

**NIXON PRESIDENTIAL MATERIALS STAFF**

**Tape Subject Log**  
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Conversation No. 638-1

Date: December 15, 1971  
Time: Unknown between 8:38 am and 8:45 am  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

The President's schedule  
-Meeting with an unknown person

Bull left at an unknown time before 8:45 am.

Conversation No. 638-2

Date: December 15, 1971  
Time: Unknown between 8:38 am and 8:45 am  
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 16-103]

Conversation No. 638-3

Date: December 15, 1971  
Time: Unknown between 8:38 am and 8:45 am  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown person.

The President's schedule  
-Meeting with Henry A. Kissinger

The unknown person left at an unknown time before 8:45 am.



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Conversation No. 638-4

Date: December 15, 1971  
Time: 8:45 am - 11:30 am  
Location: Oval Office

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

Television program

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1  
[Personal Returnable]  
[Duration: 51s ]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

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The President's schedule  
-Ronald L. Ziegler  
-Staff meeting  
-John B. Connally

Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 8:45 am.

Pens

Bull left at an unknown time before 8:49 am.

Azores trip  
-Media coverage  
-Hobart Rowen  
-Connally  
-Airport statement

Alexander P. Butterfield entered at an unknown time after 8:45 am.

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The President's schedule

- Meeting with Connally
- Timing
- Availability of the President

Butterfield left at an unknown time before 8:49 am.

Azores trips

- Media coverage
- Devaluation of the dollar
- Effects
- US consumers

Henry A. Kissinger entered at 8:49 am.

Oval Office

- Decoration
- “Star of the President”

The President talked with the White House operator at 8:49 am.

Margaret Chase Smith's location

[End of telephone conversation]

Oval Office

- Decoration
- Walter H. Annenberg
- Steuben glass
- Presidential seal

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 21

[Privacy]

[Duration: 15s ]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 21

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- “Star of the President”
- Location in office
- Birds

Azores trip

- Media coverage
  - “Today Show” and “Columbia Broadcasting System [CBS] Morning News”
    - Explanation of devaluation
      - Effects
        - Prices
        - Jobs
- CBS interview of Connally
  - National Broadcasting Company [NBC]
  - Georges J.R. Pompidou
  - British
  - Japanese
  - Germans
- Geroge R.S. Baring [Earl of Cromer]
  - Talk with Kissinger
    - United Nations [UN] Security Council Resolution
    - Comments
      - Earl of Cromer’s location
- Edward R.G. Heath
  - French and US
  - Germans and Italians
- George P. Shultz
  - Talk with Kissinger
    - Convertibility
  - Talk with Connally

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- Peter G. Peterson
- Arthur F. Burns
- Kissinger's talk with Connally
- Meeting
- Convertibility
  - Numbers
  - Pompidou
  - Agreement
- French
  - Numbers
  - Concessions
  - Pompidou
  - Note about US reaction
- Press
  - Joseph C. Kraft
    - Previous conversation with Kissinger
    - Reaction to coverage
    - French
  - “Azores Doctrine”
    - “Guam Doctrine”
      - Difference in policy
  - Dan Rather
    - Comments
    - “Guam Doctrine”
      - Editorials
  - Rowen
- Stock Market
  - Effect of agreement
- Communiqué
  - Pompidou
  - Connally
    - Status of the dollar
      - England
      - Italy
      - Japan
- Pompidou
  - “Group of Ten” meeting
  - Devaluation
- Briefing
  - Connally’s previous conversation with Kissinger
  - Ziegler

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- Rather [?]
- John A. Scali
  - Preparation for questions
- Kissinger
  - Pompidou
- Connally
  - Praise from Kissinger
  - Role
  - Liaison with Congress
    - Meeting with leadership
    - Clark MacGregor

President's schedule

- Florida trip
  - Congressional meeting
    - Connally
    - Percentage of work

India-Pakistan situation

- British resolution
- Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR] assurances
  - West Pakistan
    - No military attack
- US strategy
  - UN
  - Possible letter exchange
    - Leonid I. Brezhnev and the President
    - Effect on People's Republic of China [PRC]
      - West Pakistan
- Summit meeting
  - Media coverage
    - CBS
  - USSR
  - Indians
  - PRC
  - Yuli M. Vorontsov
    - Brezhnev
  - Gen. Alexander M. Haig, Jr.
    - Ziegler
      - Coverage of Summit
- Brezhnev

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- Pakistan
  - USSR guarantee
  - Vorontsov
  - Dividing line
  - Formalization

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 3  
[National Security]  
[Duration: 1m 57s]

INDIA

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 3

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Bull entered at an unknown time after 8:49 am.

