Conversation No. 700-1

Date: April 3, 1972
Time: Unknown between 8:40 am and 8:54 am
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with an unknown person.

Phone call to the President

Conversation No. 700-2

Date: April 3, 1972
Time: Unknown after 8:40 am and 9:09 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown person.

Tape for Rose Mary Woods to transcribe
   -Personal file

Henry A. Kissinger entered at 8:54 am.

Vietnam
   -Briefing
   -Melvin R. Laird

The unknown person left at an unknown time before 9:09 am.

   -Kissinger's order on reports from Gen. Creighton W. Abrams, Jr.
   -Kissinger's conversation with H. R. (“Bob”) Haldeman
   -Delivery to the President
   -Laird
      -Editing of reports from Abrams
   -Delays
   -North Vietnamese attack
      -Scope
      -Tanks
      -Number
- Donh Ga
- Abrams's assessment
- Press reports
  - Compared with Laos coverage
  - Soldiers' opposition to war
- Army of the Republic of Vietnam [ARVN]
  - Military Assistance Command, Vietnam [MACV]
- Bombing
  - Laird
    - The President’s recent trip to the People’s Republic of China [PRC]
- Reports on possible attack
  - Kissinger's conversation with Alexander M. Haig, Jr.
- Haig’s call to Gen. Robert E. Pursley
- Attacks over Demilitarized zone [DMZ]
  - David Kraslow
    - Call to Kissinger
      - Adm. Thomas H. Moorer
    - Laird
  - Withdrawals
    - US response
- Bombing attacks
  - Laird
    - Promise to Abrams
    - Abrams
    - Pursley
      - Attitude toward war
    - Clark M. Clifford
    - Robert S. McNamara
- Abrams
- Call from Kissinger
- Report to the President
  - Possible leaks
- US military operations
  - Kissinger’s schedule
    - Washington Special Actions Group [WSAG]
  - The President’s possible meeting with Moorer and [David] Kenneth Rush
  - Laird
    - Problems
- Attacks on North Vietnam
- Air attacks
  - Kissinger's conversation with John D. Ehrlichman
- Weather limitations
- Battle of the Bulge
- Bad weather attacks
- Reluctance to attack North Vietnam

- Press reports
  - Defense Department
  - Moorer
  - I Corps
    - Helicopters
  - Transportation to combat zone
    - Restrictions
    - Rush

- North Vietnamese attacks
  - ARVN losses
  - DMZ
  - Provincial cities
    - Hue and Da Nang
    - Kontum
    - Quang Tri
  - Assessment of gains
    - Retaliation
  - Rainy season
  - Kissinger's meeting with Anatoliy F. Dobrynin
    - Berlin treaty

- Soviets
  - Importance of summit

- PRC
  - US message

- North Vietnamese attacks
  - US bombing
    - Intensity
    - Joint Chiefs of Staff [JCS]
  - The President's meeting with Moorer
    - Importance of attacks
    - Direct orders
    - Laird
    - Rush
    - News summaries
      - State and Defense Departments

- DMZ
- Kissinger's meeting with John A. Scali
- Ronald L. Ziegler, Robert J. McCloskey and Daniel Z. Henkin
  - WSAG meeting
  - Public relations efforts
    - Geneva 1954 accords and 1968 understanding
    - Supply depots and anti-aircraft
  - Public relations efforts
    - Departments of State and Defense
    - Ziegler's statement
    - Gerald L. Warren's comments
    - Involvement of Americans
      - Abrams
  - ARVN
    - Possible situation
    - Consequences
    - Necessity of US response
      - Japanese, Soviet and PRC cooperation
  - Air attacks
    - Delays
      - Laird
    - Weather
    - Preparations
      - JCS
    - Immediate action
  - Briefing
  - ARVN
    - Possible situation
    - Consequences
    - Soviet Union
    - PRC
    - Election
  - Kissinger’s prognostication
    - May 1, 1972
    - Negotiations
  - The President's trip to Kentucky
    - 101st Airborne
    - Alternate schedule
    - North Vietnamese attack
    - US response
    - Press reports
      - US casualties
      - Hostility to US policy
The President met with H. R. (“Bob”) Haldeman.

