Conversation No. 916-1

Date: May 11, 1973
Time: Unknown between 8:10 am and 8:27 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown person.

Watch battery

The unknown person left at an unknown time before 8:27 am.

Conversation No. 916-2

Date: May 11, 1973
Time: Unknown between 8:10 am and 8:27 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

President’s schedule
  - Pierre E. Trudeau
  - Possible telephone call

Bull left at an unknown time before 8:27 am.

Conversation No. 916-3

Date: May 11, 1973
Time: Unknown between 8:10 am and 8:27 am
Location: Oval Office
Conversation No. 916-3 (cont’d)

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 45-218]

Conversation No. 916-4

Date: May 11, 1973
Time: Unknown between 8:10 am and 8:27 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown man.

President’s schedule
-William E. Timmons

The unknown man left at an unknown time before 8:27 am.

Conversation No. 916-5

Date: May 11, 1973
Time: Unknown between 8:10 am and 8:27 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Nellie L. Yates.

President’s schedule
-William E. Timmons
-Ronald L. Ziegler

Yates left at an unknown time before 8:27 am.
Conversation No. 916-6

Date: May 11, 1973
Time: Unknown between 8:10 am and 8:27 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

- Henry A. Kissinger
- Alexander M. Haig, Jr.

Conversation No. 916-7

Date: May 11, 1973
Time: Unknown between 8:10 am and 8:27 am
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with an unknown person.

Request for Rose Mary Woods

Conversation No. 916-8

Date: May 11, 1973
Time: 8:27 am - 9:16 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Ronald L. Ziegler.

Lead news stories
Watergate indictment

Rose Mary Woods entered at an unknown time after 8:27 am.

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Personal returnable]
[Duration: 5 s ]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

President’s schedule
- Camp David
- Church
- Woods’s forthcoming telephone calls to Julie Nixon Eisenhower and Tricia Nixon Cox

[End segment reviewed under deed of gift]

Telephone calls
- John N. Mitchell
- Maurice H. Stans
  - Kathleen (Carmody) Stans
  - Devotion
  - Ties to Herbert W. Kalmbach

Woods left at an unknown time before 8:30 am.
Television [TV] appearances after Robert L. Vesco case indictments
- Stans
- Statement
- Mitchell’s statement

Forthcoming press briefing
- Gerald L. Warren
- Pending cases
  - Mitchell, Stans

Julie Nixon Eisenhower’s TV appearance

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2
[Personal returnable]
[Duration: 3 s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2

Watergate
- White House response
- John W. Chancellor’s
- Vesco
- Daniel Ellsberg
  - Wiretaps
    - Morton H. Halperin
Conversation No. 916-8 (cont’d)

-W. Matthew Byrne’s forthcoming ruling
-Pentagon Papers

Leaks, 1969-1971
-Patrick J. Buchanan
-Ralph Nader and Ellsberg

The White House operator talked with the President at 8:30 am.

[Conversation No. 916-8A]

[Begin telephone conversation]

[See Conversation No. 45-220]

[End telephone conversation]

Watergate
-Press coverage
-President’s conversation with Charles G. (“Bebe”) Rebozo
-Press
-John W. Dean, III
-Ziegler’s conversation with Nicholas P. Thimmesch, May 10
-Thimmesch’s experience with Time
-Hugh S. Sidey
-1960 campaign
-Pierre Salinger
-John F. Kennedy’s statement regarding blacks
-Press standards
-News media’s opinion of the President
-Use of news media
-1968
-1970-1971

-Ervin Committee hearings
-Robert C. Odle, Jr.
-Lawrence M. Higby
-James W. McCord, Jr.
-Dean and Mitchell
The President talked with Henry A. Kissinger between 8:43 am and 8:44 am.

[Conversation No. 916-8B]

[Begin telephone conversation]

[See Conversation No. 45-221]

[End telephone conversation]
Conversation No. 916-8 (cont’d)

- Foreign policy
  - President compared to others
    - Edward M. (“Ted”) Kennedy
    - John B. Connally
    - Spiro T. Agnew

- Ziegler’s press briefing, May 10
  - President’s foreign policy
  - President’s opponents in news media
    - Goal
      - President
    - White House reaction
      - Ziegler’s forthcoming meeting with Alexander M. Haig, Jr.
      - Buchanan
      - Price
      - Haldeman
      - President’s reception for prisoners of war [POWs]

  - Effect of allegations
  - Actions
    - Compared with Robert F. (“Bobby”) Kennedy and the President in 1960 and 1962
    - Compared with Lyndon B. Johnson and Barry M. Goldwater
      - J. Fred Buzhardt, Jr.
  - Effect of allegations
    - President
  - Compared with John F. Kennedy, Robert F. Kennedy, Johnson, and Federal Bureau of Investigation [FBI]
    - The President’s conversation with J. Edgar Hoover

- Focus
  - Wiretapping
    - Colson, E. Howard Hunt, Jr. and G[eorge] Gordon Liddy
  - Wiretapping
    - Compared with previous administrations

- Campaign dirty tricks
  - “Canuck Letter”
  - Henry M. (“Scoop”) Jackson letter
Cover-up
-White House response
-President’s orders for full disclosure
  -Haldeman and Ehrlichman
  -Ziegler’s conversation with Haldeman
  -Richard A. Moore
  -Donald H. Segretti
  -Ehrlichman’s report
-Ellsberg case
  -Possible wiretaps
    -Hunt
    -Hoover
    -Halperin
-Wiretaps
  -Ziegler’s forthcoming press briefing
    -National security leaks
    -FBI procedures
      -Mitchell
-Files

Declassification
-Ngo Dinh Diem’s death

Watergate
-Gray
  -Statement concerning conversation with the President
  -Telephone conversation with the President
    -Central Intelligence Agency [CIA]
  -Telephone conversation with Ziegler
    -Gray’s conversation with the President
  -Gray’s meeting with the President
-President’s conversation with Dean, September 15, 1972
  -Investigation
  -Haldeman
  -White House involvement
-Dean
  -Documents
- Credibility

President’s forthcoming speech on election reform
- Blue ribbon commission
- Timing
- Hugh Scott
- President’s schedule
  - Possible meeting with Congressional leaders
- Ziegler’s forthcoming conversation with Leonard Garment
- President’s schedule
  - Bipartisan Congressional leaders
    - William E. Timmons
- Preparation by Ziegler and Garment
- Scope of Election Reform Commission
  - Financing
  - Abusive practices
    - Reform
    - Violence
  - Legal reform
- Leak by White House
- Draft by Garment
- Scope of Election Reform Commission
  - Size of contributions
    - George S. McGovern and teachers’ union
    - President and milk producers
    - Restrictions on unions, other groups

