Conversation No. 596-1

Date: October 19, 1971
Time: Unknown between 7:53 am and 8:06 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

The President's schedule

Bull left at 8:06 am.

Conversation No. 596-2

Date: October 19, 1971
Time: Unknown between 8:06 am and 10:14 am
Location: Oval Office

Unknown people met.

The President's location

The unknown people left at an unknown time before 10:14 am.

Conversation No. 596-3

Date: October 19, 1971
Time: 10:14 am - 10:55 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with John N. Mitchell.

Greetings
- Weather

The President's schedule
-Previous evening event at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts
  -Mitchell’s view
  -Mrs. J. Willard Marriott
  -Kennedy family

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[Duration: 7s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

Supreme Court appointments
- Lewis F. Powell, Jr.
  - Mitchell's previous conversation with Powell
  - Health concerns
  - Powell's schedule
  - Mitchell's forthcoming conversation with Lawrence E. Walsh
    - American Bar Association [ABA] approval
-Woman candidate
  - Mildred L. Lillie
    - Chance of ABA approval
      - Lillie's husband
- William French Smith
-Powell
  - Qualifications
-Smith
-Candidates
  - Corporate lawyers
-ABA
-William H. Mulligan
  -Catholic
  -Age
  -Circuit Court of Appeals
  -Potential problems with ABA
-Powell
-Mulligan
  -Possible ABA vote
  -Length of time on court
-Powell
-Powell
-Mulligan
  -Mitchell’s assessment
-Charles D. Breitel
  -Age
  -New York Court of Appeals
-Media
  -Liberals
-Powell
-Health
  -Ability to perform duties
  -Mitchell’s previous conversation with Powell
-Warren E. Burger
-George A. Tesoro
-Edward T. Gignoux
  -Mitchell’s view
-Age
  -Harold R. Tyler, Jr. and Walter R. Mansfield
  -Robert Braucher in Massachusetts
  -Professor at Harvard Law School
-Lillie
-Mulligan
-Burger’s assessment
  -Regional candidates
    -Northeast
      -Tyler
      -Mansfield
Tape Subject Log
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-Mulligan and Breitel
-[Forename unknown] Lombard, Henry Jacob Friendly
-[-Paul C. Reardon
-Gignoux
-Mulligan

-Approval by the ABA
-Mulligan
-[Unintelligible]
-John M. Harlan
-Distinguished candidates for the Court
-The President’s view
-Burger
-Harry A. Blackmun
-Problems
-[Forename unknown] Wright
-William O. Douglas

-Edward H. Levi
-Alfred Y. Kirkland
-ABA approval
-Lillie
-Smith
-Mulligan
-Previous ABA action
-Smith, Lillie
-Approval of the President's appointments
-Breitel
-Mansfield
-Powell
-Health
-Howard H. Baker, Jr.
The President’s view
-Burger
-Ages
-Mulligan
-Dean of Fordham Law School
-Catholic
-Age
-Harvard Law School
-Nelson A. Rockefeller
-Smith
-ABA
- Los Angeles
  - Corporate lawyer
- Powell
  - Background
    - Richmond
  - Municipal bonds
- Mulligan
- Qualifications
  - Deans of law schools
  - Age
- Leonard Garment's recommendations
  - Casper W. (“Cap”) Weinberger
    - Mitchell’s view
- Smith, Mulligan, Baker
  - ABA
    - Chances of Baker's approval
- Media
  - The President’s view
  - ABA
  - Burger
- Powell and Baker
  - Elimination of woman candidate
- Baker, Mulligan, Powell
  - Baker's background
    - Law practice
    - Confirmation prospects
      - Hugh Scott
      - Robert P. Griffin
  - Burger
  - Douglas, Hugo Black
  - Everett M. Dirksen
  - Potter Stewart
  - Senate
  - ABA
- Mulligan
  - Compared with Baker
- Burger
- Dan H. Kuykendall
- Baker compared with William E. Brock, III
  - Busing
  - Powell and Baker
The President talked with Haldeman at an unknown time between 10:14 am and 10:50 am.

