Conversation No. 799-1

Date: October 16, 1972
Time: Unknown between 7:50 am and 8:30 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

The President's schedule
-1972 election

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 8:30 am.

Conversation No. 799-2

Date: October 16, 1972
Time: Unknown between 8:30 am and 8:34 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Rose Mary Woods.

The President’s schedule
-Henry A. Kissinger
-Schedule

Woods left at an unknown time before 8:34 am.

Conversation No. 799-3

Date: October 16, 1972
Time: Unknown between 8:30 am and 8:34 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Rose Mary Woods.
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[Henry A. Kissinger's] schedule
- Departure
- Meeting with the President

Woods left at 8:34 am.

Conversation No. 799-4

Date: October 16, 1972
Time: Unknown between 8:34 am and 8:50 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

H.R. ("Bob") Haldeman's schedule

Bull left at an unknown time before 8:50 am.

Conversation No. 799-5

Date: October 16, 1972
Time: Unknown between 8:34 am and 8:50 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

H.R. ("Bob") Haldeman's schedule

Bull left at an unknown time before 8:50 am.

Conversation No. 799-6

Date: October 16, 1972
Time: 8:50 am - 9:29 am
Location: Oval Office

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

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
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END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

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Watergate
- White House response to news story charges
  - Ronald L. Ziegler
  - The President’s involvement
  - Donald H. Segretti
    - Watergate connection
      - E. Howard Hunt, Jr., Dwight L. Chapin
  - White House position
    - Ziegler
    - Chapin
  - Herbert W. Kalmbach
  - Segretti
  - John D. Ehrlichman
  - Source
    - Time magazine
      - Department of Justice [DOJ], the Federal Bureau of Investigation [FBI]
  - Kalmbach
  - University of Southern California [USC]
    - Chapin, Segretti
    - Thelma C. (“Pat”) Nixon, O.J. Simpson
  - Ziegler
    - Media presentation
    - The President
    - Issues
-Campaign practices
  -Clark MacGregor
    -Democrat’s campaign tactics
      -Press coverage
      -Violence
      -Demonstrators
        -The President’s family
        -Mrs. Nixon
    -Vermont
    -White Paper
    -1972 primaries
      -Ehrlichman
      -Hubert H. Humphrey, Edmund S. Muskie, George S. McGovern, Henry M. (“Scoop”) Jackson
    -Segretti's activities
      -Rally disruption, spying, meeting disruption
      -Chapin
    -Personal attacks
    -Ziegler's response
    -President's instructions
      -Disruptions, heckling
    -President’s knowledge
    -Funds
      -Ziegler, MacGregor's response
    -Chapin subpoena
      -Ehrlichman's response
      -Executive privilege
    -Eastern establishment
      -McGovern
      -Charles W. Colson
      -Editorial
    -Time story
      -Life editorial board’s endorsement of the President
      -News summary
      -Ehrlichman’s statement
      -Bob Clark
      -Editorial staff endorsement of McGovern
      -Newspaper Guild endorsement

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END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2

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Watergate
- Campaign practices
  - Colson
  - MacGregor
- Distribution of material to surrogates
- Edward R.F. Cox
- White House connection
  - Ziegler
  - William E. Timmons
- White House intelligence gathering
  - Haldeman involvement
    - McGovern, R. Sargent Shriver campaign
- Sources
  - Press
  - Legality
    - 1968 campaign
- Frederic V. Malek
  - Jeb Stuart Magruder
  - Response to leaks
- Segretti
  - John W. Dean, III
  - Conversation with lawyer
    - Kalmbach
    - Grand jury
      - Time
      - Washington Post
    - Newport
- Kalmbach
- The President's California property
  - Ehrlichman
  - International Brotherhood of Teamsters
    - Trousdale Estates
- Comparison of campaigns
Issues
  - Meeting with Ehrlichman, John B. Connally
    - Property tax relief
    - Parochial schools

Media relations
  - Pentagon Papers and India-Pakistan war coverage
  - Use of spies, leaks
    - Double standard
      - Washington Post, New York Times
      - Jack N. Anderson Pulitzer Prize
      Possible speech
  - Attack on media rather than McGovern
    - Ziegler
  - Perspective in coverage
    - Irresponsibility
    - Break-in, bugging
    - Bombings of the President's headquarters
      - Comparison
Haldeman left at 9:29 am.