The President's trip to Philadelphia
- Plans
  - Uncertainty
- Value
- Announcements
  - Programs
- George P. Shultz
- John B. Connally
  - Judgment of value
- Plans
  - Day and time

The President's schedule
- Problem with unknown activity
  - Publicity
  - Announcement
    - Changes
    - Invitations
    - News reports
- Cancellation
- Vice President Spiro T. Agnew’s appearance

Kissinger left at 9:09 am.
-The President's visit to Kentucky
  -Vietnamization
  -Timing
  -Problems
    -Catholic school event in Philadelphia
    -Haldeman's conversation with Henry A. Kissinger
  -A speech

Vietnam
  -US propaganda efforts
    -Deficiencies
    -News summary
    -Predictions of losses
      -Cities
    -Army of the Republic of Vietnam [ARVN]
  -North Vietnamese attacks
    -Need for US response
    -Kissinger
    -Media coverage
      -Bad news
      -Significance of loss of cities
      -Kontum
  -Laos and Cambodia
  -North Vietnam
    -Media departure
  -The President's trip to Kentucky
    -Welcome to Airborne Division
    -Timing
  -The President’s schedule
    -Adm. Thomas H. Moorer
  -Propaganda efforts
    -Prediction of offensive
      -Timing
      -Criticism
    -Ronald L. Ziegler's involvement
    -The President's credibility
  -Kissinger
    -Talk with David Kraslow
    -Nguyen Van Thieu
    -Pentagon
-Comments on offensive

Staff morale

John D. Ehrlichman's schedule
- Editorial boards
- Telecision events

International Telephone and Telegraph [ITT] case
- Public attitudes
  - Interest
  - Concern
  - Hugh S. Sidey
    - Howard R. Hughes case

Economy
- Ehrlichman
- Food prices
  - Connally
  - Decline
  - Giant Food Stores
    - Meat prices
      - Government pressure
  - Publicity
- Cost of Living Index
  - Release

The President's schedule
- Vietnam
  - Amount of time
  - Meeting with Moorer, Melvin R. Laird and [David] Kenneth Rush
- Domestic issues
  - Schools
- The President's meeting with John N. Mitchell and Connally

Vietnam
- William P. Rogers and Laird
  - Cambodia and Laos
  - Aggressiveness
  - Possible actions
    - Press conferences
-Military action
-Bombing campaign
-Bombing
-Weather

ITT case
-George S. McGovern charges
- Taxes
- Effect on election chances
- Publicity
- Wisconsin primary
-Peter Lisagor's report
- Liberal bias
- Honesty
- Annoyance with Democrats
  - John F. Osborne on 1970 demonstrators
-Publicity
- Dita D. Beard
  - Interview on 60 Minutes
  - Testimony
  - Senate investigation
  - Life photograph

White House staff
- Schedules
  - Charles W. Colson
    - Meeting with unknown people

Edward M. Kennedy

1972 election
- Secret Service coverage
  - Michael J. Mansfield
  - Kennedy
  - Connally's interpretation
  - Kennedy
    - Status as candidate
    - Protection

Agnew
- Attack on Jules Witcover
- Book on Agnew
The White House operator talked with Haldeman at 9:33 am.

[Conversation no. 700-3A]

[See Conversation no. 22-63]

Haldeman conferred with the President at an unknown time.

Call from Tricia Nixon Cox

Tricia Nixon Cox talked with the President between 9:33 and 9:34 am; one item has been withdrawn from the conversation.

