Conversation No. 714-1

Date: April 20, 1972
Time: Unknown between 8:37 am and 8:41 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 8:41 am.

Conversation No. 714-2

Date: April 20, 1972
Time: 8:41 am - unknown before 9:38 am
Location: Oval Office

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

Weather
- Weekend

The President's schedule
- Meeting with John B. Connally
  - Confirmation
  - Time
  - Duration
- Meeting with Alexander M. Haig, Jr.

An unknown person entered at an unknown time after 8:41 am.

- Meeting with Connally
  - Arrangements
    - Time
    - Delay
    - The President's briefing
      - Haig
      - Time
The unknown person left at an unknown time before 8:42 am.

William P. Rogers
- Meeting with Haldeman and Haig
  - Value
  - Advantages
  - Subjects
  - Message from Leonid I. Brezhnev
    - Anatoliy F. Dobrynin
    - Yuli M. Vorontsov

Rose Mary Woods entered at 8:42 am.

Message for Henry A. Kissinger
- Preparation
- Copies
- Review
- Corrections

Woods left at 8:43 am.

Vietnam
- Rogers's meeting with Haldeman and Haig
  - Message from Brezhnev
    - Contents
    - Form
  - Vorontsov
    - References to North Vietnam
      - Kissinger’s view
- Negotiations
  - Soviet involvement
- Meeting with Rogers
  - Haig’s briefing
  - Rogers’s reaction
    - Course of negotiations
      - Camp David meeting
  - The President’s comments
    - State Department
  - The President’s trip to Canada
    - Speech before Parliament
- Negotiations
  - Rogers’s questions
    - Tanks and troops
-Secrecy
  -Briefing of Rogers
  -Melvin R. Laird
  -Rogers’s assurances
    -Herbert Brownell
  -Kissinger

The President's meeting with Connally
  -Connally's statement on resignation
  -Arrangements
    -Work with Haldeman

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2
[Personal returnable]
[Duration: 30s.]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2

-George P. Shultz

Haig
  -Abilities
  -Dealings with Rogers

Connally
  -Date of resignation

The President's schedule
  -Press conference
    -Day
    -Wisconsin visit

Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 8:43 am.

-Dr. W. Kenneth Riland
  -Rescheduling of appointment
Bull left at an unknown time before 9:26 am.

International Telephone and Telegraph [ITT] case
   -Jack Gleason
   -Edgar Gillenwaters's testimony
      -Birch E. Bayh, Jr.'s reaction
      -Bayh's criticism of Gillenwaters
         -Edwin Reinecke
         -Gillenwaters's response
         -Gillenwaters's reputation and credibility

Law enforcement
   -John N. Mitchell
      -Press coverage
         -Television
         -Washington Post
   -Jerry V. Wilson
      -Award
         -Coverage
         -Benefits

Press
   -Washington Post and New York Times
      -Articles on Gross National Product [GNP]
         -Differences
            -Comparison
      -GNP increase
         -Wire stories
            -Inflation
            -Networks
               -Washington Post coverage
      -John D. Ehrlichman
         -Confrontation
         -Press questions
         -Compared with Ronald L. Ziegler
         -Kissinger
         -Position after election
            -Communications work
               -Herbert G. Klein

White House staff
   -Ziegler
-New job
-Network job

Giovanni Battista Motini [Pope Paul VI]
-Message from the President
  -Terence Cardinal Cook and John Cardinal Krol
-Cardinal Krol
  -Peter M. Flanigan
  -Haig
  -Cook
  -Conversation with Flanigan
-Charles W. Colson
  -Conversation with Krol

Press conference
  -"Three on one" press conference
  -Arrangements

Connally
  -Announcement of resignation
  -Scheduling

The President's schedule
  -Public schedule
  -Dissemination
    -Nellie L. Yates
    -Newspapers

Connally resignation
  -Dissemination of announcement
    -William F. ("Billy") Graham

American Society of Newspaper Editors [ASNE] reception
  -Cabinet officers
  -Celebrities
  -Officers
  -Presence

War protests
  -Handling
    -Office of Economic Opportunity [OEO] and Department of Health, Education
    and Welfare [HEW]
      -Ehrlichman
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-Cuts in Massachusetts Institute of Technology [MIT] subsidy
  -Shultz
  -Resistance

Higher education
  -Cuts in budget
  -Nuclear reactors
  -Shultz
  -Strategy

Demonstrators

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 3
[Personal returnable]
[Duration: 45s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 3

Tricia Nixon Cox’s schedule
  -University of Maryland table tennis appearance
  -Problems
  -Audiences at universities
  -Golf games
  -Tennis audiences
  -Problems
  -Tennis players
    -Compared with golfers
      -The President’s constituency
        -[Dwight] David Eisenhower, II

Haldeman's handling of Rogers
  -Administration backing
  -Connally
    -Publicity
      -Washington Post and New York Times
  -Radio and television
-Speech to newspaper editors

The President's schedule
- Trip to Moscow
- Press conference
  - Time
  - Television coverage
  - Duration
    - Advantages of short time
    - Best times
- Moscow trip
  - Visit to church
  - Arrangements
    - Kissinger

