Date:  August 15, 1971
Time:  Unknown between 8:55 pm and 9:24 pm
Location:  Oval Office

The President met with unknown men.

The President’s forthcoming speech

- Preparation
  - Telephone
  - Call
- President’s appearance
- President's voice
  - Sound
- Time
- Television cameras
  - Cueing
  - President’s positioning
- Time
- Oval Office
- Unknown person’s wedding
  - Gift
  - Trip
  - Press corps
- Procedures
  - Cueing
- Time

The President delivered a speech entitled "The Challenge of Peace" between 9:00 pm and 9:22 pm.

[See Public Papers of the Presidents, Richard M. Nixon, 1971, pp. 886-891]

Length of President's speech

Unknown man

Cameras and lights
Thelma C. (“Pat”) Nixon's schedule
- American Broadcasting Corporation [ABC] program
- San Clemente, California

[General conversation]

The unknown men left at an unknown time before 9:24 pm.

Conversation No. 564-2

Date: August 16, 1971
Time: Unknown between 8:40 am and 8:55 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

Request for unknown item

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 8:55 am.

Conversation No. 564-3

Date: August 16, 1971
Time: 8:55 am - 10:10 am
Location: Oval Office

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

National economy
- President's program
- Reaction
- News summary
  - George S. McGovern
  - John Kenneth Galbraith
  - Wilbur D. Mills
-Michael J. Mansfield
-Milton Friedman
  -Budget cut
  -Wage and price freeze
-White House staff
-George P. Shultz's "Today" show appearance
-Reaction
  -White House staff
-Meeting at Camp David
  -Possible story
    -Photographs
    -Text
    -Distribution of story
      -Life
      -US News and World Report
-Presidents efforts
  -Speech
  -Photographs
    -Unknown photographer [Oliver F. ("Ollie") Atkins]
    -Arthur Burns and Shultz
    -Distribution
    -Paul W. McCracken
    -Distribution
-Reaction
  -Long-term issues
    -Economic issue
      -1972 election
      -People's Republic of China [PRC]
-Peter G. Peterson's views
-Follow-up to August 15, 1971 speech
  -President's possible speech
    -Business Council
  -Competition
  -Comparison to PRC announcement
  -Wage and price freeze
  -PRC
  -Post-Vietnam War
President's schedule
- Radio speeches
  - Raymond K. Price, Jr.
- Speechwriters
  - Deadline

National economy
- President's program
  - President's efforts
  - John B. Connally's role
    - Possible press conference questions
- Reaction
  - Congress
  - Mills
  - McCracken

The President talked with the White House operator at an unknown time between 8:55 am and 9:05 am.

[Conversation No. 564-3A]

[See Conversation No. 7-153]

Request for a call to Mills

[End of telephone conversation]

National economy
- President's program
- McCracken's views

Presidency
- Showmanship

The President talked with an unknown person [Alexander M. Haig, Jr.?] at an unknown time between 8:55 am and 9:05 am.

[Conversation No. 564-3B]
Vietnam
- Prisoners of War [POWs]
- News report
  - Moscow
  - Sweden
  - Veracity

[End of telephone conversation]

National economy
- President's program
- Telephone calls
  - Haig
  - The President
    - Burns
- Burns
  - Call to White House, August 16, 1971
    - Japanese foreign exchange market
      - Exchange rate
      - Effect on the market
    - Canadian markets
- Attitude
  - Publicity
  - Shultz and Connally
  - Reaction to gold decision
    - President’s action
- August 15 speech
  - Compared to press conference
    - Decision-making process
- PRC

An unknown person entered at an unknown time after 8:55 am.

Delivery of memorandum

The unknown person left at an unknown time before 9:05 am.

