Conversation No. 566-1

Date: August 17, 1971
Time: Unknown between 9:44 am and 10:39 am
Location: Oval Office


President’s schedule
- Telephone call to Roman L. Hruska
  - Birthday greetings
  - Hruska’s location
    - Helsinki, Finland

President's speeches
- Drafts
  - Patrick J. Buchanan and John J. McLaughlin
  - William Safire
  - Raymond K. Price, Jr.
    - Buchanan
  - Safire
  - Deadline
    - Price’s call to Haldeman
  - Book
    - Rockford College speech
      - “The Roots of American Discontent”

President's schedule
- Meeting with Arthur A. Shenfield, August 16, 1971

The President entered at an unknown time after 9:44 am.

Item for the President’s signature
- Ireland

President's schedule
- [Emperor of Japan] Hirohito
  - Timing of announcement
- New York City
  - Departure
    - Traffic
    - Itinerary
Tape Subject Log  
(rev. 10/06)  

Conv. No. 566-1 (cont.)

- Wall Street  
- Traffic  
- Hotel  
- Dinner  
- Return  
- Henry A. Kissinger  
- Speech drafts

Butterfield left at 9:49 am.

[Pause]

- Departure  
- Kissinger  
- Cables  
- Departure  
- Traffic  
- Staff  
  - John D. Ehrlichman, George P. Shultz, Peter G. Peterson  
  - Speech drafts  
- John B. Connally

National economy  
- Textiles  
  - Peterson  
  - Connally

President's schedule  
- Congressional leaders  
  - Connally  
  - Shultz  
  - Connally  
    - Paul A. Volcker  
    - Charles E. Walker  
  - Volcker  
  - Interruptions  
  - Kissinger
National economy
  -President's economic program
  -Phrase "New Economic Policy"
  -Shultz’s point
    -Vladimir I. Lenin
    -Leon Trotsky
    -Josef V. Stalin
  -Compared to Franklin D. Roosevelt's program
    -Shultz’s point
    -Connally
    -Success of New Deal
    -Safire
    -Connally
    -Sam Whiting
  -Media coverage
    -News summary
    -Buchanan
  -September 21, 1971 Productivity Commission meeting
    -Shultz
      -Agenda
      -Wage and price freeze
      -Length of meeting

White House staff
  -News article concerning unknown White House aide
    -Spiro T. Agnew
      -Shultz
      -Haldeman's meeting with White House staff
      -Possible reaction
        -Staff
          -Handling of subject, August 16, 1971
  -Ronald L. Ziegler's role and capabilities
    -Connally
    -Herbert G. Klein
  -John A. Scali
  -Richard A. Moore
  -Scali’s role and capabilities

Thelma C. (“Pat”) Nixon's schedule
  -News summary
  -Size of crowds
The President talked with an unknown person at an unknown time between 9:49 am and 10:05 am.

[Conversation No. 566-1A]

Request for Charles W. Colson’s presence

[End of telephone conversation]

White House staff
- Unknown person's conversation with Dan Rather
  - Donald H. Rumsfeld
  - Location
    - Illinois

John Birch Society
- Relationship with President
  - [Howard K.?] Smith
  - California
  - Views concerning the President's policy toward the People's Republic of China
    [PRC]
    - Dwight D. Eisenhower
    - John Foster Dulles

Colson and Stephen B. Bull entered at 10:05 am.

President's schedule
- Connally

Bull left at an unknown time before 10:25 am.

National economy
-President's program
  -Television coverage, August 15, 1971
  -George Meany
    -Response
      -Position on wage and price freeze
      -Administration's possible attacks
        -Shultz, Paul W. McCracken
        -Partnership
        -Democrats
          -Marvin Mandel
          -Shultz's suggestion
      -American Federation of Labor-Congress of Industrial Organizations [AFL-CIO] meeting
      -Possible news coverage
  -Possible attacks on Democrats
    -Hubert H. Humphrey and George S. McGovern
    -Partisanship
      -PRC initiative
    -Vietnam
    -Tone
      -Buchanan
    -Franklyn C. (“Lyn”) Nofziger
      -Buchanan
      -Agnew
  -Media coverage
  -Possible attacks on Democrats
    -Forthcoming meeting
      -Gerard R. Ford
    -Bipartisanship
      -Wilbur D. Mills
    -President's policy toward PRC
    -Forthcoming meeting
      -Kenneth E. BeLieu's efforts
      -Wallace F. Bennett
-Comments
  -Frank McGlinn, Finance chairman, Pennsylvania Republican Party
  -William Proxmire
  -Mills
  -Republicans
    -PRC initiative
    -Clark MacGregor
Possible responses
- Public support
- Controversy
- Price
- Tone of Administration

