Conversation No. 587-1

Date: October 8, 1971
Time: 9:45 am - 9:46 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with John D. Ehrlichman.

[Unintelligible]

Ehrlichman left at 9:46 am.

Conversation No. 587-2

Date: October 8, 1971
Time: 9:46 am - 10:04 am
Location: Oval Office

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

Greetings

Economy
  -George Meany
  -Cost of Living Council [COLC]
    -Wage Board
      -Meany’s view
    -Function
    -George P. Shultz
  -Schedule
  -John B. Connally
  -Columbia Broadcasting System [CBS]
    -Connally
  -News coverage of the President's speech, October 7, 1971
  -Networks coverage
    -West Coast
    -American Broadcasting Company [ABC]
    -National Broadcasting Company [NBC]
    -CBS
-Local news affiliates on West Coast
-Assessment
  -News summaries
    -Haldeman’s view
    -John D. Ehrlichman’s view
-CBS
  -Pierre Rinfret
-Audience
  -Unknown person's announcement
  -Businessmen

Alexander P. Butterfield entered at 9:48 am.

[Unintelligible]

Butterfield left at 9:49 am.

-News report
  -Anthony J. Jurich’s comments
  -Patrick J. Buchanan
  -U. Alexis Johnson
    -Koreans
    -Henry A. Kissinger's meeting with Jurich
  -International concerns
    -Bryce N. Harlow
    -Kissinger

The President's schedule
  -Length of meeting
  -Ralph D. Albertazzie
  -Robert C. Byrd

Franklin D. Roosevelt

The President's schedule
  -Elkins, West Virginia

Unknown person's daughter

The President's schedule
  -West Virginia
-Camp David
  -Herbert W. Kalmbach
-Unknown visitors
  -Events and schedule
  -Doug Martin [?]

Economy
  -Meany
    -Impact on labor people
      -Frank E. Fitzsimmons
      -Leonard Woodcock
      -Floyd S. (“Red”) Smith
    -Tripartite board
    -Peter G. Peterson

The President and Haldeman left at 10:04 am.

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Date: October 8, 1971
Time: 10:04 am - 10:47 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with John N. Mitchell and John D. Ehrlichman.

Greetings
  -Economy speech
  -Speech writers
  -Audience
    -Television
    -Effect
Supreme Court appointments
  - Robert C. Byrd
    - The President’s previous conversation with Ehrlichman
  - Russell B. Long
  - Possible problem
  - The President’s view
  - Thurgood Marshall

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 23s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

-James O. Eastland
  - Long’s previous conversation with Eastland
- Possible positions
  - The President’s view
  - Mitchell’s view
- Editorial support
  - The South
- Liberals
  - David Brinkley
    - Village Voice
- Byrd
  - Possible future appointee
  - Howard H. Baker, Jr.

Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 10:04 am.

The President’s schedule

Bull left at an unknown time before 10:46 am.

- Southern support
- Eastland
- The President’s view
- Potter Stewart
  - Pentagon Papers case
- Mitchell’s knowledge of the family
  - Harry F. Byrd, Jr.
- Law background
  - American Bar Association [ABA]
    - Potential problems
    - Submission
    - Felix Frankfurter
- Possible pressures for appointment
- The President’s view
- Herschel H. Friday
- Baker

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 1m 13s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2

- Robert C. Byrd
  - Mitchell’s view
- Friday
  - Background
    - ABA
  - Warren E. Burger
  - House of Delegates
  - Law clients
    - Missouri Pacific Railroad
  - School board
  - Telephone company
- Charles Clark
- [Forename unknown] Johnson
School busing
- Problems
  - The President’s view
  - Robert P. Griffin
- Legislation
  - Baker
    - Eastland
    - Constitutional amendment hearings
- Alternatives to Constitutional amendment
  - Legislation
    - 14th Amendment
      - Compared with wiretapping legislation
      - Busing for racial balance
  - Possibility of passage
  - Eastland hearings
- Constitutional amendment
  - Baker and William W. Brock, III
  - Carl B. Albert
  - Potential problems for the President
- Education
  - Federal funds
    - Elementary and secondary schools
  - Board of Education
  - Integration
    - Freedom of choice
    - William Jennings Bryant
- The President's understanding
  - Possibility of passage of Constitutional amendment
    - Nathan Glazer article
    - Richard J. Hernstein
    - Coleman
    - The President’s position
      - Legislation
      - Supreme Court ruling
    - Massachusetts and Michigan ratification
    - California ratification
    - Seattle, Washington case
      - Decision
  - Support for the President's position
- Baker
- Brock

