Conversation No. 805-1

Date: October 19, 1972  
Time: Unknown between 10:50 am and 10:52 am  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Manolo Sanchez and Stephen B. Bull.

Refreshment

The President's schedule
- H.R. (“Bob”) Haldeman

Sanchez and Bull left at an unknown time before 10:52 am.

Conversation No. 805-2

Date: October 19, 1972  
Time: Unknown between 10:50 am and 10:52 am  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

H.R. (“Bob”) Haldeman’s schedule
- Roy L. Ash

Bull left at an unknown time before 10:52 am.

Conversation No. 805-3

Date: October 19, 1972  
Time: 10:52 am - 10:53 am  
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with Alexander M. Haig, Jr.
The President met with Ronald L. Ziegler.

Ziegler's press briefing

- Strategic Arms Limitation Talks [SALT] II announcement
- Legislative programs
  - Congress
  - Revenue sharing
  - Welfare reform
  - John D. Ehrlichman
    - Forthcoming meeting
- Handling in briefing
  - Timing
- Revenue sharing
- Administration's goals
  - Congressional action
    - Environmental issues
      - Ehrlichman
    - Number of bills
    - Health
    - Baseball analogy
    - Wire service lead on story
    - Non-partisan nature of comments in briefing
  - Rating on issues other than revenue sharing
    - The President’s 1972 State of the Union message
- Possible debate between the President and George S. McGovern
  - 1964 campaign
    - McGovern’s position
    - Associated Press [AP], Aldo B. (“Elbow”) Beckman
- Statements by Clark MacGregor, Robert J. Dole
Ziegler left at 11:02 am.

Conversation No. 805-5

Date: October 19, 1972
Time: 11:02 am - 11:20 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Alexander M. Haig, Jr.

Vietnam Negotiations
- Trip by William H. Sullivan
- The President’s message to Nguyen Van Thieu
  - South Vietnam’s interest
  - The President’s support for South Vietnam and Thieu
  - Proposal for settlement of war
  - Possible North Vietnamese action
  - US response
  - Possible meeting between the President and Thieu
- The President’s position
  - 1972 election
- Thieu's role
- US position on settlement at midway in 1969
  - South Vietnam’s military, economic and political strength
- Henry A. Kissinger’s view
  - III Corps area
- Kissinger’s possible trips to Vientiane, Hanoi
  - Thieu
- The President’s possible meeting with Thieu
- Current settlement proposal
  - 1972 election
  - Possible statement at time of settlement
    - Compared to the President’s People’s Republic of China [PRC] announcement
    - Members of US Armed Forces serving in South Vietnam
      - Families
      - Casualties
      - Prisoners of war [POWs], missing in action [MIA]
- Public support
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-Length
  -Details
-Thieu's position
-Cease-fire
-POW's
-Replacement of military equipment
-South Vietnamese government
-Summary
-Enforcement
-Thieu’s position
  -Political issues
  -Military and economic assistance
  -Vietcong [VC]
-Military issues
  -Political issues
-Coalition government in South Vietnam
  -The President's instructions to Ronald L. Ziegler
  -Dan Rather
  -Leak
-State Department
  -William P. Rogers
  -Leaks
-Security of document
-Kissinger's possible trip to Vientiane
-Kissinger’s possible conversation with Le Duc Tho
  -1972 election
-Informing Rogers
  -US-Soviet Union trade agreement
  -Sullivan
  -Haig’s role
    -Message from the President
      -The President’s message to Thieu
-Defense Department
-Supply of military aircraft to South Vietnam
  -Cease-fire
  -Possible airlift
    -Thieu
  -F-5’s
    -North Vietnamese jets
-North Vietnam
  -Possible use of jets
The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

The President's schedule
   -Ronald L. Ziegler’s forthcoming press briefing

Bull left at an unknown time before 11:30 am.
Date: October 19, 1972
Time: Unknown between 11:20 am and 11:30 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

The President’s schedule
- Ronald L. Ziegler
- Briefing
- H.R. (“Bob”) Haldeman

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

Conversaion No. 805-8

Date: October 19, 1972
Time: Unknown between 11:20 am and 11:30 a.m.
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

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[Personal returnable]
[Duration: 13s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 11:30 am.
Conversation No. 805-9

Date: October 19, 1972
Time: Unknown between 11:20 am and 11:30 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

The President's schedule
- Gifts
  - Thomas W. ("Teddy") Gleason
  - Cuff links
  - Ashtrays
  - Costs
  - Cuff links
    - Paul Hall
    - Paul Richardson
      - Sea-Land Service, Inc.
  - New organization
    - Gleason, Richardson
    - Hall
    - Andrew E. Gibson
    - Oliver F. ("Ollie") Atkins

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

Conversation No. 805-10

Date: October 19, 1972
Time: 11:30 am - 12:03 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Paul Hall, Thomas W. ("Teddy") Gleason, Paul Richardson, Andrew E. Gibson and Charles W. Colson. The White House photographer and members of the press were present at the beginning of the meeting.