Smith  
-Incoming call

Bull left at 9:12 am.

The President talked with Smith between 9:12 am and 9:14 am.

[Conversation No. 638-4A]

[See Conversation No. 16-103; one item has been withdrawn from the conversation]

[End of telephone conversation]

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 5

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[Privacy]

[Duration: 14s ]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 5

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## Azores meeting

- Kissinger comments
- New York Times* story
  - Tad Szulc
  - Pompidou
- Terms discussed
  - Percentage of devaluation
- Germans, Japanese, and French
- Lyndon B. Johnson
- Connally
  - Kissinger opinion
- Shultz proposal
  - Germany
    - Possible settlement
  - Gold prices
  - French
  - Japanese
    - Finance Minister
      - Timing
- Peterson report
- Pompidou
- Possible written statement
- Heath
- Pompidou
- “Group of Ten” meeting
- President's stature in Europe
- President's trips to New York and Paris
- French and US relations
  - Dwight D. Eisenhower
  - Pompidou
  - Maurice Schumann



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

FRANCE

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 6

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- Pompidou
- Upcoming American elections
- George H. Gallup polls

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 7  
[Personal Returnable]  
[Duration: 4m 37s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 7

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- Media coverage
- Compared to John F. Kennedy
- Nixon Doctrine

Bull entered at an unknown time after 9:14 am.

President's schedule

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-Connally meeting

Bull left at an unknown time before 9:28 am.

The President's schedule

-Florida

Connally entered at 9:28 am.

Schedule

Azores meeting

-Public relations

-Media coverage

-Ziegler

-Scali

-Upcoming meeting with Connally

-President's instructions about questions

-Publicity

-Haldeman's opinion

-Compared to "Guam Doctrine"

-CBS coverage

-Rather

-Rowen

-Devaluation of the dollar

-NBC

-Connally interview with Irving R. Levine

-Price rises

-Jobs

-Ziegler

-Scali

-Devaluation

-Trade with Europe

-US progress

-Improvement of American competitive position

-Devaluation

-Imports

-American goods

-Prospects for the future

-Need for modesty

-US position

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- Consideration for US trade partners
- Possibility of recession abroad
- Earl of Cromer
  - Recent conversation with Kissinger
  - UN Security Council Resolution
  - President's instructions
    - Connally's upcoming conversation with the Earl of Cromer
- Karl Schiller
  - Quoted in the newspaper
  - Need for another meeting
  - Willy Brandt
    - Relationship with Schiller
    - Nobel Prize

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 8  
[National Security]  
[Duration: 1m 40s ]

WEST GERMANY

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 8

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- Schiller
- Brandt
  - Future meeting with the President
- Pompidou

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 22  
[National Security]  
[Duration: 43s ]

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WEST GERMANY

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 22

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- Congress
  - Henry S. Reuss
    - Possible Action
  - MacGregor
    - Briefing
  - Reuss
  - Jacob K. Javits
  - Authority to devalue
  - Trade terms
    - Potential problems
    - Convertibility
- Pompidou
- Congress
  - Strategy
  - Resolution of authority
  - Trade concessions
  - Banking and Currency Committee
  - Finance
  - Ways and Means Committee
    - Paul A. Volcker
    - Inclusion
  - Briefing
    - Schedule
    - Convertibility
    - Strategy
- Convertibility
  - Agreement
  - Recessions and depressions
  - World trade
  - Camp David
  - Burns

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- Predictions
- Stock exchange
- Agreement
- Briefing
  - Peterson
  - Shultz
  - Paul W. McCracken
  - Herbert Stein
  - Burns
  - Kissinger
  - State Department
    - Foreign Affairs Committee in Congress
      - J. William Fulbright
        - Involvement in briefing
    - India-Pakistan situation
    - Haldeman's call to William P. Rogers
      - Macgregor and Connally
    - Ways and Means Committee
  - Nathaniel Samuels
  - Volcker
    - Haldeman's call to Rogers
      - State Department's involvement
  - Ziegler
  - Scali
  - William D. Eberle
  - Directive about public statements
  - Michael J. Mansfield
  - Carl B. Albert
  - Michael J. Farrell

Haldeman left at 9:47 am.