Possible administration attacks
- Democrats
- Republicans
- Meany
- Peter J. Brennan
  - Press conference
- Frank E. Fitzsimmons
- Leonard Woodcock

Impact
- News media
  - *Time*, *Newsweek*, Columbia Broadcasting System [CBS], American Broadcasting Corporation [ABC], National Broadcasting Corporation [NBC]
- President's opponents' reaction
  - PRC initiative
- Media coverage of Connally
- Public reaction
  - Housing figure
- Shultz
- Milton Friedman's views

Effect
- News media
  - PRC initiative

Leadership
- Briefings by administration spokesmen
  - McCracken
  - Specifics
  - Agnew
    - Forthcoming television appearance
      - Possible comments
        - Office of Emergency Preparedness [OEP]
- Connally
  - Today Show
- Arthur F. Burns
  - Reaction
    - Conversation with the President
Connally entered at 10:25 am.

-Connally's press conference, August 16, 1971
  -Media reaction
-Connally's forthcoming "Today" show appearance
  -Audience
    -Households
-Connally's possible response
  -Letter to banks
    -Interest rates
      -Credit Control Act
-Statement
  -Credit Control Act
-Connally's possible letter to American Bankers Association
  -Leroy Hall
The President and Connally left and Butterfield entered at 10:35 am.

President's speeches
- Safire
-George W. Romney
-Roosevelt
  -The President’s and Connally’s view
-Ehrlichman
  -John F. Osborne
  -Agnew

Butterfield left at 10:38 am.

Haldeman, Colson and the President left at 10:39 am.

Date: August 17, 1971
Time: Unknown between 10:39 am and 12:55 pm
Location: Oval Office

Unknown people [Secret Service agents] met.

  The President’s location
    -Cabinet Room

The unknown people [Secret Service agents] left at an unknown time before 12:55 pm.
Stephen B. Bull met with Judge Roger Robb, Mr. and Mrs. James R. Schlesinger, Cora Schlesinger, Charles Schlesinger, Ann Schlesinger, William Schlesinger, Emily Schlesinger, Thomas Schlesinger, Clara Schlesinger, James Schlesinger, Laura Martin, Mr. and Mrs. William O. Doub, Joseph Doub, Albert Doub, Mr. and Mrs. Albert A. Doub, and Mr. and Mrs. George M. Radcliffe; members of the press were present at the beginning of the meeting.

The President entered at an unknown time after 12:55 pm

[Photographic session]

Oath of office

Introductions

Oath of office

[General conversation]

-George P. Shultz

-Congress

Presentation of gifts by President

- Presidential seal and bow

-Cufflinks

-Apollo viewer

General conversation
Oval Office
  - Furnishings
    - Theodore Roosevelt
      - Rug
    - Presidential seal
    - Julie Nixon Eisenhower portrait
    - George Washington portrait
      - Rembrandt Peale
    - Flags
    - Music box

[General conversation]

President's schedule
  - Oakland A's

[General conversation]

Schlesinger, et al. left and Alexander P. Butterfield entered at 1:09 pm.

President's schedule
  - Oakland A's
    - Henry A. Kissinger

Gerald R. Ford and Robert P. Griffin entered at 1:10 pm.

President's schedule
  - Oakland A's

The President, Bull, and Butterfield left at 1:10 pm.
Conversation No. 566-3

Date: August 17, 1971
Time: 1:10 pm - 1:14 pm
Location: Oval Office

Gerald R. Ford met with Robert Griffin.

