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NIXON PRESIDENTIAL LIBRARY AND MUSEUM
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Conversation No. 880-1

Date: March 15, 1973
Time: 11:16 am-11:19 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Ronald L. Ziegler.

President's press conference
-Preparations
-Format
-Start of press conference
-Announcement of Dr. David K. Bruce's appointment US
liaison office in People's Republic of China [PRC]
-Background hand-outs
-Briefing by President

Ziegler left at 11:19 am.

Conversation No. 880-2

Date: March 15, 1973
Time: Unknown between 11:19 am and 11:21 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Ronald L. Ziegler.

President's press conference
-Ziegler's introduction

The President and Ziegler left at 11:21 am.

Conversation No. 880-25

Date: March 15, 1973
Time: Unknown between 11:22 am and 11:58 am
Location: Oval Office

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Conversation No. 880-25 (cont'd)

Unknown people met.

[Begin segment reviewed under deed of gift]

President's schedule
-Press office

[End segment reviewed under deed of gift]

The conversation was cut off at an unknown time before 11:58 am.

Conversation No. 880-3

Date: March 15, 1973
Time: 11:58 am-12:05 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Ronald L. Ziegler.

President's press conference
-Watergate
-Court tests
-Ziegler's future comments
-President's comments
-Restrictions on White House commentary
-Cooperation with Congress
-Record of administration
-Alger Hiss case
-Press sensitivity
-Unknown reporter's question
-Ed Kempler
-Press bias
-Comparison to Pentagon Papers case
-Issues of case

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Conversation No. 880-3 (cont'd)

- White House position with press
- Clark R. Mollenhoff
- President's handling of questions characterized
- Dr. David K. E. Bruce
- Stockpiling
- Food prices
 - Importance of story
- Aid to India and Pakistan
- Watergate
 - John W. Dean, III
 - Executive privilege
 - Committee to Reelect the President
 - Responsibility
 - Kemp's question
 - Hiss case
 - Cooperation with Congress
 - Hiss case
 - Issues
 - Press obsessions
 - Hostility to administration and presidency
 - Bias against President
 - Comparison to treatment of John F. Kennedy
 - Ziegler's response

Ziegler left at 12:05 pm.

Conversation No. 880-4

Date: March 15, 1973
Time: Unknown between 12:05 pm and 12:11 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 37-117]

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Conversation No. 880-5

Date: March 15, 1973
Time: Unknown between 12:05 pm and 12:11 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman's schedule
-Memorial service for George T. Bell
-John D. Ehrlichman [?]

Bell
-Christian Science religion
-Illness
-Cancer
-Mrs. Bell
-President's telephone call to Bell
-Christian Science

Bull left at an unknown time before 12:11 pm.

Conversation No. 880-6

Date: March 15, 1973
Time: 12:11 pm-12:25 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Henry A. Kissinger.

President's press conference
-Vietnam
-Questions
-President's handling

The President talked with Ralph H. Cake between 12:11 pm and 12:12 pm.

[Conversation No. 880-6A]

[See Conversation No. 37-118]

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Conversation No. 880-6 (cont'd)

[End of telephone conversation]

Ralph H. Cake

-Illness

President's Press conference

-Watergate

-Questions on Donald H. Segretti

-President's handling of questions

-Dwight L. Chapin

-President's demeanor

-Watergate

-Ed Kempler's question

-Press double standard

-Alger Hiss case

-Harry S Truman

-Hiss case

-President's involvement

-Reasons

-John N. Mitchell

-Committee to Re-elect the President

-Involvement

-Mitchell's involvement

-Kissinger's view

-H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman

-People's Republic of China [PRC] liaison office announcement

Ronald L. Ziegler entered at 12:15 pm.

Greetings

Press statements

-North Vietnam

-India

-Pakistan

India

-US aid

-Suspension

-Commitments

-Lyndon B. Johnson

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Conversation No. 880-6 (cont'd)

- Sales
- Policy
- State Department
- Tanks
 - Johnson
- Personnel carriers
 - Lethality
 - PRC
- Military expenditures
 - Indira Gandhi's comments to Daniel P. Moynihan [?]
 - Arms race
 - Poverty
- Comparison with Pakistan
- Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]
 - Arms production

President's trips

- Plans
 - Africa
 - Latin America
- Latin America
 - Value
- William P. Rogers
- Requests
 - Commitments
- Japan

Vietnam

Dr. David K. E. Bruce

- US liaison office to PRC
 - Lead story
 - Alfred L. Jenkins
 - John H. Holdridge

Kissinger left at 12:18 pm.

Press relations

- Vietnam
- Watergate

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Conversation No. 880-7 (cont'd)

Watergate

- L. Patrick Gray, III
- Testimony before committee
- News reports
 - John W. Dean, III's testimony
 - Restrictions
 - Executive privilege
 - Court challenge
 - Mitchell, Maurice H. Stans
 - News

An unknown person entered at an unknown time after 12:18 pm.

President's schedule

- President's meeting with James M. Collins
- John G. Tower

The unknown person left at an unknown time before 12:25 pm.

Watergate

- Press conference
 - Richard A. Moore's, Patrick J. Buchanan's and Dean's opinion
 - Moore's opinion
- Ziegler's comments
 - Ervin hearings
 - Federal Bureau of Investigation [FBI] raw files
 - White House viewing
 - Disclosure to Ervin Committee
 - Dealings with press
 - J. Edgar Hoover's practices
- Press
 - Frustrations

President's press conference

- Length
- Sarah McClendon
- Frances L. Lewine
 - Cut-off of press conference
- Clark R. Mollenhoff
- President's handling of questions
 - Martin K ("Ken") Worthy

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- [Unintelligible name]
- Timing
 - Advantages
 - Moore's view
- Press hostility
- Watergate
 - Comments
 - Future press conference responses
 - Tone
 - Kissinger

Watergate

- Executive privilege
 - President's experiences as congressman
 - Cooperation with committee of Congress
 - Administration's record

President's schedule

- Meeting with Debbie Ploch
 - "1973 Maid of Cotton"
- Photographer
 - Oliver F. ("Ollie") Atkins
- Distribution of photograph
 - Texas

Ziegler left at 12:25 pm.

Conversation No. 880-7

Date: March 15, 1973

Time: Unknown between 12:25 pm and 12:26 pm

Location: Oval Office

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

Delivery

President's schedule

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Sanchez left at 12:26 pm.

Conversation No. 880-8

Date: March 15, 1973
Time: 12:26 pm-12:35 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Debbie Ploch, James M. Collins and Max L. Friedersdorf. The White House photographer was present at the beginning of the meeting.