Introductions and greetings
- New York
Oval Office
- Chair

[Photograph session]

Maritime service
- Losses during World War II
  - Compared to Great Britain
  - Winston S. Churchill’s memoirs
  - Compared to military losses
  - Carrier protection

National Maritime Committee for the Re-election of the President and endorsement of the President
- Maritime industry's appreciation of the administration's action
  - The President’s Seattle speech in 1968 campaign
  - Richardson
  - Gleason
  - Appointment of Gibson
- National Maritime Council
  - Regional structure
    - Seattle event
      - Edward C. Nixon
- Maritime Trades Department of American Federation of Labor-Congress of International Organizations [AFL-CIO]
  - Representation
  - Port councils
    - Seamen, longshoremen, allied workers
    - Work with Gibson
  - Support for the President
- California campaign
  - Offer of assistance
    - Hall’s previous support of Hubert H. Humphrey in 1968
- George Meany’s assignment of Hall of a chairmanship
  - Hearings
    - Victor Bussie of Louisiana, John Smith of Wisconsin
    - Colorado
  - Congressional committee
- Hall's travels
  - Texas
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-Answering questions
-California
-1972 campaign
-Public reaction
  -Voter participation
  -Rank and file, shop stewards, local business agents
  -George S. McGovern
    -Connecticut
  -Workmen’s compensation
  -South Dakota
    -Senate seat
-Hall’s condition on accepting assignment

The President’s administration
  -Treatment of maritime industry

Maritime industry
  -Fund raising
  -Democratic platform
    -McGovern
      -Speech, program
    -Pressure
  -Organization
    -Port councils
      -Gibson
    -Dinners, meetings
      -1972 election
    -Meany, John J. Rooney [?], Allard K. Lowenstein [?]

1972 campaign
  -The President's endorsement of candidates
    -Democrats' support for the President
      -Criticisms
    -Foreign and national defense policy
    -Democrats for Nixon
  -The President's conversation with Ronald L. Ziegler
    -Congressional record on domestic issues
      -Revenue sharing
    -Non-partisanship
  -Maritime industry support
    -Everett M. Dirksen, Hugh Scott, Gerald R. Ford
- William S. Mailliard
  - Roger Boas
    - Background

- Hall's activities
  - Fund raising
    - Boas
    - Colson
  - Organization’s efforts
    - Doorbell ringers, literature
    - California press
    - Appreciation for the President's maritime policies

Maritime industry
  - The President’s conversation with Gleason
    - Gibson's role as the President's adviser
    - Colson
      - Gibson
        - Brown University
    - Subsidies
    - US sea power
      - Compared to Soviet Union
        - Size of navy
        - Merchant Marine
      - Role in world
        - Soviet Union
        - Nuclear war
        - Conventional power
          - Mediterranean Sea, Caribbean Sea
      - US strength
        - Economy
        - The President’s Seattle speech
      - Concept of sea power
        - Adm. Elmo R. Zumwalt, Jr.
        - Soviet Union
        - Bangladesh
    - Settlement of Vietnam War
      - Honor
      - Communist takeover of South Vietnam
      - Shipping
        - Hanoi, Haiphong
        - Compared to Berlin, Hamburg, Tokyo
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-Soviet Union ships

Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 11:30 am.

The President’s schedule
Milton Pitts

Bull left at unknown time before 12:03 pm.

US foreign policy
  -Meany
    -Economic policy
      -Differences with the President
      -The President's trip to the People's Republic of China [PRC]
    -The President's Soviet Union policy
  -Soviet Union
    -Economy, nuclear power
  -PRC
  -Japan
  -US relations with the PRC
    -PRC
      -Economy, nuclear power
      -National interest
      -Soviet Union
        -Divisions
          -Western Europe
    -India
      -Soviet Union
      -Relations with Japan
      -Ideological differences
      -Korean War
      -Territorial designs
        -Soviet Union
        -Relations with Japan
          - [Masayoshi Ohira]
    -Israel's relations with Arabs
    -Nuclear threat
      -May 8, 1972
    -Vietnam War
      -The President's decision to bomb Hanoi and mine Haiphong harbor
        -US-Soviet Union summit, May 1972
-Maritime industry's support
  -Hall, Meany
  -Compared to intellectuals
-US-Soviet Union summit
  -North Vietnamese military action
  -The President’s trip to the PRC
-Intellectuals
  -Malliard
  - [Boas]

Soviet grain deal
  -Losses by some US farmers
  -Wheat, soybeans

Maritime industry
  -Jobs
  -Future trade with other countries
    -PRC, Soviet Union
  -Hall's endorsement of the President
    -Conversation with Meany
    -Colson

Bull entered at an unknown time after 11:30 am.

Presentation of gifts by the President
  -Cuff links
  -US –Soviet Union trade agreement
  -Ashtrays
    -Presidential seal
  -Cuff links
  -Pins

Hall, Gibson, et al., left at 12:03 pm.

Conversation No. 805-11

Date:  October 19, 1972
Time:  Unknown between 12:03 pm and 12:07 pm
The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

The President's schedule
- Barber
- H.R. (“Bob”) Haldeman
- Alexander P. Butterfield

Bull left at an unknown time before 12:07 pm.

Date: October 19, 1972
Time: Unknown between 12:03 pm and 12:07 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 12:07 pm.

Date: October 19, 1972
Time: Unknown between 12:03 pm and 12:07 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 31-140]
Date: October 19, 1972
Time: Unknown between 12:03 pm and 12:07 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown person [Alexander P. Butterfield?].

Items for the President’s signature

The unknown person [Butterfield?] left at an unknown time before 12:07 pm.

Conversation No. 805-15

Date: October 19, 1972
Time: 12:07 pm - 12:08 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with James E. Johnson.

[See Conversation No. 31-141]