time:  3:09 pm - 3:45 pm
Location:  Oval Office

The President met with Henry A. Kissinger.

Strategic Arms Limitation Talk [SALT] agreement
   -Anatoliy F. Dobrynin
   -Texts in Russian and English
   -Announcement
   -Delegation's knowledge
      -Gerard C. Smith
         -Meeting with delegation
      -President's meeting
         -Congressional leaders
President's schedule
   - Meeting with SALT delegation
     - Cabinet Room
   - Possible trip to Midway
     - William P. Rogers
     - Possible leak
     - Rogers
     - Ellsworth F. Bunker [?]


Greetings and introductions

President's previous meeting with Melvin R. Laird

Congress
   - Upcoming vote
     - Michael J. Mansfield Amendment

SALT
   - Smith's schedule
   - Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]
   - Anti-ballistic missile [ABM] agreement
     - Time-frame
     - Effects
     - Build-ups
- Forward Base System [FBS]
- Multiple Independently-targetable Reentry Vehicle's [MIRV]
- USSR
  - View on MIRV
  - Defense systems
- Laird
- USSR
- Verification

-USSR arms
-USSR goals
  - Technology
  - President's press conference
  - Strategy
  - Desire for ABM agreement
    - Intercontinental Ballistic Missiles [ICBM] program
  - Party Congress
  - Troop levels in Germany and Czechoslovakia
    - State Department report
    - Possibility of unilateral withdrawal

- Conventional forces in Europe
  - European Security Conference
  - Warsaw Pact
  - North Atlantic Treaty Organization [NATO]
  - Dobrynin
  - Possible reductions
    - Political effect
    - US
    - USSR
    - Great Britain

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2
[National Security]
[Duration: _1m 25s_]

DEFENSE

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2
SALT
- Progress of talks
  - Compared with Vietnam Peace talks
    - David K.E. Bruce
- USSR
  - Goals
  - Position
- US policy
- USSR
  - Government bureaucracy
    - Effect on decision-making
  - Lack of public scrutiny
  - Army
  - Foreign Office

Foreign policy
- People's Republic of China [PRC]

[Unintelligible]

USSR and PRC relations
- US position
  - Neutrality

USSR
- Suggested overture by US
- Ongoing negotiations
  - Computers [?]
  - Trucks
  - Credit certification
  - Kissinger’s efforts
  - Aviation
    - Possible purchase
      - Kissinger’s call to Dobrynin
  - South America
  - Possible purchase
    - Dobrynin
    - Alaskan Airlines
-American airplanes
   -Inspections
-Department of Commerce action
   -Certification
-Supersonic Transport [SST]
-White House

SST
-Tokyo
-Europe
-SST
-South America
-Effect
   -Moscow to New York
-Kissinger
-Aviation Russian planes
   -President's 1967 flight
-747's
-President's 1967 flight
   -Russian plane
   -Stewardesses

President's schedule
-May 21, 1971 meeting with delegation
   -Laird

Weather
-Golf
   -Burning Tree Country Club
-Water shortage
   -Secretary of Agriculture [Clifford M. Hardin]
   -Florida

President's schedule
-May 21, 1971 meeting

Kissinger, et al., left at 3:45 pm.
Conversation No. 501-20

Date: May 19, 1971
Time: Unknown between 3:45 pm and 3:50 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

President's schedule
- Meeting with Robert H. Finch and Donald H. Rumsfeld
- Time
- Congressional vote

Bull left at an unknown time before 3:50 pm.

Conversation No. 501-21

Date: May 19, 1971
Time: Unknown between 3:45 pm and 3:50 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Alexander P. Butterfield.

President's schedule

Butterfield left at an unknown time before 3:50 pm.

Conversation No. 501-22

Date: May 19, 1971
Time: Unknown between 3:45 pm and 3:50 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

President's schedule
Bull left at an unknown time before 3:50 pm.

Conversation No. 501-23

Date: May 19, 1971
Time: Unknown between 3:45 pm and 3:50 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Alexander P. Butterfield.

President's schedule
- Meeting with Robert H. Finch and Donald H. Rumsfeld

Charles McC. Mathias Amendment

Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 3:45 pm.

President’s schedule
- Meeting with Finch and Rumsfeld
  - Time

Butterfield and Bull left at 3:50 pm.

Conversation No. 501-24

Date: May 19, 1971
Time: 3:50 pm - 4:28 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Henry A. Kissinger.