ITT case
- Senate investigation
  - Gleason's testimony
    - Contributions
      - Questions
    - Objections
      - Roman L. Hruska
      - Edward M. Kennedy
    - James O. Eastland
    - Bayh
      - Statements on case
        - Clark MacGregor
- Flanigan
  - Testimony
- Richard G. Kleindienst confirmation
  - Favorable report
- Administration counterattack
  - Colson
  - Timing
    - Samuel J. Ervin, Jr.
- Committee hearings
  - Termination
  - Democrats' reaction
  - Report to Senate
    - Thursday
  - Delays
    - Advantages
    - Ervin and Robert C. Byrd
Haig

Vietnam
  - *New York Times*
  - Colson
  - House debate
    - Partisanship
    - John C. Stennis and Samuel S. Stratton
  - Democratic caucus
    - Resolution
      - Counterattack
      - Condemnation of North Vietnam
      - Barry M. Goldwater
  - News summary
  - Blame for invasion
    - Cartoon
      - Edmund S. Muskie
    - Administration stance
      - Rogers, Laird, Connally and Vice President Spiro T. Agnew
    - The President’s memorandum for Kissinger
      - Kissinger’s speeches for Vietnamese, People’s Republic of China [PRC] and Soviet Union visits
  - Soviets
    - Involvement in negotiations
      - Kissinger’s contacts with Brezhnev and Andrei A. Gromkyo
      - Summit
    - Kissinger’s visit
    - Brezhnev
      - Compared with Chou En-lai
  - Kissinger
    - Role in negotiations
      - Limitations
        - Historical consciousness
    - Meeting with Brezhnev
    - View of Cold War
      - Harvard University
    - Meeting with Brezhnev
      - Chou En-lai
      - Subjects of discussion
        - Concerns
        - Guidelines
          - Summit
- Dobrynin
- Vietnam settlement
- Soviets
  - Relation of Vietnam to summit
  - Kissinger’s meeting with Brezhnev
    - Length of opening speech
    - Vietnam
    - Other topics
- Negotiations
  - Kissinger
  - Handling
- Rogers
  - Contrast with Kissinger
  - Limitations

World War II
- Unknown book
  - Winston S. Churchill
    - Age
    - Work routine
    - Cables
    - Relaxation
    - Style of leadership

Connally
- Comments on the President
  - Danger of over reaction to critics
    - Connally's actions
  - The President's level of thinking
    - Ability to generalize
      - Contrast with Connally's performance as governor

News summary
- Lyndon K. ("Mort") Allin and Patrick J. Buchanan
- The President's perusal
- Delivery to Camp David
  - Negative news

The President's schedule
- Periods of rest
- Periods of strenuous mental activity
  - 1960 and 1968 campaigns
  - James E. Bassett
-Herbert G. Klein
-Bassett
-1956
-News stories
  -Concern over criticism
  -ITT case
    -Time and effort spent
    -Impact

Kissinger’s trip to Moscow
-News stories
  -Value
    -World report

Rose Mary Woods entered at 9:26 am.

A message to Kissinger
-Copies
  -The President's revisions
-Text
  -Dictating omission
    -Kissinger's opening statement
      -Length
-Delivery
  -Haig
  -Kissinger
-Confidentiality
  -Marjorie P. Acker
-Transmission to Kissinger

Woods left at 9:27 am.

-Content
  -Meeting with Brezhnev
    -General theme
    -Advice to Kissinger
    -Vietnam
    -Dobrynin
    -Gromyko
    -Contacts with Brezhnev
    -Kissinger’s objectives in discussion
    -General discussion
Bull entered at an unknown time after 9:27 am.

The President’s schedule

Bull left at an unknown time before 9:38 am.

Message to Kissinger
-Content
  -Vietnam
  -Instruction to Kissinger

Meeting with Connally
-Delay
  -Explanation from Haldeman
    -Vietnam message
    -Air strikes

Haldeman left at an unknown time before 9:38 am.

Date: April 20, 1972
Time: Unknown between 9:27 am and 9:38 am
Location: Oval Office

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

Message for Henry A. Kissinger

Soviet summit
-Possible cancellation
-Kissinger
-Negotiations
  -Anti-ballistic missiles [ABMs]
  -National Command [Authority] [NCA]

Haldeman left at an unknown time before 9:38 am.
Date: April 20, 1972  
Time: 9:38 am - 11:06 am  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with John B. Connally.