[Conversation No. 596-3A]

-Baker
  -Age
  -Background

[End of telephone conversation]

-ABA
  -Submit name
  -Baker substituted for Lillie

Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 10:14 am.

The President's schedule
  -Alexander M. Haig, Jr.'s secretary

Bull left at an unknown time before 10:50 am.

Supreme Court appointments
  -Baker, Powell, Lillie
    -Approval
      -ABA
      -Charles S. Rhyne

Haldeman entered at 10:50 am.
Bull entered at an unknown time after 10:50 am.

John D. Ehrlichman

Bull left at an unknown time before 10:52 am.

Supreme Court appointments
- Baker
  - Education
  - Navy
  - Law school
  - Knoxville law firm

Haldeman left at 10:52 am.

Supreme Court appointments
- Approval
  - Byrd
  - ABA
  - Media
  - Baker and Powell
    - South
    - Clement F. Haynsworth
    - Strom Thurmond
    - G. Harrold Carswell
  - Elimination of woman candidate
  - Baker as lawyer
    - Mitchell’s view
  - Powell
    - Walsh, forthcoming conversation with Mitchell
  - The President's options

Plays

Mitchell left at 10:55 am.
Date: October 19, 1971
Time: 10:55 am - 12:14 pm
Location: Oval Office

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

Supreme Court appointments
- News leaks
  - John D. Ehrlichman
  - John N. Mitchell
  - ABA
  - White House staff
  - Press office
- Previous telephone call from Asa V. Call
  - "Beatrice" [Mildred L.] Lillie
    - Husband
- News leaks
  - Ehrlichman
    - J. Edgar Hoover
  - Mitchell
    - G. Harrold Carswell
  - The President’s efforts
  - Casper W. (“Cap”) Weinberger
  - George P. Shultz
  - Edward H. Levi
  - Woman candidate
- Lillie
  - Husband
  - Ronald W. Reagan
  - Mitchell

The President's schedule
- Multiple Sclerosis Society
  - Forthcoming meeting
  - Presentation of plaque to the President
  - Thelma C. (“Pat”) Nixon
  - Spiro T. Agnew
-Paul Revere tray
-Pay Board
-Members
  -Chairman, George H. Boldt
  -Vacancy
  -Arnold R. Weber
  -Neil H. Jacoby
  -William G. Caples
  -Vacancy
  -Niccolo Machiavelli
  -Kermit Gordon
  -Robert A. Solo of Massachusetts Institute of Technology [MIT]
    -Former head of Council of Economic Advisors [CEA] staff
  -Robert C. Turner of Indiana University
    -Harry S Truman administration
  -Harold M. Levinson of Michigan
    -Gordon
    -[Unintelligible name]
  -George Meany
  -Leonard F. McCollum
-Price Commission
  -C. Jackson Grayson of Southern Methodist University [SMU]
  -Allen Spivey
  -Greg Weston
  -Robert F. Lanzilotti
  -William W. Scranton
  -John W. Queenan
  -William T. Coleman, Jr.
  -Marina Von Whitman
  -J. Wilson Newman
  -Robert F. Ellsworth
    -The President’s view
    -Ellsworth’s background
  -Lewis F. Powell, Edward L. Wright
-North Atlantic Treaty Organization [NATO]
-Appointment to position
  -Ellsworth
  -Charles D. (“Tex”) Thornton
  -Henry L. Hillman
  -David M. Kennedy
Japan
-Ambassadorial appointment
  -Peter G. Peterson
  -Thornton
  -Rudolph A. Peterson
    -United Nations [UN]
  -Thornton
    -Finances