The President's schedule
- Announcement

Supreme Court appointment announcement
- Timing
- Friday
- Mildred L. Lillie
  - Chief Justice Warren E. Burger
  - ABA
  - Superior Court
    - California Supreme Court
- Byrd
- Sylvia Bacon
  - Background
    - Compared with Lillie
- William H. Rehnquist
  - Possible nomination
    - Benefits and problems

Crime control
- John B. Connally
- Meeting between Connally, Mitchell, and the President
- Saturday night specials
  - Possible question
- Drug situation
  - Myles J. Ambrose, Eugene T. Rossides
- The President's schedule
- Connally
- Mitchell's schedule
- Gun laws
  - Saturday night special handgun
    - National Rifle Association [NRA]
    - Richard G. Kleindienst
    - Charles W. Colson
    - The President’s position
    - Relationship between Justice Department and Treasury Department
      - Rossides
      - Ehrlichman
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-Connally
-Rossides
-Rogers Council [?]
-Future meeting
-John E. Ingersoll
-Ambrose
-Conflicts

[A transcript of the following portion of the conversation may be found in Record Group [RG] 460, Box 58, pp. 1-8]

Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 10:04 am during the transcribed portion.

Bull left at an unknown time before 10:46 am during the transcribed portion.

Ehrlichman and Mitchell left at 10:46 am.

[End of transcribed portion]

The President left at an unknown time before 10:47 am.

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Conversation No. 587-5

Date: October 8, 1971
Time: 10:47 am - 10:55 am
Location: Oval Office

Stephen B. Bull met with Charlotte T. Reid, Mrs. Edward C. Thompson, Edward T. Reid, Susan Reid, George Lindner, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Barker, Patrick McMahon, Mr. and Mrs. Lambert Ochsenschlager, Dean Burch, Donald H. Rumsfeld, Frederic V. Malek, and Frank Nebeker; the White House photographer was present at the beginning of this meeting.

Positioning

The President entered at an unknown time after 10:47 am.

Bull left at an unknown time before 10:47 am.
Charlotte Reid
- Swearing-in ceremony
- Oath of Office
- Vocation

Introductions

Remarks of congratulations

Presidential gifts

The President's explanation of rationale for appointment

Bull entered at an unknown time after 10:47 am.

The President's schedule

Bull, Reid, et al. left at 10:55 am.

Date: October 8, 1971
Time: Unknown between 10:55 and 10:58 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Alexander P. Butterfield. [?]

The President's schedule
- Richard M. Helms

Butterfield left at an unknown time before 10:55 am.

Date: October 8, 1971
Time: 10:58 am - 12:12 pm
Location: Oval Office
The President met with John D. Ehrlichman.

Central Intelligence Agency [CIA] classified documents
  -Ehrlichman’s previous meeting with Richard M. Helms
  -Ngo Dinh Diem
  -Helms's relationship with Presidents
    -Desire for meeting with the President
  -Ehrlichman's request for documents
    -Helms response
      -Cables and summaries
      -John F. Kennedy, Lyndon B. Johnson
      -Democrats
      -Helms view
  -Declassification possibilities
    -Charles w. Colson
    -William H. Rehnquist
    -Ehrlichman
    -CIA responsibility
      -The President’s view
      -CIA responsibility
    -Bay of Pigs invasion
      -CIA position
        -Problems
    -Helms
      -Possible replacements
        -Lt. Gen. Vernon A. Walters
    -Reason for the president's desire for documents
      -Declassification
      -Ehrlichman's rationale to helms
        -Forthcoming negotiations
          -Cuban missile crisis
            -Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]
      -Diem
        -Questions at press conferences
        -Desire for facts
        -Life magazine
          -E. Howard Hunt, Jr.
        -Helms
        -Edward M. Kennedy
        -Colson
Helms entered at 11:06 am.