President’s schedule
- California
  - Henry A. Kissinger's memo to President
    - Haig
- Mansfield, Jacob K. Javits, Robert C. Byrd, William Proxmire, Mills,
  McGovern, Vance Hartke, American Federation of Labor-
  Congress of Industrial Organizations [AFL-CIO], Bank of
  America

- Foreign reactions
  - Great Britain
  - Switzerland
  - Japan
    - Foreign ministry statement
- Significance of actions
  - Showmanship
  - Pessimism
    - President’s staff

American people
  - Attitude
    - Friedman
  - Political expectations
    - Leadership and charisma
    - Appearance of action
    - Administration's response
    - Lyndon B. Johnson

White House staff
  - Quality
    - Action
      - Claiming credit
        - Domestic Council
        - Responsibility

National economy
  - President's program
    - Compared to PRC policy
    - Compared to Johnson's Vietnam policy

The White House operator talked with the President at 9:05 am.

[Conversation No. 564-3C]

[See Conversation No. 7-154]
[End of telephone conversation]

National economy
- President's program
  - President's policy toward PRC
  - Haldeman's comments at Camp David
    - Leadership

Presidency
- Administration public relations points
  - Leadership
    - Boldness, courage
  - "World leader for peace"
  - "Personal family man"
    - Character, decency
    - Edward M. Kennedy
    - Dwight D. Eisenhower
    - First family
- Prosperity without war and inflation
- Crime and drugs
- Environment
  - Youth
  - Parks
  - Administration action
- Voluntary action
  - Right to read program
    - President's possible involvement
    - Educational television
    - Clinics
    - Tutoring
- Opposition by media
  - Possible Administration response

Democrats
- Possible Republican attacks
  - President's conversation with Charles W. Colson, August 15, 1971
    - Robert J. Dole
    - Barry M. Goldwater
  - House of Representatives
  - Dole
    - News summary
- Television
- Attacks on President's economic program
  - Press coverage
  - Proxmire's comments on "Face the Nation", August 15, 1971
- Possible attacks on President's economic program
  - Welfare reform
    - Postponement
    - Effect on poor
    - Congress
    - Daniel P. Moynihan
  - Revenue-sharing
    - Postponement

National economy
- President's program
- Federal employees
  - Postponement of pay raises and personnel cut
    - Possible national reaction
- Foreign aid
  - Cut
- Budget
  - Housing and Urban Development [HUD], Health, Education and Welfare [HEW], Transportation
  - Treasury
  - Justice
    - Anti-trust division
- State
- Defense
- Domestic Council
- Office of Management and Budget [OMB]
- Office of Science and Technology
- Environmental Protection Agency [EPA]
  - Environment Council

Environment
  - News story concerning White House pressure on William D. Ruckelshaus

National economy
- President's program
  - Anti-trust laws
  - Peterson
-John N. Mitchell

President's schedule
  -Cabinet
    -Agenda
      -President’s possible participation
    -Connally
      -Forthcoming press conference
    -Length
  -George W. Romney
    -Call to James D. Hodgson

National economy
  -President's program
    -President's conversation with Pierre Rinfret, August 15, 1971
  -Investment tax credit
    -Reaction by businessmen
      -Colson
    -Confusion with job development credit
    -Possible action
      -Machine tools
  -Peterson's views
    -Productivity

Appointments
  -Peterson
    -Shultz's conversation with John D. Ehrlichman
      -Balance of payments problem
    -Office of Emergency Preparedness [OEP]
      -Bell and Howell
  -Arnold R. Weber
    -Weber's wife
      -Chicago

President's economic program
  -Staff reaction
    -PRC
    -Economy
  -Publicity
    -Staff responsibility
      -Haldeman
-Camp David meeting
-Non-press events
  -Business-Consumer Council
  -Girls Nation
  -Business-Consumer Council
  -Peterson
-Herbert G. Klein, Richard A. Moore and Colson
-Colson's staff
  -DeVan L. Shumway
-Power of presidency
  -Television
-Television
  -Effect on staff thinking
  -Ripple effect
  -Franklin D. Roosevelt
-News media
  -Spiro T. Agnew
  -Use by Democrats
  -Birch E. Bayh, Jr.
-Image of the President
-Reaction
-McGovern