Conversation No. 799-7

Date: October 16, 1972
Time: Unknown between 9:29 am and 9:32 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

The President's schedule
  -Henry A. Kissinger

Bull left at an unknown time before 9:32 am.

Conversation No. 799-8

Date: October 16, 1972
Time: 9:32 am
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 31-48]
Conversation No. 799-9

Date: October 16, 1972
Time: 9:33 am - 10:12 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Henry A. Kissinger.

Kissinger's schedule
   - Forthcoming schedule
   - Preparation

The White House operator talked with the President at an unknown time between 9:33 am and 10:12 am.

[Conversation No. 799-9A]
[See Conversation No. 31-49]
[End of telephone conversation]

Vietnam negotiations
   - Military supply package
     - Melvin R. Laird
     - Number of aircraft

BEGIN WITHDRAWNITEM NO. 1
[National security]
[Duration: 3s]

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END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
- Settlement
  - Kissinger's meeting with U. Alexis Johnson
    - Coalition government
      - Nguyen Van Thieu
        - Possibility of retaining power
          - Government of Vietnam [GVN]
  - Revelation of political terms
  - Use of term coalition government
  - Kissinger's schedule
    - Saigon, Hanoi
    - Paris
      - Xuan Thuy
    - Saigon
    - Washington, DC
    - Paris
      - Hanoi
  - President's announcement
    - Timing
      - October 31, 1972
  - Kissinger's upcoming meeting with Thieu
    - Hanoi
  - Leaks
    - Press reaction
  - US public
    - The President's television appearance
    - New York Times's hypothetical article
  - Kissinger's meeting with Thieu
  - Thieu's possible meeting with the President
    - Timing
      - 1972 campaign
    - Hawaii
    - Midway
      - Significance
        - Announcement
          - West Coast
  - Soviet Union
  - North Vietnamese prisoners in South Vietnam
    - Thieu
  - Thieu
    - Claim of victory
- 1972 campaign
  - H.R. (“Bob”) Haldeman
  - Importance
- Midway meeting
  - William P. Rogers
  - The President, Thieu
  - Rogers
  - Kissinger’s meeting with Thieu
- Thieu’s position
  - US position
- World War II
  - Japan
  - West Germany
  - Malaysia
- Sir Robert Thompson
  - Paris
- Effort
  - Compared to a football game, chess match, political campaign
  - Winning or losing
- Timing
  - 1972 election
  - Bombing
  - Thieu, North Vietnam
- Kissinger’s schedule
  - Possible trip to Hanoi
  - Thieu
  - Consultation with the President
- Possible Meeting
  - The President, Thieu
  - Midway
  - Possible coup
  - San Clemente
    - Post-1972 campaign
  - Kissinger’s schedule
    - Saigon
    - Paris
    - Hanoi
- Message for North Vietnamese
  - The President’s relations with the People's Republic Of China [PRC], USSR
- Kissinger's schedule
  - Hanoi
The President talked with the White House operator at an unknown time between 9:33 am and 10:12 am.

[Conversation No. 799-9B]

[See Conversation No. 31-50]

[End of telephone conversation]

Vietnam negotiations
- The President's meeting with Abrams
  - Kissinger's schedule
- Settlement
  - Abrams's view
  - Political terms
- Alexander M. Haig, Jr.
  - Kissinger
- Abrams
  - Thieu
- Haig
  - Swearing-in
- Kissinger's schedule
  - The President's possible meeting with Haig
    - Laird
- Saigon
- Le Duc Tho
  - Paris
- Thieu
  - Possible meeting with the President

Kissinger talked with Abrams at an unknown time between 9:33 am and 10:12 am.

[Conversation No. 799-9C]
[See Conversation No. 31-51]

[End of telephone conversation]

The President’s forthcoming meeting with Abrams
- Thieu

Haldeman entered at an unknown time after 9:33 am.