Law enforcement
- John n. Mitchell
- J. Edgar Hoover
  - John B. Connally
  - Justice department
- Federal Bureau of Investigation [FBI]
- CIA
- Defense department
- Cooperation
  - Theodore S. ("Ted") Williams
- FBI

CIA classified documents
- Purpose for the President receiving documents
- Cuban situation
  - USSR
    - Negotiations
    - Ellsworth F. Bunker
- "Dirty tricks"
  - The President’s knowledge and support
  - Iran
  - Guatemala
- Bay of Pigs
  - Dwight D. Eisenhower
    - Planning
  - John F. Kennedy
    - CIA
      - Allen W. Dulles
      - Plan
    - The President’s view
      - Fidel Castro

- Purpose
- Pentagon papers
  - Significance of leak
  - Lyndon B. Johnson
  - Chilean election
- The President's reasons of wanting documents
-Ehrlichman and Helms
-Pentagon papers
  -Vietnam
    -Diem
      -Questions
      -Eisenhower
      -Lyndon Johnson
      -John Kennedy
      -Nixon
-The President's intention to protect intelligence gathering
  -Protection for predecessor presidents
    -CIA directors
    -FBI
    -Hoover
  -The President’s assurances
    -CIA
      -Operations
        -The President’s view
-The President's need to be fully informed
  -People's Republic of China [PRC]
  -USSR
    -Berlin
  -Henry A. Kissinger
  -Importance
  -State department
  -Soviets
  -Chinese
-Chile
  -Funds
    -Need to be fully informed
-Need to be fully informed
  -The President’s knowledge
    -CIA
    -Pentagon Papers
      -Lyndon Johnson
      -John Kennedy
      -Relationship between the President and the Director of CIA
-Diem
  -The President’s knowledge
  -Henry Cabot lodge
  -Vietnam
- The President's need for information
  - Ehrlichman
    - Domestic council
  - Hoover
  - Vietnam, Laos, Kent State, Cambodia
    - John F. Kennedy, Lyndon B. Johnson, Eisenhower
- The President's regard for the institution of the Presidency
- The President's need for information
  - Purpose
  - Pentagon Papers
    - Effect of the President
    - John Kennedy
    - Lyndon Johnson
- Developments
  - Chile
- Political implications
  - Republicans
  - Democrats
    - Hubert H. Humphrey
    - Edward Kennedy
    - Prisoners of War [POW] comments
    - Humphrey
    - George Meany
    - Edward Kennedy forces
    - Lyndon Johnson
- Situation
  - Ehrlichman
  - Diem
    - John A. McCone
    - Helms position
    - Marshall S. Carter
    - Helms's review of documents
    - Types of documents
      - McCone's documents
    - Secretary of State
    - Defense department
    - John Kennedy
- The President's need for information
  - "Dirty tricks"
  - Vietnam War
  - The President's view
Press conference
- John Kennedy
- Bay of Pigs
- Declassification problem
- Lyndon Johnson
- The President's decision regarding Nguyen Van Thieu

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

The president's schedule

Bull left at an unknown time before 11:34 am.

- Diem
- Thieu
- Bay of Pigs
- The President's schedule
  - Connally
  - Herbert Stein
  - George P. Shultz
  - Paul W. McCracken
  - Connally
  - [Unintelligible name]
  - Spiro T. Agnew

Ehrlichman and Helms left at 11:34 am.

David M. Kennedy, Henry A. Kissinger, Peter G. Peterson entered at 11:34 am; members of the press were present at the beginning of this meeting.

Diplomacy
  - Textile negotiations
  - Anthony J. Jurich
    - David Kennedy’s discussion
    - Kakuei Tanaka
      - Status of negotiations
    - Kissinger's conversation with unknown person
      - Nobusuke Kishi
        - Agreement

- State Department
-Peterson
-Connally
-Trade with the Enemy Act
  -The President’s view
  -David Kennedy
    -Forthcoming trip to Guam
    -Tactics
-Kishi
  -Previous meeting with the President
    -Okinawa
    -Trade issues
-Taiwan
-Japan
-Korea
  -U. Alexis Johnson
  -Negotiating strategy
    -Jurich
-Japan
  -Kissinger
  -The President's conversation with Takeo Fukuda
  -Conversation of Kissinger
    -Peterson
    -U. Alexis Johnson
    -Koreans
    -The President's schedule
    -Kishi
-Agricultural Act
  -Trade agreement
-Japan
  -Negotiations
    -American position
      -Trading with the Enemy Act
    -American credibility
    -The President’s view
    -Tanaka
    -Surcharge on textiles
    -Discussions with Tanaka
    -Most Favored Nation status
      -Connally
-Public relations
-Ronald L. Ziegler
  -Press photograph
  -Textiles
-Assessment
  -Kissinger
  -Peterson
  -Connally
  -State Department
  -Kissinger

Salvador Allende Gossins
  -The President’s view
  -Kissinger's meeting with Chile's Foreign Minister
  -Discussion
  -US policy

Ziegler and members of the press entered at an unknown time after 11:35 am.