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END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2

-Income tax exemptions
  -Effect on budget
  -Timing of announcement
  -Democrats

Administration public relations
-Forthcoming announcement of President’s trip to Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]
- Kissinger’s trip to PRC
- President’s forthcoming trips to PRC and USSR
  - Timing
  - Possible crisis in 1972

Nelson A. Rockefeller
- Recent telephone call
  - Ehrlichman
  - President’s recent speech
  - President’s schedule
    - New York
    - Waldorf-Astoria Hotel
  - Reagan
  - Mitchell
    - Possible breakfast
  - Possible call by President
  - President’s schedule
    - New York
    - Waldorf-Astoria Hotel

National economy
- President’s speech, August 15, 1971
  - Reaction
    - Public understanding
      - President’s conversation with [Dwight] David, II and Julie Eisenhower
      - Vietnam
    - Haldeman’s conversation with his wife
  - Preparation
    - William L. Safire
  - Delivery
  - Preparation
    - Writing
  - Reaction
    - Calls to White House
      - Adjectives
        - Program compared to speech
-Arthur M. Wood of Sears
-Taft Schreiber
-Robert Baldwin of Morgan, Stanley
-Eugene Black
  -Japan
  -Europe
-John Clark [?] of Los Angeles
-Emotional aspect

President's speeches
  -Delivery
  -Teleprompter
  -August 15, 1971 speech
  -Quality of television coverage
    -William H. Carruthers's comments
    -Clothing
    -Communication
      -Form of address

-Delivery
  -Ad libs
    -New York Times

Rhetoric
  -Form of address
  -Carruthers

-Conclusion
  -August 15, 1971
  -Theme
    -America’s past compared to future

President's schedule
  -Rockefeller

The President talked with the White House operator at an unknown time between 9:05 am and 10:01 am.

[Conversation No. 564-3D]

[See Conversation No. 7-155]

[End of telephone conversation]
President's schedule
- Oakland A's
- Bob Elston
- Vida Blue
- Charles O. Finley
- Elston
- Blue
- Washington Senators
- Chicago White Sox
- Elston
- Kansas City
- Blue
- Rockefeller
- Mitchell

National economy
- President's speech, August 15, 1971
- Preparation
  - Treasury Department draft
  - Safire
- Delivery
- Safire

The President left the room at an unknown time after 9:05 am.

The White House operator talked with Haldeman at an unknown time between 9:05 am and
10:01 am.

[Conversation No. 564-3E]

[See Conversation No. 7-156]

[End of telephone conversation]

The President entered the room at an unknown time before 10:01 am.

The President talked with Rockefeller between 10:01 am and 10:10 am.

[Conversation No. 564-3F]

[See Conversation No. 7-157; two items have been withdrawn from the conversation]

The President conferred with Haldeman at an unknown time during the telephone conversation.

[End of telephone conversation]

President's schedule
- Cabinet meeting
- Introduction

The President and Haldeman left at 10:10 am.

Conversation No. 564-5

Date: August 16, 1971
Time: Unknown between 10:10 am and 11:27 am
Location: Oval Office

Unknown people [Secret Service agents] met.

President’s location
- Cabinet Room

The unknown people [Secret Service agents] left at an unknown time before 11:27 am.
Date: August 16, 1971
Time: Unknown before 11:27 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Rose Mary Woods and H. R. (“Bob”) Haldeman.
[The recording began while the meeting was in progress]

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 5
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END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 5
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National economy
- President's speech, August 15, 1971
- Reaction
  - Woods’ conversation with unknown person
  - Patricia R. Hitt

President's schedule
- August 17, 1971
  - New York
- Congressional leaders
  - Wilbur D. Mills, John W. Byrnes, Russell B. Long, Wallace F. Bennett,
    George H. Mahon, Frank T. Bow
  - Senate Appropriations Committee
  - Banking and Currency Committee
  - Michael J. Mansfield, Hugh Scott, Robert P. Griffin, Robert C. Byrd
  - Carl B. Albert, [Thomas] Hale Boggs, Gerald R. Ford, Leslie C. Arends
  - Use of government airplanes
    - Mills
-Little Rock, Arkansas

Julie Nixon Eisenhower's schedule
- Woods

Woods left at 11:48 am.