- Public statements
  - Treasury Department
- Press
- Trade
  - Tobacco
  - Citrus
- Pompidou
  - Meeting with Kissinger
    - Tobacco

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- Grain
- Germans
- Need for his assistance
- Canadians
- Connally's role
- Credit for the President

## Connally's schedule

- Call to Germany
- Schiller meeting
  - Timing
- Breakfast
- Communications with Egon Bahr

## Child care bill

- Media
  - James J. Kilpatrick, Jr. column
  - News summary
    - President's use
    - Dallas
    - Chicago
    - Washington Post*
  - Kilpatrick
    - Column

## Azores meeting

- Connally
  - Strategy
    - Ziegler
    - Scali
      - Assistance to Connally
  - Future
  - Jobs
  - NBC interview
- Convertibility
  - Pompidou
  - Shultz
    - Instructions
    - Conversations with Connally and Kissinger
    - Views

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Haldeman entered at 9:55 am.

- Levine
  - Previous conversation with Connally
- Pompidou
- Congress
- Agenda
- Trade
- Revaluation of exchange rates
- Political strategy
  - Inflation
  - International monetary conditions
  - Employment
  - US leadership
- President's instructions
  - Public relations
- US world position since World War II
  - Finance
  - Monetary importance
    - The President's August 15, 1971 statement
    - Press coverage
  - European reaction
    - Need for co-operation
    - Importance
- Pompidou
- European position
  - Germany
- Jobs
- Results of meeting
  - Time lag
  - Currency realignment
    - 1972 election
- Impact of trade changes
- Burden sharing

Butterfield entered at an unknown time after 9:55 am.

- President's schedule
  - Congressional briefing
    - Peterson
    - Ziegler

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-Scali

Haldeman, Kissinger, and Butterfield left at 10:00 am.

Azores meeting

- Connally
- Credit for the President
- August 15, 1971 actions

Briefing

- The President's August 15, 1971 statement
- World markets
  - Convertibility
  - Jobs in Germany, France, and the US
  - Effects on trade
  - Need to improve US position
- Attitudes of Europeans
- Economics
  - Vitality of all participants
  - Importance to US interests
- US stance
  - Toughness
  - Purpose
- Upcoming agreements
  - Japan
  - Canada
  - Europe
- Devaluation of the dollar
  - Scali
- Possible comments by the President
- German deutschemark
- August 15, 1971 actions
- Wage and price controls
- Implications for the future of US currency
- Explanation of US position
- Scali
  - Location

Haldeman entered at 10:01 am.

-Photograph



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-Scali

Ziegler entered at 10:02 am.

President's instructions

- Need for unity
- Sensitivity of issues
  - Connally
- Scali
- Need for open communication
- Timing

Scali entered at 10:05 am.

- Press coverage
  - Upcoming negotiations
  - Need for White House clearance of remarks
- Connally
  - Wage and price freeze
  - Taxes
  - International monetary situation
  - President's accomplishments
    - Historical context
    - Timing
      - The President's August 15, 1971 statement
- Economic policy
  - Inflation
    - Phase I and II
  - Jobs
    - Tax incentive
  - International monetary situation
    - Chances for success
- Devaluation
  - Meaning
  - Effect on US goods and jobs
  - Reasons
- US monetary situation since World War II
  - Compared to other countries
  - US dollar overvalued
- Trade situation
  - Effect of monetary reform

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- Timing
- Results of Azores meeting
  - President's leadership stressed

Kissinger entered at 10:13 am.

