



**NIXON PRESIDENTIAL MATERIALS STAFF**

**Tape Subject Log**  
(rev. Jan-02)

Conversation No. 729-1

Date: June 10, 1972  
Time: Unknown between 12:15 and 12:45 pm  
Location: Oval Office

Alexander P. Butterfield met with an unknown person.

[Unintelligible]

Butterfield and the unknown person left at an unknown time before 12:45 pm.

Conversation No. 729-2

Date: June 10, 1972  
Time: 12:45-1:15 pm  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Gen. Alexander M. Haig, Jr.

Henry A. Kissinger  
-Trip to Japan  
-Visit's value  
-Future visit of Hirohito [Emperor of Japan] to US  
-Timing  
-Kissinger's view of trip

People's Republic of China [PRC]  
-Note  
-Military activity on coast of Vietnam  
-Supply ships  
-Bombing  
-Captured vessels  
-PRC merchant ships  
-Stockholm Conference  
-Problems  
-Analysis  
-PRC motives  
-Soviet Union  
-US response  
-Joseph Morton

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- Christian A. Herter
- The President's instructions
- William P. Rogers
- United Nations [UN]
- Note of response
  - Jonathan T. Howe
  - Content

Vietnam

- Blockade of North Vietnam
  - US actions
  - Equipment
    - Destroyers
    - Aircraft
  - Bombing
  - US actions
    - PRC response
    - US response

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[National Security]

[Duration: 4s]

PRC

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

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- Progress of conflict
- John Paul Vann
  - Death
  - Previous meeting with the President
  - The President's view
  - Posthumous Medal of Freedom
    - Potential problem
  - Family

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- Next of kin
- Message to Ellsworth F. Bunker
- Activities
  - US policies
- Personality
- Paul D. Harkins
  - Haig's view
  - Vann and Fred Ladd
  - Reports

Vietnam

- Gen. Creighton W. Abrams, Jr.
  - B-52s
    - Raid on power plant
      - Accuracy
      - Results
      - Repairs
- North Vietnam
  - US attacks
    - Effect
    - Reports
      - Sources
- Reports on war effort
  - Internal signs
  - Effect on antiwar groups
- John N. Mitchell
  - Strategy
    - Public relations efforts
      - US policy
- Coverage from PRC and Eastern Europe
- Effect of Kissinger's trip to PRC
  - PRC's possible response to Kissinger's visit
    - Nature of visit
      - Haig's view

PRC

- Note from New York
  - Arrangements to receive note
    - Significance
  - The President's possible response
    - Instructions to US delegation in Stockholm
    - Firing from merchant ship
      - US complaints

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- Need for privacy
- Rogers's reaction to PRC statement in Stockholm
  - John D. Ehrlichman
  - Nature of Rogers statements
    - Value
      - Compared to Soviet Union
  - Value of Stockholm Conference
    - Olaf Palme
      - The President's view

Press

- US News and World Report* article
  - Kissinger's report
  - US policy
    - Rationale of Strategic Arms and Limitation Treaty [SALT]
  - Quality
- Critics
  - Effects of Moscow trip
  - Effect of mining

Vietnam

- Effect of mining
  - Hanoi
  - South Vietnam
- US position
- An Loc
  - Army of the Republic of South Vietnam [ARVN] 21st Division
  - North Vietnamese strength
- Military operation
- Effects of weather
- Enemy strategy
  - Small operations
- Hue
  - ARVN military operations
    - 325th Division
      - Location
        - Demilitarized zone [DMZ]
- Quang Tri
  - ARVN
  - Nguyen Van Thieu
- Kontum
  - ARVN response
    - Fighting ability

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- ARVN morale
  - D'acord (sp? French correspondent) conversation with Haig
    - An Loc
    - ARVN strength
- Outcome of offensive
  - North Vietnam
    - Effect on US media

Press

- Newsweek*
  - Editor
  - Coverage of Vietnam War
  - Position on mining
  - Henry Hubbard
    - Relations with editor

Vietnam

- Position of the North Vietnamese
  - Peace negotiations
- Effect on election
- Strategy of Administration
  - Public relations efforts
    - Reporting
      - Doves
  - Presidential election
    - North Vietnam view

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 6

[Personal returnable]

[Duration: 17s ]

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Vietnam

- Kissinger
  - Japan

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- Views of George S. McGovern
- Bombing
  - Effect on Hanoi
  - Lyndon B. Johnson
    - Bombing halt
  - Length
- Madame Nguyen Thi Binh
  - Bombing halt
- Bombing
  - Continuation
    - The President's policy
    - Mining

Environmental Conference in Stockholm

- Soviet Union boycott
  - Motives
  - PRC
- East Germany

The President's trip to the PRC

- PRC and Soviet Union policies

PRC statement at Stockholm Conference

- Herter's response
- Haig's view

State Department

- Decisions

The President's foreign policy

- May 8, 1972 decision
- Middle East
- Cuba
- Jordan
- South Asia
- India

John B. Connally's trip

- Reception
- Message from the President
  - The President's comments
  - Australia
- Press reaction

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- Bolivia stopover
  - Timing
- Success of trip

Vietnam

- PRC
- Soviet Union
- Trucks
  - US action

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 7  
 [National Security]  
 [Duration: 6s]

PRC

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 7

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- Railways
- Truck bridges
- Bombing
  - North Vietnam
  - Effectiveness
- Casualties in North Vietnam
  - B-52 strikes
  - Kontum
  - An Loc
    - Frenchman's report
  - Effect on morale

PRC

- Reports

Haig left at 1:15 pm.

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Conversation No. 729-3

Date: June 10, 1972  
Time: Unknown between 1:15 and 1:20 pm  
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with Gen. Alexander M. Haig, Jr.

Meeting in Oval Office

Conversation No. 729-4

Date: June 10, 1972  
Time: Unknown between 1:15 and 1:20 pm  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown man.

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[Personal returnable]

[Duration: 2s]

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The unknown man left at an unknown time before 1:20 pm.

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Conv. No. 729-4 (cont.)

Time: 1:20-1:23 pm  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Gen. Alexander M. Haig, Jr.

Melvin R. Laird's memorandum  
 -Henry A. Kissinger's conversation with Laird  
 -Laird  
   -The President's instructions  
   -Clark MacGregor  
 -Reports

Haig left at 1:23 pm.

Conversation No. 729-6

Date: June 10, 1972  
Time: Unknown between 1:23 pm and 1:25 pm  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Alexander P. Butterfield.

The President's schedule  
 -Executive Office Building [EOB]  
   -Briefcase  
 -H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman

Bull left at an unknown time before 1:25 pm.

Conversation No. 729-7

Date: June 10, 1972  
Time: 1:25 and 1:28 pm  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Alexander P. Butterfield.

Carl B. Albert

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Conv. No. 729-6 (cont.)

-Health

Butterfield left at 1:28 pm.

Conversation No. 729-8

Date: June 10, 1972  
Time: 1:29 - 1:30 pm  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Alexander P. Butterfield.

Carl B. Albert  
-Health

Butterfield left at 1:30 pm.