President's schedule
- Congressional leaders
  - John B. Connally, George P. Shultz, Paul W. McCracken, Arthur F. Burns
  - Herbert Stein
  - Kenneth Belieu
  - Clark MacGregor, William Timmons
  - Herbert G. Klein
  - Ronald L. Ziegler, Patrick J. Buchanan
  - William L. Safire
  - Peter G. Peterson, John D. Ehrlichman

The President talked with the White House operator at 11:48 am.

[Conversation No. 564-4/565-1A]

[See Conversation No. 7-158]

[End of telephone conversation]

President's schedule
- Congressional leaders

National economy
- President's program
  - Peter M. Flanigan
  - Textiles

The President talked with Connally between 11:48 am and 11:50 am.

[Conversation No. 564-4/565-1B]

[See Conversation No. 7-159]
[End of telephone conversation]

Connally
   - Ziegler's views
   - George W. Romney
   - John A. Volpe
   - State Department
   - Camp David meeting

Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 11:50 am.

President's schedule
   - MacGregor
   - Timmons

Bull left at an unknown time before 12:33 pm.

   - Congressional leaders
     - Forthcoming calls

National economy
   - President's program
     - Reaction
       - Media
     - August 15, 1971, speech
       - Planning
     - Media
     - Newsweek story
       - Prediction

Bull entered at an unknown time after 11:50 am.

Timmons schedule

President's schedule
   - Congressional leaders
     - Forthcoming calls
       - Eugene S. Cowan
       - Belieu

Bull left at an unknown time before 12:33 pm.
The President talked with the White House operator at an unknown time between 11:50 am and 12:33 pm.

[Conversation No. 564-4/565-1C]

[See Conversation No. 7-160]

[End of telephone conversation]

News magazines
- President’s program
  - Time
    - Cover
    - Vida Blue
- Newsweek
  - Cover

Time and Newsweek
- Editorial position
  - People’s Republic of China [PRC]

Haldeman talked with Belieu at an unknown time between 11:50 am and 12:33 pm.

[Conversation No. 564-4/565-1D]

[See Conversation No. 7-161]

[End of telephone conversation]

President's schedule
- Congressional leaders
  - Burns

Connally
  - Press conference, August 16, 1971
    - Leadership qualities

Romney

National economy
  - President's program
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-Flanigan's role
-Reaction
  -George S. McGovern

Media
  -Charles W. Colson
  -Edmund S. Muskie and Edward M. Kennedy
  -PRC

National economy
  -President's program
    -Follow-up
      -Telephone calls
        -President's schedule
          -Leadership meeting
      -Mills
      -Mansfield
    -Reaction
      -Stock market
        -Volume of trading
          -Asa Hall [?]
  -President's speech, August 15, 1971
    -Content
      -Inspirational aspect
        -PRC message
  -Need for spending
    -Tax deductions
    -Congress’s responsibilities
      -Investment tax credit
        -Excise tax
  -President's program
    -Investment tax credits
      -Romney's views
      -Industrial production
        -Tool and dye
        -Automobiles
  -International situation
    -Japan
      -Mills
        -Credit
          -Peterson
Haldeman talked with an unknown person [Raymond K. Price, Jr.?] at an unknown time between 11:50 am and 12:33 pm.

[Conversation No. 564-4/565-1S]

-Veterans of Foreign Wars [VFW]

[End of telephone conversation]

Haldeman talked with an unknown person [Price?] at an unknown time between 11:50 am and 12:33 pm.

