Conversation No. 597-1

Date: October 20, 1971
Time: Unknown between 9:05 am and 9:17 am
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with an unknown person [H. R. (“Bob”) Haldeman ?]

Frederic V. Malek

Conversation No. 597-2

Date: October 20, 1971
Time: 9:17 am - 9:25 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with H. R. (“Bob”) Haldeman and Frederic V. Malek.

Appointments
- Women lawyers
  - Jayne B. Spain

Telephone call from the Attorney General

Woman appointees
- Judges
- Unidentified woman

John N. Mitchell talked with the President between 9:19 am and 9:25 am.

[Conversation No. 597-2A]

[See Conversation No. 11-157; two items have been withdrawn from the conversation]

Haldeman and Malek left at 9:19 am.

[End of telephone conversation]
Conversation No. 597-3

Date: October 20, 1971
Time: 9:28 am - 12:20 pm
Location: Oval Office

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

Congress
- Wayne L. Hays
- Unknown event
  - Secret Service uniformed policeman
  - North Atlantic Treaty Organization [NATO] meeting
  - Voting record
- Harry S. Dent
- William E. Timmons
- Hays
  - Guest list for White House function
  - Clark MacGregor
  - Josip Broz Tito dinner
- White House police
- Reaction
- Michael J. Mansfield amendment
  - Charles W. Whalen, Jr.
  - Republican
  - Supporters of Administration’s position
  - Democrats
- Dent's activities
  - Democrats
  - O. Clark Fisher
- The President's endorsement
  - Democrats
  - Vietnam War
  - House of Representatives
    - George H. Mahon
    - David N. Henderson
    - North Carolina
    - Leslie C. Arends
- Robert C. Wilson
  - Employees
- Incumbents
- Dent
-Senate candidates
  -Financing
  -Support for the Administration

Supreme Court appointments
  -Leaks
  -American Bar Association [ABA]
  -John D. Ehrlichman's staff
  -The President's role
  -G. Harrold Carswell
  -Leaks
    -State Department
    -Henry A. Kissinger's office
    -Economic program example
    -The President's candidate
  -John N. Mitchell
    -Philadelphia
  -ABA
    -The President's announcement
    -Television

The President's schedule
  -Florida

John B. Connally's schedule
  -Texas
  -California
    -Bankers meeting in San Francisco
  -Ranch
    -Possible meeting with the President for October 26, 1971

The President's schedule
  -Possible press conference, October 27, 1971
  -Kissinger's return
    -Paris
  -Press conference
    -Vietnam
    -Soviet announcement
  -Meeting with Kissinger, October 25, 1971
  -Budget meeting, October 26, 1971
  -Meeting with Ehrlichman, October 26, 1971
Conv. No. 597-3 (cont.)

Unknown White House staff member [Connally ?]
-Compared with the White House staff members
  -Bryce N. Harlow
  -Robert P. Mayo

The President's schedule
- The President's work habits
  - Pace
  - Visitors
    - Jack Pardee
    - Maxie Baughan
      - Public relations
  - Open door office hour
    - Previous meeting with Multiple Sclerosis Society
      - Thelma C. (“Pat”) Nixon
- Kishi
  - Dinner
    - Mrs. Nixon
      - Republican Women Reception
    - Blair House
    - F Street Club
    - John S.D. Eisenhower
    - Peter G. Peterson
    - David M. Kennedy
    - Foreign Service
    - Rogers
    - State Department
      - Marshall Green
      - Rogers
      - U. Alexis Johnson

- Connally
- Nobusuke Kishi
  - Textile Agreement
  - Forthcoming meeting with the President
- William P. Rogers and George H. W. Bush, October 21, 1971
- Kishi
  - White House dinner
  - Alexander M. Haig, Jr.
- Bush
- Kishi
- Members of Congress
- Japanese Ambassador
- Haig
- Kishi's party
- Mitchell
- Arthur F. Burns
- George P. Shultz
- Paul W. McCracken
- Ezra Solomon
- Time, dress

- Entrance
- Music
- Honor guard
- Photographers

- Connally
  - Schedule
    - Texas
    - Wright Patman

Connally
- Lyndon B. Johnson
- Health

The President's schedule
- Kishi dinner
  - Maurice H. Stans
  - Peterson
  - David M. Kennedy
  - Interpreters
- Winton M. (“Red”) Blount
  - Postal situation
    - Board of Governors
- Kishi
  - Timing of dinner
- Republican woman
- Kishi
- Unknown location
  - Florida
  - Haldeman's schedule
- Proposed meeting with Peter H. B. Frelinghuysen
  - India, Pakistan, Greece
- Frelinghuysen’s visit