Greetings

Vietnam
- Bombing

Connally’s schedule
- H.R. (“Bob”) Haldeman

Vietnam
- Hanoi and Haiphong
- Military activity
- Surface to air missiles [SAMs]
- Targets
- US air strikes
  - Capitol Hill reaction
  - Public reaction
  - Professors

-Congress
- Reaction
  - John C. Stennis
- Criticism of administration
  - Problems
  - Compared with Korean War in pre-1950 election period
    - Democrats
      - James F. Byrnes
      - Henry A. Wallace
      - Helen Gahagan Douglas
      - William E. Jenner

-Democratic doves
- Condemnation of US
  - North Vietnamese invasion
  - Double standard
  - Connally’s speech
  - Criticism of the President's critics
- Early support of the war
- Public attitudes
  - Opposition to defeat and humiliation
- Connally's speech
  - Troop withdrawals
  - Support for Vietnamization
  - Response
- American Society of Newspaper Editors [ASNE]
  - Location of meeting
  - Response
  - Duration
  - Questions

Connally
- Conversation with Haldeman
  - Previous discussions
- Future plans
  - Problems
- Role in Cabinet
  - Economic policy formulation
  - International trade policy
  - Departure
    - Public perceptions
      - Politics
      - President’s trip to Moscow
    - Timing
    - Circumstances
- Role in administration
  - Advice
  - Tax reform
  - Fall elections
- Temporary stay in Washington
- Future plans
  - Conversation with Haldeman
- Tenure as Secretary of the Treasury
  - Conflicts with White House staff
  - Departure
    - Circumstances
    - Handling
    - Public explanation
      - State of economy
      - Inflation
  - Accomplishments
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-Pay Board
-Price Commission
-Cost of Living Council [COLC]
-International economy
-Explanation of departure

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2
[Personal returnable]
[Duration: 12m 20s ]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2

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Treasury Department
-Connally's successor
  -Haldeman
  -George P. Shultz
  -Charls E. Walker
  -Paul A. Volcker
  -Qualifications
    -Relation with Arthur F. Burns
  -Shultz
    -Knowledge
      -International monetary policy
  -Caspar W. (“Cap”) Weinberger
    -Possible promotion
    -Haldeman
  -Shultz
    -Work with staff and economic councils
      -Council of Economic Advisors [CEA], COLC, Pay Board, Price Commission
    -Relation with State Department
    -Compared with David M. Kennedy
    -Stamina
    -Intelligence
  -Announcement
    -Handling by the President
-Statements by the President and Connally
-Presentation of Shultz and Weinberger

-Connally's tenure
  -Successes
-Connally's departure
  -Effect
  -Texas

Connally
  -Departure
  -Circumstances
-Treasury Department tenure
  -Personal sacrifices
-Family commitments
-Accomplishments
-Future assignments
  -Speculation
  -Advisory capacity
    -Proper role
-Personal plans

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 3
[Personal returnable]
[Duration: 1m 48s ]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 3

Economy
-Connally’s projections
-International monetary
-Japanese, US and Canadian elections
-Europe
-Great Britain
  -Common Market
-Policies for 1972
  -Connally’s role
  -Problems
- Shultz’s role
  - International agreements
  - Compared to Connally
  - August 1971
    - Unknown person’s comment to the President
-Domestic economy
  - Major problem
    - Spending limits
      - Shultz's memorandum
  - Budget
    - Effect of 1972 election
      - Cuts
        - Family Assistance Plan [FAP]
        - Welfare
        - Revenue-sharing
    - Defense
      - Soviet summit
      - Bases
      - Melvin R. Laird
      - Air Force
      - Missiles
      - Vietnam
      - Navy
        - Size
        - Missiles
    - Education
      - Higher education
    - Agriculture
      - Austerity
- 1972 election
  - Impact
      - Distortions
  - GNP
    - Wholesale Price Index [WPI]
      - Changes
        - Consumer Price Index [CPI] impact
    - Corporate profits
      - Dr. C. Jackson (“Dan”) Grayson, Jr.
        - Price increases
    - Mechanism of control
      - Projected boom
-Employment
  -Increase
-US plants abroad
  -Closures
  -Automobiles
  -Expansion
-Fall 1972
-Problems
  -Tax reform
    -John D. Ehrlichman's meeting with Connally
  -Simplification
  -Timing of position
  -Property taxes
    -Substitute for revenue-sharing
-Revenue-sharing
  -New American Revolution
  -Political appeal
  -Termination
-Welfare reform
  -FAP
  -The President’s family

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 6
[Personal returnable]
[Duration: 1m 48s ]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 6

-CURRENT ATTITUDES TOWARD WELFARE
  -Depression
  -Able bodied workers
  -Family assistance
    -Russell B. Long
    -National character
-Budget
  -Cuts
-Timing
-Weinberger's suggestions
-Difficulties

Cabinet
-Shake-up
 -Retentions
-Changes
 -State Department
 -Defense Department
-Richard G. Kleindienst
-George W. Romney
-John A. Volpe
-Elliot L. Richardson
-Rogers C. B. Morton
 -Administrative abilities
-James D. Hodgson
-Peter G. Peterson
 -Political views
-Make-up
 -Loyalists
   -Richardson
 -Defense and State departments
 -Changes
 -Foreign economic policy
 -State Department

The President’s recent trip to the People’s Republic of China [PRC]

Vietnam
-Soviet summit
  -Impact of bombing Hanoi and Haiphong
    -Joseph C. Kraft
  -Anatoliy F. Dobrynin meetings
    -William P. Rogers
    -Henry A. Kissinger
    -Hot line
-Soviets
  -Role in ending war
    -Leonid I. Brezhnev’s message to the President
-Blockade of ships
-US response to Soviets
An unknown person entered at an unknown time after 9:38 am.