National economy
- President's program
  - John W. Byrnes's schedule
    - Griffin’s schedule
  - Democrats
  - Unknown man
    - Credit

The President and Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 1:10 pm.

President's schedule
- Oakland A's
  - Number
  - Location
    - Cabinet Room
  - Vida Blue
  - Jim (“Catfish”) Hunter
- Presentation of gifts by President
  - Golf balls
- Griffin, Ford

Ford and Griffin left at 1:14 pm.

- Oakland A's
  - Bert (“Campy”) Campaneris
  - Reggie Jackson

Bull left at 1:14 pm.

Conversation No. 566-4
Date: August 17, 1971
Time: 1:14 pm - unknown before 1:29 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Charles O. Finley, Dick Williams, Bill Posedel, Jerry Lumpe, Irv Noren, Vern Hoscheit, Monte Moore, Bob Elson, Red Rush, Hank Fanger, Joe Romo, Tom Corwin, Blue Moon Odom, Ron Klimkowski, Diego Segui, Jim (“Catfish”) Hunter, Chuch Dobson, Darold Knowles, Jim Roland, Rollie Fingers, Vida Blue, Bob Locker, Dave Duncan, Gene Tenace, Frank Fernandez, Dick Greene, Mike Epstein, Sal Bando, Larry Brown, Bert (“Campy”) Campaneris, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Hegan, Tony LaRussa, Angel Mangual, Reggie Jackson, Tommy Davis, George Hendrick, Joe Rudi, Curt Blefary, Ron Bergman, and Glen Schwarz; members of the press were present at the beginning of the meeting.

General conversation
- Tour
- Introductions
  - Vida Blue
    - Age
      - [Dwight] David Eisenhower, III
        - Washington Senators
        - Conversation with the President
  - Birthdays
  - Wins
    - Jim Hegan
    - Washington Senators
    - Camperis
    - Frank Howard
    - San Francisco Giants
    - Los Angeles Dodgers
    - Unknown player
      - Eisenhowers
    - Odom
      - Nickname, “Blue Moon”
    - Larry Brown of the Washington Redskins
    - Hunter's perfect game
    - Jim Fregosi
      - California Angels
    - Baltimore Orioles, Boston Red Sox, Detroit Tigers
    - Pittsburgh Pirates, San Francisco Giants, Los Angeles Dodgers, St. Louis Cardinals, Chicago Cubs, Atlanta Braves
Conv. No. 566-4 (cont.)

Presentation of gifts by President
- Golf balls

President's schedule
- World Series

Baltimore Orioles
- Frank and Brooks Robinson
- John Wesley ("Boog") Powell
- Dave McNally

Duke Snider
- Homerun in 1952

Jackie Robinson

World Series

Finley, et al. left at an unknown time before 1:29 pm.

Date: August 17, 1971
Time: Unknown between 1:14 pm and 1:29 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

President's schedule
- Gerald R. Ford

Bull left at an unknown time before 1:29 pm.
Date:  August 17, 1971
Time:  1:29 pm - 1:32 pm
Location:  Oval Office

The President met with Alexander P. Butterfield.

Call from unknown businessman

Item for the President's signature

Butterfield left at 1:32 pm.

Date:  August 17, 1971
Time:  1:32 pm - 2:12 pm
Location:  Oval Office

The President met with Gerald R. Ford, Robert Griffin and Alexander P. Butterfield.

President's previous meeting with Oakland A's

Charles W. Colson's schedule

Butterfield left at 1:33 pm.

National economy
  -President's program
    -Leslie C. Arends, John W. Byrnes, Hugh Scott
  -Scott's location
  -Momentum
    -Public psychology
  -Possible Congressional action
    -President’s recent meeting with Congressmen
  -Interest rates
    -President's instructions to John B. Connally
  -Taxes
    -Investment tax credit, excise taxes, personal income tax exemption
-Possible Congressional action
-Democrats' possible response
-Republicans' possible reaction
-Reaction
-**Detroit Free Press**
-**Denver Post**
-Interviews
-Government employees
-Wages
-Prices
-1965-1969
-Allen J. Ellender
-Ford's comment to Wilbur D. Mills
-Forthcoming hearings
-Russell B. Long

-Possible Congressional action
-Timing
-Amendments

Colson entered at 1:36 pm.