- "Azores Doctrine"
  - Corollary to "Guam Doctrine"
    - Mutuality and burdensharing
- US role in meeting
  - Nationalism
- Effects in Europe
  - Burns's view
    - Instability
      - Possible recession
- US responsibility
  - Spending
  - Freedom
  - Stability
- European viewpoint
  - Pompidou
    - Perceived victory

Azores meeting

- Dealing with the Germans and Japanese
- National interests
- Reasons for US involvement
  - Offset agreement
  - Major currency realignment
  - Trade concessions
  - Realignment
    - Fairness to US dollar
- Pompidou
- Result for France
  - *Washington Star* article
    - George Sherman
- Heath's upcoming visit
- Pompidou
  - Previous conversation with the President
    - Simile
      - Lebanese

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-United Press International [UPI]

-Helen A. Thomas

-France

-Victory in devaluation

-Attitude toward gold

-Press

-Kissinger's opinion

-US objectives

-US results

-French results

-Ideology

-Gold prices

-World market prices

-Raising of price

-French viewpoint

-Connally's opinion

-Hoarding

-History

-French Revolution

-Kissinger's opinion

-Attitude toward own currency

-PRC

-View of money

-Methods

-French

-View of gold

-Pompidou

-Forthcoming election

-Relative revaluation

-Connally's backgrounder

-US position compared to French position

-Devaluation

-Revaluation

President's instructions

-Volcker

-Reuss

-William Proxmire

-Javits

-Democrats

-View of agreement

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- Possible change
- Franklin D. Roosevelt
- Revaluation
  - Effects internationally
    - Prices
    - Jobs
    - Prices abroad
    - US product prices
      - Effects in the US
    - Common Market
    - Japan
    - Effects on dollar
      - Vulnerability and strength
- Realignment of world currencies
  - Effects
    - Competitiveness of US goods
- Revaluation
  - Semantics
- France
- Connally
  - Work toward agreement
    - Recommendations
    - Negotiations
- President's comments about agreement
  - Pompidou
  - Great Britain
  - US economy
    - Compared to other Western powers
      - Germany and Japan
- Results
  - Credit
    - Connally
- Friday meeting with Connally
  - Instructions

Connally, Scali, and Kissinger left at 10:38 am.

## USSR summit

- Press coverage
  - Ziegler's previous conversation with Haig and Kissinger
- India

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Conv. No. 638-4 (cont.)

- USSR
  - Ziegler's strategy
- Kissinger

Haldeman talked with Kissinger [?] at an unknown time between 10:38 am and 10:41 am.

[Conversation No. 638-4B]

Requested Kissinger return to the Oval Office

[End of telephone conversation]

- India-Pakistan
  - USSR role
  - UN
  - Effect on negotiations
  - Potential problems

West Coast dock strike

- Timing of statement
- Settlement from President
- Possible questions
- Congress
  - Legislation
- Need for legislation
- Shultz's, Charles W. Colson's opinion
  - Farm belt opinion
- Need for transportation legislation
- Strategy
  - Ziegler's opinion
- Congressional action

Kissinger entered at 10:41 am.

India-Pakistan situation

- Ziegler strategy
  - USSR Summit
    - Possible effect
      - Kissinger's comments to the press
- Negotiations
  - Potential for success

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- Administration plans
- Rogers
- Effect on negotiations with USSR
- USSR Summit
  - Cancellation possibilities
    - Kissinger's remarks
    - The President's remarks
- PRC
- Vorontsov
  - Meeting with Kissinger

Azores meeting

- Connally
  - Compared to rest of Cabinet
  - Credit
  - Pompidou
    - Upcoming Group of Ten meeting
    - Publicity
    - Negotiations
  - Press
    - Szulc
    - Reaction
    - Pompidou
    - European press
      - Germans
      - European press compared to US press
      - Spiro T. Agnew
      - Skip Isaacs

Ziegler left at 10:54 am.