Introductions
-Family

Photographs

Thelma C. ("Pat") Nixon

[Sirikit, Queen of Thailand] Queen Sirikit Kitiyakara
-Attributors
-Miss World contest
-Ploch's trip to Southeast Asia

[Photograph session]

State visit by [Bhumibol, King of Thailand] Bhumibol Adulyadej
-Visit to White House
-Message for Queen Sirikit

Ploch's teaching career
-English
-Spanish

Cotton Bowl
-Football game
-Texas, Oklahoma

Gifts

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Conversation No. 880-8 (cont'd)

Oval Office

- Mrs. Nixon's input
- Curtains
 - Color television [TV]
- Painting of White House
 - Great Britain
- Portrait of George Washington

Rose Garden

- Tricia Nixon Cox's wedding
- Flowers

Ploch's plans

- Marriage
 - President's future grandchildren

Chinese vase

- Value
- Jade
- Age
- Inscription

Prisoners of war [POWs]

Ploch's trip to Far East

- Experiences
 - People
- Sale of cotton from US
 - Necessity

Crewelwork by Julie Nixon Eisenhower

President's daughters

- Middle names

Ploch's middle name

Ploch, et al., left at 12:35 pm.

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Time: 12:35 pm-1:02 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

President's schedule

- Donald E. Young
 - Telephone call
 - Alaska
 - Meeting with President
 - Max M. Fisher
- President's meeting with Lucy M. Ferguson
 - Arrangements

Alexander P. Butterfield

- Confirmation
 - Federal Aviation Administration [FAA]
- Photograph with President
- Swearing-in

President's schedule

- Meeting with Arlene Dahl
 - H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman
 - Actress
 - Photograph session
- Meeting with Theodore H. ("Teddy") White
 - Book
 - Ronald L. Ziegler, Haldeman
 - Length
- Herman Kahn
- Visit to dentist
- Ambassador William Warnock of Ireland
 - Meeting
 - Shamrock presentation
 - Length
- Visit to dentist
 - Openings
 - Shamrock presentation

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Conversation No. 880-9 (cont'd)

- Next week
 - Openings
- Meeting with White
- Labor Management Advisory Committee
 - Cost of Living Council
 - George P. Shultz
 - Herbert G. Stein and John T. Dunlop
 - Shultz's presence
 - Postponement
 - John D. Ehrlichman's opinion
- Organization of American States [OAS] reception
 - President's presence
 - White House reception
 - Latin America
 - Ambassadors
- William P. Rogers's dinner
 - Date
 - State Department
 - Ambassadors
- OAS reception
 - President's speech
 - Preparation
- Photograph sessions with President
 - Oliver F. ("Ollie") Atkins
 - Nixon Library, National Archives
 - Thomas hart
 - President at work
- Cabinet meeting
- Congressional leaders meeting
- Labor Management Advisory Committee
 - Shultz's attendance
- Congressional leaders meeting
- Cabinet meeting
- Shultz

Walter H. Annenberg

- Gift in the Executive Office Building [EOB] office
- Replica

President's schedule

- Haldeman

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Conversation No. 880-9 (cont'd)

- Congressional leaders meeting
 - Shultz
 - Size of meeting
- President's trip to California
- Cabinet meeting
- Congressional leaders meeting
- Maurice H. Stans
 - Fisher
- Daily meetings
 - Ehrlichman
 - Photograph sessions
 - Congress
- Congressional leaders meeting
- Cabinet meeting
- Rest of month
 - Open days

Henry A. Kissinger entered at 12:51 pm.

Bull left at 12:52 pm.

Mutual and Balanced Force Reduction [MBFR]

- Annual report
- Meeting

People's Republic of China [PRC]

- Ambassador to France
 - Seniority
 - Diplomatic service
 - Central committee
 - Intelligence
 - Visit to US

Washington press corps

- Questions on US-PRC relations
 - Lack of interest
- US-PRC relations
 - Dr. David K. E. Bruce
 - Historical significance

US-PRC relations

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Conversation No. 880-9 (cont'd)

- President's trip to PRC
 - Importance
- Bruce
 - Alfred L. Jenkins
 - John H. Holdridge
 - Ambassador to France [Huang Zhen]
 - Chief of Protocol Department
 - Rank
 - English language
 - Announcement of appointment
 - Ronald L. Ziegler
- News stories
 - Kissinger's trip to PRC
 - Handling by press corps

Press corps

- Bias
 - Executive privilege
 - Questions
 - Staff testimony to Congress
 - Walter W. Rostow
 - Ehrlichman
- PRC story
 - Historical significance
 - Patriotism
 - Bruce
 - Watergate

US-PRC relations

- Importance
- President's letter to Mao Tse-Tung and Chou En-lai
 - Composition
 - Treaty
- Common dangers
- Transcript

Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]

Nuclear treaty

- Announcement of policy objectives
 - Agreement on principle
 - Renouncing nuclear weapons

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Conversation No. 880-9 (cont'd)

- Removing danger of nuclear war
- Reactions from PRC and Europe
 - Bargaining
 - Draft treaty from USSR
- USSR
 - US responses to attacks
 - Hypothetical situations
 - Allies
 - Neutral
 - India
 - PRC
 - Reaction from PRC and Europe
 - Leonid I. Brezhnev

USSR

- Emigration of Soviet Jews
 - Question from press
 - President's response
 - Need for stable US-USSR relations
 - Rate
 - Reaction
 - Public exposure of question
 - Edward M. ("Teddy") Kennedy
 - John T. Downey release
 - Chou
 - PRC
 - US-USSR relations
- Private message
 - Republicans
 - Peace Corps

PRC

- Message
- Kissinger's meeting with President
 - Scheduling

US-Pakistan relations

- Commitments
 - Arms sales
 - Lyndon B. Johnson

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Kissinger left at 1:02 pm.

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Time: Unknown between 1:02 pm and 1:04 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull [?].

Ronald L. Ziegler
-Meeting with President

Bull [?] left at an unknown time before 1:04 pm.

Conversation No. 880-11

Date: March 15, 1973
Time: 1:04 pm-1:16 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Ronald L. Ziegler.