[End of telephone conversation]

Witcover
  - Criticism of Agnew

ITT case
  - *New York Times* editorial
  - Conclusion of case
    - Decline in interest
  - Editorials
    - *New York Times*
    - *Washington Post*
  - Beard memorandum
  - Media efforts
  - Impact on Vietnam offensive
  - Public interest
    - Role of newspapers and networks

Vietnam
  - North Vietnamese offensive
    - The president's statement
      - Abrams
    - Initial successes
      - Gains by North Vietnam
    - Cambodia
    - ARVN losses
-Press reports
  -News summary
  -Emphasis on negative

-Negotiations
  -Chances
  -Weather
  -US bombing attacks
  -US election
-Casualty rates
  -Distortions by press
-White House staff
  -Morale
    -Press attacks
      -ITT
      -Congress
-Critics of the president

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 5
[Personal returnable]
[Duration: 1m 44s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 5

Easter egg hunt
  -Noise
  -Weather

Agnew
  -Gridiron Dinner
  -Trip to Kentucky
    -Greetings to 101st Airborne
    -Publicity
      -Problems for Vietnam offensive
The President's schedule
- Speech to Catholics
  - [National Catholic Education Association]
- Trip to Kentucky
- Speech in Philadelphia
- Connally

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 6
[Personal returnable]
[Duration: 17s.]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 6

-Camp David trip
- Problems
  - Gridiron Dinner
- Time and day
  - Canadian trip
- Gridiron Dinner
  - Importance
    - Compared with Bohemian Grove event
- Trip to Camp David
  - Departure
  - Return day
- Trip to Kentucky
  - Agnew as substitute
    - Arrangements
      - 101st Airborne division

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 7
[Personal returnable]
Kissinger entered at 9:49 am.

Vietnam
- Pentagon briefing of Kissinger
- Kentucky event
- North Vietnamese offensive
  - Destruction of ARVN regiments
  - Superiority
  - Defensive line
  - Sense of urgency
    - Moorer
- Lack of US reaction
  - Laird
  - Stakes of war
- US bombing
  - Air sorties
    - Number
    - Limitations
    - B-3 area
- Purpose
- North Vietnamese forces
  - ARVN re-enforcements
    - Marine brigades
    - Saigon
- ARVN defeats
- US reaction
  - Moorer and Rush
    - Meeting with the President
    - Arrangements
      - Washington Special Actions Grip [WSAG]
    - Talking points
      - Informing the President
      - Moorer
-Responsibilities
  -Air strikes
    -Number
    -Limitations
  -B-52s
    -Orders
    -North Vietnam
      -Dong Hoi
      -Importance
    -Moorer

-Military
  -Current attitudes
    -Abrams
    -Ellsworth F. Bunker
    -Return to Saigon
      -Conversation with Abrams and Thieu
  -Abrams
    -Promotion
      -Laird
    -Gen. Robert E. Pursley
    -Aggressiveness
      -Message to Moorer
      -Message To Laird

Haldeman left at 9:55 am.

-Publicity
  -WSAG meeting
  -Problems with public relations
  -Predictions of losses
    -Cities
  -Public relations efforts
    -Abrams
    -Anticipated Losses
      -Abrams
      -Kissinger’s talk with Ziegler and John A. Scali
    -Cities
      -Quang Tri and Kontum
      -Supply problems

Kissinger left at 9:59 am.
Conversation No. 700-4

Date: April 3, 1972
Time: Unknown between 9:59 am and 10:06 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown woman.

The President's meeting with Thomas H. Moorer and [David] Kenneth Rush
- Henry A. Kissinger

The unknown woman left at an unknown time before 10:06 am.