Release of Richard G. Fecteau from PRC

- Kissinger
  - Call to Edward W. Brooke and Edward M. Kennedy
- Kennedy
  - Statement
- Human interest story
- Confinement
  - Amount of time
    - Fecteau and Mary Ann Herbert
- Effect on prisoners of war [POW] wives

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- Mao Tse-Tung
- John T. Downey
- Sentence commutation

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 23

[National Security]

[Duration: 8s]

INTELLIGENCE

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 23

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-Effect on POWs

Kissinger's appointment with Vorontsov

- Timing
- UN Security Council resolution
- Brezhnev letter
- Request for letter about Pakistan USSR intention
  - Effect on PRC
    - Possible outcome
- Exchange of letters
- PRC
- USSR
- PRC

Personnel

- Scali
  - Future assignments
- Ziegler
- Scali
  - Importance of public relations
  - Reliability

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- Compared to Ziegler
- Haldeman
- Ziegler
  - Desire to get into Washington Special Action Group [WSAG]
  - Abilities
- Kissinger's forthcoming talk with Haldeman
- State Department
- William L. Safire
- Scali
- President's personnel philosophy

India-Pakistan relations

- Summit with the USSR
  - Possible cancellation
  - Kissinger's comments
- British resolution
- Strategy
- Opposition
- USSR
- PRC
- Indians
- US conservatives

President's schedule

- Briefing
  - Kissinger's memorandum
  - Connally's talking points

Kissinger's meeting with Vorontsov

- Timing
- Connally

Kissinger left at 11:05 am.

USSR Summit

- Kissinger's comments

President's schedule

- Florida
  - Length of visit
- Time* interview



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- Time and location
- Press conference
- Value-added tax [VAT]

## Connally

- Negotiations
- Pompidou
- Style

## Kissinger

## VAT

- Press coverage
- Magazines
- Joseph W. Alsop story
- Property taxes
- Sales taxes
- Effect on the poor

## President's schedule

- Press conference
  - Questions and answers [Q&A]
  - Vietnam announcement
    - Timing
  - Public opinion
  - Patrick J. Buchanan
  - Heath meeting
  - Brandt meeting
  - Group of Ten meeting
    - Location
    - Connally's schedule
    - Heath meeting
- Florida
  - Weather
- Camp David
- India-Pakistan relations
  - Kissinger
- Public opinion
- Meeting with Congress

Bull entered at an unknown time after 11:05 am.

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- Gifts
  - Money clips
    - Symbolism
- Need for new gifts
  - Placement of gifts
  - Recipients of gifts

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

President's schedule

- John D. Ehrlichman meeting
  - Anti-trust action on television networks
  - Ehrlichman's location
- Bill signings
  - National Cancer Act of 1971
  - Economic Stabilization Act Amendments of 1971
  - Alaska claims
  - Congress
    - Timing of bill signings
- Peterson memorandum
  - Commerce Department
    - Jobs
- Budget
  - Supersonic Transport [SST]
    - Ehrlichman
    - Possible passage
- “A Day in the Life of the President”
  - Music
    - Julie Nixon Eisenhower
      - Suggestions
        - Tchaikovsky, Beethoven, Rachmaninoff, Liszt
    - Rose Mary Woods
      - “Swan Lake” and “Sleeping Beauty”
        - Eugene Ormandy
        - London Symphony Orchestra
        - Russians
- Departure for Florida

The President talked with the White House operator at an unknown time between 11:05 am and 11:22 am.

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[Conversation No. 638-4C]

[See Conversation No. 16-104]

[End of telephone conversation]

The President's schedule

- Congress
  - Bill signing
- Budget

The President talked with Julie Eisenhower between 11:22 am and 11:25 am.

[Conversation No. 638-4D]

[See Conversation No. 16-105; one item has been withdrawn from the conversation]

[End of telephone conversation]

The President's schedule

- Time-Life* interview
  - Scheduling
    - Hedley W. Donovan
    - Church service
    - Location
      - Lincoln Sitting Room
- Staff open house
  - Christmas decorating
  - Thelma C. ("Pat") Nixon
  - Julie Nixon Eisenhower
- Florida
  - Meeting with Congressional leaders
    - Helicopter
    - Possible duration
      - Connally

An unknown person entered at an unknown time after 11:25 am.

- Agnew
- MacGregor and an unknown person

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The unknown person left at an unknown time before 11:30 am.

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 20  
[Personal Returnable]  
[Duration: 1m 14s ]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 20

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The President's schedule  
-Forthcoming Congressional meeting  
-MacGregor  
-William E. Timmons

Haldeman left at 11:30 am.