-Haig

-Agha Sadruddin Khan

-United Nations [UN] High Commission for Refugees

-Pakistani refugees

-UN

-US response

-Public relations

-Rogers

-Kissinger

-Francis L. Kellogg

-The President’s view

-Vietnam veterans

-South Vietnam

-Hospitals

-Charles W. Colson, Haig, Herbert G. Klein, John A. Scali, Ronald L. Ziegler

-Colson

-Possible press coverage

-Thomas Vail

-Klein, Ziegler

-Interview

-Kishi

-Klein

-National Catholic Youth Organization Federation

-Director, Catholic Youth Activity

-Monsignor Leonard

-Sheraton-Park Hotel

-Officers

-Crown Prince of Ethiopia

-The President’s view

-The President’s forthcoming trip to the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]

Secretary of Agriculture appointment

-John C. Whitaker

-Possible candidates

-Criteria

-Henry L. Bellmon

-Earl L. Butz

-Norbert (“Bobby”) Tieman

-Harlow

-Louie B. Nunn
-Butz
  -The President’s view
-Bellmon
  -Mitchell’s view
  -Senate seat
    -Edmond Edmonson
    -[Forename unknown] Wilkinson
    -David E. Bartlett
  -Mitchell’s view
  -Qualifications
-Butz
-Tieman
-Harlow
-Nunn
-Butz
  -The President’s view
  -Bellmon
  -Farm Bureau
  -Vocation
  -Clifford M. Hardin
  -Age
  -Experience
-Harlow
  -Bellmon
  -Clarence D. Palmby
  -Butz
-Hardin
  -Palmby
-Butz
  -Bellmon
  -Palmby
-Unintelligible name
  -Democrats
    -Fred R. Harris
    -Edmondson
  -Bellmon
    -Bartlett
    -Wilkinson

The President’s schedule
  -Vail
- Interviews
- Dinner

Mrs. Nixon's schedule
- Marilyn B. (“Missy”) Chandler [Mrs. Otis Chandler]
- Arts Council
- F Street Club
- JoAnn (Horton) Haldeman

Secretary of Agriculture appointment
- Possible candidates
  - Bellmon
  - Mitchell
  - Butz
  - Robert R. Spitzer
  - Whitaker
  - Hyde Murray
- Bellmon
- Palmby
- Butz
- Bellmon
- Whitaker
- Palmby
- Harlow
  - Farmers
  - Farm states
- Butz
  - Vocation
  - Bellmon
  - Harlow, Thomas Hart
- Bellmon

The President talked with White House operator at an unknown time between 9:25 am and 10:23 am.

[Conversation No. 597-3A]

[See Conversation No. 11-158]

[End of telephone conversation]
The President talked with Bryce N. Harlow between 10:23 am and 10:35 am.

[Conversation No. 597-3B]

[See Conversation No. 11-159]

[End of telephone conversation]

Secretary of Agriculture appointment
- Butz
  - Mitchell
  - Harlow
  - Ezra Taft Benson
- Bellmon

Appointment to the UN
- Haldeman's conversation with Rogers
  - Andrew F. Brimmer
  - Ralph Bunche
- U Thant
  - Successor

Ziegler entered at 10:35 am.

Supreme Court appointments
- Relations with the news media
  - Mitchell’s schedule
  - Philadelphia
Timing of announcement
-Selections
-Mitchell
-Names under consideration
  -ABA
  -Timing of announcement
  -ABA
  -ABA
-Possible veto power
-Name submissions
  -Warren E. Burger
-Mitchell
-Mildred L. Lillie and Herschel H. Friday
  -The President's position

News media's actions
-People's Republic of China [PRC] trip
  -Economic policy
  -Soviet trip

Supreme Court appointments
-ABA
  -Burger
  -Press
  -Timing of announcement

Nobel Peace Prize
-Willy Brandt
  -Announcement
  -The President's view
  -Soviets
  -Kissinger
  -Rogers
  -Gerard C. Smith
  -Brandt

Relations with the media
-Mary McGrory
  -Kissinger
    -Peking
  -Peter Lisagor
-Klein, Scali
- *New York Times*
- Lisagor
- Klein, Scali
- Robert B. Semple, Jr.
- Kissinger
  - Joseph A. Kraft
- Lisagor
  - Martin Z. Agronsky's television show
- Ziegler's schedule, October 19, 1971
  - Theodore H. White
  - Press
- Lisagor
- John F. Osborne
- Lisagor
- Klein
- Bill Potter of *Baltimore Sun*
- Lisagor
  - Klein
  - Ziegler's relationship with Lisagor
  - [Forename unknown] Sutherland
- The President's schedule for 1972
  - White House correspondents' dinner
  - Gridiron dinner
    - Cabinet officers
    - Supreme Court
  - White House photographers' dinner
    - Entertainment
  - Lyndon B. Johnson
- Ziegler's relationship with the press
  - *Newsweek*, *Los Angeles Times*
  - Marty Schram
  - *Los Angeles Times*
  - *Newsday* magazine
- PRC trip
  - Priorities
    - Wire services
    - Magazines
    - Television
    - *New York Times*
    - Associated Press [AP], United Press International [UPI]
Ziegler left at 10:58 am.