1972 presidential campaign
- Effect on election

Watergate
- White House response
  - President’s efforts for full disclosure
    - Haldeman, Ehrlichman, Moore and Ziegler
  - Forthcoming news story
  - Democrats’ campaign violations
    - Haig
Conversation No. 916-8 (cont’d)

- Buchanan
- Violence
- Finances
- Robert J. Dole’s office
- White House staff replacements for Haldeman and Colson
- Ehrlichman’s report to the President, April 14
  - President’s meeting with Richard G. Kleindienst, April 15
- Dean
- Mitchell

White House staff
- William J. Baroody, Jr.
  - Office staff
  - Function
    - George H. W. Bush and Republican National Committee [RNC]
- Communications office
  - Herbert G. Klein
  - Manipulation of press
  - Kenneth W. Clawson
  - Thimmesch
- Timmons’s office
  - Congressional relations
  - Memoranda
    - Veracity
  - Communication strategy
  - Timmons
  - Departmental officials
  - Goldwater

Press coverage
- Lead news stories
  - Ziegler’s mood
- Henry A. Kissinger
- Soviet Summit announcement
  - Traction

Ziegler left at 9:16 am.
Date: May 11, 1973  
Time: 9:16 am  
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with Alexander M. Haig, Jr.

Haig’s schedule
- Meeting with Henry A. Kissinger
- Position of Secretary of State

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Date: May 11, 1973  
Time: 9:19 am  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

Mother’s Day Proclamation
- President’s signature

Bull left at 9:19 am.
Date: May 11, 1973
Time: 9:19 am - 10:10 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Alexander M. Haig, Jr.

Haig’s schedule
- Breakfast

Watergate
- President’s conversation with Ronald L. Ziegler, May 11
  - Indictments of Maurice H. Stans and John N. Mitchell
  - House of Representatives
    - Vote
    - Defense spending
- White House actions, May 10
  - Press coverage

Henry A. Kissinger
- Mood

William P. Rogers
- Duration in office
  - Soviet Summit
- Relationship with Kissinger
- Possible replacement as Secretary of State
  - Kissinger
  - John B. Connally

Kissinger
- Forthcoming meeting with President
- Conversation with Haig
  - Agreement on the Prevention of Nuclear War
    - Negotiations
    - Impact of Soviet Union, Europe
Conversation No. 916-11 (cont’d)

- Public Relations [PR]
  - Accomplishments
- Kissinger’s role
  - Great Britain
- Leaks
  - Compared to Rogers, State Department
  - Rogers’s support
- Tenure in office
  - Soviet Summit
- Rogers
  - Cambodia
    - Article 20 [Vietnam peace agreement]
    - Statement to Congress
    - Forthcoming meeting with Le Duc Tho

Cambodia
  - Vote in Congress
    - Defense spending

President’s schedule
  - Kissinger
    - Rogers

Kissinger
  - Mood
  - Possible resignation
    - President’s response
    - Motives
    - President’s recording of conversations

White House taping system
  - Extent
    - Oval Office, Camp David, Lincoln Sitting Room, Executive Office Building [EOB] and telephone calls
    - Possible effect on Kissinger

Haig’s conversation with Kissinger
Watergate
   -Wiretaps
   -Mitchell, Stans

Kissinger
   -Compared to President, Haig
   -President’s opinion
   -Possible resignation
   -Jewishness
   -Possible removal from office

Connally
   -Possible role as Secretary of State
   -Meeting with Roy L. Ash, May 10
   -Schedule
     -Possible trip to Soviet Union
   -Possible role in White House

Kissinger
   -Role in White House
     -Compared to Connally
   -Agreement on the Prevention of Nuclear War
   -Soviet Summit preparation
   -Possible position as Secretary of State
     -Compared with Connally
   -European summit
   -Relations with Israel
   -Views on Middle East
     -Possible regional war
     -Joseph J. Sisco

Foreign relations
   -Israel
     -Kissinger
       -Meeting with Mohammed Hafiz Ismail
       -US strategy
Kissinger
   - Possible departure from office
     - Connally
   - Perception of White House viability
     "Georgetown friends"
   - Views on departures of H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman and John D. Ehrlichman
   - Role in White House
   - Compared with Connally
   - White House tapes
     - Release

White House taping system
   - President’s knowledge
     - Haldeman’s departure
   - Haig’s possible conversation with Kissinger
   - Extent of system
     - Cabinet Room
   - President’s knowledge
   - Possible use
   - Possible effects of release
   - Lyndon B. Johnson’s system
   - Recording of present conversation
   - Extent
     - Cabinet Room, EOB, Lincoln Sitting Room, telephone calls
     - Haig’s opinion

Kissinger
   - Possible response
   - Possible future role
     - Timing
       - Soviet Summit

Connally
   - Secretary of State
     - White House position
     - Compared to Kissinger
Conversation No. 916-11 (cont’d)

-Advocacy
-Foreign relations
  -Europe
  -Japan
  -Soviet Union
  -People’s Republic of China [PRC]
    -Compared to Kissinger

Haig’s schedule

Kissinger
  -Forthcoming meeting with President
    -Negotiations with Soviet Union [?]

Elliot L. Richardson
  -Special Prosecutor
  -Conversation with Haig, May 10
  -Possible conversation with the President
  -Confirmation

President’s schedule
  -Speech on election reform
    -Ziegler
  -Bipartisan congressional leaders

Watergate
  -J. Fred Buzhardt, Jr.
    -Conversation with John C. Stennis
      -Samuel J. Ervin, Jr.
        -Herman Talmadge’s forthcoming conversation with Ervin
        -Elliot L. Richardson’s forthcoming conversation with Samuel Dash
  -Special Prosecutor
    -Warren E. Hearnes
      -Haig’s forthcoming call to Richardson
  -Haig’s phone conversation with William P. Rogers
    -Warren E. Burger
  -Senate hearings
Conversation No. 916-11 (cont’d)

-John McClellan, Howard H. Baker, Jr., and Talmadge
-<Stennis>
-Stennis’s views
-Federal Bureau of Investigation [FBI]
-William C. Sullivan
-William D. Ruckelshaus
-W. Mark Felt
-Statements concerning wiretaps
-Leaks
-New York Times information
-Wiretaps
-Morton Halperin
-Conversation with Daniel Ellsberg, 1970
-President’ culpability

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 9
[Privacy]
[Duration: 9 s ]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 9