Strategic Arms Limitation Talks [SALT] agreement
- Gerard C. Smith
  - Meeting with Kissinger
  - Response
- President's meeting with SALT delegation
  - President's role, delegation's role
- Announcement
  - Length
  - Anatoliy F. Dobrynin
Alexander P. Butterfield entered at 3:53 pm.

President’s schedule

Butterfield left and Ronald L. Ziegler entered at 3:54 pm.

Charles H. Percy Amendment
  -Prospects

SALT negotiations
  -Announcement
  -Wording
    -Breaking deadlock
    -Effect on other negotiations
    -Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR], People's Republic of China [PRC]
  -Presentation
    -Television delivery
  -Location

H.R. (“Bob”) Haldeman entered at an unknown time after 3:54 pm.

  -Rose Garden, Press Room

Haldeman left at an unknown time before 4:07 pm.

  -Wording
  -Length
    -Dobrynin
  -President’s formulation

Ziegler left at an unknown time before 4:07 pm.
- Meeting of SALT delegation and National Security Council [NSC]
  - Melvin R. Laird
  - Significance
  - Cancellation
  - Call to Smith
- Smith's response to the announcement
- Meeting with SALT delegation
- Smith
- Adm. Thomas H. Moorer's response
  - Anti-ballistic missile [ABM] agreement
- Smith's response to the announcement
- Announcement
- President's meeting with SALT delegation

Henry L. Bellmon, John G. Tower, Clifford M. Hardin, John C. Whitaker, Clark MacGregor, and Peter M. Flanigan entered at 4:07 pm; the press was present at the beginning of the meeting.

Greetings

President's schedule
- Haldeman
  - Malik Faisal ibn Abd al-Aziz al-Saud’s [Faisal, King of Saudi Arabia] visit
    - Dinner
    - Meeting with President in 1967
- Rogers

Kissinger left at 4:07 pm.

Charles McC. Mathias Amendment vote
  - Time

Photo arrangements

An unknown man

Drought relief
  - Amount
  - Losses
  - Timing
  - [Unintelligible] [Camera noise]
- Florida
- President's information about weather
Agriculture
- Operating and ownership loans for cattle
  - Ceiling
    - 1960 level
    - Bureaucrats
    - Orville L. Freeman
- Needs of farmers
- Borrowing problems
  - John Ehrlichman, Caspar W. ("Cap") Weinberger
- Future loans
  - Farmers Home Administration
- Importance of agriculture
- Loan problems
  - Farmers Home Administration
  - James V. Smith
  - Flanigan's role
  - Connally's conversation with President

Economy
- Interest rates
  - Connally
  - Arthur F. Burns
  - US dollar, Deutsche mark
  - Federal Reserve
    - Short-term and long-term rates
    - Changes
      - Connally’s conversation with Burns
- Short-term rates
- Importance
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- Compared to budget
- Movement
- Milton Friedman's article "The Mark Crisis"
  - Willy Brandt
  - German economy

- Home building
  - Mortgage rates
  - Preston Martin
  - Meeting with Flanigan, May 19, 1971
    - Mortgage rates
    - Savings and loans
    - Incoming funds level
    - Housing starts

- Max M. Fisher
- George W. Romney
- Importance of interest rates
  - Building levels
  - Farming

- Possibility of over-building
- Interest rates
  - Martin
    - Meeting with Flanigan, May 19, 1971
      - Predictions of housing starts levels
  - Federal Reserve

Drought relief
- President's previous speech
- Timing
- Amount
- Southwest, Minnesota
  - Hubert H. Humphrey
  - Minnesota, Texas
  - Humphrey

Congressional votes
- Mathias Amendment

Bellmon, Tower, Hardin, Whitaker, and Flanigan left at 4:26 pm.

- Results of recent votes
- Mathias Amendment
- Abraham A. Ribicoff, Birch E. Bayh
-Kenneth E. BeLieu, William E. Timmons
- Senators supporting Administration
  - John Sherman Cooper
  - Mathias and Michael J. Mansfield Amendments
- Possible future developments
- [Forename unknown] Johnson
- Efforts

MacGregor left at 4:28 pm.

Conv. No. 501-24 (cont.)

Date: May 19, 1971
Time: Unknown between 4:28 pm and 4:38 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with an unknown person.

President's schedule
  - Meeting with unknown person

Conversation No. 501-25

Date: May 19, 1971
Time: Unknown between 4:28 pm and 4:38 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Alexander P. Butterfield.

Items for President's signature

Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 4:28 pm.