The President’s schedule
- Meeting of National League of Families of American Prisoners and Missing in Southeast Asia
  - Kissinger
  - Vice President Spiro T. Agnew
- News coverage
  - Strategic Arms Limitation Treaty [SALT] II announcement
    - Donald H. Segretti
- Carlyle Hanson's speech, October 15, 1972
  - Support for the President
- Reaction by League to Cora Weiss's and David Dellinger's efforts
  - Kissinger
    - Newsworthiness
- McGovern
- Possible statement by the President
  - Speechwriters
    - Amnesty
  - Return of three Prisoners of War [POWs]
    - League's stance
    - Progress
  - Kissinger's schedule
- The President's 1971 visit
- Dinner
- Kissinger’s schedule
- Political effect of raising POW issue
- Kissinger’s schedule
  - Paris
- Kissinger's possible remarks
  - POW issue
    - Support for the President's policies
      - “Peace with Honor”
- Unknown person
- The President's policies
Haldeman left at an unknown time before 10:12 am.

- Possible interpretation
- Kissinger’s schedule
  - Possible remarks
    - POW’s
      - Abandonment
      - McGovern
    - Return
    - Missing in action [MIA’s]
- The President’s 1971 visit
- Media coverage
  - Haldeman
  - Kissinger’s schedule
  - Paris

1972 election
- New Establishment
  - *Life* editorial board endorsement of the President
- Kissinger’s treatment of *Life*, *Time*
- The President’s opponents
  - Bureaucracy
  - Universities
    - East
  - Media
    - Character
- National character
  - The establishment
- The President’s May 8th, 1972 decision
  - Reaction
    - Ivy League
    - Press, media
    - Schools, churches
    - Media
      - *Chicago Tribune*, Smith Hempstone, Jr., *New York Daily News*
    - Agnew
    - John B. Connally
  - Effect
Kissinger left at 10:12 am.

Date: October 16, 1972
Time: 10:13 am - 10:19 am
Location: Oval Office

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

The President's schedule
- National League of Families of American Prisoners and Missing in Southeast Asia
  - Announcement
  - Henry A. Kissinger
  - Possible audience
    - Media coverage

An unknown man entered at an unknown time after 10:13 am.

- Ballroom
- Kissinger

The unknown man left at 10:14 am.
Kissinger entered at 10:14 am.

- Appearance by Kissinger or by the President
- Possible reception for the President

Kissinger left at 10:17 am.

The President's schedule
  - News stories
    - Radio address on Philosophy of Government, October 21, 1972
      - Announcement timing
        - Raymond K. Price, Jr.
          - Strategic Arms Limitation Treaty [SALT] II
          - Paternalism
    - Camp David
      - Length of stay
    - Daily need for stories
    - Kissinger

Haldeman left at 10:19 am.

Date: October 16, 1972
Time: 10:22 am - 10:23 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Henry A. Kissinger.

Vietnam negotiations
  - Kissinger's schedule
    - Hanoi
  - The President's possible meeting with Nguyen Van Thieu
    - Midway Island
    - Timing
    - H.R. (“Bob”) Haldeman
  - Kissinger’s schedule
Conversation No. 799-12

Date: October 16, 1972
Time: 10:24 am - 10:25 am
Location: Oval Office

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

The President's schedule
- National League of Families of American Prisoners and Missing in Southeast Asia
  - Hotel caucuses
  - Ballroom
- Henry A. Kissinger
  - Media

Haldeman left at 10:25 am.

Conversation No. 799-13

Date: October 16, 1972
Time: Unknown between 10:25 am and 10:27 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.
Request for a meeting with Henry A. Kissinger

Bull left at an unknown time before 10:27 am.

Conversation No. 799-14

Date: October 16, 1972
Time: 10:27 am - 10:28 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Henry A. Kissinger.

National League of Families of American Prisoners and Missing in Southeast Asia
- The President’s forthcoming statement
- Negotiations
  - Imposition of Communist government in South Vietnam
  - Tone
  - Settlement conditions
  - Prisoners of war [POWs], missing in action [MIAs]
  - Communism in South Vietnam
  - US honor

Kissinger left at 10:28 a.m.

Conversation No. 799-15

Date: October 16, 1972
Time: Unknown between 10:28 am and 10:47 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Alexander P. Butterfield.

The President's schedule
- Barry M. Goldwater call
- National League of Families of American Prisoners and Missing in Southeast Asia
Butterfield left at 10:47 am.