Employment
- Jonathan C. Rose
  - California
    - Office of Management and Budget [OMB]
      - Federal employment reduction
    - Department of Defense
    - Personnel policies
  - Public broadcasting
  - Peace Corps
  - Rose
  - Department of Health, Education and Welfare [HEW], Department of Housing and Urban Development [HUD], Department of Transportation, Peace Corps
  - Defense
  - Shultz
  - Budget cuts

Eliot Janeway
- Comments

Personnel
- Burns
  - Kissinger
  - Connally
  - Stans
  - Donald H. Rumsfeld
  - Governors, Senate
  - Flanigan
    - Talent survey
  - Frederic V. Malek's work
  - Gordon Gray
  - Talent searches
    - Chicago, Los Angeles, St. Louis, Detroit

Textile Agreement
- Peterson
- Media's opinion
- Administration's tactics
- Rogers
-Stans
-Kennedy
-Peterson
-Kissinger

US foreign policy
-Rogers
-Trip
  -Kissinger
  -USSR
  -Andrei A. Gromyko
  -PRC
  -USSR
  -Kissinger
  -Haig and Dwight L. Chapin
  -John H. Holdridge And Chapin

-Stans
-USSR
  -Kissinger
-PRC
  -Personnel for trip
  -Congressmen
-USSR
  -Visit by governors
  -Mansfield
  -Hugh Scott
  -Senate
-Haig
  -Rogers
  -Stans
-Rogers
  -USSR trip
  -Kissinger
  -Media
    -Washington Star story
    -Haldeman's conversation with Haig
-Kissinger
  -Impact on US foreign policy
-Nixon's role
  -PRC, USSR
  -Romania
Ziegler entered at 11:14 am.

Possible media inquiry
  -Brandt
    -Haig's view
    -Nobel Peace prize
      -The President's reaction

Ziegler left at 11:16 am.

The President's schedule
  -Forthcoming meeting with Ehrlichman
  -John R. Price, Jr.
  -Proposed radio address for veterans
  -Robert Allen
    -Rose Mary Woods
      -Responses to question
  -Media
    -The President's relations with reporters
      -Woods
  -Robert H. Abplanalp
  -Charles G. (“Bebe”) Rebozo
  -Ehrlichman
    -Tax cut

US foreign policy
  -Haig
    -Rogers
      -Moscow trip plans
        -Haldeman's forthcoming conversation
  -Rogers
    -Possible trip to USSR
      -Stans
      -Trade
      -Kissinger

H. R. (“Bob”) Haldeman talked with an unknown person at an unknown time between 11:16 am and 11:23 am.
[Conversation No. 597-3C]

Talking papers

[End of telephone conversation]

Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 11:16 am.

Meeting with Haig

Bull left at an unknown time before 11:23 am.

Media impressions
  -The President's conversation with Harlow
  -Mitchell
  -Comments about the President
  -The President's physical appearance
    -Health
  -Comparisons
    -Johnson
    -John F. Kennedy
    -Dwight D. Eisenhower
      -Health
    -Franklin D. Roosevelt
      -Portrait of Dorian Gray

Haig entered at 11:23 am.