Conversation No. 501-26
President's schedule
- 5:00 meeting
    meeting
  - Robert H. Finch

**Butterfield and Bull left at an unknown time before 4:38 pm.**

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**Conversation No. 501-27**

**Date:** May 19, 1971  
**Time:** Unknown between 4:28 pm and 4:38 pm  
**Location:** Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

President's schedule

**Bull left at an unknown time before 4:38 pm.**

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**Conversation No. 501-28**

**Date:** May 19, 1971  
**Time:** Unknown between 4:28 pm and 4:38 pm  
**Location:** Oval Office

The President met with Henry A. Kissinger.

Charles McC. Mathias Amendment
  - Vote
    - Forthcoming Kissinger call to John Sherman Cooper

**Kissinger left at an unknown time before 4:38 pm.**
Date: May 19, 1971
Time: 4:38 pm - 6:10 pm
Location: Oval Office

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

Charles McC. Mathias Amendment
-Vote
-John G. Tower
-Democrats' strategy
-Possible support administration
-Michael J. Mansfield Amendment
-$50 million
-Potomac River announcement

Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 4:38 pm.

President's schedule
-Henry A. Kissinger, Ronald L. Ziegler
-Kissinger's phone call regarding Mathias Amendment

Bull left at an unknown time before 4:44 pm.

-Donald H. Rumsfeld and Robert H. Finch

William P. Rogers and Kissinger
-Nature of relationship
-Strategic Arms Limitation Talks [SALT] agreement
-USSR
-John A. Scali and Ziegler
-Haldeman's conversation with Rogers, May 19

Kissinger entered at an unknown time after 4:38 pm.

SALT agreement announcement

Mathias Amendment
-Vote
-Kissinger's attempted call to John Sherman Cooper
SALT agreement
   -Announcement
   -Wording
      -Kissinger’s recommendation

Bull entered at an unknown time after 4:38 pm

Call from Cooper

Bull and Kissinger left at an unknown time before 4:44 pm.

SALT agreement
   -Meeting with Legislative leaders
   -Meeting with the Cabinet

Ziegler and Scali entered at 4:44 pm.

   -Kissinger's briefings for media
      -Number attending
         -Washington Star
      -Attendees
         -Wire services, television
         -Limits
   -Television coverage
      -Delivery of announcement
   -Kissinger's briefing for media
      -Delivery
      -Selection of attendees
      -Content
         -Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]
         -Development of agreement
         -President's role

Kissinger entered at an unknown time after 4:44 pm.

Kissinger's call to Cooper
   -Cooper's May 19, 1971 votes
   -Mathias Amendment vote

SALT
   -Kissinger's briefing
- Points
- Meeting with Congressional leaders
- Announcement
  - Wording
- Kissinger's briefing
  - Nature of breakthrough
    - Previous stalemate
- Announcement
  - Release to press
  - President's presentation
- Kissinger's briefing
  - Stalemate
  - USSR
    - Defensive weapons
  - US position
    - Comprehensive agreement
- President's previous press conferences
- President's role, USSR role
- Offensive and defensive weapons
- Negotiations
  - Procedural questions
  - SALT delegation
- Possible questions
  - Timetable for agreement
    - President’s foreign policy report
    - President’s previous press conferences
- Development of agreement
- Kissinger’s previous briefings
  - Scali
- Possible questions
  - Congressional Leaders
    - President’s role
    - Aleksei N. Kosygin role
- Mutual and Balanced Force Reductions [MBFR]
- Kissinger's briefings
  - Linkage to MBFR
- North Atlantic Treaty Organization [NATO]
  - Role in negotiations
    - Forthcoming NATO meeting
    - Rogers
- Development of agreement
  - Study of the issue
-National Security Council [NSC]
  -President's role
    -USSR reaction
    -Anatoliy F. Dobrynin
  -USSR role

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 3
[National Security]
[Duration: 55s ]

PEOPLE’S REPUBLIC OF CHINA [PRC]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 3