Conversation No. 700-5

Date: April 3, 1972
Time: 10:06 am - 10:20 am
Location: Oval Office


Greetings

Rush's new job

Easter egg roll
- Weather

Vietnam
- Purpose of meeting
  - Moorer
- Rush's Attendance
- David Packard
- Washington Special Action Group [WSAG] meetings
- Chain of command
- The President as Commander-In-Chief
- Melvin R. Laird
- Briefing
  - Orders
  - Arrival time
  - Reprimand
  - Arrival time
  - Orders
- Air strikes
  - Orders
    - Demilitarized zone [DMZ]
  - Number
  - Weather
  - Gen. Creighton W. Abrams, Jr.’s reaction
- North Vietnamese offensive
  - Abrams's reaction
    - Abrams's conduct
      - Chances for promotion
      - Behavior
      - Proposals for use of air power
  - Defense Department reports
    - Inaccuracies
    - Temporizing
  - US reaction
    - Massive retaliation
    - Air power
      - Battle of the bulge
        - Bad weather
      - Navy
      - Carriers on station
        - Number
      - Use Of B-52s
        - Recommendations
        - Effectiveness
        - Surface to air missiles [SAMs]
- The President's sources of information
  - Inadequacies
  - Briefings
- Orders
- Abrams
  - Cancellation of Military Assistance Command, Vietnam [MACV] staff
  - Social functions
-Proposals for counteroffensive
  -Use of air power
    -Surprise
    -B-3 area
      -Tanks, ground forces
    -MACV
      -Army of the Republic of Vietnam [ARVN]
    -Concentration
      -B-3 area
      -Dong Hoi

-Air strikes
  -Delays
    -Weather
      -Laird’s talk with Kissinger
  -Implementation
  -Weather
  -Effectiveness
  -ARVN
  -Risks for Air Force
    -Compared with Battle of the Bulge
  -North Vietnamese missile sites
    -Mobility
  -Abrams and John S. McCain, Jr.
    -Commander in Chief Pacific [CINCPAC]
    -Requests for authority to attack missile sites
      -Tanks
      -Mobile artillery
      -DMZ

-Reports to the President
  -Secretary of Defense
  -Orders
    -Unsanitized reports

-Abrams
  -Scope of authority
  -DMZ targets
    -The President’s recent trip to the People’s Republic of China [PRC]
    -North Vietnamese targets
      -Requests
      -Weather

-Air sorties
Moorer, Rush and Kissinger left at 10:20 am.

Date: April 3, 1972
Time: Unknown between 10:20 am and 10:23 am
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with Henry A. Kissinger.

Vietnam
- Air strikes
- Authority
  - Gen. Creighton W. Abrams’s request
- Time
  - The President's trip to People's Republic of China [PRC]
- Kissinger's investigation
  - Alexander M. Haig, Jr.
- Implementation
The President met with H. R. (“Bob”) Haldeman.

The President's meeting with Adm. Thomas H. Moorer
  -Impact
  -[David] Kenneth Rush
  -Orders

Vietnam
  -Gen. Robert E. Pursley’s and Melvin R. Laird's actions
  -Delays
  -Manipulation of figures
  -North Vietnamese offensive
    -Propaganda
      -Henry A. Kissinger
      -John A. Scali
      -Ronald L. Ziegler
      -Robert J. McCloskey
      -Anticipated losses
        -Concentration of strength
  -Scali
    -Involvement
  -Kissinger
    -Meetings With Scali, Ziegler and Herbert G. Klein
  -Handling
    -Macv [Military Assistance Command, Vietnam]
    -Defense Department
      -Problems
  -Kissinger
  -Press reports
    -Adverse news
  -US response
    -Timing
      -Kissinger
  -William P. Rogers and Laird
    -Crossing of Demilitarized Zone [DMZ]
    -Nguyen Van Thieu
  -Kissinger
  -Public relations efforts
    -Cambodia
- Laos
  - Problems
  - Compared with Cambodia and Laos
  - US losses
    - Public relations problems
    - Helicopter
    - Bomber
    - Casualties
  - US casualties
    - Significance
      - Vietnamization
  - Public relations efforts
    - Haldeman, Kissinger, Scali, Ziegler and Klein
    - Scali and Ziegler
    - Problems
      - Compared with Laos
    - Robert Elegant
    - Kissinger's participation in public relations group
      - Daily review
    - Importance of issue
      - Compared with meat prices issue

Foreign policy
  - Achievements
    - Laos
  - Forthcoming Soviet trip
    - Announcements