National Aeronautics and Space Administration [NASA]
-Weinberger's memorandum
  -Apollo flights
    -The President's decision
    -Cancellation of flights
    -Space shuttle
    -Moon landings
  -The President's schedule
    -People's Republic of China [PRC]-Union of Soviet Socialist Republics
      -USSR] trips
    -Cancellation flights
      -1972 Presidential election

Italian-American appointments
-Democrats
  -Interstate Commerce Commission [ICC]
-Board of Visitors for service academies
-Public relations
  -John A. Volpe
  -Sons of Italy

Watergate
-Public Broadcasting
-Proposed legislation
  -Appropriation
    -John Williams Macy
    -John D. (“Jack”) Wrather
    -Thomas W. Moore
  -Peterson's conversation with Wrather
    -Peter M. Flanigan
    -Charles W. Colson
  -Misuse of public funds
California unemployment
  -Jobs program
    -Number
      -Funds
    -John J. Rhodes
      -Flanigan
      -Possible action
    -Weinberger
    -George P. Shultz

The President's schedule
  -Forthcoming interview with Robert Mellon
    -Readers Digest
    -The President's military career
    -“Chick” Dyer
    -Rose Mary Woods
  -Forthcoming meeting with Ruth Voss and Francis L. (“Frank”) Dale
    -Voluntary action
      -Youth
    -Cincinnati Inquirer
  -SCAP [?]
    -Alexander P. Butterfield

The President's schedule
  -Imelda Marcos
    -Possible meeting with the President
    -Purpose of visit
    -Ferdinand E. Marcos
    -Fight against communism in Philippines
    -Thelma C. (“Pat”) Nixon
    -Possible meeting with the President
      -Timing
      -Mrs. Nixon
    -Son
    -Ford family in Detroit
    -Possible meeting with the President
      -Mrs. Nixon
  -The President's forthcoming trip to USSR and PRC
    -Foreign policy
    -William P. Rogers
-Role on the President's trip to USSR
-Preparations for USSR trip
  -PRC
  -Advance trip
  -Henry A. Kissinger
    -Vietnam
  -Leonid I. Brezhnev
  -Aleksei N. Kosygin
-Alexander M. Haig, Jr.
-Public relations
  -Kissinger
-Rogers role
  -The President’s view

John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts
  -Mrs. J. Willard Marriott
  -William D. Blair, Jr.
  -The President’s previous meeting with Mitchell
  -Blair
  -Haldeman’s efforts
  -The President’s view
  -Leonard Garment
  -Nancy Hanks
  -Mrs. Marriot
  -Roger L. Stephens
    -Funds
      -Congress
      -Democrats
      -Fund allocation
  -Julius Rudel

Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 10:55 am.

The President's schedule
  -Forthcoming meeting with Prime Minister of Ceylon
    -Robert Strausz-Hupe
    -Haig
    -Schedule

Bull left at an unknown time before 11:30 am.
Bull

Mrs. Marcos
  -Possible meeting with the President
  -The President’s view

H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman left at 11:30 am.

Sirimavo Bandaranaike, Neville Kankaratne, Robert Strausz-Hupe, Emil Mosbacher, Jr., Alexander M. Haig, Jr.; the White House photographer and members of the press entered at 11:30 am.

Greetings

Introductions

Photographs

The press and White House photographer left at an unknown time before 12:14 pm.

Ceylon
  -Problems
    -US assistance
      -Helicopters
      -Roads
      -Land

Southeast Asia problem
  -India-Pakistan conflict
    -Ceylon policy
    -US policy
    -The President’s view
      -Danger of war
      -Refugees
    -US position
      -Congress
    -Aid programs

An unknown person entered at an unknown time after 11:30 am.

Refreshments
-Tea

The unknown person left at an unknown time before 12:14 pm.