Watergate
-Federal Bureau of Investigation [FBI]
-Wiretaps
-Ehrlichman
-Telephone call to Robert C. Mardian regarding records
-Destruction of tapes
-Possible effect on Ellsberg case
-Halperin
-Ellsberg
-Ehrlichman
-Felt
  -Richardson’s view on *New York Times* leak
  -Motives regarding Sullivan
    -Appointment of director
-Wiretaps
  -Records in White House
  -Buzhardt’s knowledge
    -Melvin R. Laird
  -Ehrlichman
    -Conversation with the President regarding records
  -Ellsberg and Halperin
    -Haig’s forthcoming conversation with Buzhardt
  -Numbers of newsmen
  -Possible White House response
    -J. Edgar Hoover’s authorization of taps
    -National Security Council [NSC] leaks
      -Firings
      -Halperin
      -Daniel I. Davidson
-Records
  -Joseph C. Kraft
  -Henry Brandon
  -Possible release of wiretaps
-Sullivan’s forthcoming testimony, May 11
  -Sullivan’s conversation with Haig
  -Hoover
    -NSC
  -John N. Mitchell’s role
    -John F. Kennedy-Ramsay W. Clark directive
-White House response
-Necessity
-Presidents’s role
-J. Edgar Hoover’s role
  -Brandon
-Necessity
-Sullivan’s forthcoming testimony
  -Richardson’s confirmation
Conversation No. 916-11 (cont’d)

- Richardson’s views
  - Egil (“Bud”) Krogh, Jr.
  - Ellsberg
- Halperin
  - Ellsberg
Richardson
  - Confirmation
  - Sullivan
    - Forthcoming testimony
    - Telephone conversation with Ruckelshaus
    - Forthcoming testimony
      - Leaks
      - Hoover
    - Memoranda on wiretaps
      - Kissinger
      - Ehrlichman
      - NSC
- Wiretaps
  - Supreme Court decision
  - E. Howard Hunt, Jr.
    - Ehrlichman’s comments

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 11
[Law enforcement]
[Duration: _10 s_]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 11

Watergate
  - Hunt
    - Second-story jobs
Conversation No. 916-11 (cont’d)

-Brookings Institute and Georgetown
-Wiretaps
  -Hunt
  -Supreme Court decision
    -Timing regarding India-Pakistan conflict
-Haig’s possible meeting with Buzhardt
  -Ziegler’s possible statement
-FBI
  -Felt
    -Leak to *New York Times*
    -Richardson and Sullivan
    -*Time* magazine
  -Possible director
    -Unnamed law school dean
      -Frank Connally [?]
-Sullivan
  -Knowledge
    -Johnson 1968 wiretapping
  -View of Felt
  -Hoover’s view
  -Forthcoming testimony
    -Wiretaps
      -Possible press coverage
-Wiretaps
  -President’s conversation with Hoover
  -Mitchell’s role
  -Sullivan’s forthcoming testimony
    -Haig’s conversation with Sullivan
-Ellsberg
  -Ehrlichman’s memory
    -Halperin’s conversation with Ellsberg

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[Privacy]
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Watergate
-Richardson
  -Possible withdrawal of nomination
    -John A. McCon
  -Wiretaps
    -Mitchell’s role
    -Timing
      -NSC
    -Ellsberg case
  -Haig’s conversation with Richardson

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 12
[Statute]
[Duration: __15 s__]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 12

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FBI Director
-Ruckelshaus
  -Term in office
  -Former employee who worked for Committee to Re-elect the President [CRP] in 1972
  -John Edward Kusic [?]
  -Cleveland
Conversation No. 916-11 (cont’d)

-Timings
-Appointment
-Sullivan
-Ruckelshaus
-Felt
  -Leak to New York Times
    -Ellsberg case

Federal bureaucracy
- Dangers
- Political views
  - Support for President
    - Effect on transition
- State Department
  - Problems
    - Haig’s opinion
    - Kissinger and Connally
    - Rogers

President’s schedule
  - Kissinger

Watergate
- Sullivan
  - Activities
    - Ruckelshaus
    - Forthcoming testimony regarding wiretaps
      - Mardian
      - Ehrlichman
      - Destruction of tapes and memos
        - Kissinger
        - Timing
  - Wiretaps
    - India-Pakistan leak
      - Hunt
      - Ehrlichman
        - NSC
Lie detector tests during leak investigation

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 13
[Statute]
[Duration: 34 s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 13

Watergate
-Wiretaps
  -Haig’s forthcoming conversation with Buzhardt
  -Ehrlichman
-Motives
-Contrasted with previous administrations
-Lawrence M. Higby’s conversation with Tod R. Hullin
-Haig’s conversation with Richardson
  -Kissinger
  -Mitchell
  -Extent
    -National security
    -Leaks
-Administration’s image
-Sullivan’s forthcoming testimony
-National security

Haig left at 10:10 am.
Date: May 11, 1973
Time: Unknown between 10:10 am and 10:15 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown man.

Henry A. Kissinger’s schedule

The unknown man left at an unknown time before 10:15 am.

Date: May 11, 1973
Time: Unknown between 10:10 am and 10:15 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown man.

Henry A. Kissinger
-Location

The unknown man left at an unknown time before 10:15 am.

Date: May 11, 1973
Time: 10:15 am - 12:03 pm
Location: Oval Office

Unknown man met with Henry A. Kissinger.
Conv. No. 916-14 (cont’d)

President’s location

Statement [?] 

The President entered and Haig left at an unknown time after 10:15 am.

Kissinger’s schedule

-Airplane flight

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2
[Deed of gift - Privacy]
[Duration: 24 s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2

Kissinger’s foreign travel

-Jet lag

An unknown man entered at an unknown time after 10:15 am.

Refreshments

-Coffee

The unknown man left at an unknown time before 11:05 am.
US-Soviet relations
- Kissinger’s memorandum [memo]
  - President’s reaction
  - William P. Rogers [?]
- Forthcoming Soviet summit
  - Press announcement
  - Timing
  - Ronald L. Ziegler
  - Kissinger’s possible press briefing regarding trip to Soviet Union
  - Possible impact on negotiations
  - Kissinger’s statement at Moscow airport
  - Strategy
  - Timing of press announcement

Vietnam
- Paris Peace talks
  - Kissinger’s trip
  - Press announcement
  - Le Duc Tho
- Kissinger’s forthcoming meeting with Tho
  - Leverage
  - Bombing
  - Cambodia
  - President’s actions
    - Congressional support
    - December bombings
  - Funds
  - Bombing
  - Need for funds

Cambodia
- Congressional vote on funds
  - Bureaucratic mistake
  - William E. Timmons
  - Defense Department, State Department
  - Robert Moot’s replacement as Comptroller
  - Elliot L. Richardson
Defense Department
  -Dr. James R. Schlesinger
    -Compared with Richardson
  -William P. Clements, Jr.