Conversation No. 799-16

Date: October 16, 1972
Time: 10:47 am - 10:48 am
Location: Oval Office

Barry M. Goldwater talked with the President.

[See Conversation No. 31-52]

Alexander P. Butterfield entered at 10:48 am.

The President's schedule

Butterfield left at 10:48 am.

Conversation No. 799-17

Date: October 16, 1972
Time: 11:24 am - 11:40 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Ronald L. Ziegler.

Watergate
- Ziegler's response to the press
- White House involvement
  - Innuendo
  - Smear tactics
  - The President's veracity
- Campaign practices
  - Violence, obscenities
-George S. McGovern
  -San Francisco
  -Thelma C. (“Pat”) Nixon
  -Tricia Nixon Cox, Edward R.F. Cox
-Republican tactics
  -The President’s instructions
  -Personal attacks compared to attacks on issue stances
  -[Donald H. Segretti]
-White House involvement
  -Opposition charges
  -Indictments
  -Grand jury proceedings
  -Lack of proof
    -Federal Bureau of Investigation [FBI]
    -Government Accounting Office [GAO]
  -Opposition charges
    -Innuendo
    -Hearsay journalism
-Campaign practices
  -Espionage
  -Heckling
    -Obscenities
  -Violence
  -Firebombing of campaign headquarters
  -New Left tactics
-White House involvement
  -Staff
  -Unidentified sources, charges
    -Refusal to comment
  -Washington Post
    -Chapin photograph
      -Possible questions to Ziegler
-The President’s view
  -Issues
    -Vietnam, taxes, jobs, peace, narcotics, defense, amnesty
  -Smears
  -Campaign practices
  -White House staff
  -McGovern
  -Call for opposition to speak out against violence, obscenities, disruption of meetings
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- Responsibility for campaign practices
- Press and media techniques
  - Hearsay statements, innuendo, guilt by association
    - Comparison to charges against Joseph R. McCarthy's tactics
  - Washington Post
    - Number of editorials
    - Double standard
- White House involvement
  - The President's view
  - Investigation
- Campaign practices
  - Chapin, Gordon C. Strachan
  - Involvement
  - Double standard
  - Espionage, surveillance, sabotage charges
    - Proof
  - Chapin hiring of Segretti
    - Possible questions to Ziegler
- Response by White House to hearsay, character assassination, smear by innuendo, and guilt by association
- Ziegler's role
  - The President’s advice
- Press and media relations
  - Reaction to the President's lead in polls tied to stories
    - George H. Gallup

The President's schedule
- Radio speech
  - Timing
    - Announcement
- Philadelphia, New York
  - Leak

Ziegler left at 11:40 am.

Conversation No. 799-18

Date: October 16, 1972
Time: Unknown between 11:40 am and 11:42 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

The President's schedule
- H.R. (“Bob”) Haldeman
  - Recent telephone call
  - John D. Ehrlichman

Bull left at 11:42 am.

Conversation No. 799-19

Date: October 16, 1972
Time: 11:42 am. - 12:54 pm
Location: Oval Office

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

The President's schedule
- Use of the President for news coverage
- Television [TV]
- The President's recent appearance before National League of Families of American Prisoners and Missing in Southeast Asia
  - Henry A. Kissinger
  - Possibility of questions challenging the President's Vietnam War policy
  - The President's statement on amnesty
    - News coverage
  - The President’s statement on opinion leaders
    - News coverage

John D. Ehrlichman entered at 11:44 am.

Congressional relations
- Water bill
  - Draft for the President
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- Quorum problems
  - Michael J. Mansfield
  - Possible return of congressmen
- News coverage
- Strategic Arms Limitation Treaty [SALT] II announcement
  - Timing
    - Kissinger

Announcements
- The President's radio speech
  - Location
    - Camp David, Oval Office, Executive Office Building [EOB], Residence, Treaty Room, Map Room, Theater
  - Announcement
  - Timing
    - SALT II
- Camp David trip
- Philadelphia trip
  - Vice President Spiro T. Agnew, Donald H. Rumsfeld
  - Rumsfeld’s location
    - Chicago
    - Clarence D. Ward
- SALT II
- Conference on European Security and Cooperation
  - Kissinger
  - State Department
- SALT II
US – Soviet Union trade agreement
- Radio speech
- US – Soviet Union trade agreement
  - Timing
    - Kissinger’s schedule
    - Alexander M. Haig, Jr.