- Departure time
- Meeting with Brezhnev
- Publicity
- Return to US
- The President’s trip to Moscow
- Announcement
- Summit
- Link to war

The unknown person left at an unknown time before 11:06 am.

- Conditions of the President’s attendance
- Soviet aid to North Vietnam
- Kissinger’s trip to Moscow
  - Announcement
  - Possible effect on “doves”
  - The President’s memorandum to Kissinger
  - Talking points

- Soviet actions
- US options
- Blockade
  - Protests at home
  - Conditions for ending
  - Prisoners of war [POWs]
- North Vietnamese and Soviet judgment of the President
  - Johnson
  - Consequences of US defeat
    - Middle East
- Johnson’s actions
  - Compared to the President’s
- North Vietnamese offensive
  - Bombing of North Vietnam, Hanoi and Haiphong
-Kissinger
-Political consequences
-1972 election
-Possible defeat
-US foreign policy
-Public support for the President’s successor

-Public opinion
-Support for the President
-Soviet summit
-President’s trip to the PRC
-Korean War
-Kraft
-Political benefits
-North Vietnamese offensive
-Possible defeat in 1972 election
-Consequences

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 8
[Personal returnable]
[Duration: 18m 58s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 8

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Presidency
-Requirements
-World War II
-Compared with Vietnam
-Kissinger
-Sorties
-Contacts with Soviet Union
-Brezhnev
-Contacts with PRC
-Chou En-lai
-Mao Tse-tung
-Need for strength
BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 10
[Personal returnable]
[Duration: 4m 58s ]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 10

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Vietnam
 - Blockade of Haiphong
 - POWs
 - Summit
 - Announcement
   - POW issue
   - Election

Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 9:38 am.

The President's schedule
 - Meeting in Cabinet Room
   - Catholic leaders
   - Connally's attendance
   - Clarence Walton's delivery of a report
   - Size of group

Bull left at an unknown time before 11:06 am.

Connally's plans
 - Conversations with Shultz and William F. (“Billy”) Graham

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 12
[Personal returnable]
[Duration: 1m 22s ]
Connally left at 11:06 am.

Date: April 20, 1972
Time: 11:06 am - 11:08 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Rose Mary Woods.

The President's schedule
- Dinner
  - Charles G. ("Bebe") Rebozo's attendance
    - Call to Woods

Tricia Nixon Cox
- Attendance at People's Republic of China [PRC] table tennis event at the University of Maryland
  - Reception by audience
BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2
[Personal returnable]
[Duration: 13s.]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2

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The President's schedule
-William P. Rogers
-White House staff
  -PRC trip
-Trip to Camp David
  -Tricia Nixon Cox
  -Thelma C. (“Pat”) Nixon
-woods
-Dinner
-Rebozo
-Departure time

Woods left at 11:08 am.

Conversation No. 714-6

Date:  April 20, 1972
Time:  Unknown between 11:08 am and 11:39 am
Location:  Oval Office

Rose Mary Woods met with unknown persons.

White House tour
  -Rose Garden
  -Presidential seal
    -Ceiling
  -Rose Garden
  -Flowers

Woods and the unknown persons left at an unknown time before 11:39 am.
Conversation No. 714-7

Date: April 20, 1972
Time: 11:43 am - 11:46 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Cliffard D. Carlson, Carol A. Carlson and Max L. Friedersdorf; Stephen B. Bull and the White House photographer were present at the beginning of the meeting.

Greetings and introductions

Carol Carlson
- Age
  - Compared with Tricia Nixon Cox

Cliffard Carlson
- Previous meeting with the President
  - Death of wife

[Photograph session]
  - Arrangements

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 3
[Personal returnable]
[Duration: 1m 40s ]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 3

Presidential gifts
  - Cuff links
  - Pin
  - Golf balls
- Tie clips

White House
- Tour of Rose Garden
- Plants

Clifford Carlson's residence in Washington area
- Washington property as investment
- Clifford Carlson's tenure in Congress

Clifford Carlson et al. left at 11:46 am.

Conversation No. 714-8

Date: April 20, 1972
Time: 11:46 am
Location: Oval Office

An unknown person talked with the President.

Call to unknown person
- Return call

Conversation No. 714-9

Date: April 20, 1972
Time: Unknown between 11:46 am and 11:48 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

The President's schedule
- Meeting with John D. Ehrlichman
- Massachusetts Institute of Technology [MIT] matter
- Location

Bull left at an unknown time before 11:48 am.
Conversation No. 714-10

Date:  April 20, 1972
Time:  Unknown between 11:46 am and 11:48 am
Location:  Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman
  -Location

John D. Ehrlichman
  -Location
    -Meeting

Thelma C. ("Pat") Nixon
  -Panda ceremony
  -Return to White House

The President talked with the White House operator at an unknown time between 11:46 and 11:48 am.

[Conversation No. 714-10A]

[See Conversation No. 23-47]

[End of telephone conversation]

Bull left at an unknown time before 11:48 am.