President's press conference
-Need to present the White House view
-Victor Lasky
-Administration dealings
-Alger Hiss case
 -Comparison with Watergate
 -W. Bruce Weinrod
 -Federal Bureau of Investigation [FBI]
 -Kenneth W. Clawson
 -Line for press
 -National security issue
-FBI files
 -Use
 -Disclosure to Congress

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Conversation No. 880-11 (cont'd)

- Use by White House staff
- Watergate
 - Executive privilege
- Mood at press conference
- People's Republic of China [PRC] diplomatic mission to US
 - Lack of press interest

PRC

- Diplomatic mission
 - Ambassador to France [Huang Zhen]
 - Chief of Protocol
 - Han Su [?]

Press corps

- Comments of old-timers
 - Squire Byrnes, Edgar Allen Poe, J. William Theis, Martin Hayden
 - Decline
- PRC story
 - Lack of interest
 - Significance
 - Opening of liaison office
 - Taiwan
 - Chou En-lai
 - India-Pakistan
 - Superficial lead
- Hostility to administration
 - Courtney Sheldon
 - Response of White House
 - Liberals

President's press conference

- Ziegler's evaluation
 - White House response
- Tone
 - Toughness
- Liberals
- Drug legislation
 - Administration position
 - Permissiveness
 - Press bias
 - Commission report [?]

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Conversation No. 880-11 (cont'd)

- John F. Kennedy, Lyndon B. Johnson
- Dwight D. Eisenhower
- President's appearances
 - Responses to questions
 - “No comment”

Watergate

- Executive privilege
- Senate actions
 - Possible court test
- Liberals
- Hiss case
 - Harry S Truman's order on executive privilege

Liberal establishment

- Hiss
- Berlin Wall
- Vietnam
- Presidency
- Attitude of country
- Support for George S. McGovern
- Education, social issues
- Joseph W. Alsop
 - McGovern
- Radical elements
- Crime
- McGovern
 - Democratic convention
 - Meeting with radicals
 - Loss of support in country
 - White House staff reaction
 - William P. Rogers
 - Raymond K. Price, Jr.
 - Leonard Garment

President's press conference

- Television [TV] broadcast
- Reports on TV
 - Public reactions

Ziegler left at 1:16 pm.

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Conversation No. 880-13 (cont'd)

Conversation No. 880-12

Date: March 15, 1973
Time: Unknown between 2:53 pm and 2:55 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown person.

Request
-Ronald L. Ziegler [?]

The unknown person left at an unknown time before 2:55 pm.

Conversation No. 880-13

Date: March 15, 1973
Time: Unknown between 2:55 pm and 2:59 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Rose Mary Woods.

President's approval of item
-President's meeting with Lucy Ferguson

Prisoners of war [POWs]
-Reception

The President and Woods left at an unknown time before 2:59 pm.

Conversation No. 880-14

Date: March 15, 1973
Time: Unknown between 2:55 pm and 3:55 pm
Location: Oval Office

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The President met with Rose Mary Woods.

Arrangements for Prisoners of war [POWs] reception

Lucy Ferguson, John Ferguson, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Williams, Jeannette Williams, Mark Williams, Jonathan Williams, Diane Jordan, Shelby Jordan and Kim Jordan entered at 2:59 pm. The White House photographer was present at the beginning of the meeting.

Introductions

-Size of family

Lucy Ferguson's work with White House

-Retirement

-Thanks

-Thelma C. ("Pat") Nixon

Photographs

-Arrangements

-Children

-Dress

-Copies

-Oliver F. ("Ollie") Atkins

Lucy Ferguson's work

-Thanks

Salutations

Lucy Ferguson, et al., left at 3:03 pm. Woods remained.

Prisoners of war [POWs]

-Recognition

-Medal

-Certificate

-Commendation

-Gifts

-Presidential cufflinks

-Pins

-J. Willard ("Bill") Marriott, Jr. [?]

-Recognition

-Commendation

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Conversation No. 880-14 (cont'd)

- Pins
- Bracelets
- Medals
 - Design
 - Eagle
 - Marriott [?]
 - Production
- Commendations
 - Gen. Brent G. Scowcroft
- Inscription
- Presidential ashtrays

Max M. Fisher and Leonard Garment entered at 3:06 pm. The White House photographer was present at the beginning of the meeting.

Greetings

President's press conference

Woods left at 3:06 pm.

Photograph

- Seating arrangements

Fisher's activities

- Fisher's work with Jewish community
 - Foreign policy issues
 - Middle East
 - Soviet Jews
 - Most Favored Nation [MFN] status
 - Opposition of Jewish community
 - Non-Jews
- Fisher's help for president
 - Work with William P. Rogers
 - Joseph J. Sisco
 - Henry A. Kissinger [?]
 - George P. Shultz
 - Strategy

Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]

- President's meeting with Golda Meir

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- President's approach on Soviet Jews
 - Unnamed congressman
 - President's trip to People's Republic of China [PRC]
 - Release of John T. Downey

An unknown man entered at an unknown time after 3:06 pm.

Refreshment

The unknown man left at an unknown time before 3:55 pm.

USSR

- PRC trip by president
 - Lack of conditions
 - Relationship
 - Results of trip
 - Release of Downey
- Soviet Jewish emigration
 - MFN
 - US-USSR relations
 - Agitation
 - Dangers
 - Summit
 - Peace
 - American Jews
 - Congress
 - Pandering
 - Rate of emigration
 - Reasons
 - Relationship to MFN
 - Economic initiatives
 - American Jewish community
 - Agitation
 - Dangers to Soviet Jews
 - President's approach
- US relations with USSR
 - Goals
 - Peace
 - Relationship between superpowers
 - Handling of Soviet Jewish emigration
 - Arms limitations

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- Communists
- Blame
- Press conference
- Soviet Jewish emigration
 - Domestic issue
 - Speech
 - New York
 - Herschel Schacter
 - Heroics
 - Leonid I. Brezhnev
 - President's approach
 - Humanitarianism
 - Germany
 - Rider on MFN
 - Economic progress
 - Vietnam
 - Arms limitations
- USSR's leadership
 - Paranoia, jingoistic pride
 - Congressional action on MFN
 - American Jewish community
 - Responsibility
- Meir's and Yitzhak Rabin's attitude
 - Peace prospects
 - PRC
 - Release of Downey
 - Conditions
- Soviet Jewish emigration
 - USSR's goal
 - Respectability
 - President's approach
 - Public relations program
 - Conditions on trade
- Treatment of Soviet Jews
 - Insane asylums
 - NAZIs
 - Killing, torture
 - Cruelty
 - Handling of Soviet Jewish emigration
 - US influence
 - Rider on MFN