Vietnam
  - Moorer
  - North Vietnamese Offensive
    - Air strikes
      - Weather
      - Intensity
    - Use of tanks
      - Targets

Easter egg roll
  - Attendance
  - Work
  - Army Band
Vietnam
- Public relations efforts
  - Cambodia
  - Laos
    - Daily review
    - Haldeman
    - Washington Special Action Group [WSAG] meetings
  - Kissinger
    - Work with Ziegler and Scali
    - Work with Haldeman
- Press
  - Removal
- Sense of Crisis
  - North Vietnamese offensive
    - Diversion from other problems
      - George P. Shultz
  - Media distortions
- South Vietnam
  - Possible settlement
  - Areas of strength
    - Delta, Saigon
- Chances of peace
  - Kissinger's negotiations
  - Paris
Conv. No. 700-7 (cont.)

-Alexander M. Haig, Jr.
-Bombing
-Suspension
-Kissinger's meeting with People's Republic of China [PRC] officials
-Negotiation breakthrough
-Kissinger
-Congress
-Rogers and State Department
-US handling of war

Vice President Spiro T. Agnew
-Call from Haldeman
-Trip to Kentucky
-Laird
-Rogers

Vietnam
-Rogers and Laird
-Possible meeting with the President
-Proposals
-Rogers
-Bangladesh
-US relations
-State Department
-Conflict with White House
-Leak
-Public opinion
-Kissinger

Foreign policy
-Leaks
-Use by administration

Education
-Statements for the President on Catholic education
-John B. Connally
-John D. Ehrlichman
-Timing
-Limitations
-Trip to Philadelphia
-Trip to Florida
The President's schedule
-Camp David
  -Ziegler's statement
  -Weather
  -Vietnam situation
-Weather
-Florida
-California
-Situation Room
-Camp David
-Meeting with Robert S. Ingersoll
  -Length
  -Another meeting
  -Kissinger's recommendation
  -Rogers and Marshall Green
  -Kissinger's trip to Japan
  -Rogers and Green
  -Kissinger's presence
  -Length
  -Vietnam problems
-Meetings with ambassadors
  -Appointments
-Earl L. Butz
  -Trip to Soviet Union
  -US agricultural exports
  -Meeting with the President
    -Problems
  -Food prices
-Meeting with John H. Chafee
  -Farewell visit
    -John N. Mitchell's views
  -A primary
  -Call to Mitchell
-Federal Reserve Board [FRB] appointment
  -Arthur F. Burns
    -Choices
  -Younger candidate
    -Advantage
    -Problems
- Burns's objections
- Connally
- Meeting with Ingersoll
  - Scheduling
  - Japan
  - Kissinger
- Explorer scouts
- Environmental awards
  - Thelma C. ("Pat") Nixon
- Problems
  - "Peaceniks"
  - Vietnam
- Julie Nixon Eisenhower's handling
  - Advisory committee
- School principal and science teacher
- Julie Nixon Eisenhower
  - Handling in Oval Office
- Environmentalists
  - Vietnam

Bands on White House lawn
  - Audience
  - Number
  - Afternoon performance

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 7
[Personal returnable]
[Duration: 34m]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 7

International Telephone and Telegraph [ITT] case
  - Department of Justice
  - Mitchell, Kleindienst and Richard W. McLaren
  - Hard line against ITT
- Connally, the Vice President and Peter M. Flanigan
- John D. Ehrlichman
- Pressure to ease off
  - White House
- Antitrust policy
  - Conflict with White House
    - McLaren, Mitchell and Kleindienst
    - Connally, Stans, Peter G. Peterson, Flanigan and Ehrlichman
    - Opposition to antitrust action
- George S. McGovern
- Statement
  - Taxes
  - Problems
- Staff
  - Edward M. Kennedy's supporters
  - Securities and Exchange Commission [SEC] files
  - Candidacy

Easter egg roll
- Audience
  - Number
  - Children
  - Easter Bunny
  - Bands
  - Temperature outside

The President's schedule
- Executive Office Building [EOB] office
- Trip to Philadelphia
- Trip to Kentucky
  - Publicity
  - Agnew
- EOB office

Haldeman left at 11:35 am.
Date: April 3, 1972
Time: Unknown between 11:39 am and 4:27 pm
Location: Oval Office

Unknown persons [Secret Service agents?] met.