Strategic Arms Limitation Talks [SALT]
  -Joint Chiefs of Staff, Clements
  -Soviet Union’s position
  -JCS position
    -Multiple Independently-Targetable Reentry Vehicle [MIRV]
      -Possible effect
      -Advantages to US
  -President’s forthcoming memo
    -Phraseology
      -Congress, press

Kissinger’s previous visit to Soviet Union
  -Leonid I. Brezhnev
  -Forthcoming briefing of William P. Rogers

Agreement on the Prevention of Nuclear War
  -Forthcoming briefing of [David] Kenneth Rush
    -Rogers
    -Need for bureaucratic support
      -Impact of Watergate scandal
    -Great Britain’s assessment
    -Protection of People’s Republic of China [PRC]
  -European concerns
  -Need for support from US ambassadors
    -Possible effect on nuclear deterrence
  -Great Britain’s enthusiasm

Kissinger’s previous visit to Soviet Union and London
  -Brezhnev’s dacha [retreat]
    -Location
      -Compared with Camp David
Conversation No. 916-14 (cont’d)

-Lifestyle of Communist leaders

Kissinger’s previous visit to London
- Messages from Edward R. G. Heath and [Maurice] Harold MacMillan to President
  - Heath’s unofficial regards
  - MacMillan’s letter to Walter H. Annenberg

Watergate
- Public interest
  - Cabinet meeting
      - Indictment of John N. Mitchell and Maurice H. Stans in Robert L. Vesco case
      - Results of Vesco case
      - Indictments

An unknown person entered the room at an unknown time after 10:15 am. [?]

Refreshments [?]

The unknown person left the room at an unknown time before 11:05 am. [?]

Messages from Heath and MacMillan
- President’s reaction

Kissinger’s previous visit to Soviet Union
- Brezhnev’s schedule
  - Activities
    - Military motor boat
    - Hunting
  - Kissinger’s conversation with Brezhnev
    - Brezhnev’s opinion of President
    - Invitation to President to visit Soviet Union
      - Reception

President’s possible foreign travel
- Soviet Union
Conversation No. 916-14 (cont’d)

-Impact on focus on Watergate scandal
  -Europe
  -PRC
  -Europe
  -US relations

North Atlantic Treaty Organization [NATO] meetings
  -Timing
  -Effect of possible European summit
    -Great Britain

Agreement on the Prevention of Nuclear War
  -Possible European summit
    -Resulting document
    -Challenges
  -Need for support
    -Great Britain
    -Kissinger’s meeting in London, May 10
  -France
  -Federal Republic of Germany
  -Contrasted with Walter Scheel’s meeting with Rogers

Kissinger’s previous visit to Soviet Union
  -Positive reception
  -Cable to President
  -Banquet

Forthcoming Soviet summit
  -Planning
    -Activities
      -Sequoia
      -Camp David
      -San Clemente
    -Brezhnev’s expectations
      -Lincoln

Kissinger’s previous visit to Soviet Union
Conversation No. 916-14 (cont’d)

-Brezhnev’s comments on mothers
  -Brezhnev’s mother
  -Hannah Milhous Nixon
-Brezhnev’s remarks at banquet
  -Veracity
  -Commitment

US-Soviet relations
- President’s legacy
- Agreement on the Prevention of Nuclear War
  - Potential for success
  - Kissinger’s forthcoming briefings
    - Rush
    - State Department
    - William J. Porter
- SALT negotiations
  - Worries
  - State Department [?]
  - MIRVs
  - Principles
  - Kissinger’s role
    - Agreement on the Prevention of Nuclear War
- Significance
  - Public relations
- Principles
  - JCS
- Agreement on the Prevention of Nuclear War
  - Gen. Brent G. Scowcroft [?]
- Other agreements
  - Nuclear exchanges, peaceful uses
  - Cultural exchanges
  - Transportation
  - Environment
  - Civil aviation
  - Maritime
- Signings at forthcoming Soviet summit
- Communiqué
Conversation No. 916-14 (cont’d)

-Kissinger’s forthcoming briefing of Rogers
  -Agreement on the Prevention of Nuclear War
  -SALT
    -Principles
    -JCS
-Vietnam
  -Brezhnev
  -Military equipment
  -President’s cables
  -Scowcroft
-Agreement on the Prevention of Nuclear War
  -Impediment to negotiations
    -Kissinger’s message to President
    -Key Biscayne
    -Instructions from President
    -Scowcroft
  -Brezhnev
    -Reaction
    -Acceptance of US terms
    -Compared to Great Britain
-PRC
  -Soviet Union attack
    -Kissinger’s impressions
    -Hunting
  -Brezhnev’s private conversation with Kissinger
    -Translation [Viktor M. Sukhodrev]
    -Need for US-Soviet cooperation
      -Prevention of PRC nuclear program
  -Kissinger’s talks with PRC
    -Global balance of power
-Brezhnev’s comments
  -US politics
    -1976 elections
    -Need for Republican

Watergate
  -Anatoliy F. Dobrynin’s comments
Conversation No. 916-14 (cont’d)

-Indictments
  -Stans and Mitchell
  -Vesco
-Kissinger’s conversation with Dobrynin
  -Amateur nature of break-in
  -Dislike of Democrats

US-Soviet relations
-Kissinger’s conversation with Brezhnev
  -Brezhnev’s comments on Henry M. (“Scoop”) Jackson
-Jackson-Vanick Amendment
  -Jewish emigration
    -Exit visas
    -List of names
  -President’s conversation with Senate Commerce Committee
    -Modifications to legislation
-Kissinger’s conversation with Brezhnev
  -Possible effect on Jewish emigration
  -Status of Jews in Soviet Union
    -Ability to gain exit visas
    -Possible in anti-Semitism
-Mutual and Balanced Force Reduction [MBFR]
  -Timing
-Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe [CSCE]
-Middle East
  -Potential for war
  -Soviet principles
    -Kissinger’s conversation with Sir Alexander F. (“Alec”) Douglas-Home
    -Pro-Egypt stance
    -Kissinger’s cable
    -Kissinger’s conversation with Andrei A. Gromyko
      -Brezhnev
      -Strategy for negotiations
  -1972 summit
    -Principles

Middle East
Conversation No. 916-14 (cont’d)

-US relations with Israel
-Arab position
    -Possibility for interim agreement
-Kissinger’s forthcoming meeting with Hafez Ismail
    -Paris Peace Talks with Le Duc Tho
    -Rogers’s possible reaction
        -Foreign service officer in Cairo [Joseph N. Greene, Jr.?]
    -Cables
-Kissinger’s forthcoming briefings
    -Rogers and Joseph J. Sisco
-Foreign service officer in Cairo [Greene ?]
    -Need for recall