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- American Jewish community
 - Fisher's role
 - Rogers
 - Leadership meeting
 - Speech
 - Congress
 - Demagoguery
 - Henry A. Kissinger
 - Rider on MFN
 - Battle against Jews
 - Votes
- US relations with USSR
 - Arms limitations
 - Vietnam
 - North Vietnam's restraint
 - Influence with USSR
 - Communism
 - Alger Hiss case
 - Popularity of anticommunism
- American Jewish community
 - Fisher's work
 - Congress
 - Votes
 - Kissinger
 - Leadership
 - Strategy
 - Interests
 - Peace
 - Soviet Jews
- Soviet Jewish emigration
 - USSR's reaction
 - France, Great Britain
 - Brezhnev
 - Discussions with President
 - Possible announcement
 - Congress
 - Internal matter
 - Natural gas trade
 - Conditions in USSR
 - US reception
 - Israel

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- Immigrants to US
 - Parole waiver
 - Working class
 - Intellectuals
 - Nationalities
- President's influence
- Dangers of rider on MFN
 - Importance
 - Comparison with arms for Israel
 - Meir
 - Airplanes
- Humanitarian problem
- Foreign policy problem
- Henry M. ("Scoop") Jackson
 - Political ambition

American Jewish community

- Goodwill toward President
- Confidence in president
- Speech
- Herschel Schacter
- Leaders
 - Meetings
- House of representatives
- Foreign policy issues
 - Approach
 - Communicating President's sympathy
- Confidence in Rogers
 - Middle East
- Attitude toward Kissinger
- "Peace at home"
 - Administration's efforts
- Garment's role
- Fisher's approach
 - President's suggestions

Vietnam

- Status of cease-fire
 - Infiltration
 - Handling of North Vietnamese
 - Compared to handling of American Jewish community

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USSR

- Brezhnev's visit
 - Dinner
 - Republicans from Jewish community
 - Representation
- Fisher's work with Jewish community
 - New York
 - Strategy
 - Garment's role
 - Rogers's appearance on "face the nation"
 - Disclosure of strategy
 - Secrecy
 - President's sympathy
 - Brezhnev
 - Work with Congress,
 - Jacob K. Javits and Abraham A. Ribicoff
 - Political overtones
 - Partisanship
 - Strategy
- Approaches
 - Georgi Arbatov
 - Speech
 - Institute on American Relations with the Soviet Union
 - Fall-out
 - American Jewish community
- PRC
- Kissinger
- Fisher's work with American Jewish community
 - President's suggestions

Energy

- John D. Ehrlichman, Charles J. DiBona
- Fisher's advice
 - Knowledge of oil and Middle East
- Advisory group
 - Fisher's inclusion
 - John B. Connally
 - Oil companies
 - Fisher's patriotism
 - Ken Jameson's exclusion

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- Standard Oil of New Jersey
- Standard Oil of California
 - President's friend
- Standard Oil of Texas
 - Connally
- Charles J. DiBona
 - Intelligence
 - Knowledge of oil
 - System analysis
 - Meeting with Fisher
- Fisher's association with oil company
 - Discontinuation
 - Ehrlichman
 - President's trust
 - Connally
 - Natural gas investments
- Natural gas
 - Price
 - Need for action
 - Kerr-Mills Bill
 - Dwight D. Eisenhower's veto
 - Motivation
 - Francis case [?]
 - Campaign contribution scandal
 - California
 - Results
 - Garment's knowledge
 - Contributions
 - Natural gas company
 - Ruthlessness
 - Decontrol
 - Ehrlichman
 - Extent
 - Political fall-out
 - Ehrlichman
 - El Paso Gas Company
 - Antitrust case
 - Fisher's work
 - Support for President
 - Priorities
 - Trip overseas

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-Prestige

[First name unknown] Tyson [?]

- US Steel
- Geneva [?]
- Trade negotiations

Fisher's work for administration

- European Economic Community
 - Negotiations
- George P. Shultz, Peter M. Flanigan
- Business Council
 - Quality of advice
 - Selfishness
 - James M. Roche[?]
- Donald McI. Kendall
 - Informal business group
- Business Council
 - Connally
- Paul W. McCrackan

Food

- Prices
 - Fisher's advice
 - Production levels
 - Consumption levels
- POWs
 - Physical condition
 - Diet
 - Capt. Jeremiah A. Denton, Jr., Col. Robinson Risner
 - Solitary confinement
 - Character
 - Diet
 - Physical condition
 - Dental problems
 - Surgery
 - Civil War
 - Denton
 - Condition of teeth
 - Reasons
 - Diet

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Conversation No. 880-14 (cont'd)

- Diets
 - Concentration camp survivors
 - NAZIs
 - Condition of teeth
 - Reasons
 - Dentures
 - Compared to American diet
 - Smoking

POWs

- Captivity
- Communication in prison
 - Morse code
 - Sweeping
 - Writing paper
- Reading matter
 - Propaganda
- Solitary confinement
- Survivors
 - Quiet voices
 - Improvement in treatment
 - American elite
- Prison camps
 - World War II
 - Movie, *The Great Escape*
 - Survival
 - Treatment of POWs
 - Brutality
 - Adolph Hitler
- Retention of American values
 - Denton's letter to President

Fisher's wife

- Parties
- Appointment to position
 - Kennedy Center
 - National Commission on the Arts
 - New elite of the President's supporters
 - Sammy Davis, Jr.

Joseph J. Sisco

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Conversation No. 880-14 (cont'd)

- Trustworthiness
- Jewish community's support
- Middle East
- US ambassador to Israel
 - Kissinger
 - Replacement
 - Consequences
- Work with Kissinger
- Quality of work
- Assistant Secretary of State

Israel

- US ambassador
 - Appointment
 - Paul N. ("Pete") McCloskey, Jr.
 - Jewish community
 - Kenneth B. Keating
 - Nelson A. Rockefeller
 - Support for Israel
 - Assistant Secretary of State
 - Prestige
 - Work with Kissinger
 - Sisco
- Germany
 - Tom [last name unknown]
 - Qualifications
- American Jewish community
 - Support for Sisco
 - Garment's role
 - Reaction to Rogers's plan
 - Kissinger

Campaign contribution

Fisher and Garment left at 3:55 pm.

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Conversation No. 880-15 (cont'd)

Conversation No. 880-15

Date: March 15, 1973
Time: 3:56 pm-4:17 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Donald E. Young, Jack Coghill and Richard K. Cook. The White House photographer was present at the beginning of the meeting.