Ceylon
- Agriculture
- Tea
  - Export
  - The President's previous trip to Ceylon
    - Visit to tea growing region
- Tea
  - Export
- Reaction to the President's announced trips to PRC and USSR
  - Bandaranaike’s view
    - Bandaranaike’s support
    - PRC
- The President's analysis of situation
  - Purpose of trips
    - Substantive discussions
    - Public announcements
      - Arms
- USSR
  - Arms control
  - Trade
- Bilateral nature of trips
- Chinese
  - Peking
    - The President’s view
      - Future relations between the US and PRC
- Southeast Asia
  - Fears of other countries
    - Subversion
  - Indonesia
  - Singapore
  - Malaysia
  - Japan
  - Thailand
  - Cambodia
  - India
- Dialogue
  - The President’s view
- Negotiations
  - Peace and stability efforts
- US-USSR relations
  - Berlin Agreement
  - US efforts
  - Strategic Arms Limitation Talks [SALT]
    - The President’s view
- US-PRC relations
  - Future
    - Population
    - Nuclear dependability
    - Importance of dialogue
- Future developments
  - Talks with Andrei A. Gromyko
    - Recognition of differences
- US responsibilities
- PRC and Taiwan
  - Forthcoming vote in UN
    - The US position
      - The President’s view
- Analysis of Ceylon’s position
  - Bandaranaike’s view
- Population
- Defense
  - Internal problem
  - Security
  - Armed forces
- Problems
  - Domestic issues
  - Budget
- Foreign relations
  - Trade
    - Burma
    - PRC
      - Ceylon’s relations with the PRC
- USSR-Ceylon relations
- Future of Southeast Asia
  - The President’s view
  - Previous trips
    - Aid programs
- Agriculture
-Cattle and dairy industry
  -Farming
  -Expansion problems
    -Shipping costs
  -Australia
-Possible meeting with Clifford M. Hardin
  -Hardin’s assistance
-Possible meeting with John A. Hannah
  -Agency for International Development [AID]
-US assistance
-The President’s view
  -Importance
    -Latin America
      -Industrialism
    -Brazil
    -Peru
    -Need for infrastructure
    -Compared with US
-US farmers
-Ceylon

US foreign policy
  -World peace
  -Arab-Israeli relations
    -Truce
    -US policy
    -Suez Canal
    -US efforts
      -Peace efforts
        -Need for negotiations
    -Withdrawal from occupied territories
    -US efforts

The President, et al. left at 12:14 pm.

Date: October 19, 1971
Unknown people met.

[Unintelligible]

The unknown people left at 12:15 pm.

Date: October 19, 1971
Time: Unknown between 12:15 pm and 12:17 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Alexander M. Haig, Jr.

Ceylon
- Robert Strausz-Hupe
- Haig’s view
- Prime Minister Sirimavo Bandaranaike
  - Forthcoming United Nations [UN] vote on Taiwan
    - The President’s efforts
    - Follow-up efforts
    - The President’s efforts
  - Ceylon’s relation with the People’s Republic of China [PRC]

Vietnam
- William P. Rogers
- Casualty figures
- Haig’s meeting with Congressmen
  - Military
  - South Vietnamese domestic politics
  - Withdrawal of United States support
  - Prisoners of War [POWs]
  - Negotiations

Haig left at an unknown time before 12:17 pm.
Conversation No. 596-7

Date:  October 19, 1971
Time:  12:17 pm - 12:18 pm
Location:  Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

The President's schedule
-Forthcoming meeting with National Multiple Sclerosis Society
- Oliver F. (“Ollie”) Atkins
- Press photograph distribution

Bull left at 12:17 pm.

Conversation No. 596-8

Date:  October 19, 1971
Time:  12:23 pm
Location:  Oval Office

The President talked with White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 11-123]

Conversation No. 596-9

Date:  October 19, 1971
Time:  12:23 pm
Location:  Oval Office
The President talked with White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 11-124]

Date: October 19, 1971
Time: Unknown between 12:23 pm and 12:30 pm
Location: Oval Office

[Members of the press and the White House photographer were present at the beginning of the meeting]

Introductions
   - Weather

Photographs

Multiple Sclerosis research

Presentation of Paul Revere tray to the President
   - Support to National Multiple Sclerosis Society
   - Paul Revere

Photographs

Presentation of Presidential gifts

Meares
   - New York

Scientific research
   - Multiple Sclerosis
   - Cancer

The President's appreciation
Meares, et al. left and Bull entered at 12:30 pm.