Members of the press left at an unknown time before 12:00 pm.

Public relations
  -Japanese
    -Textiles
  -The President's schedule
    -Kissinger's schedule
    -David Kennedy

Ziegler left at an unknown time before 12:00 pm.

Diplomacy
  -Textile negotiations
    -Japanese
    -Public relations
      -Ziegler
      -Herbert G. Klein
      -Washington Post
      -New York Times
      -Charlotte Observer
    -Wilbur D. Mills
    -Harry S. Dent
    -Mitchell
-State Department
  -David Kennedy
-Donald McI. Kendall
  -Japanese
    -US embassy
      -The President's alleged views toward agreement
        -Mills
-Timing
  -Peterson
  -Mills

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 6
[National Security]
[Duration: 3s]

INTELLIGENCE

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 6

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-Korean ambassador
  -Conversation
-Taiwan
  -Growth of industry
  -Title I
    -Percentage changes
  -Submarine
    -Timing on delivery
    -The President’s forthcoming trip to the People’s Republic of China [PRC]
    -David M. Kennedy’s instructions
-Japan
  -Kendall
    -Monetary reform
Trade
-Defense
-Tanaka
-Kissinger's conversation with European business group
-David Kennedy
-Meany
- Labor people
- Shultz
- State Department

Kennedy and Peterson left at 12:00 pm.

Peterson's work

Kissinger's schedule
- David Rockefeller

An unknown person entered at an unknown time after 12:00 pm.

John D. Ehrlichman

The unknown person left at an unknown time before 12:03 pm.

Middle East
- Egypt
- Kissinger’s comments
- Israel
- Negotiation
- New York
- Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]
  - Anatoliy F. Dobrynin
  - US explanation
- Israelis
- Possible forthcoming meeting with Dobrynin
- Anwar el-Sadat

Unidentified people
- Kennedy Center
- The President's schedule
- Leonard Garment
- Alexander M. Haig, jr.
The President's economy speech announcing Phase II
   -William L. Safire

Economy
   -Rockefeller
   -Kissinger’s comments

John D. Ehrlichman entered at 12:03 pm.

The President's schedule
   -Mitchell
   -Hoover
   -Sullivan
      -Mrs. Bunaro Overstreet
      -Joseph A. Califano, Jr.
      -Kissinger’s view

Manolo Sanchez entered at an unknown time after 12:03 pm.

The President’s schedule

FBI
   -Sullivan

Refreshments
   -The President’s schedule

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 12:05 pm

FBI
   -Hoover
      -Mitchell
      -Directorship
      -Sullivan
      -Assistance to the administration

Ehrlichman left at 12:05 pm.

US foreign relations
   -The President’s view
Conversation No. 587-7 (cont.)

-Accomplishments
-Middle East
-US negotiation options
-Vietnam
-India and Pakistan

[Unintelligible]

Kissinger and the President left at 12:12 pm

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Date: October 8, 1971
Time: Unknown between 12:12 pm and 12:17 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

The President's schedule
- Wayne Hays
  - Press coverage

H. R. (“Bob”) Haldeman entered at 12:15 pm.

- Charles E. Lucet

Bull left at an unknown time before 12:17 pm.

- F. Edward Hebert
  - Lunch
    - Briefing

Haldeman left at 12:17 pm.
Date: October 8, 1971
Time: 12:18 pm - 12:28 pm
Location: Oval Office


Introductions
-Hays

The President's words of welcome
-Hays
-Interrelationship of French and American legislative bodies
-America's law making goal
-The President's schedule
-West Virginia

The President's words of farewell

Hays, et al. left at 12:28 pm

Date: October 8, 1971
Time: 12:28 pm - 12:30 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

The President's schedule
-Thelma C. (“Pat”) Nixon

Alexander P. Butterfield entered at 12:28 pm.

Briefing that morning
-Dr. Jerome H. Jaffe
-South portico
-College students

The President, et al. left at 12:30 pm.

Date: October 8, 1971
Time: Unknown between 12:30 pm and 11:59 pm
Location: Oval Office

Unknown people met.

[Unintelligible]

The unknown people left at an unknown time before 11:59 pm.