The President’s location
-Executive Office Building [EOB]

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Agency Statute]
[Duration: 2s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
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H. R. (“Bob”) Haldeman’s location

An unknown agent talked with an unknown person at an unknown time between 11:35 am and 4:27 pm.

[Conversation No. 700-8A]

The President’s location
-EOB

[End of telephone conversation]

The President’s location
-EOB

An unknown agent talked with an unknown person at an unknown time between 11:39 am and 4:27 pm.

[Conversation No. 700-8B]
The President’s location
  -EOB

[End of telephone conversation]

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2
[Agency Statute]
[Duration: 6s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2

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The unknown agents left at an unknown time before 4:27 pm.

Conversation No. 700-9

Date: April 3, 1972
Time: 4:27 pm - 4:31 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Henry A. Kissinger; the recording began at an unknown time while the conversation was in progress.

Vietnam
  -Impact on US foreign policy
  -Response to offensive
  -Leadership
  -Moscow summit
    -Possible cancellation
    -Consequences
  -Algeria
    -Impact on France
      -France's status in world
Conv. No. 700-8 (cont.)

-Kissinger left at 4:31 pm.

Conversation No. 700-10

Date: April 3, 1972
Time: 4:32 pm - 5:36 pm
Location: Oval Office

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

John D. Ehrlichman
-Preparations for meeting with Henry A. Kissinger
  -Speech
    -Raymond K. Price, Jr.
  -Speech
    -Price
  -Discussion with John B. Connally
    -The President's trip to Philadelphia
    -Tax reform proposal

Vice President Spiro T. Agnew
-Speech at National Cathedral School

The President's schedule
-Price
-Appointments
  -Vietnam
-Speech draft
  -Work

Education representative, Sidney P. Marland, Jr.
-Speech to convention
  -The President's greetings

Book by Russell Kirk
-The President's memorandum
  -A Program for Conservatives
- [Dwight] David Eisenhower, II and Julie Nixon Eisenhower
  *The Conservative Mind*
- Publication
- Cover
  - Title
  - Problems
- Copies
  - Staff members
  - Patricia H. Alsop
  - Mix-up
  - Julie Nixon Eisenhower

### Drug speech
- Further work by the President
- Hotline
- Television
- Radio delivery
- Television delivery
  - Problems
- Radio speech
  - Value
  - Drafting
- Problem of drugs
  - John R. (“Tex”) McCrary, Richard A> Moore and Dwight L. Chapin
- Personification
  - Myles J. Ambrose
  - Compared with J. Edgar Hoover
- John N. Mitchell
- Ambrose
  - Presence at arrests
  - McCrary
- Announcements
  - New penalties
  - Hotline
    - Phone company
      - Notification
  - Radio speech

### Press conference
- McCrary
  - Office
-Photograph pool
  -Need for more film
  -Television

-Problems
  -Timing
  -Meeting with editors

The President's schedule
  -Open weeks
  -Vietnam
    -Bombing
    -Weather breaks

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Personal returnable]
[Duration: 3m 14s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2
[Personal returnable]
[Duration: 3m 17s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2

Alexander P. Butterfield entered at 4:41 pm.

Ehrlichman
  -Meeting with the President

Butterfield left at 4:42 pm.
Polls
  -ITT case
  -Impact
    -Dita D. Beard
  -Busing
  -Food prices
    -Negative impact

Busing
  -Ehrlichman

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 3
[Personal returnable]
[Duration: 11s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 3

Media relations
  -Story on young men in administration
  -People's Republic of China [PRC]
    -Ronald L. Ziegler
    -Winston Lord
  -Life
BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4
[Personal returnable]
[Duration: 9s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4

John D. Ehrlichman entered at 4:52 pm.