Introductions

Middle East

- Staying out
- Comparison with Alaska

Photographs

- Congratulations
- Arrangements

[Begin segment reviewed under deed of gift]

1972 election

- Development of issues
- Young's campaign
 - Bush country
 - Percent of vote

[End segment reviewed under deed of gift]

Manolo Sanchez entered at an unknown time after 3:56 pm.

Refreshment

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 4:17 pm.

1972 election issues

- Young's opponent

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Conversation No. 880-15 (cont'd)

- Emil Notti
- Opposition to President
- Young's campaign
 - Revenue-sharing
 - Bureaucrats
 - Community action program
 - Expenditures
 - Lyndon B. Johnson
 - Aid to poor
 - Administrative costs
 - “Trickle-down theory”

[Begin segment reviewed under deed of gift]

- Young's campaign
 - Personal appearances
 - Rotary Clubs, Lyons Clubs, Chambers of Commerce
 - Radio talks
 - Television [TV] coverage
 - TV companies
 - Statewide network
 - Anchorage
 - Edward M. (“Ted”) Kennedy's advertisements
 - President's budget cuts
 - Walter J. Hickel's advertisements
 - Counterattacks
 - Notti
 - Gun control
 - Peggy Begich's reaction
 - Thomas Begich
 - Michael Gravel, Kennedy
 - Gravel
 - Re-election
 - Defeat

- Alaska politics
 - Ted Stevens
 - Appeal
 - Gravel

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Conversation No. 880-15 (cont'd)

- Appeal
- Opinion of Senate colleagues
- Governor's office
- Young's campaign
 - Funding
 - Contributions
 - Republican national Committee [RNC]
 - Ed Terrell [?], Mary Ellen Miller, Chuck Bailey
 - Young's control
 - Robert C. ("Bob") Wilson
 - Anchorage
- Coghill's role
- Victory
 - Publicity
 - George H. W. Bush
 - Issues
- Special nomination
- Governor's race
- President's appearance
- Spiro T. Agnew's visit
 - Value
 - Fundraising
 - Anchorage
 - Committee to Re-elect the President
 - State Republican party
- Democrats
 - Splits
 - Notti
 - Primary
 - Senate, lieutenant governor
 - Divisions among democrats
 - George S. McGovern
 - Henry M. ('Scoop') Jackson
 - Visit to Alaska

[End segment reviewed under deed of gift]

-Native land claims settlement

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Conversation No. 880-15 (cont'd)

- Use of power by Alaska natives
 - Pipeline
 - Wealth
- Pipeline
 - Necessity for country
 - Courts
 - Support in Alaska
 - Opposition
 - Federal employees
 - Support for environmental groups
 - Sierra Club
- 1972 election
 - Environmental issues
 - Danger of extremism
 - West
 - World War II
- Environment
 - Strip mines for coal
 - Joe Usabelli [?]
 - Seeds and revitalization
 - Initiative by private enterprise
 - Court rulings
- Pipeline
 - Domestic Council
 - Environmentalists in administration
 - Administration's legislation
 - Delays
 - Court situation
 - Pressure from Cook
- Young's congressional committee assignments
 - Gerald R. Ford
 - Interior
 - Merchant marine
 - Fisheries
 - Subcommittees
 - Armed services
- Congressional delegation
 - Rapport with White House
 - President's support for pipeline
 - Announcement to constituents
 - Importance of fight compared with achievement

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Conversation No. 880-15 (cont'd)

[Begin segment reviewed under deed of gift]

Young's meeting with George H. W. Bush

- Young's schedule
 - Pan American Airlines
 - Polar route
 - Fairbanks
 - New York
- Republican programs

1972 election

- Young's victory
- Democrats
 - Washington Post*

1974 congressional election

- Illinois
 - Chicago
 - Jesse L. Jackson
 - George W. Collins
 - Lindy Boggs
 - Solid Democratic districts
 - Age of Congress members
 - Republicans
 - Craig Hosmer
 - Heart attack
 - Bob Price
 - Texas
 - Retirements
 - Republicans
 - Compared with Democrats
 - Age
- Candidacies
 - Young's victory
 - Nick Begich
 - Marginal seats

[End segment reviewed under deed of gift]

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Conversation No. 880-15 (cont'd)

Youngs's children

Travel allowance

-Congress

-Young's residence

-Arctic Circle

Photographs

-Copies

Young, Coghill and Cook left at 4:17 pm.

Conversation No. 880-16

Date: March 15, 1973

Time: Unknown between 4:17 pm and 4:18 pm

Location: Oval Office

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

President's schedule

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

Conversation No. 880-17

Date: March 15, 1973

Time: Unknown between 4:17 pm and 4:18 pm

Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown man.

Ronald L. Ziegler's schedule

-Henry A. Kissinger

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-President's schedule

The unknown man left at an unknown time before 4:18 pm.

Conversation No. 880-18

Date: March 15, 1973
Time: 4:18 pm-5:30 pm
Location: Oval Office

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

George T. Bell

- Death
- Personality
- Wealth
- Cause of death
 - Cancer
- Religion
 - Christian Scientist
- Call to hospital
- Company
 - Sale
- Retirement
 - Work in 1968 campaign
 - Citizens for Nixon
 - Work in White House
 - Personnel office
 - Charles W. Colson

Ralph H. Cake

- President's call
 - Cake's response
- State of health

Telephone calls

- Death
- Comments
 - Preparation

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- Praise of staff
 - News summaries
 - Rose Mary Woods

President's press conference

- Announcement of People's Republic of China [PRC] liaison office
 - historic significance
- Question and answer session
- Press responses
- Donald H. Segretti case
- Watergate
- John W. Dean, III's testimony
- Eugene V. Risher's question
 - Dean's testimony
 - President's handling
- Ziegler's responses to questions
 - President's conversation
 - Previous mistake
 - Dwight L. Chapin
 - Recommendation of Segretti
 - Ziegler's denial of a story
 - Veracity
- Chapin
 - Relationship with Segretti
 - Ziegler's answers to questions

Ziegler entered at 4:19 pm.