Haldeman talked with an unknown person at an unknown time between 11:44 am and 12:49 pm.

[Conversation No. 799-19A]

Haig's schedule

William L. Safire
[End of telephone conversation]

The President’s schedule
- Camp David
- Philadelphia

News coverage
- Kissinger

Radio speech announcement

Congressional relations
- Social Security bill
  - Possible signature
    - Department of Health, Education and Welfare [HEW]
      - Possible veto
        - Payroll taxes
        - Budget impact
        - Possible signature
        - Water bill
          - Veto
            - Timing
              - Senior citizens
              - Environmentalists
- Seventy-one bills for presidential action
  - Ehrlichman’s view
- Water bill veto
  - Timing
    - News coverage
      - The President’s radio speech
      - SALT II
- Congress
  - Social Security legislation
    - Ehrlichman’s advice
      - Caspar W. (“Cap”) Weinberger
    - George P. Shultz, Weinberger, Charles W. Colson, Elliot L. Richardson as advisers
    - Arthur S. Flemming
    - Clark MacGregor
    - John B. Connally
-The President's October 17, 1972 meeting

Philadelphia revenue sharing signing ceremony
-Independence Hall
  -Number of guests
-Courtyard
  -Liberty Bell
-Press, cameras
-Declaration of Independence Room
  -Benjamin Franklin
-Public viewing
  -Frank L. Rizzo
  -Supporters
-Weather forecast

Media relations
-Ehrlichman's October 15, 1972 interview on American Broadcasting Corporation [ABC]
  -Daniel L. Schorr's interview request
  -Ehrlichman’s refusal
  -Schorr's brother's involvement with George S. McGovern's campaign
  -Columbia Broadcasting System [CBS]
  -George Herman interview
    -House Resolution [HR] 1

Congressional relations
-Social Security
-Water bill
  -Possible lawsuit
    -Withholding of funds
      -Constitutional authority
-Labor-HEW
-Veto
  -George H. Mahon
    -Continuing resolution
-Product safety bill
-Signature
-Independent product safety agency
  -Executive branch
    -Second term plan
-Executive, judicial, legislative salaries
  -Commission
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- Time frame
- Appointment by Agnew, [Warren E. Burger], [Carl B. Albert]
- Pay Board
  - George H. Boldt appointment
- The President’s view
  - Cabinet
- Congressional staffs
- General Schedule [GS] salaries
  - Cost of living increases
- Circuit Court boundaries revision

Watergate
- John W. Dean's October 16, 1972 talk with Donald H. Segretti
  - Segretti's conversation with lawyer
    - Disclosure of information
    - Statement
      - White House involvement
      - Affidavit
- Legal action against Washington Post
  - Time Inc. v. Hill
    - The President’s involvement
- Public reaction
  - Theodore Roosevelt
    - [Roosevelt v. Newett]
  - Unknown person
    - Time
- Segretti
  - Allegations
- Time Inc. v. Hill
  - Film [The Desperate Hours]
  - Supreme Court decision
    - Tom C. Clark, Earl Warren, Abe Fortas, John M. Harlan
    - Position of public figures
  - Libel
    - Deposition
      - Timing
      - 1972 election
- Democratic lawsuit
  - Edmund S. Muskie
- Lawsuit against Washington Post
  - Veracity of charges
- Ronald L. Ziegler
- Washington Star
- Public reaction
- Plea
  - Summary judgment
- 1962 legal action
  - Election
- Possible Segretti suit
- Dean
- Post-1972 election action
  - Disbarment proceedings
- Lawsuits
  - Maurice H. Stans's suit against Lawrence F. O'Brien, Jr.
    - Washington Post
      - Building dedication ceremony
- Ziegler
  - Job, performance
    - May 8, 1972 decision
      - Peter Lisagor

The President's comments to National League of Families
- May 8, 1972 decision by the President
  - Reaction
    - Opinion leaders
      - Media, business, universities
- The President's position on amnesty
  - Casualties
    - Prisoners of war [POWs], missing in action [MIAs]
  - Audience reaction
- Fate of POWs
- Amnesty issue
  - McGovern October 15, 1972 statement
    - Veterans
    - Conditions