Conversation No. 638-5

Date: December 15, 1971  
Time: 11:33 am - 11:45 am  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Rose Mary Woods.

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1  
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[Duration: 29s ]

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END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

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The President's schedule  
-Florida

[Unintelligible]

- Julie Nixon Eisenhower
  - Washington Post* coverage
  - White House decorations
    - Thelma C. ("Pat") Nixon
    - Green Room
  - Kennedys
- Mrs. Nixon

- Decorations
  - Oval Office
    - Executive Office Building [EOB]
    - State gifts
    - Julie Nixon Eisenhower
    - “Star of the President” crystal

President's schedule

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Woods's schedule

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Conv. No. 638-5 (cont.)

- Dinner party
  - Maurice H. Stans
  - John A. Volpe
  - Donald H. Rumsfeld
  - Clark MacGregor
  - Earl L. Butz
  - Rogers C.B. Morton
  - John N. Mitchell
    - Martha (Beall) Mitchell
  - Elliot L. and Anne F. Richardson
  - George P. and Helena ("Obie") Shultz
  - Raymond K. Price, Jr.

Alexander P. Butterfield entered at an unknown time after 11:33 am.

- President's schedule
  - Meeting with Congress
  - William L. Safire
    - Upcoming Presidential election

Butterfield left at an unknown time before 11:45 am.

- Future of country
  - Democrats

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4  
[Personal Returnable]  
[Duration: 34s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4

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- Woods's dinner party
  - Tone
    - George W. and Lenore L. Romney

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Conv. No. 638-5 (cont.)

Azores meeting

-Letter to Portuguese Prime Minister [Dr. Marcello Jose des Neves Alves Caetano]  
and Brig. Gen. Thomas A. Aldrich, Jr.

-Gifts

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 6

[Personal Returnable]

[Duration: 59s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 6

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Azores meeting

-Significance

-Devaluation

-Jobs

-News reports

Woods left at 11:45 am.

Conversation No. 638-6

Date: December 15, 1971

Time: 11:45 am - 11:46 am

Location: Oval Office

The President met with Alexander P. Butterfield.

President's schedule

-Bill signing

-Forthcoming trip

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-Helicopter  
-Forthcoming meeting

Butterfield left at 11:46 am.

Conversation No. 638-7

Date: December 15, 1971  
Time: 11:51 am - 11:52 am  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Alexander P. Butterfield.

President's schedule  
-Forthcoming meeting

Butterfield left at 11:52 am.

Conversation No. 638-8

Date: December 15, 1971  
Time: 11:55 am - 12:02 pm  
Location: Oval Office

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

Press

-Sports

-George E. Allen  
-John A. Scali  
-George W. Romney  
-Washington Redskins  
-Turning point in season  
-President's visit to Redskins Park, November 23, 1971  
-Richard A. Moore  
-Ronald L. Ziegler  
-Scali



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- [Forename unknown] Bethe [?]
- Forthcoming article
- Allen
- Praise
- Los Angeles Rams

President's schedule

- Meeting with Congress
  - William P. Rogers
  - Georges J.R. Pompidou
  - Henry A. Kissinger
  - Money
  - Nathaniel Samuels
- Upcoming trip to the People's Republic of China [PRC]
  - California
  - Press
  - Hawaii
  - Guam
  - California
  - Hawaii
    - Nelson A. Rockefeller house
    - Length of visit
  - California
    - Send off
  - Hawaii
  - Guam
    - Nimitz house
    - Guam Doctrine
  - California
  - Hawaii
  - Guam
  - Wake Island
  - Formal departure from the White House
  - Los Angeles Times*
  - Hawaii
    - Weather
    - Accommodations
    - Maui
    - Rockefeller house
  - Guam
  - Oahu

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Conv. No. 638-8 (cont.)

-Commander in Chief, Pacific [CINCPAC]

Haldeman left at 12:02 pm.

Conversation No. 638-9

Date: December 15, 1971

Time: Unknown between 12:02 pm and 12:06 pm

Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

Congressional briefing

-Wilbur D. Mills

-John W. Byrnes

-Russell B. Long

-Long

Bull left at an unknown time before 12:06 pm.