Forthcoming Soviet summit
-Middle East, Vietnam
-Agreement on the Prevention of Nuclear War
-SALT
-Communiqué
-Bilateral treaties
    -Rogers and Gromyko
    -East Room
-Preparations
-Activities for Brezhnev
    -Disneyland
    -Hollywood
    -Dinner
        -Compared with John Ford

Southeast Asia
-Kissinger’s conversations with Brezhnev
-Vietnam
    -Attacks by North Vietnam
    -Impact of Watergate
    -Possible US action
        -Congress
        -Effects on US-Soviet relations
US-European relations
-Willy Brandt
-Great Britain
-Possible Atlantic Charter
  -Deputy foreign ministers
  -Great Britain, France, Germany, US
  -Sir Burke Trend
-Kissinger’s forthcoming meeting with Michel Jobert
  -Paris Peace Talks
  -North Vietnam
-NATO meeting
  -Timing
  -Possible Atlantic Charter document
  -Significance
-President’s possible trip to Europe
  -US goals
    -Defense, trade, political coordination
    -Need for open communication
  -Focus
  -Possible Atlantic Charter
    -Press reaction
      -Compared with SALT
      -Significance to Atlantic relations
    -Kissinger’s previous speech
    -Origin of phrase
    -William P. Rogers [?]

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Refreshment

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US-Europe relations
-Possible achievements
  -Reorientation of defense
  -CSCE, MBFR
Possible effects
- Demonstration of governance
- Contrasted with Watergate

Watergate
- Haldeman and Ehrlichman
  - Removal by the President
- Public reaction
  - Compared with John F. Kennedy and Bay of Pigs
- Wiretaps
  - National security
  - Kissinger’s role
  - Haldeman’s role
  - President’s role
  - Ehrlichman’s role
  - Effect on Daniel Ellsberg case
    - Morton H. Halperin
  - Kissinger’s knowledge
    - Federal Bureau of Investigation [FBI] wiretaps
    - Ehrlichman
      - David R. Young, Jr. and Egil (“Bud”) Krogh, Jr.
- FBI
  - Kissinger’s position
  - Legality of wiretaps
  - J. Edgar Hoover
  - India-Pakistan
    - Lie detector tests
      - Yeoman Charles E. Radford
    - Wiretaps
      - Kissinger’s knowledge
    - Adm. Robert O. Welander
  - Radford
    - Leak of documents to Jack N. Anderson
  - Lie detector test
    - Ehrlichman
    - Wiretap
- Krogh
Conversation No. 916-14 (cont’d)

-Kissinger’s knowledge
-Jeb Stuart Magruder
-FBI
-India-Pakistan
  -Wiretap of Radford
    -United States Secret Service [USSS]
    -Desirability of disclosure
    -Possible oversight by JCS

Watergate
-Wiretapes
  -Krogh
  -National Security Council [NSC]
  -Halperin
    -FBI and Justice Department
    -NSC
-Leaks
  -PRC, Soviet Union, Prisoners of War [POWs] and Vietnam War
  -Possible effect on foreign policy
-FBI
  -W. Matthew Byrne, Jr.
  -Leaks from FBI to New York Times
-Kissinger’s possible reaction
-President’s reaction
  -Compared to Ellsberg case, Pentagon Papers
-Possible effects on the President’s policies
  -Importance to world
-President’s possible resignation
  -Spiro T. Agnew
-Possible duration
-Ervin Committee

US foreign policy
-Rogers’s forthcoming meeting with President and Kissinger
  -Duration
  -Agenda
    -Kissinger’s briefing on previous visit to Soviet Union
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Rogers’s arrival

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Secretary of State position
   - Kissinger’s suitability
     - Desire to run bureaucracy
   - Timing
     - Watergate
     - Forthcoming Soviet summit
   - Rogers’s term in office
     - Effect of Watergate
     - Perception
   - Kissinger’s possible appointment
     - Effect on White House
       - Alexander M. Haig, Jr. and Scowcroft
   - NSC’s role
     - Role
     - Compared with George P. Shultz
       - Possible roles for Haig Scowcroft
     - President’s schedule
       - Compared with John Foster Dulles and Dwight D. Eisenhower
   - Connally’s possible appointment
     - Possible departures of Rogers and Kissinger
       - Suitability
   - Rush’s possible appointment
     - Kissinger’s role
Conversation No. 916-14 (cont’d)

-Need for change
-Connally
  -President’s assessment
  -Departure of Kissinger
    -Possible effect on US foreign relations
      -Soviet Union and PRC
    -Compared with present situation
    -Duration
  -Kissinger
    -National Security Czar
    -Compared with Shultz
  -Need for Deputy Secretary
    -Rush
      -Suitability
    -Role with bureaucracy
    -Role in national security
      -Effect on SALT
  -Timing
    -Forthcoming Soviet summit
    -Rogers’s forthcoming NATO summit
    -President’s control of US foreign policy
    -Possible Atlantic Charter

William P. Rogers and an unknown man entered at 11:05 am.

Press photograph opportunity
  -Location
  -Weather

Kissinger’s schedule

The unknown man left and members of the press entered at 11:05 am.

Kissinger’s schedule
  -Brezhnev

Rogers’s trip to Latin America
Conversation No. 916-14 (cont’d)

-Indictment

Kissinger’s visit to Zavidovo
  -Brezhnev’s dacha
    -Swimming pool, gymnasium

Weather
  -Photographs

Rogers’s trip to Mexico

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Rogers’s trip to Latin America

Forthcoming Soviet summit
  -Announcements
    -Timing
    -Kissinger’s comments at Moscow airport
  -Arrangements
    -Brezhnev’s visit to US
      -President’s schedule
      -Camp David
      -Activities
        -Sequoia
        -Key Biscayne
        -San Clemente
        -Houston, Detroit
        -Brezhnev’s automobiles
          -Masarati, Cadillac, Rolls Royce
          -Request for Lincoln Mark II

Kissinger’s visit to Soviet Union
  -Brezhnev
    -Driving habits
    -Motorboat, hovercraft (?)
  -Living conditions in villages
-Contrasted with leaders of Soviet Union
  -Contrasted with US leaders
-Contrasted with leaders of Soviet Union
  -Brezhnev’s dacha [retreat]
  -Hunting
  -Value
  -Compared to Swiss chalet
    -Swimming pool

US foreign relations
  -Soviet summit
  -NATO
  -CSCE

Forthcoming Soviet summit
  -Soviet view
    -Watergate
    -Benefit to Brezhnev
  -Attendance
    -Gromyko
  -Provisions for signing agreements
    -Gromyko, Dobrynin, [First name unknown] Konenko [?]
    -Communiqué
      -Motives