Greetings

Ehrlichman’s schedule

Haldeman left at 4:53 pm.

Busing
  -Ehrlichman's role in issue
    -Charles W. Colson
  -Clark MacGregor
    -Meeting with southern congressmen
  -Edward L. Morgan
  -Administration's position
    -Publicity in Michigan
  -Fifty cities
    -Visits
  -Moratorium strategy
    -Work with Congress
      -Jacob K. Javits
        -Need to counteract
    -Votes in conference
      -Morgan
    -Impact in California

Manolo Sanchez entered at an unknown time after 4:53 pm.

Refreshment
The President left at an unknown time before 5:36 pm.

Refreshments

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 5:36 pm.

[No conversation]

The President entered at an unknown time after 4:53 pm.

Busing
  -California
  -Administration's statement
    -Television
  -California
    -Ehrlichman's visits

Ehrlichman's visit to California
  -St. Helena

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 6
[Personal returnable]
[Duration: 27s.]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 6

-Busing issue
  -Interest
    -Blacks
  -Support for the President
BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 7
[Personal returnable]
[Duration: 2m 44s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 7

Busing
- Constitutional amendment
  - Racial division
  - Alienation of poor blacks
  - *Los Angeles Times*
  - Wine growers in Napa Valley
- *Los Angeles Times* colloquy
  - Ehrlichman's meeting
    - Davis
    - [Unknown person]
    - Richard Burkholdt
    - Carl [?] [Surname unknown]
    - Tony Day
    - Burkholdt
- Administration position
  - Opposition to court ordered busing
  - Distinction from voluntary busing
  - State of the Union speech
  - Democratic principles
    - David Eisenhower
- Polls
  - Ehrlichman's talks with Haldeman
  - Questions on popular perceptions
    - Lyndon K. ("Mort") Allin
- Media
  - Confusion of issues
  - Editorial writers
  - Publicity for administration's opposition
    - Busing
  - [First name unknown] Mitchell
- Marion W. Edelman
- National Broadcasting Company [NBC] special
  - Edelman
  - Howard H. Baker, Jr.
  - Abraham A. Ribicoff
  - Busing in north
  - Administration's opposition
- Congress
  - Strom Thurmond
  - Samuel J. Ervin, Jr.

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END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 8

Bay of Pigs files
  - Orders for Department of Defense
    - David Young
      - J. Fred Buzhardt, Jr.
  - Lucien E. Conein
  - White House involvement
  - Richard M. Helms
  - John A. McCone
  - Allan W. Dulles
  - Helms
  - Involvement in Bay of Pigs incident
Pentagon Papers
- J. William Fulbright hearings
  - Release of "Kennedy papers"
  - Fulbright's intentions
  - Vietnam
- Files on assassinations
  - Television documentary
  - Kennedy allies
  - Life

Victor L. Marchetti
- Publication of story on CIA
  - Helms's concern
  - Reasons for concern
  - Harm to CIA
- Law suit against Marchetti
  - Breach of contract
  - Criminal suit
  - Injunction

Population Commission
- Ehrlichman's meetings with John D. Rockefeller III
  - Nelson A. Rockefeller's calls to Ehrlichman
- Proposals for the President
  - Treatment
    - Abortion
    - Compared with Marijuana commission
  - Administration's disagreement
    - The President’s population message
    - Handling
      - Patrick J. Buchanan’s view
    - Effect on Nelson Rockefeller
- Abortion issue
  - Political opposition
  - Support
    - Control of blacks and Puerto Ricans
- Vasectomies
- White House approval
  - Statement on abortion
  - Consideration of other proposals
    - John Rockefeller
-Talk with Ehrlichman
-Personal conscience
-Support for population control
  -John Rockefeller
  -Social classes
    -Upper classes
    -Lower classes
    -Lack of control
-San Francisco
  -Black population growth
-Blacks
  -Low standard of living
  -Migration to cities
-Administration's dealings with commission
  -William W. Scranton
  -Meeting with John Rockefeller
  -John Rockefeller's staff director
  -Length of meeting
-Meeting with John Rockefeller
  -Call from Nelson Rockefeller
  -Vietnam