-Possible attacks on President's opponents
-Colson's to Ford
-George Meany, George S. McGovern
-Hubert H. Humphrey
-Partisanship
-Compared to national interest

-Reactions
-Colson's conversation with Louis P. Harris
-Edmund S. Muskie, Edward M. Kennedy
-Silence
-Muskie
-Dallas speech
-Wage and price freeze

-Press briefing after President's meeting with Congressmen
-Michael J. Mansfield, Mills
-Ronald L. Ziegler

-Mills's role
-Possible attacks on President's opponents
-Reaction
-News coverage
- Compared to People’s Republic of China [PRC] announcement
- Possible attacks on President's opponents
  - Humphrey
  - Henry M. (“Scoop”) Jackson
  - James D. Hodgson
  - Mills, Jackson
  - Muskie, Kennedy, Humphrey
- Ford’s previous comment
- Timing of forthcoming Congressional action
  - Mills and Byrnes
- Need for Republican unity on tax bill
  - Jacob K. Javits
  - Wage and price freeze
    - Letter from unknown person
- William Proxmire
  - Republican strategy
    - Delay
  - Possible repeal of accelerated depreciation rate [ADR]
  - Lawsuit
  - Reaction

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END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

Congress
Griffin's schedule
  - Michigan
Colson’s memo
National economy
- President's program
 - Possible attacks on President's opponents
Griffin’s schedule

Ford, Griffin, and Colson left at 1:47 pm.

Colson and Bull entered at an unknown time after 1:47 pm.

Republicans

President's schedule
 - Barber

Bull left at an unknown time before 1:51 pm.

Republicans
 - Compared to Democrats
   - PRC
   - Reaction to President's economic program
     - Javits, Nelson A. Rockefeller

National economy
- President's program
 - Possible attacks on President's opponents
   - Ford
   - Meany
     - Hodgson
     - Virginia H. Knauer

H. R. (“Bob”) Haldeman entered at an unknown time after 1:47 pm.

- Labor
  - Partisanship
  - Forthcoming statement by President on automobile rollback

Colson left at 1:51 pm.

- Reaction
  - Stock market
  - President's August 15, 1971 speech
- Television ratings
  - Viewing audience
- Housing starts
  - Paul W. McCracken

President’s schedule
  - Possible telephone call

Ziegler entered at 1:53 pm.

President's forthcoming speech
  - Draft
    - William L. Safire

National economy
  - President's program
    - John W. Byrnes's statement to press
    - Mansfield and Byrnes
      - Quotes

Alexander P. Butterfield entered at 1:53 pm.

President's forthcoming speech
  - Draft
    - Safire

Butterfield left at 1:54 pm.

National economy
  - President's program
    - Statements by Congressional leaders
      - Action
    - Ziegler's forthcoming conversation with Safire

Ziegler left at 1:54 pm.

- President's previous meeting with Congressmen
  - Ellender
  - Long
  - Momentum
    - Housing
- Political effect
  - Haldeman's conversation with Henry A. Kissinger
    - Compared to Vietnam policy
  - Relevance

President's schedule
- President’s forthcoming trip
  - Charles H. Percy
  - John N. Mitchell
  - Donald E. Johnson
    - Dallas to Los Angeles
      - Veterans Hospital
  - Rides

Thelma C. Nixon's schedule
- Staff work
  - Constance M. (“Connie”) Stuart
  - Size of crowds

President's previous visit to Bangor, Maine
- Crowd

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2
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National economy
- Difficulty of problems
- President's program
  - Unemployment
  - Prices
  - Public psychology
- Unemployment
- Attitudes
- Vietnam

Bull entered at an unknown time after 1:54 pm.

President's schedule
  - George P. Shultz

Bull left at an unknown time before 2:06 pm.

President's forthcoming speech
  - Schedule
  - Drafts
  - Safire

Shultz entered at 2:06 pm.