SALT
  -Soviet Union
  -JCS
    -MIRVs
      -Equal aggregates
        -Soviet Union compared to US
      -Limitations
        -Soviet Union position
  -State Department position
    -JCS opposition
      -Trident missiles
      -MIRV freeze
    -JCS
-Henry M. (“Scoop”) Jackson
-White House strategy to gain support
   -General principles
-Negotiations
   -Necessity of MIRV offer
     -Kissinger’s conversation with Brezhnev
     -Soviet Union missiles
       -MIRV missiles compared with numbers of missiles
     -Contrasted with numbers only conditions
   -Possible outcome
     -US position
     -Soviet Union action
   -US arms compared with Soviet arms
-JCS
   -President’s possible communication
   -President’s assessment

Cambodia
-Vote in Congress, May 10
   -Appropriations
     -Transfer authority
     -State Department knowledge
     -Defense Department actions
       -Amount of funding
       -Kissinger’s opinion
       -Rogers’s assessment
   -Effects of vote
     -President’s assessment
     -Paris Peace Talks
       -Kissinger’s forthcoming meeting with Le Duc Tho
   -Rogers’s testimony to Senate Appropriations Committee
     -John L. McClellan
     -Executive session
     -Compared to Foreign Relations Committee
     -Favorable vote
-North Vietnam
   -Effect of vote

Conversation No. 916-14 (cont’d)

-Rogers’s conversation with William H. Sullivan
-Kissinger’s forthcoming conversation with Tho

President’s message to Sullivan
-President’s cable to Kissinger
-Message to Brezhnev
-Vietnam
-Forthcoming Soviet summit

Kissinger’s talks with Brezhnev
-Cable from Scowcroft
-Handwritten note
-Disclosure to Brezhnev
-Brezhnev’s response
-Brezhnev’s remarks
-North Vietnam
-Obstinace
-Pressure
-Signatures
-Agreement
-Conciliation
-PRC presence
-US and Soviet Union role

PRC
-Future
-Need for support
-Future power
-Industry, resources, population
-Compared to Japan

Middle East
-Kissinger’s talks with Brezhnev
-Soviet Union initiative
-War
-Timing
-Rogers’s talks with Abba Eban
Military position [Lebanon]
-Soviet Union intervention
-Seriousness
-Kissinger’s talks with Brezhnev
-Soviet Union position
-Gromyko
-“Roadside” talks [?]
-Interim agreement
-Overall agreement
-Arab position
-Contradiction
-Support for Egypt
-Cairo
-Consistency
-1968 scheme
-Platform 69
-Palestinian-Israel border settlement
-Possibility of war
-Rogers’s assessment
-Anwar el-Sadat
-Thrusts
-Conversations with President, Israel
-Crisis
-Public relations
-Beating
-Soviet Union’s assessment
-Arab defeat
-Rogers’s meeting with Mohammed H. El Zayyat
-New York
-Egypt military
-Compared to Israel
-Israel’s assessment
-Monitoring
-Military
-Diplomats
-United Nations [UN]
-Forthcoming Security Council meeting, May 1973
Israel, Great Britain
-UN resolution 242

-Possible negotiations
  -Israel’s willingness
  -Egypt’s willingness
  -Hafez Ismail

-Kissinger’s possible meeting with Hafez Ismail
  -Paris
    -Kissinger’s schedule
  -Need for secrecy
    -Leaks
    -Telegram
    -Rogers
  -Propositions
    -Rogers [?]

-Stalling
-Sisco
-Rogers’s request for brief
-State Department’s role
  -Kissinger’s possible statement
    -Egypt, Soviet Union
  -Secrecy
  -Communication

-Ismail’s possible comments
  -Back channel

-State Department activities
  -Coordination of efforts
    -Israel, Great Britain

-Ismail
  -Statements to President, Kissinger
    -Compared to Rogers
    -Request for meeting with Kissinger

-Egypt
  -Diplomatic strategy with US
  -US relations
    -Sisco
    -Alfred L. (“Roy”) Atherton
Conversation No. 916-14 (cont’d)

-Kissinger’s possible meeting with Ismail
  -Consultation
  -Need for representation from State Department
    -Atherton
  -Privacy
    -Leak

Kissinger’s forthcoming meeting with Tho
  -US bargaining position
    -President’s unpredictability
      -Possible military strike
        -Unpreparedness
          -Discretion
    -Congressional vote
    -US public opinion
  -Third option
    -Cost
    -Immediacy
    -Safety
    -Opposition

-Agreement on Ending the War and Restoring Peace in Vietnam
  -Articles 7, 20, 15, 8
    -Implementation
-Agreement on Economic aid
  -Congress
-Cambodia
  -Article 20
    -Withdrawal
  -Possible unilateral cease-fire
    -Timing of announcement
    -Fighting
    -Bombing
      -Effects
      -Difficulty
    -Timing of announcement
US military action
  -Bombing raids
    -B-52s
  -Goals
    -Psychological effect
-Reluctance to engage militarily
  -US bombing
-Collapse
  -US support
    -Public relations
-US Congress
  -Appropriations
    -Rider
      -John Sherman Cooper-Church Amendment
        -Prohibitions on ground troops, advisors
        -Possible prohibitions on bombing
          -Possible Presidential veto
          -Override
      -Reduction in US military capability, bargaining position
        -Effect on Vietnam settlement
-Vietnam settlement
  -Incentives to maintain agreement
-Possible cease-fire
  -Economic aid talks
    -Possible unilateral cease-fire
      -Possible effect
        -Possible North Vietnam action
-US Congress vote
-US military action
  -Possible continuation of bombings
    -Kissinger’s forthcoming meeting with Tho
      -Possible unilateral cease-fire
-US Congress vote, May 10
  -Omission
    -Office of Management and Budget [OMB], Defense Department controller
      -Kissinger’s opinion
Conversation No. 916-14 (cont’d)

-McClellan’s telephone call to Rogers
  -Rogers’s testimony to Senate Appropriations Committee
  -Rogers’s knowledge
  -OMB
  -Elliot L. Richardson
    -Tenure in office
      -Defense Department controller
    -Timing of funding request
    -Richardson
    -Alternative sources of funds for bombing
      -Transfer
      -Amount
      -Richardson
      -Congress
    -Rogers’s testimony
      -Effect on negotiations
        -Kissinger’s meeting with Tho
      -Economic aid

Latin America
  -US Foreign policy
  -Significance
  -Rogers’s forthcoming trip
    -Message from President
      -Domestic issues
        -Kissinger’s previous trip to Soviet Union
        -Focus on forthcoming Soviet summit, “Year of Europe”
        -President’s statements in 1958
          -Significance of Latin America
            -Revolution, coup
        -Importance of Latin America
          -US priorities
            -Compared with Soviet Union, PRC, Europe, Japan
            -Hemispheric interests
          -Latin America initiatives
            -Compared to US policies
              -Alliance for progress
Conversation No. 916-14 (cont’d)