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Press and media relations
- Amnesty
  - The President’s comments to the National League of Families
  - News coverage
    - Ehrlichman’s recent CBS interview
      - Edits
        - Schorr
- Ziegler
  - Job performance, temperament
  - Press conference
  - The President’s meeting with Ziegler
    - The President’s backing for Ziegler compared to Lyndon B. Johnson and George E. Christian
- Briefings
  - Domestic policy
  - Foreign policy
    - Work with Kissinger, National Security Council [NSC]
      - Difficulties
- Background
- Intelligence, aptitude, competitiveness, temperament
  - Work with Haldeman
- Competitiveness
- Comparison with Herbert G. Klein
  - Klein’s relations with press
    - Precision
- Understanding of the press
- Integrity
  - Post-1972 election access to White House

Appointments
- Intellectuals
  - Kermit Gordon
  - Pay Board
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-Shultz
-William P. Rogers
-Charles W. Yost appointment to the United Nations [UN]
-Irena (Oldakowska) Yost
-Yost
-Democratic leanings
-Effectiveness of White House treatment
-Right compared with left
-New York Times advertisement
-Unknown person from Stanford University
-Yale University
-Government
-State Department
-Firings
-Kissinger
-The President's leadership
-Connally
-Possible appointment
-Position as Treasury Secretary
-Firings
-Position as Texas governor
-University education
-Duke University, Stanford University, University of California, Los Angeles
-Elite schools
-Effect on character
-Businessmen
-Advertising agencies in New York
-The President’s conversation with Beurt Servaas
-Eastern establishment
-Jews
-Rev. Theodore S. Hesburgh
-R. Sargent Shriver
-Possible resignation
-Civil Rights Commission
-Length of term
-Daniel P. (“Pat”) Moynihan
-Staff
-[Howard A. Glickstein]

Budget
-Civil Rights Commission
-Cuts
  -Central Intelligence Agency [CIA]
  -Defense Department
  -Optional cuts by the President
    -Amounts
  -National debt interest, veterans benefits, Social Security
  -Federal bureaucracy
    -Weinberger
    -Firing of low-level jobs

An unknown person entered and left at an unknown time before 12:45 pm.

-Firing of administrative, executive jobs
  -CIA
  -State Department
    -Foreign Service
    -Defense Department
      -Civilians
      -The Pentagon
  -Seniority
    -State Department
    -Retirements
  -Agriculture Department
  -Frank C. Carlucci
    -Kissinger's view
      -CIA
  -Study of proposals
  -Types of cuts
  -Kissinger
    -Helmut (“Hal”) Sonnenfeldt
      -Importance
  -State, Defense
  -Justice Department
  -HEW, Housing and Urban Development [HUD], Agriculture Department,
    Interior Department, Bureau of Indian Affairs
  -Opportunity to cut
  -1972 election's impact on cut choices

Vietnam War
  -The President's appearance before National League of Families
    -Mrs. Nellie Davis
    -Bracelet
The President's second term
- Responsibilities
- Effect of a forthcoming campaign
  - Discipline
- Media and press relations
  - Left-wing press
    - White House efforts in public relations
  - TV
    - Press conference appearances
- Treatment of opponents
  - The President’s recent conversation with Kissinger
    - Life editorial board endorsement of the President
      - Support for McGovern
      - Newspaper Guild
      - Kissinger’s Time-Life contacts
- Time
  - Jerrold L. Schechter
- Granting requests for interviews in news magazines
- US News and World Report
- New York Times
  - Robert B. Semple, Edwin L. Dale, Jr.
- Ehrlichman’s refusal to return telephone calls to unknown person
- Washington Post
  - Ziegler
    - Carroll Kilpatrick
- White House access in post-1972 election period
  - Invitations
    - Social occasions
      - Christmas parties
    - Press conferences
  - Lisagor, Edward B. Morgan
- Supporters
  - Garnett D. (“Jack”) Horner
    - Haldeman’s view
- Semple's future
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- New York Times
- New York Herald-Tribune
- Los Angeles Times
- Endorsement
- Los Angeles Times and Washington Post news service
  - Segretti case
    - Otis Chandler
    - Chapin, Herbert W. Kalmbach
- The President's relations with Anatoliy F. Dobrynin, Leonid I. Brezhnev, Chou En-Lai
  - Comparisons
- White House press, media contacts
- Networks
  - Schorr
  - Marvin L. Kalb
    - Kissinger’s request
    - The President’s meeting with National League of Families
  - Richard G. Valeriani

- News magazines

The President talked with the White House operator at an unknown time between 11:42 am and 12:45 pm.