Bull’s schedule
  - Television appearance
  - Two imposters

Bull left at an unknown time before 12:31 pm.

Date: October 19, 1971
Time: Unknown between 12:30 pm and 12:31 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 11-125]

Date: October 19, 1971
Time: 12:31 pm - 12:33 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull, Ross Tomkins, and Charlton (“Rink”) Reynders.
[The White House photographer was present at the beginning of the meeting]

Introductions

“To Tell the Truth”

Photograph

New York residence

Presentation of gifts
Bull, et al. left at 12:33 pm.

Date: October 19, 1971
Time: Unknown between 12:33 pm and 12:36 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 18s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 12:36 pm.

Date: October 19, 1971
Time: 12:36 pm - 12:53 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Rose Mary Woods.

The President's schedule
- Previous evening event at John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts
The President talked with White House operator at an unknown time between 12:36 pm and 12:42 pm.

[Conversation No. 596-13A]

[See Conversation No. 11-127]

[End of telephone conversation]

The President's schedule
-Forthcoming events

The President talked with Richard H. Poff between 12:42 pm and 12:43 pm.

[Conversation No. 596-13B]

[See Conversation No. 11-128]

[End of telephone conversation]
Kennedy Center social event
  -Reception
  -Leonard W. Hall
  -Number of attendees

The President talked with Mrs. Nixon between 12:45 pm and 12:46 pm.

[Conversation No. 596-13C]

[See Conversation No. 11-129; one item has been withdrawn from the conversation]

[End of telephone conversation]

Woods's previous conversation with Hall
  -The President's work with Congress
  -John B. Connally
    -Dwight D. Eisenhower administration
    -Connally’s efforts

Supreme Court appointment
  -Mildred L. Lillie
    -Letter from Thomas E. Dewey, Jr. [?]
      -Los Angeles bar association
      -Shirley M. Hufstedler
    -Earl C. Adams
    -Walter N. Thayer
    -Letter from Dewey
      -John N. Mitchell

Woods's staff
  -Additional staff
    -Woods view
  -Donna Reed's cousin
  -Marjorie P. Acker
  -Mary Setton [sp?] 
  -Selection process
    -Woods view

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[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 42s ]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2

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-Schedule
-Letter from West Virginia teacher
-Mrs. Nixon's reply

Photographs and portraits
-The President
-Eisenhower
-Cabinet Room
-Kennedy Center
-Cabinet Room

Woods left at 12:53 pm.

Conversation No. 596-14

Date: October 19, 1971
Time: 12:53 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 11-130]
The President met with an unknown person.

Request for meeting with Charles W. Colson
- Colson's schedule

The unknown person left at an unknown time before 12:54 pm.

Date: October 19, 1971
Time: 12:54 pm - 12:56 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with John N. Mitchell.

[See Conversation No. 11-131]

Date: October 19, 1971
Time: 12:56 pm - 1:26 pm
Location: Oval Office

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

Media
- Press leaks
- Nominees to Supreme Court
- Influence the President's decision

Charles W. Colson entered at 12:57 pm.

John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts board members
- William D. Blair, Jr.
- Lyndon B. Johnson's appointees
- Tricia Nixon Cox
- Haldeman
- Roger L. Stephens
  - Actions
  - Previous executive committee meeting
    - Haldeman
    - Kennedy sisters
    - Possible White House use of Kennedy Center
    - Blair
    - Use of Kennedy Center
      - Black Panthers
      - Unknown priest
- Robert B. Anderson
  - Renaming of Kennedy Center theatres
    - Eisenhower
    - Johnson
    - Nixon
- Blair
  - The President's view
  - Haldeman's view
  - Comments to the press
- Stephens

Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 12:56 pm.