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Conversation No. 714-11

Date:  April 20, 1972
Time:  11:48 am - 12:03 pm
Location:  Oval Office
The President talked with Thelma C. (“Pat”) Nixon between 11:48 and 11:52 am.

[Conversation No. 714-11A]

[See Conversation No. 23-48; one item has been withdrawn from the conversation.]

John D. Ehrlichman entered at an unknown time after 11:48 am.

[End of telephone conversation]

Budget
- Massachusetts Institute of Technology [MIT]
  - Previous cuts
  - Defense contracts
    - Weapons
  - Amount

Manolo Sanchez entered at an unknown time after 11:52 am.

Refreshment

Ehrlichman's schedule
  - Speech

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 12:02 pm.

Budget
  - Ehrlichman's review
    - George P. Shultz's figures
    - Caspar W. (“Cap”) Weinberger
  - Higher education
    - Current state
    - Cuts in subsidies
      - Science
        - Ideology of teachers
        - Dr. Edward E. David, Jr.
          - Possible resignation
    - Science
      - Cuts
        - Percentage
        - Approach
        - Shultz
  - MIT
-Department of Health, Education and Welfare [HEW] contracts
-Transportation Department contracts
-Research
-Grants
  -Subject
  -Cuts
-Defense contracts
  -Inventory
    -Weinberger
-Stanford University
  -Review of contracts
-Higher education
  -Cut in grants
  -Contracts
    -Penalty clauses
-Non-renewal of grants
  -Instructions to departments
-Cuts in grants
  -Weinberger
  -University of Chicago
  -Teaching assistants
  -Austerity
  -H.R. (“Bob”) Haldeman
  -Shultz's memorandum
  -Austerity budget
  -Instructions to Weinberger
-National Science Foundation [NSF]
  -Cuts
  -Amount of funding
    -Jeb Stuart Magruder
-Cuts
  -Support
    -Peter G. Peterson
    -Weinberger
      -Cuts in taxes
-NSF
-MIT
-NSF
-Cuts
  -Management contract
    -Lincoln Labs
-Higher education
  -Cuts in grants for teaching assistants
-Minimums
-Exceptions
  -Defense example
-Weinberger
-Loopholes
-Protests
  -Handling

Ehrlichman's schedule
  -Speech
    -American Enterprise Institute [AEI]
      -William J. Baroody, Jr.
  -Police officials
    -Press coverage
      -Charles W. Colson's analysis

Press
  -Ronald L. Ziegler
  -Network news subjects
    -Vietnam, International Telephone and Telegraph [ITT], economy and John B. Connally's speech
    -Sunday stories
  -Ehrlichman's dealings
  -Story on crime
    -Picture of the President
  -Story
    -Law Enforcement Assistance Act [LEAA]
  -Other stories
    -Exploitation

Ehrlichman's schedule
  -Trip to Camp David
    -Time

Ehrlichman's speech
  -Audience

Ehrlichman left at 12:03 pm.
Date: April 20, 1972
Time: Unknown between 12:03 pm and 12:06 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Alexander P. Butterfield.

Alexander M. Haig, Jr.
- Location
  - Telephone call
  - Briefing
  - Ronald L. Ziegler

The President's schedule
- Camp David
  - The President's perusal of war powers bill
  - Meeting with Haig
  - Call from Butterfield

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

Date: April 20, 1972
Time: 12:06 pm - 12:29 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Ronald L. Ziegler.

Ziegler's schedule
- Meeting with Clarence Walton’s commission

Democrats in House of Representatives

Alexander M. Haig, Jr. talked with the President between 12:07 and 12:08 pm.

[Conversation No. 714-13A]

[See Conversation No. 23-49]
[End of telephone conversation]

Vietnam
- Bombing
  - Vote of House Democrats
    - Floor vote
    - Condemnation of North Vietnam
- Democratic caucus
  - Alternatives
  - Administration rebuttal
    - Rebuff to North Vietnamese invasion
- Break-down of vote
  - Previous votes
  - Opposition to resolution
- Haig
  - Meeting with press
    - Robert J. McCloskey
  - Observations on Vietnam
- North Vietnam
  - State and Defense Departments
  - Term to be used
  - Instructions to Ziegler, McCloskey and Daniel Z. Henkin
- Negotiations
  - North Vietnamese note
    - US response
  - Current status
  - Briefing
    - [Gerald L. Warren]
    - Ziegler
    - Warren
- North Vietnamese invasion
- Democratic resolution
  - Response
  - Contradictions
  - Ineffectiveness against weapons
    - Soviets
- College professors' protests
  - Washington Post story
- Vice President Spiro T. Agnew
  - Attack on Democrats
    - Speech at American Society of Newspaper Editors [ASNE] event

Press
- Coverage of panda presentation to National Zoo
- Coverage of table tennis event
- Chinese

John D. Ehrlichman's schedule
- Briefings
- Benefits

The President's schedule
- Press conference
- Scheduling
  - War situation
  - Pennsylvania primary
  - Press coverage
  - Length
  - Conversation with H. R. (“Bob”) Haldeman
- Troop announcement
- Foreign policy questions