-PRC
  -President's speech to American Red Cross, May 19, 1971
  -Kissinger's briefings
    -White House activity
      -Senate votes
        -Mathias Amendment
        -NATO, troop reductions
        -Vietnam
        -Cooper
      -Development of agreement
        -President's role
        -Dobrynin
    -Leader's meeting
    -Kissinger's briefings
      -Hubert H. Humphrey's speech, President's role
      -Senate
        -Mansfield Amendment
        -J. William Fulbright
  -President's role
  -Development of agreement
- Gerard C. Smith
- Safeguard
- Vladimir S. Semenov
- Schedule
- Smith's role
- Attendees
  - Chalmers Roberts
  - Conservative columnists
    - James J. Kilpatrick
    - William F. Buckley
    - Richard (“Dick”) Wilson
    - William S. White
  - Kilpatrick, Buckley, Wilson
- Adm. Thomas H. Moorer's and Smith's response
- Future
- Development of agreement
  - Rogers
  - Melvin R. Laird
  - NSC
    - Rogers
  - Bureaucracy
    - Knowledge
  - Possible responses
  - Rogers
  - Smith
  - Kissinger's briefing

Robert H. Finch and Donald H. Rumsfeld entered at 5:13 pm.

Kissinger's schedule
  - Kissinger's previous trip to Palm Springs

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 17
[Personal returnable]
[Duration: _1m 46s_]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 17
Haldeman, Kissinger, Scali, and Ziegler left at 5:16 pm.

Finch's and Rumsfeld's trip
- Report
  - President’s approval
  - Josip Broz Tito
  - An unknown group
  - Possible exchange program
  - Tito's future visit
    - Possible appearance by unknown group
  - Carol (Crothers) Finch and Joyce (Pierson) Rumsfeld
    - Talks with embassy wives
      - Ambassador's wife
      - State Department
        - Rigidity of tradition
    - Talks with embassy staff
      - Interest in US
        - Domestic programs
          - Welfare
            - Information from news magazines
      - Response to President

Lyndon B. Johnson
- Travel
- Foreign policy
  - Europe

Finch's and Rumsfeld's trip
- Response to US
- US economic policy
  - Variety of perspectives articulated
    - John B. Connally, George P. Shultz

US economic policy
- Variety of perspectives articulated
  - Arthur F. Burns
  - Treasury Department
  - Paul W. McCracken and Council of Economic Advisors [CEA]
  - Shultz
  - Maurice H. Stans
- US inflation
  - Effect abroad

World economy
  - Milton Friedman's article "The Mark Crisis"
  - Willy Brandt
    - Economic policies
      - Impact

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 5
[National Security]
[Duration: 56s]

EUROPE

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 5

Finch's and Rumsfeld's trip
  - Spain
    - Future
  - Yugoslavia
    - Tito
      - Unifying effect
    - History
      - Balkans, USSR
      - Croats, Serbs
  - Rumania
    - Economy
      - Compared to Yugoslavia
      - Compared to West and East Berlin
    - People
    - President's previous trip
    - Computer development needs
  - Mrs. Finch's and Mrs. Rumsfeld's response
-Paris, Rome, Vienna, London
  -Meeting with Pope Paul Vi

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 19
[National Security]
[Duration: 18s]  
VATICAN

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 19

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 15
[National Security]
[Duration: 36s]
EUROPE
END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 15

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-East
-West trade
  -John P. Humes
  -Congressional views
  -Vietnam's effects
  -Laws

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 16
[National Security]
[Duration:  52s ]

EUROPE

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 16

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-D. Kenneth Rush
  -Berlin negotiations
    -Efforts
  -Professional history
    -Previous law experience
    -Union carbide
  -Walter H. Annenberg's residence
  -Juan Cortez[?], bullfighter
    -Photograph with Nixon tieclasp
  -Robert F. Kennedy
  -Popularity
    -Attendance by Finch and Rumsfeld at bullfight
    -Gift to the President
  -PRC and USSR
    -Communications by Finch and Rumsfeld
-President's reading
  -Kissinger

Drugs
  -Military
    -Possible congressional investigation
      -Draft extension, Volunteer Army
  -Usage
    -Statement regarding importance
  -Solutions
    -Discipline
    -Gen. Andrew J. Goodpaster

[Unintelligible]

Finch's and Rumsfeld’s’ trip
  -United Nations [UN] Amendment on drugs
    -President's position
      -Importance of US foreign policy

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 20

[National Security]
[Duration: 2m 3s]

VATICAN

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END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 20
-U.S. ambassadors
  -Rush
  -William Leonart
  -Robert C. Hill
  -Future
  -New Hampshire politics
  -A letter

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 8
[Personal returnable]
[Duration: 39s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 8

-Leonard C. Meeker
-Humes
-Graham A. Martin
  -Impression
  -Dinner with Finch and Rumsfeld
  -Meeting with staff
  -Report to Rogers
  -Kissinger