- China announcement
- Press questions
 - Watergate
 - Dean
 - Executive privilege
 - L[ouis] Patrick Gray, III
- Dr. David K. E. Bruce appointment
- Timing
- President's handling
 - Press response to President's appearance
 - Comparison with John F. Kennedy, Jr., Dwight D. Eisenhower and Lyndon B. Johnson

Prisoners of war [POWs]

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Conversation No. 880-18 (cont'd)

- Press coverage
 - Gen. John P. Flynn
 - Public reactions

Press relations

- North Vietnam
 - National Broadcasting Company [NBC]
 - Infiltration
 - US response
- Lead stories
- PRC initiative
 - Bruce
 - Significance
 - Lack of press interest
- Press conference
 - Questions on Watergate, Dean
 - Risher
 - PRC
 - Wire service
 - Clark R. Mollenhoff
 - Question on PRC liaison
 - Significance
- PRC liaison
 - Follow-up questions
 - John T. Downey
 - Bruce
 - Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]
 - Taiwan
 - Meeting with PRC
 - Ambassadorship

Press conferences

- Tone
 - Patrick J. Buchanan
 - Colson
 - Importance
- Nature of questions
 - New York Times* reporter
 - [First name unknown] Kenwick [?]
 - Question for President
 - President's answer

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Conversation No. 880-18 (cont'd)

- Next press conference
 - Scheduling
 - State of the Union Address
 - Television [TV] coverage
 - State of the Union Address
 - Timing
 - Nguyen Van Thieu's visit
 - Prime time TV coverage
- Watergate
- Aid to India and Pakistan
 - Questions
 - Responses
- Watergate
 - Ervin Hearings
 - Comments
 - Maurice H. Stans' civil suit
 - Comment
 - President's statements
 - Stans
 - Ervin hearings
 - Watergate
 - Dean
 - Segretti
 - Ziegler's responses
 - Democrats
- Food prices

United States Department of Agriculture [USDA] release

- Food prices
 - Virginia H. Knauer
 - Housewives
 - Bargain list
 - Influence on prices
 - Price controls
 - Boycott of meat
 - Limits on purchasing
 - Knauer
 - Potential press coverage
- POWs
 - Lack of meat
 - Health

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Conversation No. 880-18 (cont'd)

- Meat
 - Necessity
 - Protein

Press conference

- George P. Shultz
- Soviet Jews
 - Questions
- Shultz's trip
- Important issues
 - Lack of interest
- Tariffs
 - USDA
 - Congress
- Stockpiling
 - Question by Forrest Boyd
 - Importance
 - National security
 - Influence on pricing
 - Copper, tin stockpiles
 - Necessity
- Frequency
 - Variation of intervals
 - Staggered times
- Handling of press
 - Benefits for administration
 - TV coverage

Memorandum on Thelma C. ("Pat") Nixon to Ronald L. Ziegler

- Book
 - Copies to Julie Nixon Eisenhower and Tricia Nixon Cox
- Mrs. Nixon's activities and offices
 - Cancer Society
 - Developmentally disabled children
 - Chairmanships

Henry A. Kissinger entered at 4:45 pm.

Congressional relations

- Administration's record
- Information

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Conversation No. 880-18 (cont'd)

- Openness
- Dean
 - Appearance before Congress
- Lyndon B. Johnson
- Walter W. Jenkins
 - Private materials
 - Access
 - Republicans
 - Johnson's staff
 - Homosexuality
 - Blackmail
- Robert D. ("Bobby") Baker
- Publicity for administration's record
 - Positive stand

President's foreign travel

- Latin America
 - William P. Rogers
 - Visit
- Africa visits
 - “Police states”
- Brazil
 - Safety
 - Brasilia
 - Intelligence analysis
- Caracas, Venezuela
 - Guerrilla activity
 - Risk of another incident
- Brazil
 - Brasilia
- Jamaica
- Nicaragua
- Latin American summit
 - Brasilia
 - Mexican president
 - Cozumel
 - Yucatan Peninsula
 - Island
- Press statements
 - Trips under consideration
- Lee Kuan Yew's visit

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Conversation No. 880-18 (cont'd)

- Guilio Andreotti's visit
- Willy Brandt
 - Visit
 - Domestic situation
 - US-Europe relations
 - Personality
 - Record as Berlin mayor
 - John V. Lindsay
 - New York mayor

Georges J. R. Pompidou

- Kissinger's letter
- Election
 - President's response to results
 - Washington Post* reports
 - Gen. Charles A. J. M. deGaulle
 - Harry S. Truman
 - Leftist parties
 - Splits
 - Socialists
 - Communists
 - Separation of candidates
 - Plurality
 - Votes
- Majority in assembly

Press conference by Ziegler

- Watergate
- Mansfield amendment on European troop withdrawal
 - President's opposition
 - Statement for press
 - Mutual reductions
 - Compared with unilateral reductions
 - Influence on negotiations
 - Vietnam peace settlement
 - Democratic partisanship
 - Michael J. ("Mike") Mansfield

Ziegler left at 4:47 pm.

Joseph Simpson Farland

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Conversation No. 880-18 (cont'd)

- Appointment as ambassador
 - Health problems
 - Heart
 - Altitude
- Treatment
 - Iran
 - Greece

Ambassadors

- Pakistan
- Germany
 - Thomas Vail
 - Farland
 - Netherlands
 - Switzerland
 - Canada
 - [First name unknown] Safer [?]
 - Kissinger's opinion
 - Judiasm
- Farland
 - Canada
- Argentina
 - Safer [?]
- Mexico
 - [First name unknown] Reynolds
 - Columbia
- Farland
 - Canada
- Vail
 - Germany
 - Kissinger's telephone call
- Argentina
 - Importance
 - Peronists
 - Danger

Plot against Richard M. Helms

- Anatoliy F. Dobrynin's information
- Tehran
- Iraq

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[DURATION: 4S]

Iran

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Ambassadors

Arms control committee

- David Packard
- Appointment
- John J. McCloy

President's meeting with Max M. Fisher

- Garment
- Sisco
- Fisher's support for Middle East post
- Experience
- Rogers
- Work with Israel

Haldeman left at 5:05 pm.

Agreement on the Prevention of Nuclear War

- Mutual and Balanced Force Reduction [MBFR]
- Annual report on foreign policy
 - Kissinger's staff
 - Foreign service
 - Ambassadors
 - Circulation
 - Nixon Doctrine
 - President's role
 - Rogers
- Kissinger's draft
- Great Britain

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Conversation No. 880-18 (cont'd)

- Article 1
- Draft
 - Tediousness
 - Consultation
 - Reaction of USSR
 - Article 4
 - Article 5
 - Condominium
 - PRC
 - Reactions
 - Article 1
 - USSR
 - Great Britain

Manolo Sanchez entered at an unknown time after 5:05 pm.

Refusal [?]

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 5:30 pm.