International Telephone and Telegraph [ITT] case
- Richard G. Kleindienst
- Committee action
- Decision
  - Schedule
- Handling
- Peter M. Flanigan testimony

Henry A. Kissinger's Moscow trip
- Ziegler's knowledge
- Warren
  - Receipt of telephone calls
- Return from Camp David
- Inquiries
  - Kissinger’s location
    - Answers
  - Referral to Haig
  - Telephone calls
    - National Security Council [NSC] office
- Camp David
  - Ziegler’s statement
  - Staff meeting
    - Make-up of group
      - Kissinger, Ehrlichman and Haldeman
- Kissinger's presence
- The President's plans
  - ASNE
- Senior staff members
  - Kissinger, Ehrlichman and Haldeman
- Kissinger's location
- The President's schedule
- Sunday stories
- Build-up
  - The President's article for *U.S. News and World Report*
  - Foreign policy
  - Taxes
  - Legislation

Taxes
- Non-public schools
  - Credits
    - Commitments
    - Clarence Walton
  - Constitutionality
  - Passage by Congress
    - Opposition
- Commitments
- Current studies
  - Department of Health, Education and Welfare [HEW] and Treasury Department
- Major questions
- Administration's support for credits

The President's schedule
- Haldeman’s schedule
  - Camp David
- Meeting with Leslie T. (“Bob”) Hope
  - White House Photographers Dinner
    - Rehearsal
  - Arrangements
BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Personal returnable]
[Duration: 4s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

-Hope
-Dinners
  -The President's attendance
  -Ziegler’s talk with Haldeman
  -White House Photographers
    -George Tames
  -Hope
  -Gridiron
  -White House Correspondents Association
  -Women's Press Association
  -Value
  -White House Photographers
  -Correspondents Association
  -Gridiron
  -Women's Press Association

ASNE Dinner
  -Ziegler's evaluation
  -Women's Press Club
  -Reuben O. Askew
  -Robert C. Wilson
    -Voice
  -Slide presentation
  -John B. Connally
    -Speech
      -Jack B. Krueger
ASNE White House reception
  -Ziegler's attendance
  -Cabinet members' attendance
    -Arrangement
    -Haldeman
  -Tour of White House second floor
  -California editors
    -Meeting with Ziegler and Herbert G. Klein
    -Blair House
  -Meeting with the President
    -Question and answer session

The President's schedule
  -Meeting with Haig
    -Instructions to Herbert L. Porter

Ziegler left at 12:29 pm.

Date: April 20, 1972
Time: 12:30 pm - 1:07 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Alexander M. Haig, Jr.

Haig’s physical condition

Message for Henry A. Kissinger
  -Receipt
  -Reply

Kissinger’s trip to Moscow
  -Possible results
    -Summit
  -The President’s memorandum to Kissinger
  -Problems
    -Purpose
      -Kissinger’s discussion with Haig
      -Nguyen Van Thieu
-Plenary session
-Date
-Vietnam
-Soviet participation in settlement
-Secret meeting
-Date
-Announcement
-De-escalation of bombing
-Hanoi area

Vietnam
-Bombing of North Vietnam
-B-52s
-Fighter-bombers
-B-52s
-Targets
-Supply
-Petroleum, Oil, Lubricants [POL]
-Surveillance
-Start of raids
-Frequency
-Intensity
-Weather
-South Vietnam
-Southern I Corps and II Corps
-Binhdinh Province
-Hue
-Area of Vietminh strength
-Binhdinh Province

Manolo Sanchez entered at an unknown time after 12:30 pm.

Refreshment

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 12:56 pm.

Vietnam
-South Vietnam
-Area of North Vietnamese-Viet Cong strength
-Area of fighting
-North Vietnam
-Number of troops in South Vietnam
-South Vietnam
-Republic of Korea operations
  -Current fighting
    -Route 19
      -Ankhe Pass
  -Casualties
-III Corps
-An Loc
  -Army of the Republic of Vietnam [ARVN] battalion
-North Vietnamese attacks
  -Dou Tien [sp?]
-North Vietnamese offensive
  -Duration
-North Vietnamese performance
  -21st Division
    -Commander, Brig. Gen. Nguyen Van Minh
-An Loc
  -ARVN battalion
    -Casualties
  -North Vietnamese casualties
    -Air sorties
      -B-52 strikes
-Morale of North Vietnam
-Tanks
  -Destruction
-South Vietnamese success
-Air sorties
  -B-52s
  -Number
  -Gunships
-South Vietnam
  -Performance
  -Losses
  -Impact on morale
-Guerrilla action
-I Corps
-Ultimate result
-Press reports
  -Editorials in Washington Star
    -Smith Hempstone, Jr.
  -Vice President's Spiro T. Agnew’s speech
    -Language
-Uncertain army Lieutenant Colonel
-Criticism of press
- The President's commendation
  - Press
  - Treatment
- Agnew’s criticisms in speech
  - J. William Fulbright
    - References to Ho Chi Minh
- Congress
- Presidential candidates
  - Edmund S. Muskie, Edward M. Kennedy and Hubert H. Humphrey
    - Past statements
- Democratic caucus
  - Resolution
- Publicity
- Battle reports
  - Misinterpretation
  - Fire bases
  - Observation posts [OPs]
    - Mission
- North Vietnamese offensive
- An Loc
  - Holding
    - Necessity
    - Bombing
      - Compared to Verdun
    - Thieu
- Losses
  - II Corps
    - Towns
    - Retention
    - Kontum
- North Vietnamese offensive
  - South Vietnamese retreats
    - Resistance
    - Problems
  - Soviets in World War II
    - Germans in World War I against Russians
- I Corps
  - 1st Division commander
    - Damage to North Vietnam
      - Casualties
        - Fire Base Bastogne
  - Air strikes
-Value
  -Psychology
    -Kissinger in Moscow
  -North Vietnamese supplies