National economy
  - President's program
    - Arnold R. Weber's possible role
    - Duration
      - Wage and price freeze
      - Office of Emergency Preparedness [OEP]

OEP
  - Personnel
    - Weber
      - Gen. George A. Lincoln
    - President’s program
    - Caspar W. (“Cap”) Weinberger's possible role
    - Charles D. (“Tex”) Thornton's possible role
    - Desirable background
      - Business
        - [Forename unknown] O’Bannon [sp?]
        - Possible abolition of agency
      - Political aspect
        - Meany
    - Donald H. Rumsfeld's possible role
      - Office of Economic Opportunity [OEO]
  - Weber's possible role
    - Lincoln
Conv. No. 566-7 (cont.)

Haldeman and Shultz left at 2:12 pm.

Date:  August 17, 1971
Time:  Unknown between 2:12 pm and 2:23 pm
Location:  Oval Office

The President met with an unknown person.

[Unintelligible]

The unknown person left at an unknown time before 2:23 pm.

Date:  August 17, 1971
Time:  2:23 pm - 2:25 pm
Location:  Oval Office

The President met with Rose Mary Woods.

Woods's schedule
President's forthcoming speech
   - Raymond K. Price, Jr.
   - William L. Safire

Woods left at 2:25 pm.

Conversation No. 566-10

Date: August 17, 1971
Time: 2:25 pm - 2:28 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with Tricia Nixon Cox.

[See Conversation No. 8-25; one item has been withdrawn from the conversation]

Conversation No. 566-11

Date: August 17, 1971
Time: Unknown between 2:28 pm and 2:42 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with Rose Mary Woods.

   President's forthcoming speech
       - Draft
           - Raymond K. Price, Jr.

Conversation No. 566-12

Date: August 17, 1971
Time: 2:42 pm - 2:45 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Rose Mary Woods.

President's forthcoming speech at Knights of Columbus meeting
   - Drafts
   - Content and phraseology
   - Raymond K. Price, Jr.
   - William L. Safire

Woods left at 2:45 pm

Conversation No. 566-13

Date: August 17, 1971
Time: Unknown between 2:45 pm and 2:55 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with an unknown person.

Statement

Unknown man's location

Conversation No. 566-14

Date: August 17, 1971
Time: 2:55 pm - 3:23 pm
Location: Oval Office

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

President's schedule
   - Grand Tetons
   - Speech
- Itinerary
  - Sightseeing
  - Rogers C.B. Morton
- Accommodations
  - Cabin
  - Julie Nixon Eisenhower
- Forthcoming speech at Veterans of War [VFW] meeting
  - Draft
    - John K. Andrews, Jr.
- Idaho Falls
- Montana, Oregon, Washington
- [Emperor of Japan] Hirohito
  - Alaska
- Michigan
- Previous trips to states
  - The South
  - Idaho
  - James Byrnes
    - South Carolina
- Number
  - Georgia, Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi
  - Massachusetts, Rhode Island
- Trip files
  - Oregon, Washington, Montana, Alaska, Michigan
  - Idaho, Wyoming
  - Arkansas, Texas, New Mexico, South Dakota, North Dakota
- Karl E. Mundt
  - General Beadle College
  - Green Bay, Wisconsin

National economy
  - President's program
    - John B. Connally's role
      - Momentum
    - Public reaction
      - Polls
      - Possible speeches
        - Inflation, employment
        - Charles W. Colson
    - Effect
      - Congress
-Reaction
  -Stock market
    -Volume
    -Traders
    -News media
    -Possible Administration response

President's speeches
  -President’s schedule

President’s schedule
  -Women’s meeting

President’s speeches
  -Milk producers
  -Preparation
    -Thomas R. Shepard, Jr. of Look magazine
    -Speechwriter

Henry A. Kissinger entered and Haldeman left at 3:07 pm.