[Conversation No. 799-19B]

[See Conversation No. 31-53]

[End of telephone conversation]

The press and White House access
- Klein, Ziegler, Kissinger
- Semple, Schechter
  - Conversation with Ehrlichman
  - Washington Post

The President talked with Tricia Nixon Cox between 12:45 am and 12:47 pm.

[Conversation No. 799-19C]

[See Conversation No. 31-54; one item has been withdrawn]
[End of telephone conversation]

POWs
  - Note to Mrs. Davis from Tricia Nixon Cox
  - Bracelet
  - [Ricardo Davis]
  - MIA

The President, Haldeman, and Ehrlichman left at 12:54 pm.

Conversation No. 799-37

Date: October 16, 1972
Time: Unknown between 12:54 pm and 3:52 pm
Location: Oval Office

An unknown person [Secret Service agent] talked with an unknown person.

[Conversation No. 799-37A]

[Unintelligible]

[End of telephone conversation]

The unknown person talked with an unknown person at an unknown time between 12:54 pm and 3:52 pm.

[Conversation 799-37B]

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

[End of telephone conversation]

Conversation No. 799-20

Date: October 16, 1972
Time: Unknown between 3:52 pm and 3:58 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

Schedule

Bull left at 3:58 pm.

Conversation No. 799-21

Date: October 16, 1972
Time: 3:58 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 31-66]

Conversation No. 799-22

Date: October 16, 1972
Time: Unknown between 3:58 pm and 3:59 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull and Alexander P. Butterfield.

The President's schedule
- Forthcoming meeting
  - Interruption

Bull left at 3:58 pm.

Telephone call from Robert W. Galvin
  - Telephone operators

Butterfield left at 3:59 pm.
Date: October 16, 1972  
Time: 3:59 pm - 4:30 pm  
Location: Oval Office


Seating

[Photographic session]

Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 3:59 pm.

The President's telephone calls

Bull left at an unknown time before 4:30 pm.

[Photographic session]

Vietnam Negotiations

- Henry A. Kissinger’s schedule
- Political settlement
  - International Control Commission
    - Changes in language
- Settlement
  - Nguyen Van Thieu
    - Abrams’s view
- Casualties
- Prisoners of War [POWs]
- Timing
  - Political pressures
    - 1972 election
      - The President’s conversation with Kissinger
- Thieu
- US relations with South Vietnam
  - History
    - Military forces
-Tradition, training, leadership
- Government
- US aid
- North Vietnamese situation
  - Hanoi
  - Political structure
  - Manpower
- Thieu
- Conclusion of war
  - US military presence
  - Compared to Europe
  - Legal system
- South Vietnam
  - Abram’s view
- Soviet Union, the People's Republic of China [PRC]
- US domestic conditions
- Future military resupply
  - Petroleum, oil, lubricants [POL]
  - Compared to recent past
  - POL
  - Ammunition
- South Vietnamese leadership
  - Thieu's responsibilities
  - Justification
- Abrams's schedule
  - Ellsworth F. Bunker, Thieu
  - Discussions
- South Vietnam's political future
- North Vietnam
- Coalition government
  - The President’s view
  - Survivability of South Vietnam
- Thieu
  - Possible scenario
    - Cease-fire
    - Command of Army
    - Vietcong [VC]
- Prisoners in South Vietnamese prisons
  - Status and numbers
  - C category
  - Kissinger, Thieu
- Cease-fire supervision
-Effectiveness
  -Survivability of Thieu
-North Vietnam
  -Spring offensive
  -Casualties
    -South Vietnam
  -Mining, bombing effect
  -1972 election effect
  -PRC, Soviet Union
  -Effect of long war
  -1972 election effect
-South Vietnamese situation
  -Military considerations
    -Thieu’s concern
      -Saigon area
        -Ben Cat, Nam Trop [sp?]
  -Political considerations
    -Thieu’s concern
      -US relations
        -Conversations with Haig
-Thieu
  -Psychological considerations
  -Handling of possible settlement
    -Time required
    -Kissinger’s point
    -Prisoners of war [POWs]
      -1972 election
    -US support
  -1968 election
    -1953
  -1963 Ngo Dinh Diem's assassination
    -Diem’s generals
      -Diem’s view of communism
  -Kissinger
    -1972 election
-As possible obstacle to peace
  -North Vietnam
  -US public opinion
  -US economic aid, replacements
  -Bunker, Abrams's role in negotiations
-North Vietnamese stance
  -Possible effect on Thieu’s tenure
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  -Previous meeting with Haig
  -Differences in political terms
    -Coalition government
  -The President’s recent conversation with Kissinger
    -Coalition government
-Abrams's schedule
  -Alaska-Tokyo-Saigon
-Thieu and US relations
  -Publicity
    -North Vietnam
-History of war
  -The President requesting Abrams’s opinion
  -Cambodia, Laos, May 8, 1972 decision by the President
    -US domestic opposition
      -Demonstrations
      -Establishment
  -Support for Thieu
    -US public opinion
      -Communist government in South Vietnam