-Purpose
  -Destruction of pacification and Vietnamization

-Soviets
  -Possible role
  -Pressure on North Vietnam
    -Trade-off
    -Bombing halt
    -Prisoners of war [POW] exchange
    -Effect on 1972 election

-North Vietnamese offensive
  -Blockade
    -Timing
      -1972 election
    -POWs
    -Effectiveness
      -Studies
        -Circumvention
          -People’s Republic of China [PRC]
  
  -Soviets

-Benefits
  -Counterattacks
    -Effects on North Vietnamese morale
      -Wounded veterans
      -Social problems
      -POW testimony
      -Loss of young men
      -Desertions
      -Lack of training

-Bombing of Hanoi and Haiphong
  -Effect on North Vietnamese morale
    -Effectiveness
      -Compared with 1968 strikes
        -Bombing halt
        -Techniques
        -Target selection
          -Robert S. McNamara
          -Restraints

-B-52s
  -Impact on ground troops
Tape Subject Log
(rev. 7/07)

-Warning
-Resolution of House Democrats

The President’s return call

William P. Rogers
  -Conversation with Haig

Rose Mary Woods entered at 12:56 pm.

-Rogers's trip to Camp David
  -Problems
  -John D. Ehrlichman
  -H.R. (“Bob”) Haldeman
  -Kissinger

Haig left at 12:57 pm.

The President’s schedule
  -American Society of Newspaper Editors [ASNE] reception
  -Duration

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 3
[Personal returnable]
[Duration: 7m 23s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 3

The President’s schedule
  -Tricia Nixon Cox
  -Woods's call

Woods talked with the White House operator at an unknown time between 12:57 and 1:07 pm.

[Conversation No. 714-14A]
BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4
[Personal returnable]
[Duration: 55s ]

[See Conversation No. 23-50; one items has been withdrawn from the conversation.]

Woods conferred with the President.

Woods talked with Tricia Nixon Cox.

[End of telephone conversation]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4

The President's schedule
-Camp David
-Helicopter
-Time

Thelma C. ("Pat") Nixon
-Woods's call
-Woods's presence at Camp David

Woods left at 1:07 pm.

Date: April 20, 1972
Time: Unknown between 1:07 pm and 1:10 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.
The President's schedule
   - Executive Office Building [EOB] office

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 1:10 pm.

Conversation No. 714-16

Date: April 20, 1972
Time: Unknown after 1:07 pm until 1:10 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

The President's schedule
   - Departure for Camp David
   - Sanchez's departure
   - American Society of Newspaper Editors [ASNE] reception
     - Time

The President and Sanchez left at 1:10 pm.

Conversation No. 714-17

Date: April 20, 1972
Time: Unknown between 1:10 pm and 4:13 pm
Location: Oval Office

Unknown persons [Secret Service agents] met.

An unknown agent talked with an unknown person at an unknown time between 1:10 pm and 4:13 pm.

[Conversation No. 714-17A]

The President’s location
   - Executive Office Building [EOB] office
[End of telephone conversation]

[Unintelligible]

The conversation was cut off at an unknown time before 4:13 pm.

Conversation No. 714-18

Date: April 20, 1972
Time: Unknown between 1:10 pm and 4:18 pm
Location: Oval Office

Alexander P. Butterfield met with Stephen B. Bull.

Unknown object for the President

Astronauts
   -Butterfield's and Bull's involvement in unknown event
      -Pictures

The President entered at 4:13 pm.

Leslie T. (“Bob”) Hope
   -Location

The President’s schedule

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

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

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White House gifts
   -Putters
      -Hope
      -Quantity
      -Contributors

Butterfield left at 4:16 pm.
   -Cost

Hope
   -Meeting with the President
   -Photographs
      -Oliver F. ("Ollie") Atkins
      -Weather

Bull left at an unknown time before 4:18 pm.

Date: April 20, 1972
Time: Unknown between 4:16 pm and 4:18 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

Leslie T. ("Bob") Hope
   -Arrival
      -Alexander M. Haig, Jr.
   -Conversation with Ronald L. Ziegler
   -Meeting with the President
   -Scheduling

Bull left at an unknown time before 4:18 pm.
Date: April 20, 1972
Time: 4:18 pm - 4:21 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Rose Mary Woods.