Conversation No. 638-10

Date: December 15, 1971

Time: Unknown between 12:02 pm and 12:06 pm

Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

Asks that Paul A. Volcker come to the Oval Office

Bull left at an unknown time before 12:06 pm.

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Conversation No. 638-11

Date: December 15, 1971  
Time: Unknown between 12:02 pm and 12:06 pm  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown person.

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[Personal-Returnable]  
[Duration: 19s ]

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The unknown person left at an unknown time before 12:06 pm.

Conversation No. 638-12

Date: December 15, 1971  
Time: 12:06 pm - 12:07 pm  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Paul A. Volcker and an unknown man.

- US monetary crisis
- Recent history
- Speech

Volcker and the unknown man left at 12:07 pm.

Conversation No. 638-14

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Date: December 15, 1971  
Time: Unknown between 12:07 pm and 1:22 pm  
Location: Oval Office

Unknown men [Secret Service agents] met.

An unknown agent talked with an unknown person.

[Conversation No. 638-14A]

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1  
[Federal Statute]  
[Duration: 5s ]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

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[End of telephone conversation]

The President's location  
-Cabinet Room

Conversation No. 638-13

Date: December 15, 1971  
Time: 1:22 pm - 1:45 pm  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Alexander P. Butterfield.  
[The recording begins while the conversation is already in progress]

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Conv. No. 638-13 (cont.)

The President talked with an unknown person at an unknown time after 1:22 pm.

[Conversation No. 638-13A]

President's schedule

- Departure
- John D. Ehrlichman

[End of telephone conversation]

- Bill signing
- H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman

Ehrlichman and Charles W. Colson entered at 1:24 pm.

Media

- Networks
  - Antitrust action
    - Columbia Broadcasting System [CBS]
    - John N. Mitchell
  - CBS
    - Removal of Richard S. Salant
    - Reorganization

Butterfield left at 1:26 pm.

- Value-added tax [VAT]
  - Haldeman
  - Coverage
  - Strategy
  - Edmund S. Muskie
  - Rowland Evans and Robert D. Novak
  - Muskie
    - Position

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[Personal Returnable]  
[Duration: 20s ]

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Stephen B. Bull entered and left at an unknown time after 1:26 pm.

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2  
[Personal Returnable]  
[Duration: 23s ]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2

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- Supersonic transport [SST]
  - John B. Connally
  - Georges J.R. Pompidou
  - Reaction
  - Congress
  - Strategy
    - Outside petitions
  - Budget
  - Research
  - Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]
    - Sputnik
  - Boeing

[Background noise]

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- George Meany
  - Health
  - Note from the President
  - Christmas
    - Hopes for a speedy recovery

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4

[Privacy]

[Duration: 49s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4

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- Azores meeting
  - Results
    - France
    - Possible staff reaction
    - France
      - Germans and Japanese
      - Henry A. Kissinger
    - Publicity
    - Connally
    - “New Economic Policy”
    - John A. Scali and Ronald L. Ziegler
    - Kissinger
      - Role

- President's economic policy
  - Machine tool industry
  - Retail sales
    - Trend
    - Effect of weather and holiday season
  - New York Times* article
    - [Forename unknown] Solomon
    - Unemployment

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- Unknown Georgetown University professor
  - Washington Post* article
    - Support for the President's policies
- Information for supporters
  - Dissemination
    - Talking point
- Spiro T. Agnew speech
  - Muskie
    - John F. Kennedy
- House Resolution [H R] 1
  - Herman E. Talmadge
  - Social Security
  - Work requirements
  - Aid to dependent children
  - Conservatives
  - Possible veto
  - Congress
    - Wayne L. Hayes

President's schedule

- Bill signing
  - Cancer
  - Congress's schedule
  - Michael J. Mansfield
- Visit to Redskins Park, November 23, 1971
  - The President's conversation with Haldeman
  - Effect on the Washington Redskins

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Christmas season

- Effect on the staff
- Administration's generation of news

State of the Union address

- President's schedule

“A Day in the Life of the President”

- Washington Star* article
- Julie Nixon Eisenhower
  - Christmas tree and decorations
- Christmas message
- CBS
  - Timing

Staff

Ehrlichman and Colson left at 1:45 pm.