-Paternalism
-Leaders’s meeting
 -President’s schedule
 -State visits
  -Compared to Europe
 -Luis Echeverria Alvarez
   -Ultimatum
 -Compared to individual meetings
  -Dwight D. Eisenhower
 -Meeting with Hector J. Campara
 -Mexico
   -Water salinity problem
    -President’s approval
 -Peru
   -Military sales
    -Compared with Soviet Union
 -Military sales
  -President’s views
   -Military establishment
   -US interest
    -US personnel
    -Contacts
  -Compared to Indonesia

Presidential determination
  -Correspondence with Kissinger

Latin America
  -Fishing rights
   -Japan
  -Rogers’s forthcoming trip
   -Argentina
    -Compared with Europe
  -Rogers’s experience in South America, Mexico
   -Cities of Latin America
    -President’s opinion
     -Buenos Aires
Conversation No. 916-14 (cont’d)

-Embassy

Personnel appointments
- Cambodia
  - US ambassadorship
    - Rogers’s assessment
      - Confirmation
      - Deputy Chief of Mission
    - Recommendation
      - William R. Kintner
    - Likelihood of confirmation
      - Timing
        - Bombing
    - Compared to Graham Martin
    - Senate Committee on Foreign Relations
    - Deputy Chief of Mission
    - Gen. Richard G. Stilwell
    - Deputy Chief of Mission
      - Thomas O. Enders
    - Confirmation
      - Kintner
    - Henry A. Byroade
      - Rogers’s opinion
      - Resignation
      - Replacement
        - Statements regarding foreign service
    - Thomas G. Corcoran
      - Michael J. (“Mike”) Mansfield
    - Advisability of reposting
      - Alternatives
    - Relationship with Corcoran
      - Democrats
      - Kissinger’s knowledge
        - [First name unknown] Kendall [?]
    - Age
    - Kintner
      - President’s assessment
Conversation No. 916-14 (cont’d)

- Thailand
  - US ambassadorship
- Cambodia
  - Deputy Chief of Mission
    - Thomas O. Enders
    - Emory C. Swank
      - Kissinger’s assessment
      - Compared to G. McMurtrie Godley
- Godley
  - Thailand
    - US ambassadorship
    - Kintner
- Cambodia
  - Need for change
  - Swank
    - President’s opinion
- Swank
  - Possible posts
    - Chad, Uruguay
      - Contrasted with Cambodia
  - President’s assessment
    - San Clemente
- Thailand
  - Kintner
- Cambodia
  - US ambassadorship
    - Timing of decision
      - Kissinger’s forthcoming meeting with Tho
    - Options
      - Need for military background
      - Compared with Kintner
    - Possible confirmation process
      - US Congress
- Kintner
  - Thailand, Korea
  - Response
  - Henry Kearns [?]
Conversation No. 916-14 (cont’d)

-Carol Clendening (“Carol”) Laise
   -State Department Public Affairs Officer
   -Relationship with Ellsworth F. Bunker
   -Kissinger’s assessment
   -Possible role
       -Robert Anderson

-Bunker
   -Possible position

-Laise

Rogers’s conversation with Warren E. Burger
   -Possible position
   -Burger’s health

Election Reform Commission
   -Membership
       -John W. Gardner
       -Law school deans
       -William Scranton
           -Kissinger’s assessment
       -University presidents
       -Dale Korsten, President of Cornell University
       -Charles H. Percy
           -Motives
       -James Q. Wilson from Harvard University
       -Need for balance
           -Democrats, Republicans
           -Southern

-Dean Rusk

-Terry Sanford
   -Contrasted with Dean G. Acheson and Thomas E. Dewey
   -McGeorge Bundy
       -Motives
       -Korsten
           -Rogers’s assessment
       -Governors
           -Jimmy Carter
-Challenges
  -Honesty

Spiro T. Agnew
  -Grand Jury investigation
    -Tenure as governor of Maryland
    -Campaign contributions and contract awards

Campaign finance reform
  -Limitations on contributions
    -Amounts
    -Methods

Rogers’s forthcoming trip to Latin America
  -Timing

Watergate
  -Ervin Committee hearings
    -Possible effect on trials
      -Indictments of John N. Mitchell and Maurice H. Stans
    -Compared with Profumo case in Great Britain
      -Effect on government politicians
    -Rogers’s conversation with George R. S. Baring [Earl of Cromer]
      -Press relations

Kissinger and Rogers left at 12:03 pm.
Date: May 11, 1973
Time: Unknown between 12:03 pm and 12:43 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown man.

Alexander M. Haig, Jr.’s location

Haig entered and the unknown man left at 12:07 pm.

President’s previous conversation with Henry A. Kissinger
- Secretary of State position
  - Compared with George P. Shultz as Secretary of Treasury

Watergate
- Lt. Gen. Vernon A. Walters
  - Recall by Dr. James R. Schlesinger from Far East trip
  - Central Intelligence Agency [CIA] involvement
    - John W. Dean, III
- Meeting with Haig
  - Memoranda of conversations [Memcons]
    - H. R. (“Bob”) Haldeman and John D. Ehrlichman
    - Louis Patrick Gray, III
    - Dean
    - Schlesinger’s orders
- Haig’s subsequent meeting with J. Fred Buzhardt, Jr.
- Haig’s orders regarding memcons
- National security
- Memcons
  - Dean’s actions
    - CIA cover
The President talked with Pierre E. Trudeau between 12:11 pm and 12:13 pm.

[Conversation No. 916-16A]

[Begin telephone conversation]

[See Conversation No. 46-2]

[End telephone conversation]
Conversation No. 916-16 (cont’d)