[Conversation No. 564-4/565-1E]

President's speeches
-President's schedule
-Leadership meeting
-Deadline

[End of telephone conversation]

National economy
-President's program
  -Reaction
    -Stock market
      -Volume of trading
        -Automobile stocks

President's schedule
  -Stock market
    -Rockefeller
  -President's law firm
  -Stock market
    -Bernard J. (“Bunny”) Lasker
    -Closing

National economy
  -Status
    -Public confidence
      -Media
    -President's program
      -Reaction
    -Economic indicators
      -Consumer Price Index [CPI]
      -Retail sales
    -President's program
      -Reaction
        -Stock market
        -Possible gain

Bull entered at an unknown time after 11:50 am.

Ziegler's schedule

Bull left at an unknown time before 12:33 pm.

National economy
  -President's program
    -Businessmen
      -Walter H. Annenberg's call to Ehrlichman, August 15, 1971
      -Annenberg's dinner with Justin W. Dart and Leonard K. Firestone
        -Dart
        -Letter
An unknown person [Bull?] entered and left at an unknown time between 11:50 am and 12:33 pm.

- Political aspect
  - Congress
    - Possible permanent wage and price controls
- Possible Congressional action
  - Shultz's possible call to Friedman

President's schedule
- John T. McCarty
  - Arthur Shenfield's “The Roots of American Discontent”
  - Woods
- Shenfield
  - Rockford College
- McCarty
  - Bull

The President talked with Woods at an unknown time between 11:50 am and 12:33 pm.

[Conversation No. 564-4/565-1F]

President's schedule
- Shenfield

[End of telephone conversation]

Shenfield
- Speech
  - Haldeman memo
President's schedule
   -Photographer

Shenfield
   -Speech
      -John J. McLaughlin
      -Rockford College
      -Vincent T. (Vince”) Lombardi
      -Religious themes
      -Economic nationalism

An unknown person [Bull?] entered and left at an unknown time between 11:50 am and 12:33 pm.

President’s schedule
   -Forthcoming Knights of Columbus speech
      -Price
      -Knighthood

Ziegler's schedule
   -Connally

Connally
   -Schedule
      -Press conference
         -Press coverage
      -Role in President’s program
      -Compared to Agnew

Agnenw
   -Attacks on media
      -Buchanan
         -Speech

President’s schedule
   -President's forthcoming speech
      -Length
      -Trip

Shenfield
Shenfield and Woods entered at 12:33 pm; the White House photographer was present at the beginning of the meeting.

Shenfield's book
- Alexis DeTocqueville
- Photocopying
- Reaction
- New York

US role in world
- World War II
- Japan
- Germans
- British, French, Italians
- Leadership

Shultz
- University of Chicago

Presentation of gifts by President

Shenfield’s book
- Possible sequel

Shenfield and Woods left at 12:38 pm.

US

Connally’s schedule
- Press conference

The President left at an unknown time after 12:30 pm.

Haldeman talked with an unknown person [Ziegler?] at an unknown time between 12:38 pm and 12:59 pm.

[Conversation No. 564-4/565-1G]
Connally's press conference

[End of telephone conversation]

The President entered at an unknown time before 12:59 pm.

Connally's press conference
   -Ziegler

World conditions
   -Change
   -Presidential power

The President talked with an unknown person at an unknown time between 12:38 pm and 12:59 pm.

[Conversation No. 564-4/565-1T]

Request for a return telephone call

[End of telephone conversation]

Unknown person’s report

Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]
   -Forthcoming announcement

Vietnam
   -Hubert H. Humphrey's comments
      -Robert J. Dole's response
   -As an issue
      -Visibility

President's opponents
   -Possible issues
      -Poor
      -Blacks
      -Youth
         -Foreign policy leadership
      -Cities
      -Big business
- Young, blacks, poor

Welfare reform
- President’s proposal
- Timing
  - Congress
  - Onus
  - Daniel P. Moynihan
    - Department of Health, Education and Welfare [HEW]
    - Ehrlichman
- 1972 election
- Welfare psychology
- Blacks
  - Literacy
  - Size of families