Declassification of secret documents
  -John S. D. Eisenhower
  -Executive Order
  -Timing
  -Review procedure
  -Disputes
    -Resolution
  -John Eisenhower appointment
  -John Eisenhower
    -Author of a book
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END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 9

-Submission of name for position

US Postal Service [USPS]
- Ehrlichman's meeting with Elmer T. (“Ted”) Klassen
  - Rate raise
    - Klassen's opposition
- Parcel post
  - Damage rate
    - Competition from United Parcel Service [UPS]
  - Reform
    - Cuts in work force
    - Low productivity
    - Overstaffing
- Personnel
  - Turn-over
  - Cuts in work force
    - Problems
      - Election year
  - Freeze on hiring
  - Congressional hearings
  - Firings
  - Rate increase compared to overstaffing
  - Conflicts
    - Hiring of youths
      - Vice President Spiro T. Agnew
    - Costs
- Youth
  - Defense Department
  - Alternative jobs
-Civil Service Commission, Agnew and Office of Management and Budget [OMB]
-Freeze
  -Jennings Randolph
    -Complaints
-Firings
  -Top people

ITT case
-George S. McGovern
  -Staff
    -Frank F. Mankiewicz
    -Links with Edward M. Kennedy
-Comments on corporation taxes
  -Inaccuracies
    -San Diego incident
-Press criticism
  -Colson
    -Lyndon B. Johnson
    -John F. Kennedy
-Falsehood of statement
  -Question on panel *Issues and Answers*
-Payment of taxes
  -Annual report
    -Security and Exchange Commission [SEC] files
    -Public record
-Hubert H. Humphrey
BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 10
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[Duration: 1m 21s]

STEPHEN B. BULL ENTERED AT AN UNKNOWN TIME AFTER 4:52 PM.

BULL LEFT AT AN UNKNOWN TIME BEFORE 5:36 PM.

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 10

ITT Case
-Beard's charges
  -Vance Hartke
    -Use of airplane
      -The President's experience
-Robert C. (“Bob”) Wilson
  -Use of ITT support
  -Ties with ITT
-Antitrust suit
  -Richard W. McLaren
  -Harold S. Geneen
  -Peter M. Flanigan
  -Agnew
  -Wilson [?]
-John B. Connally
-Peter G. Peterson
-Pressures to drop suit
  -Flanigan
-Geneen
  -Acquaintance with the President
  -Meeting with Ehrlichman and Colson
    -Memorandum to Ehrlichman
-Acquaintance with the President
  -Memorandum
Date: April 3, 1972
Time: 5:36 pm - 5:48 pm
Location: Oval Office

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

The President’s schedule

Ehrlichman left at 5:36 pm.
The President's schedule
- Florida trip
  - Henry A. Kissinger's presence
    - Gridiron Dinner
  - Decision
    - Timing
  - Departure
- Arrangements
  - Trip to Philadelphia
- Kissinger
  - Discussion of war
- Public reaction
  - Busing statement
- Vietnam War issue
  - US involvement
    - Cambodia
    - Laos
    - Helicopters
  - Air power
    - Weather
- California trip
  - Date
  - Press coverage
    - Democratic presidential candidate
  - Duration
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END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 3

-Camp David
- Ronald L. Ziegler
- Kissinger's presence
  - Daily reports
  - Gridiron Dinner
- Alexander M. Haig, Jr.
- Work

Instruction for Haldeman
- Request for Kissinger's call
  - Kissinger's meeting with Anatoliy F. Dobrynin

Haldeman left at 5:48 pm.

Conversation No. 700-13

Date: April 3, 1972
Time: Unknown between 5:49 pm and 11:59 pm
Location: Oval Office

Unknown persons and Stephen B. Bull met.
The unknown persons left at an unknown time before 11:59 pm.