Manolo Sanchez
- Delivery to Woods of memoranda for private file

Leslie T. ("Bob") Hope's meeting with the President
- Photographs
- Weather

Tricia Nixon Cox
- Schedule

The President's schedule
- Camp David
- Charles G. ("Bebe") Rebozo's arrival

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

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 4:18 pm.

Hope
- Arrival
- Meeting with the President

Bull left at an unknown time before 4:21 pm.
Woods left at 4:21 pm.

Conversation No. 714-21

Date: April 20, 1972
Time: 4:21 pm - 4:24 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Leslie T. (“Bob”) Hope, Ronald L. Ziegler and Oliver F. (“Ollie”) Atkins.

Greetings

Hope's show

Photographs
  - Rose Garden
  - Lighting
  - Flags

Gift presentation
  - Putter
    - Quality
    - Hope’s trophy room
    - Previous golf games with the President
American Society of Newspaper Editors [ASNE] reception
   - Jokes
   - The President's attendance
   - Pandas
   - Jack N. Anderson

Rose Garden
   - Photographs

The President *et al.* left at 4:24 pm.

Date: April 20, 1972
Time: 4:29 pm - 4:48 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Leslie T. (“Bob”) Hope and Ronald L. Ziegler.

Weather

Alexander M. Haig, Jr.
   - Meeting with the President

An unknown person entered at an unknown time after 4:29 pm.

Haig
   - Meeting with the President

The unknown person left at an unknown time before 4:48 pm.

Vietnam
   - North Vietnamese offensive
     - Strength
       - Number of divisions
       - US retaliation
     - Compared to Inchon landing

Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 4:29 pm.
Haig
-Location

Bull left at an unknown time before 4:48 pm.

Vietnam
-North Vietnamese offensive
  -Effects on North Vietnam
  -Objectives
    -US reaction
    -South Vietnamese collapse
  -South Vietnamese performance
  -US reaction
    -Bombing
      -Size of force
      -Carriers
      -Destroyers
      -Cruisers
      -B-52s
    -Number of sorties
      -Hanoi and Haiphong
        -Retaliation
-North Vietnamese offensive
  -Demilitarized Zone [DMZ]
  -Regular troops
    -Compared to Vietcong [VC]
  -US reaction
  -Bombing
    -Cessation
    -Conditions
  -US casualties
    -Rate
  -US participation
    -Air and sea support
  -Vietnamization
  -South Vietnamese response
    -Air sorties
      -Number by South Vietnam
      -Ability to resist
    -Bombing of Hanoi and Haiphong
      -Soviets
        -People’s Republic of China [PRC] and Soviet summits
-Stakes of war
  -The President’s stature
-Bombing
  -Dwight D. Eisenhower’s evaluation
-North Vietnamese offensive
  -Naval response
    -Blockade
      -Soviet and North Vietnamese reaction
  -Options for US
    -Avoidance of defeat
-US defeat
  -Consequences
    -Impact on Southeast Asia and Middle East
      -Middle East
        -United Arab Republic [Egypt]
        -Threat to Israel
-US policies
  -Poker game analogy
-North Vietnamese offensive
  -US response
    -Negotiations
      -Prisoners of war [POWs]
      -1972 election
    -Consequences of defeat
-Peace demonstrations
  -Demonstration at Soviet embassy
    -American Legion
  -Press reports
  -Response
    -Charles W. Colson
    -Press reports
-Press
  -Defeatism
-Vice President Spiro T. Agnew
  -Speech to American Society of Newspaper Editors [ASNE]
    -Attack on Democrats
  -Golf ball
    -Message

John B. Connally
  -Speech to ASNE
    -William P. Rogers and Melvin R. Laird
Vietnam
- Future US actions
- Haig briefing for White House staff
- Unknown US Lieutenant Colonel in Vietnam
  - Attack on reporters
  - State Department
  - Reporters’ alleged action
  - Helicopters
  - Army of the Republic of Vietnam [ARVN]
- Commendation
- Publicity
- US press
  - Behavior
- Bob Hope Show
  - Visit to Vietnam
  - Response
  - Press distortions

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2
[Personal returnable]
[Duration: 2m 5s ]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2
The President’s family
   - Thelma C. (“Pat”) Nixon
   - Delores (Reade) Hope

Vietnam
   - US policies
     - 1972 election
     - Bombing

Hope and Ziegler left at 4:48 pm.

Conversation No. 714-23

Date: April 20, 1972
Time: Unknown between 4:48 pm and 4:49 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown woman.

Delivery of briefcase

The unknown woman left at an unknown time before 4:49 pm.

Conversation No. 714-24

Date: April 20, 1972
Time: Unknown between 4:49 pm and 11:59 pm
Location: Oval Office

Unknown persons [Secret Service agents] met.

[Unintelligible]

An unknown agent talked with an unknown person at an unknown time between 4:49 and 11:59 pm.

[Conversation No. 714-24A]
The President’s location
   - Residence

[End of telephone conversation]

[Unintelligible]

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