The President’s trip to the USSR
  -Rogers
    -Kissinger
    -Washington Star story on Sunday October 17, 1971
      -Story on foreign policy credits by George Sherman
      -Kissinger
      -PRC, Romania
      -Rogers
      -Haig's conversation with Kissinger
  -Kissinger
    -Connally
      -Schedule
-Rogers
  -Kissinger
  -Moscow
    -Compared with Kissinger in Peking
    -The President’s view
    -Kissinger
      -Leonid I. Brezhnev
      -Anatoliy F. Dobrynin
      -The President’s view
  -Trade talks in Moscow
    -Stans
    -Brezhnev
    -Dobrynin
    -Timing
      -NATO meeting
      -PRC trip
      -Moscow trip
        -Advance staff
    -Jacob D. Beam
    -Stans
-US relations with USSR
  -Kissinger’s involvement
  -Middle East
  -Dobrynin
  -Rogers
    -Possible visit
      -Soviet view
  -European Security Conference
    -NATO
-Rogers
  -Dobrynin
  -Martin J. Hillenbrand
  -Gromyko
  -Middle East
  -European Security Conference
    -Kissinger
    -NATO
    -The President’s view
    -Other negotiations
-Dobrynin's contacts with administration
-European Security Conference
- Europeans
  - Brandt
    - *Time* magazine
      - Man of the Year
      - The President’s view
    - Nobel Prize
      - Martin Luther King, Jr.
- Possible Soviet Summit
  - Secretary of State's role
    - The President’s view
      - Kissinger
    - Robert H. Finch
      - Latin America
    - Connally
      - Asia
    - Vice President Spiro T. Agnew
      - Greece
    - European countries
- Preliminary work for Four-power meeting
  - NATO
    - British position
      - Paris meeting
- Possible European tour
  - Consultations with allies
- Possible Latin American consultations
  - Finch
    - Brazil, Venezuela
      - Brazilia
    - Mexico City
- Haig's assignment
  - Kissinger
- Possible Latin American venture
  - Timing
  - Surcharge
  - Kissinger
  - Charles A. Meyer
    - The President’s view
      - Rogers’s role
      - Finch
    - Haig’s responsibility
      - Meyer
Haldeman
- Organization of American States [OAS]
- Emilio Garrastazu Medici
  - Visit to US
  - Brazil
    - Brazilia
    - Rio de Janeiro
- Possible European tour
  - NATO meeting
    - Kissinger
- Possible Presidential meeting with Western European leaders
  - Timing
    - Haig’s view
    - Moscow trip
    - Peking trip
    - Rogers
    - Georges J.R. Pompidou
    - Kissinger
      - Ecuador
    - Fishing nights
- Role of the State Department
  - Africa
    - Latin America
      - Organization of African Unity [OAU]
        - The President’s view
      - Mrs. Nixon’s forthcoming trip
        - Liberia
  - Asia
    - Connally
- European meeting
  - Haig’s conversation with Kissinger
  - NATO
  - Kissinger
  - Security Conference
    - Strategic Arms Limitation Treaty [SALT]
  - Pompidou
  - Belgium, Holland, Greece, Turkey
  - British
    - Walter H. Annenberg
  - Paris
    - US embassy
- Pompidou
  - Arthur K. Watson
  - Rogers
  - Paris
- Latin America
  - Rogers
  - Finch

Forthcoming UN vote on Taiwan
- US actions
- Greeks
  - Agnew’s actions
- Turks
- Venezuela
  - Oil exports
- Argentina
- Haig’s assessment
- Bush
- Ghana
- Israel
  - Yitzhak Rabin
- Rogers

Haig left at 11:58 am.

Rogers
- European Security Conference
  - The President’s view
  - Kissinger
- Travel plans
  - Europe, Latin America

The President’s schedule
- Europe
  - Big Four
  - Rogers
  - Holland
  - Luxembourg
  - NATO

Rogers
-Melvin R. Laird

Latin America
- Democrats possible issue
- Colombia, Venezuela, Mexico

US foreign policy
- Latin America
  - Possible Presidential trip
    - Mexico
- Canada
  - Possible Presidential trip
- Aleksei N. Kosygin's visit
  - Demonstrations
  - The President's possible schedule
    - USSR
    - PRC
    - Length of trip
      - Official dinner
      - Itinerary
- Kosygin's visit
- Foreign visitors to the US
  - Soviets
  - Tito
    - Washington
    - Los Angeles
- European trip
  - Rogers
  - Kissinger
- Democrats issues
  - Latin America

Economy
- School milk
  - Casper W. Weinberger, George P. Shultz
- Parents' ability to pay
- Burns
  - Connally
  - Invitation to White House dinner
    - Connally
- Federal Reserve Board [FRB] appointment
-Connally
-Unknown man from Texas
-Connally’s view

Personnel
-Romana A. Banuelos
-Senate confirmation
-Harris
-Vance Hartke
-Los Angeles Times

Los Angeles Times news service
-AP
-UPI

US foreign policy
-Soviet trip
-Kissinger
-Rogers
-The President's forthcoming meeting with Chou En-lai
-The President’s instructions
-Kissinger
-Rogers
-Kissinger
-The President’s instructions
-Haig
-Mao Tse-tung
-Interpreters

Haldeman left at 12:20 pm.
Conv. No. 597-4 (cont.)

The President's schedule
   -Executive Office Building [EOB]

The unknown person and the President left at 12:30 pm.

Conversation No. 597-5

Date: October 20, 1971
Time: Unknown between 12:30 pm and 11:59 pm
Location: Oval Office

Unknown people met.

Job assignments

The President's schedule
   -Executive Office Building [EOB]

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