Abrams
  -Office
  -US Army
    -Morale
      -US Army football
      -Support from the President

Vietnam War
  -Conclusion
    -US bombing
      -Civilians

The President’s regards for Bunker

Abrams et al. left at 4:30 pm.
Date: October 16, 1972
Time: Unknown between 4:30 pm and 4:36 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 31-67]

Conversation No. 799-25

Date: October 16, 1972
Time: Unknown between 4:30 pm and 4:36 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Alexander P. Butterfield.

Unknown person’s schedule
- Executive Office Building [EOB] Health Unit

Butterfield left at an unknown time before 4:36 pm.

Conversation No. 799-26

Date: October 16, 1972
Time: 4:36 pm - 4:37 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with W. Clement Stone.

[See Conversation No. 31-68; one item has been withdrawn from the conversation]
Date: October 16, 1972
Time: Unknown between 4:37 pm and 4:45 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

List of telephone calls
-Procedure
-Rose Mary Woods [?]

Bull left at an unknown time before 4:45 pm.

Date: October 16, 1972
Time: 4:45 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 31-69]

Date: October 16, 1972
Time: 4:45 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

List of telephone calls
Conversation No. 799-30

Date: October 16, 1972
Time: 4:45 pm - 4:46 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with Robert A. Forst.

[See Conversation No. 31-70; one item has been withdrawn]

Conversation No. 799-31

Date: October 16, 1972
Time: Unknown between 4:46 pm and 4:49 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

Letter

Bull left at an unknown time before 4:49 pm.

Conversation No. 799-32

Date: October 16, 1972
Time: 4:49 pm - 4:51 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with William M. Fast.

[See Conversation No. 31-71; one item has been withdrawn]

Conversation No. 799-33

Date: October 16, 1972
Time: 4:52 pm - 4:53 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with Joseph Townsley.

[See Conversation No. 31-72; one item has been withdrawn]

Conversation No. 799-34

Date: October 16, 1972
Time: Unknown between 4:53 pm and 5:01 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

Telephone calls
-Procedure

Bull talked with the White House operator at an unknown time between 4:53 pm and 5:01 pm.

[See Conversation No. 31-73]

Telephone call procedures

[End of telephone conversation]
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Telephone call procedures
  - Pace of calls

Bull left at an unknown time before 5:01 pm.

Conversation No. 799-35

Date: October 16, 1972
Time: Unknown between 4:53 pm and 5:01 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

Meeting with Gen. Alexander M. Haig, Jr.

Bull left at an unknown time before 5:01 pm.

Conversation No. 799-36/800-1

Date: October 16, 1972
Time: 5:01 pm - 5:03 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with Paul Miller.

[See Conversation No. 31-74; one item has been withdrawn. This conversation continues as Conversation No. 800-1]

[An unknown portion of this conversation was not recorded while the tape was changed.]