Stock market

US-Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR] relations
  -Kissinger's conversation With Anatoliy F. Dobrynin
  -Accidental War Treaty
    -Signing
    -Timing
      -William Rogers
  -President's forthcoming Summit meeting
    -Announcement
    -Timing
    -Trip
      -Timing
  -Berlin
    -[David] Kenneth Rush
      -Message
      -Dobrynin
  -The President’s second term
  -Kissinger's conversation with Dobrynin
    -President's economic program
National economy
  -President's program
  -Kissinger's conversations
    -Nelson A. Rockefeller
    -1930's
  -Jacob K. Javits
    -Statement
  -1972 election
  -Administration
    -Wage and price freeze
  -Public psychology
    -Vietnam
    -USSR

News media
  -Attack on presidential policy
    -Lyndon B. Johnson
  -Youth
  -Vietnam
    -July 15, 1971
    -Madame Binh
    -Negotiating points
  -National economy
    -Issue

US-USSR relations
  -President's forthcoming Summit meeting
    -Announcement
    -Timing
    -Kissinger’s conversation with Dobrynin
      -People's Republic of China [PRC]
  -India
    -Kissinger's conversations in PRC
      -India

Kissinger's schedule
  -Children
  -Vietnam negotiations
    -Possible trip
    -Elections
-Eight Points
-Le Duc Tho
-Eight Points
-Possible North Vietnamese attacks
-PRC
  -Kissinger’s and the President’s trips

Vietnam
  -Negotiations
    -Announcement of President's forthcoming trip to Moscow
    -President's forthcoming trip to PRC
      -Connally's conversation with Kissinger
    -Pace
      -PRC
    -Possible effect of USSR and PRC invitations to the President

Kissinger's forthcoming trip to PRC
  -Announcement
  -Timing
    -Compared to USSR summit announcement

President's schedule
  -Andrei A. Gromyko
  -Kissinger’s conversation with Dobrynin

National economy
  -President's program
  -Reaction
    -Hubert H. Humphrey
    -Edmund S. Muskie, Edward M. Kennedy

Kennedy
  -Trip to India
    -Pakistan
      -Claim
        -Possible effect
    -Biafra
    -Constituency
Vietnam
- President's policy
- Johnson's policy
- Possible military activities
  - President's forthcoming trips
  - Possible reaction by Americans
- Negotiations
  - Prospects
  - US troop withdrawals
    - Prisoners of War [POWs]
    - Cease-fire
    - Schedule

Kissinger's schedule

Javits
- Relationship with the Administration
- Schedule
  - San Clemente
    - Kissinger
    - The President

Kissinger’s schedule
- The announcement
  - PRC

Kissinger left at 3:23 pm.

Date: August 17, 1971
Time: 3:23 pm - 3:26 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Rose Mary Woods.
Bob Elston
- Chicago White Sox
- Wife and daughter
  - White House photographer
  - Possible note from President
    - Wording

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 2m 6s ]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

President's forthcoming speech
- Preparation

Woods left at 3:26 pm.

Date: August 17, 1971
Time: Unknown between 3:26 pm and 4:12 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

Briefcase
- Location
  - Executive Office Building [EOB]

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 4:12 pm.
Conversation No. 566-17

Date: August 17, 1971
Time: Unknown between 3:26 pm and 4:12 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with Rose Mary Woods.

President's speech at consumers business meeting
   - Copy
   - Briefcase
   - William L. Safire
   - Tape recording
   - Forthcoming Veterans of Foreign Wars [VFW] speech
   - Instructions to Woods
       - President’s trip to New York

Conversation No. 566-18

Date: August 17, 1971
Time: Unknown after 3:26 pm until 4:30 pm
Location: Oval Office

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

National economy
   - Stock market
       - Volume of trading

The President talked with the White House operator at 4:12 pm.

[Conversation No. 566-18A]

[See Conversation No. 8-26]

[End of telephone conversation]

National economy
- Stock market
  - Volume of trading

President's speeches
  - Importance
  - Preparation
  - Informal comments with statement
  - Importance
  - Public attention
    - Knights of Columbus
  - Preparation

The White House operator talked with the President at an unknown time between 4:12 pm and 4:20 pm.

[Conversation No. 556-18B]

[See Conversation No. 8-27]

[End of telephone conversation]

Connally's schedule
  - Meeting in Roosevelt Room

President's speeches

President's schedule
  - Connally
  - Barber

Haldeman left the room at an unknown time after 4:12 pm.

Haldeman entered the room at an unknown time before 4:20 pm.
President's speeches
  - Preparation
    - Milk producers
      - Audience
    - Size

Alexander Butterfield entered at an unknown time after 4:12 pm.