-Idar Rimestad
  -Possible future congressional candidacy
    -Wayne N. Aspinall
    -Finances

-John D.J. Moore in Ireland
-Ann H(emmingway) Watson (Mrs. Arthur Watson)
  -Children
    -Meeting with President
  -Ambassador's residence
    -Need
  -Lunch, food
    -Chef
    -Charles A.J.M. de Gaulle's funeral
-Edward M. (“Ted”) Kennedy
-Stuart W. Rockwell
-Stay in England
  -Annenberg
  -Britannia
  -Meeting with staff
-US embassies
  -Annenberg
  -Staff
  -Annenberg’s views
-Staff in Paris
  -Two unnamed Princeton classmates of Rumsfeld's
  -Arthur Watson's work
  -R. Sargeant Shriver's work
  -Holmes[?], Steigman[?], and Culley[?] [Forenames unknown]
  -Holmes’ father, Julius C. Holmes
    -Service under Dwight D. Eisenhower
    -Policy statements
    -Holmes’ work
-Career Foreign Service officers
  -State Department knowledge of politics
-Edward M. Korry
  -Compared with Finch
  -John F. Kennedy
-Political knowledge
  -Al [Surname unintelligible]
  -Congressional race

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[Privacy]
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-Staff in London
- A Conservative Democrat [name unintelligible]
  - [Name unintelligible]
  - British Parliament
    - Parliament
    - Population
      - History
      - Potato Famine
  - Future trips
    - Europe, Asia, Africa, Latin America
  - Use in speeches
  - A letter
    - Hill
    - Francisco Franco to Johnson
      - Views on Vietnam War

[Unintelligible]

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[Personal Returnable]
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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 13
[Personal Returnable]
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Campaign practices
  - Edmund S. Muskie
    - Hill's information from Maine attorney general, James S. Erwin

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Politics
- Incumbency
  - William Howard Taft
  - [Thomas] Woodrow Wilson
  - Herbert C. Hoover
  - Johnson
    - Vietnam War, economy
    - Possible 1968 race
  - Johnson
  - Compared to Humphrey
- Critics
  - Travel
  - Reaction
  - Television coverage
    - Compared with coverage of the President
  - President's schedule
    - May 21, 1971 dedication of the Johnson Library

Finch's and Rumsfeld's trip
- Forthcoming press conference
  - Kissinger
  - Backgrounders
  - Meetings with Rogers

Middle East
- Rogers’ work in Middle East
  - Emphasis in Finch and Rumsfeld’s upcoming press conference
  - Comment in May 20, 1971 Cabinet meeting
  - State Department meeting
  - Anwar el-Sadat
    - Unknown staffer’s view
    - Rogers’ statements in previous Cabinet meeting

US foreign policy
- Finch and Rumsfeld’s upcoming statements
  - Vietnam
-USSR
-PRC
-Europe
  -President's travels, Johnson's travels
    -Norse Capitals
-НАТО
  -Cooperation
    -Western Europe
      -World wars
        -Deaths
      -Peace
        -Bipartisan nature of establishment
    -Future

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[National Security]
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Drugs
  -Problem in military
    -Finch's and Rumsfeld's efforts
    -President's meeting with Arthur G. (“Art”) Linkletter
      -Linkletter's speeches at schools
      -Possible tour of military bases in Europe
      -Linkletter's daughter
    -Compared with alcohol
    -Causes
    -Diversion for military troops
    -Need for community among troops
    -Volunteer Army
A memo from Rumsfeld regarding Special Trade Representative
   -Peter M. Flanigan
   -H.R. (“Bob”) Haldeman
   -Future meeting with President

Finch and Rumsfeld left at 6:10 pm.

Date: May 19, 1971
Time: 6:10 pm - 6:16 pm
Location: Oval Office

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

Robert H. Finch's and Donald H. Rumsfeld's report

Charles McC. Mathias Amendment
   -Debate

Michael J. Mansfield Amendment
   -Debate
   -White House strategy
   -Debate, vote
   -Mansfield
      -Conversation with William P. Rogers
         -Rogers’ call to Dwight L. Chapin

[The President talked with the White House operator at an unknown time between 6:10 pm and 6:11 pm]

[Conversation No. 501-30A]

[See Conversation No. 3-68]

[End of telephone conversation]

   -Vote
      -Mathias Amendment

[The President talked with Rogers between 6:11 pm and 6:15 pm]
[Conversation No. 501-30B]

[See Conversation No. 3-69]

[End of telephone conversation]

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