Misplaced document

Bull left at an unknown time before 1:26 pm.

Supreme Court appointments
  - Congressional opposition
    - Edward M. Kennedy
    - Birch E. Bayh, Jr.
    - Media
    - Hugh Scott, Edward J. Gurney
      - Support for the President
    - Time, Newsweek, New York Times, Edward M. Kennedy, Bayh
  - Administration's counter-attack
    - Gurney and Scott
Bull entered at an unknown time after 12:56 pm.

Location of missing document

Bull left at an unknown time before 1:26 pm.

Edward Kennedy
- Nomination to federal bench
  - Francis Morrissey
  - John F. Kennedy

Common Cause
- Mailings
  - John W. Gardner
- Administrations response
  - Cut off contributions
    - Gerald R. Ford, Robert P. Griffin, Scott
- Supporters
  - Chuck Healy [?]
    - John A. McCone
- Republican National Committee
- Supersonic Transport [SST]
- Michael J. Mansfield amendment
- American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars
- Gardner
  - Internal Revenue Service [IRS] investigation
    - Enemies List
    - White House dinner
- Ronald L. Ziegler
- Funding
  - Direct mail
  - Contributors

Administration's activities
- Congressional hearings
- Edith Efron's book
  - William L. Springer
- Dean Burch
- Springer
- Networks
- Publishers
- Book stores
- Neal B. Freeman
- *Human Events* magazine
- Samuel J. Ervin, Jr. hearings
  - Strom Thurmond
  - Springer

**Art**
- The President’s view
  - Public relations benefits
- The President's schedule
- Supporters
  - Gardner
  - Anderson
- The President's previous visit to Kennedy Center
  - Value
- Administration's activities
- Women
- Businessmen
- Nancy Hanks
  - Virginia H. Knauer
- Blair
  - Kennedy Center image

**Lyndon B. Johnson**
- Vietnam
- Pentagon Papers
  - John F. Kennedy
  - William V. Shannon
    - *New York Times*
- Book [*The Vantage Point*]
  - Jack J. Valenti's comments
    - Review by Arthur M. Schlesinger, Jr.
- *Los Angeles Times*
- Valenti
  - Robert F. Kennedy
    - 1960 Vice Presidential nomination
- Ngo Dinh Diem
  - Administration actions
Report of conversation
- David E. Bradshaw
- Richard J. Daley’s previous meeting with Edward Kennedy
- Jay Lovestone

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Housing
- Statistics
  - Increase of 47% per annum

Stock market
- Dow Jones decrease
- Wall Street
- Arthur F. Burns
  - Inflation
- August 15th
- Volume of trade

The President's schedule
- John N. Mitchell
- Donald H. Rumsfeld

Haldeman and Colson left at 1:26 pm.
Conversation No. 596-18

Date: October 19, 1971
Time: 1:26 pm - 1:37 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with John N. Mitchell.

[See Conversation No. 11-133]

Conversation No. 596-19

Date: October 19, 1971
Time: Unknown between 1:37 pm and 1:39 pm
Location: Oval Office

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

Previous telephone conversation with John N. Mitchell.

Conversation No. 596-20

Date: October 19, 1971
Time: Unknown between 1:37 pm and 1:39 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 11-134]
Conversación No. 596-21

Fecha: 19 de octubre de 1971
Hora: 1:39 pm - 1:44 pm
Lugar: Oval Office

El Presidente habló con Donald H. Rumsfeld.

[Ver Conversación No. 11-135]

Conversación No. 596-22

Fecha: 19 de octubre de 1971
Hora: Entre 1:45 pm y 11:59 pm
Lugar: Oval Office

Conocidos se reunieron.

[Incomprensible]

Los desconocidos se fueron a una hora desconocida antes de las 11:59 pm.