Connally
- Role in President's economic program
  - Burns, Shultz
  - Timing
  - President’s August 15, 1971 speech
  - Shultz

National economy
- President's program
  - Burns's role
    - Money supply
    - Shultz
- President's speech, August 15, 1971
  - Timing
    - Shultz and Connally

President’s schedule
- President's forthcoming briefing at State Department
  - Ehrlichman
  - Composition
    - Agency heads, sub-cabinet members, White House staff
    - Connally, Burns, Shultz, McCracken

Haldeman talked with an unknown person at an unknown time between 12:38 pm and 12:59 pm.
Connally's press conference
  - Ziegler
  - Location
    - Treasury Department

[End of telephone conversation]

National economy
  - President's program
    - Briefing of August 15, 1971
      - Haldeman's role
      - Connally
        - Intervention

Press conferences
  - Length
    - Agnew, Romney

Forthcoming call to Connally
  - Ziegler

Knighthood
  - Unknown man

President's forthcoming speech to Knights of Columbus
  - Content and phraseology
    - “The Roots of American Discontent”
    - Buchanan
    - McLaughlin

Haldeman talked with an unknown person at an unknown time between 12:38 pm and 12:59 pm.

[Conversation No. 564-4/565-11]

President's forthcoming speech to Knights of Columbus
  - McLaughlin's draft

[End of telephone conversation]
Connally's schedule

Bull entered at an unknown time after 12:38 pm.

-Press conference

Bull left at an unknown time before 12:59 pm.

President's possible speech
  -Media
    -Western society

Ziegler entered at 12:59 pm.

Connally's previous press conference
  -President's economic program
    -Wage and price freeze
      -Inflation
      -Consumer confidence
    -Significance
    -Possible effects
  -President's forthcoming meeting with Congressional leaders
    -Mills
  -President's views concerning government role in economy
  -President's economic program
    -Timing
    -Comprehensive action
    -President's foreign policy initiatives
    -Connally’s comments on "Meet the Press"
      -PRC initiative
    -Development
    -Connally’s June 27, 1971 press conference
      -Changing conditions
      -Wage and price controls and board
      -Taxes

The President talked with the White House operator at an unknown time between 12:59 pm and 1:08 pm.

[Conversation No. 564-4/565-1J]
Request for a call to Connally

[End of telephone conversation]

Connally's previous press conference

The President talked with Connally at an unknown time between 12:59 pm and 1:08 pm.

[Conversation No. 564-4/565-1K]

Connally's previous press conference
- Ziegler's view
- Length
- President's economic program
  - Timing
  - Comprehensiveness
  - Wall Street
- Television coverage

Connally's schedule
- State Department meeting

President's schedule
- State Department meeting
  - Connally’s role
  - The President’s role

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4
[Personal Returnable]
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END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4
President's schedule
- Forthcoming briefing

[End of telephone conversation]

-Peterson

Connally's previous press conference
- President's economic program
- Devaluation
  - Public concern
  - Overseas value of dollar
- Foreigners' possible reaction
  - US role in world
  - London
- Possible media coverage

Haldeman talked with an unknown person at an unknown time between 12:59 pm and 1:08 pm.

[Conversation No. 564-4/565-1L]

[End of telephone conversation]

Connally's previous press conference
- Press reports
  - Suspension of dollar convertibility
  - Compared to devaluation

Woods entered at 1:08 pm.

National economy
- President's program
- Reaction
  - Stock market
  - Volume of trading

Haldeman talked with an unknown person at an unknown time between 1:08 pm and 1:18 pm.

[Conversation No. 564-4/565-1U]

Stock market records
Haldeman talked with an unknown person at an unknown time between 1:08 pm and 1:18 pm.

[Conversation No. 564-4/565-1M]

Stock market records

[End of telephone conversation]

National economy
- President's program
  - Reaction
    - Telephone calls and telegrams
    - Rockefeller

The recording was cut off at an unknown time before 1:18 pm.