Connally's schedule
  - Cost of Living Council [COLC] meeting

Butterfield left at an unknown time before 4:20 pm.

President's schedule
  - Possible call to Connally

-National economy
  - President’s program
    - Republicans

President's forthcoming speeches
  - Distribution to press
    - Statement
  - Knights of Columbus
  - Veterans of Foreign Wars [VFW]
  - Unknown man's practices
    - Repetition
  - Preparation
    - Quotes
      - Repetition
        - William L. Safire
        - Raymond K. Price, Jr.
      - Television
        - Compared to stories
          - John R. Brown
          - Television

National economy
  - President's program
    - Timing
      - International monetary conditions
-Reaction
  -Democrats
  -News media

News media
  -Charles W. Colson
  -Herbert G. Klein
  -White House correspondents
  -President's press conference
  -Administration’s attitude
  -Colson
  -President's forthcoming trip to People's Republic of China [PRC]
  -Hunger conference
  -Food stamps
  -Youth conference
    -Daniel P. (“Pat”) Moynihan
    -President's schedule

Youth
  -Attitude toward the Administration
  -Robert H. Finch
    -Role

Finch
  -Schedule
    -California
    -Role with administration

Donald H. Rumsfeld
  -Role with administration
    -George P. Shultz [?]
      -Wage and price freeze
    -Possible post
      -Office Emergency Preparedness [OEP]
        -Gen. George A. Lincoln

OEP
  -Personnel
    -Peter G. Peterson
      -Current responsibilities
      -Wage and price freeze
-Rumsfeld
-Arnold R. Weber
-Rumsfeld
   -Experience
      -Congress
      -Office of Economic Opportunity [OEO]

Butterfield entered at 4:20 pm.

President's schedule
   -Illinois
   -Grand Tetons
   -Briefcase
   -Possible phone calls
      -Presidential notes
      -Clark Reed
      -Harry S. Dent
      -J. P. McCarthy
      -Jobs for veterans
      -William S. White
      -Reed
      -Loretta Young
      -J. Peter Grace
      -Whitney N. Seymour, Jr.
      -Norman Vincent Peale
      -Revenue sharing
      -Harley Ranch [?]
      -Thomas J. Bannan
      -Al Stratton, Jr.
      -Otto N. Miller
      -Chet Holifield
      -Number

The President, Haldeman, and Butterfield left at 4:30 pm.
Date: August 17, 1971
Time: Unknown between 4:30 pm and 4:56 pm
Location: Oval Office

Unknown people [Secret Service agents] met.

[Unintelligible]

The President’s location

The unknown people [Secret Service agents] left at an unknown time between 4:30 pm and 4:56 pm.

Date: August 17, 1971
Time: 4:56 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with the White House operator.

Request for Charles W. Colson’s presence

Date: August 17, 1971
Time: 4:56 pm - 5:04 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with John B. Connally.
President’s schedule
  -Forthcoming trip

National economy
  -President's program
    -Interest rates
      -Possible statement
      -Arthur F. Burns
    -Consumer credit
      -Sears, Roebuck
      -John Deere
      -Connally's possible actions
        -Letter to bankers

An unknown person entered at an unknown time between 4:56 pm and 5:04 pm

  President’s schedule

The unknown person left at an unknown time before 5:04 pm.

  -Public psychology
  -President's previous meeting with Congressmen
    -Wilbur D. Mills
    -Russell B. Long
    -Allen J. Ellender
  -Reaction
    -Connally's previous conversation with Peter M. Flanigan
      -[Forename unknown] Bush [?]
  -Stock market
    -Volume of trading
    -Foreign markets
      -Gold
        -London exchange
        -Zurich exchange
      -Dollar
    -President's conversation with Peterson
      -Japan
        -Possible textile quotas
  -Reaction
    -George Meany
      -Possible Republican response
The President and Connally left at 5:04 pm.

Date: August 17, 1971
Time: 5:04 pm
Location: Oval Office

Unknown people [Secret Service agents] met.

The President’s and John B. Connally’s location
-South Grounds of the White House

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