- Agreement on the Prevention of Nuclear War
 - Draft language
 - Use of nuclear weapons
 - Press coverage
 - Article 4
 - Condominium
 - PRC
 - Reactions
 - Great Britain
 - North Atlantic Treaty Organization [NATO]
 - Meaning of treaty
 - Great Britain
 - Definitions
 - Counterproposal by USSR
 - Motives of USSR
 - Détente
 - Ban on nuclear weapons
 - Impact on American pacifists
 - Trident construction
 - Administration responses
 - Provisions of treaty

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Conversation No. 880-18 (cont'd)

- Effectiveness
 - Administration's statements
 - Elimination of threat
 - Article 2
 - Conditions

Haldeman's job

- Lack of complaint
- Importance
- Quality of work

Agreement on the Prevention of Nuclear War

- Détente
 - Cost
 - US efforts
 - Crisis
- Effects
 - Restraint
 - Middle East crisis
 - Vietnam settlement
 - Europe

Effects of détente

- Diplomatic setbacks for USSR
 - Leonid I. Brezhnev
 - Survival
 - Middle East
 - Troop withdrawal
 - Vietnam War
 - Bombing of North Vietnam
 - Europe
 - Settlement of Berlin
- Strategic Arms Limitation Talks [SALT]
 - Effects on weapon programs
- Intangible feeling of détente
 - Relationship to US interests
- SALT
 - Domestic support
 - President's opponents
- PRC-US relations
 - Military support

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Conversation No. 880-18 (cont'd)

- Détente with USSR
- USSR as aggressors
- Europe and Japan
- Weakness
- Japan
 - Dangers
 - PRC
- Aggression

PRC

- Ambassador to US
- Ally to President

President's press conference

- Press relations
 - Haldeman
 - Ziegler
- PRC liaison office
 - Press indifference
 - News reports
 - President's PRC policy
 - Compared to Watergate
 - Dean
 - Historical significance
- News reports
 - Watergate
 - Food prices
- President's comments
 - Personnel replacement in Vietnam
 - Need for correction
 - Issue of legality
 - Effect on strategic balance
 - Equipment
 - Journalists' calls to Kissinger
 - George Sherman, Robert C. Toth
 - North Vietnamese infiltration reports

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Conversation No. 880-18 (cont'd)

[DURATION: 9S]

Communication

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 7

Vietnam

- Infiltration
- US calculation of rates
- Laos
- Press conference responses

US relations with USSR

- Middle East
- Pressure
- Peace
- USSR-Egyptian relations
- US-Egyptian discussions
- Hafez Ismail
- Brezhnev
- Dobrynin
- Brezhnev's message

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 8

[NATIONAL SECURITY]

[DURATION: 15S]

Israeli intelligence

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 8

President's press conference

- Warning to North Vietnam
- Ziegler
- Journalists' calls to Kissinger
- Sherman, Toth

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-President's credibility

Vietnam

- Adm. Thomas H. Moorer's plans
 - Air strikes, sorties
 - Number
 - B-52s
 - Ho Chi Minh Trail
- Note to North Vietnam
 - Reply
- Dobrynin
- PRC
- Prisoners of war [POWs] release
 - Alexander M. Haig, Jr.
- Thieu's visit to US
 - Timing of bombing
- Bombing resumption
 - Risk to peace
 - POWs
 - Warnings
- US concerns
 - Replacement personnel
 - Effect on strategic balance
 - Cease-fire violations
 - Infiltration
 - President's responses at press conference

Kissinger's meeting with Dobrynin

- Subject of meeting
- Message from President
 - US public opinion

Detente

- Congressional action on military budget
 - US military strength
 - Possible provocations from USSR
 - Relaxation
 - President's image
 - “Old Cold Warrior”
- President's critics
 - Chemical weapons
 - SALT

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- PRC
- Lack of substance
 - Negotiations
- Future problems
 - Fragility of peace
 - Nature of Russian people
 - Overthrow of communism in USSR
 - History of Russian expansion
 - German people
 - Compared to Russians
 - Geographic position in Europe
 - Expansionism 1890-1940
 - Unification in 1871
 - Past disunity
 - Prussia
 - Saxony
 - Wars on German soil

Kissinger's meeting with Dobrynin

- Dobrynin's knowledge of US actions
- Brezhnev
 - Harry S. Truman and Franklin D. Roosevelt's relations with Josef V. Stalin
 - Desire for peace
 - Diplomacy
 - Reputation in history
 - Possible motives
 - Relaxation of tensions
 - Splitting Europe from US
 - Peace
 - Story of Brezhnev's father
 - World War I
 - World peace
 - Monument

Kissinger left at 5:30 pm.

Conversation No. 880-19

Date: March 15, 1973

Time: Unknown between 5:30 pm and 5:31 pm

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Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

President's schedule [?]
-John D. Ehrlichman

Radio speech
-Copy
-Veterans speech
-Role of government

Bull left at an unknown time before 5:31 pm.

Conversation No. 880-20

Date: March 15, 1973
Time: Unknown between 5:30 pm and 5:31 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

President's meeting with John W. Dean, III and Richard A. Moore

Bull left at an unknown time before 5:31 pm.

Conversation No. 880-21

Date: March 15, 1973
Time: Unknown between 5:30 pm and 5:31 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 37-121]

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Conversation No. 880-22

Date: March 15, 1973
Time: 5:31 pm-5:33 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with Rose Mary Woods.

[See Conversation No. 37-122]

Conversation No. 880-23

Date: March 15, 1973
Time: Unknown between 5:33 pm and 5:34 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 37-123]

Conversation No. 880-24

Date: March 15, 1973
Time: 5:36 pm-6:24 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with John W. Dean, III and Richard A. Moore.

President's press conference

- Previous discussion with H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman, Ronald L. Ziegler

- Announcement of Dr. David K. E. Bruce
 - People's Republic of China [PRC] liaison
 - Significance
 - Importance of PRC ambassador
 - Democrat

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Conversation No. 880-24 (cont'd)

- President's press conference
 - Watergate
 - Policy topics
 - Lack of press interest
 - Dean
 - Questions on Watergate
 - Press interest
 - Donald H. Segretti
 - Dean
 - Other questions
 - Cease-fire
 - Stockpiles
 - Past conferences
 - Dwight D. Eisenhower era
 - Previous consultation
 - President's handling of conference
 - Headlines
 - Dean
 - Washington Star*
 - Foreign policy
 - Associated press [AP]
 - Court test
 - Press
 - Future stories
 - Hostility to administration
 - Strategy in the future

An unknown man entered at an unknown time after 5:36 pm.

Refreshment

The unknown man left at an unknown time before 6:24 pm.

- President's press conference
 - Ronald L. Ziegler's role
 - Future comments
 - Transcripts
 - Senate responses
 - Ervin committee
 - Court test over executive privilege

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Conversation No. 880-24 (cont'd)

-President's response
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- Vietnam
 - North Vietnamese infiltration
 - President's response
- Watergate
 - Dwight L. Chapin and Herbert W. Kalmbach
 - President's handling of questions
 - Defensiveness
 - Ziegler's statements
 - Administration's cooperativeness
 - Alger Hiss case
 - Difference from Watergate
 - News story
 - Henry A. Kissinger
 - Harry S Truman's order
 - Federal Bureau of Investigation [FBI]
 - Dean report
 - Question
 - Peter Lisagor and Mary McGrory
 - Questions for Moore
 - Hiss and Watergate case
 - National security issues
 - Dan Rather's questions
 - Raw files
 - Disclosure to Congress in Hiss case
 - J. Edgar Hoover's policy
 - Lisagor
- Dean report
 - Questions
 - President's answers
 - Information for public
- Court test
 - President's answer
 - Effectiveness
- Press
 - Proper response
 - Answers to questions
 - Courtesy

Watergate

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Conversation No. 880-24 (cont'd)

- L. Patrick Gray, III
 - Conversation with Dean
 - Meeting with Samuel J. Ervin, Jr., and Howard H. Baker, Jr.
 - FBI reports
 - Disclosure
 - Hoover's policy
 - Raw files
 - Privacy
 - White House staff reports
 - Contents
 - Validity
 - Dangers of disclosure
 - President's policy on disclosure
 - FBI raw files
 - Hoover's policy
 - Gray
 - Hoover's policy
 - Instance of disclosure of raw data to congressional committee in 1948
 - Internal security investigation
 - Vote fraud case
 - Kansas City

Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 5:36 pm.

Delivery of letter to Robert C/ ("Bob") Wilson

Bull left at an unknown time before 6:24 pm.

Watergate

- FBI raw files
 - Disclosure
 - American Civil Liberties Union [ACLU]
 - Truman's order
 - Newspaper support with exception of *Chicago Tribune* and *New York Daily News*
- Hiss case
 - Opposition to President's committee
 - Press
 - President's cracking of case
- Administration's cooperation with committee

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Conversation No. 880-24 (cont'd)

- Press reaction
 - New York Times, Washington Post*
- Separation of powers
 - President's responsibility
- Executive privilege
 - Separation of powers
 - Statement
 - Constitutional responsibility
 - Truman's firing of Gen. Douglas A. MacArthur
 - Bombing of China
 - President's support
 - Justification of position
 - Ziegler's statement
- Gray
 - Position on raw files disclosure
 - Executive privilege
- Ervin Committee
 - White House staff testimony
- Court test on staff testimony
 - Chapin, Charles W. Colson
 - Chapin
 - Weak points
 - Kalmbach
 - Colson
 - Segretti
- Chapin
 - White House statement
 - Letter to President
 - Apology
 - Explanation
 - Activities in campaign
 - Richard ("Dick") Tuck
 - Segretti
 - Pranksterism
 - Culpability
 - Hiring of Segretti
 - Testimony
 - Pranks
 - Other duties
 - Administration's position
 - Haldeman

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- Duties
- Statement for Senate
 - Possibilities
- Ervin Committee
 - White House staff testimony
 - Television
 - Chapin
 - Haldeman
 - Colson
 - Edward M. ("Ted") Kennedy
- Colson
 - Testimony to Senate
 - Administration's position
 - Ties to E. Howard Hunt, Jr.
 - Chapin
- Court tests on testimony
 - Delays
 - Advantages to administration
 - Duration
 - Supreme Court
 - President's statement
 - Separation of powers issue
 - Advantages
 - Dean testimony
 - Court rulings
 - Dean's privilege as counsel to President
 - Congressional reluctance
 - Robert C. Byrd
 - Samuel J. Ervin, Jr.'s position
 - Congressional position
 - Decisions and options
 - Advantages to administration
- Ervin
 - Knowledge of Constitution
- Daniel K. Inouye
- White House statement
- Press
 - Treatment of Ziegler
 - Ziegler's handling
 - President's statements to Ervin
- Ervin committee

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- White House statements
- Compared to Hiss case
- Hearsay
- Guilt by association
- Senators' questions
 - Use of rules of court
 - Hearsay
- Ervin's conduct of committee
 - President's handling of Hiss case
 - Cooperation with FBI
 - L. B. Nichols
 - Hoover
 - Leaks
 - FBI
 - Hollywood Ten
 - Breaking of case
 - Robert Stripling
 - Editorials
 - Herblock cartoons
 - Whittaker Chambers
 - Potential for dramatization in television series
 - Stripling
 - Dislike of Drew Pearson and the Left
- White House staff
 - Stripling comparison with Chapin, Colson
 - Aggressiveness
- Hiss case
 - Cooperation with Stripling
 - President's age
 - Attacks on establishment, Congress, State Department
 - New York Times, Washington Post, St. Louis Post-Dispatch, Louisville Courier*
 - Impact
 - Alger Hiss
 - Background
 - Dean G. Acheson
 - Harvard
 - Defense fund
 - McGeorge Bundy
 - Contribution
 - Moore's view

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- July confrontation of Hiss and Chambers
- Testimony
- Chambers' dentist [Dr. Hitchcock]
- Perjury
- Automobile purchase transaction
- Intellectuals
 - Hunger for power
- Trial
- Pumpkin papers
- Moore
 - Work in President's campaign in 1950
- Hiss' background
 - Moore's visits to Georgetown in 1945
 - Stories of Hiss's communist leanings
 - Halperin [sp?] [first name unknown]
- President's committee in 1948
 - Staff
 - Stripling
 - Amount of work
- Work with FBI
 - Cooperation
 - National security concerns
 - Information
 - Disclosure
 - Espionage
 - Hoover
 - Raw files
- FBI report
 - Leak to President's committee
- Press
 - Lisagor
 - James B. ("Scotty") Reston
 - Hatred for President
- Ervin committee
 - Possible subpoenas
 - Chapin
 - Republicans
 - Statements
 - Administration's cooperation
 - Extent

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Conversation No. 880-24 (cont'd)

Dean and Moore left at 6:24 pm.

Conversation No. 880-26

Date: March 15 or 16, 1973

Time: Unknown between 6:24 pm, March 15 and 10:14 am, March 16

Location: Oval Office

Unknown people met.

Category [?]

-Number [?]

Lack of knowledge of something

Unknown people left at an unknown time before 10:14 am, March 16.