-Haig’s orders to Buzhardt
-possible conversation with Henry E. Petersen
-Possible testimony
-President’s knowledge
-Wiretaps
 -Daniel Ellsberg trial
-Records
  -W. Matthew Byrne’s request
  -Location
  -FBI’s forthcoming interview of Haldeman and Ehrlichman
  -Executive privilege
  -Possible release of conversation between Ellsberg and Morton Halperin
  -Kissinger
  -National security
  -Buzhardt
-William D. Ruckelshaus’s desire to talk with Haig
-W. Mark Felt’s leaks from FBI
  -Joseph C. Kraft and Henry Brandon
-Ruckelshaus’s possible statement
  -J. Edgar Hoover
  -Mitchell
  -Reasons for wiretaps
  -Discharge of Felt
-Discharge of Felt
-CIA
  -Dean
  -Haldeman and Ehrlichman
  -Walters’s possible testimony
  -Meetings with Dean
    -President
    -Haldeman and Ehrlichman
-Walters
  -Memcons
  -Possible testimony
  -National security
-Wiretaps
-Conversation between Halperin and Ellsberg
  -Kissinger’s view
  -Buzhardt
  -Haig’s access
  -Buzhardt
  -Elliot L. Richardson
  -Conversation between Halperin and Ellsberg
    -Possible release
      -Ruckelshaus
      -Kissinger
      -Byrne
    -Timing
      -Halperin’s tenure with National Security Council [NSC]
      -Ruckelshaus’s possible statement
  -Walters
    -Possible testimony
      -Petersen
        -Ellsberg case
  -Memcons
    -Schlesinger’s knowledge
    -CIA knowledge
    -Gray’s testimony, May 10
    -Possible testimony
    -Effects
    -Conversation with Haig
    -Conversations with the President
    -Meetings
      -Haldeman and Ehrlichman, July 1972
        -Suggestions concerning Gray
        -Ehrlichman’s possible motive
          -E. Howard Hunt, Jr.
  -Memcons
    -Possible copies
      -Dean
      -Location
      -CIA techniques
BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2
[National security]
[Duration: 10 s]

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END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2

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Watergate
-Walters
  -Motives of Haldeman and Ehrlichman for meetings
-Ehrlichman
  -Possible conversation with Haig
    -Buzhardt’s view
-President’s possible conversations
  -Haldeman and Ehrlichman
-possible attempts to contact lawyers for Haldeman and Ehrlichman
-FBI’s forthcoming contacts with Haldeman and Ehrlichman
  -Memcons
  -Wiretaps
-Wiretaps
  -Release of conversation between Halperin and Ellsberg
    -Ruckelshaus’s possible statement
-Haig’s contacts with Lawrence M. Higby
  -Higby as conduit to Haldeman
-President’s possible conversation with Haldeman
-Ehrlichman
  -Possible testimony regarding the President
  -Possible conversation with the President
  -Possible testimony regarding the President

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-Executive privilege
-Possible motive
-Hunt
-Haldeman
-Forthcoming meeting with the President
-Buzhardt
-Walters
-Memcons
-Possible testimony
-Walters
-Possible testimony
-Gray’s testimony
-Ehrlichman’s and Haldeman’s testimony
-Ehrlichman’s culpability
-Ehrlichman’s possible testimony
-Walters’s possible testimony
-Meeting with Gray
-Ehrlichman’s possible testimony
-Meeting with Walters
-Hunt
-Walters’s possible testimony
-President’s role
-Dean’s actions
-President’s involvement
-Haldeman
-Forthcoming meeting with the President
-Public perception
-Location
-Higby and Stephen B. Bull
-Wiretap tapes
-Wiretap tapes
-Haldeman
-Haig and Buzhardt

Haig left at 12:43 pm.
Date: May 11, 1973
Time: 12:44 pm - 12:50 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with John C. Slemp and Stephen B. Bull.

Greetings

Arrangements for photograph session

Poem

Slemp’s life and experience
- Travels
  - Religious journalism
- Pennsylvania
- Poetry
  - Sonnet
  - Christian Century and Christian Herald
- Carson Newman College
  - Teacher
  - Former student
- Biography
  - Seminary
  - Religious journalism
  - Missions magazine [American Baptist]
- Travels
  - President’s previous trip to People’s Republic of China [PRC]
  - Hong Kong, India and Thailand
  - Chinese people
  - Burma
  - Africa, Europe, Latin America and Soviet Union
  - US
    - Wife, Ruth Slemp
Conversation No. 916-17 (cont’d)

-Ruth Slemp

Presentation of gifts by the President
  -Autograph
  -Pen
  -Pin, cufflinks

Slemp and Bull left at 12:50 pm.

Conversation No. 916-18

Date: May 11, 1973
Time: Unknown between 12:50 pm and 12:53 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown man and Stephen B. Bull.

  H. R. (“Bob”) Haldeman’s schedule
    -Lawrence M. Higby
    -Meeting with President

Bull and the unknown man left at an unknown time before 12:53 pm.

Conversation No. 916-19

Date: May 11, 1973
Time: 12:53 pm - 2:02 pm
Location: Oval Office

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

  Watergate
    -Haldeman’s meeting with J. Fred Buzhardt, Jr.
Conversation No. 916-19 (cont’d)

-Alexander M. Haig, Jr.
-Wiretaps
  -Haig’s role
-Lt. Gen. Vernon A. Walters
  -Memoranda of conversations [Memcons]
    -Meeting with Haldeman, John D. Ehrlichman and Richard M. Helms
    -Meetings with John W. Dean, III
-Buzhardt
-Wiretaps
  -W. Matthew Byrne
  -Morton Halperin
    -Effect on job
-Walters
  -Dr. James R. Schlesinger’s orders
  -Henry E. Petersen
  -Meeting with L[ouis] Patrick Gray concerning Central Intelligence Agency [CIA] involvement
  -Meeting with Helms, Ehrlichman and Haldeman
    -Helms’s conversation with Gray
      -CIA involvement
-Memcons
  -Location
  -Meeting among Helms, Ehrlichman, Haldeman and Dean
    -Walters’s possible actions
-Haldeman’s and Ehrlichman’s possible testimony
  -E. Howard Hunt, Jr.’s activities
  -Haldeman’s and Ehrlichman’s conversation with Walters
    -Gray
-Walters
-Memcons

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[National security]
[Duration: 7 s]
Watergate
- Possible testimony
  - Conversation with Gray
- Memcons
  - Dean’s actions
  - President’s conversation with Haig
- Haldeman’s conversation with Helms, Walters and Ehrlichman
  - Watergate burglars
  - Bay of Pigs
  - Hunt and G[eorge] Gordon Liddy
- Possible testimony by Ehrlichman and Haldeman
- Walters
  - Memcons
  - Possible effects
- Haldeman’s conversation with Helms, Walters and Ehrlichman
  - President’s order
  - Bay of Pigs
    - Helms’s concerns
    - Walters’s possible conversation with Gray
- Walters
  - Memcons
  - Possible effect
    - Ehrlichman
- Ehrlichman’s possible testimony
- Effects
  - Pentagon Papers, plumbers, wiretapping of newsman
  - Kissinger
The President talked with Haig at an unknown time between 12:53 pm and 1:20 pm.

[Conversation No. 916-19A]

[Begin telephone conversation]

Memcons
  -Request for delivery to Oval Office

[End telephone conversation]
Conversation No. 916-19 (cont’d)

Watergate
- Previous telephone call with Haig
  - Memcons from Buzhardt
- Presidential papers
  - National security
- W. Mark Felt
  - Haig, Ruckelshaus
    - *New York Times*
    - Wiretap of Ellsberg
    - *Time Magazine*
    - Stanton, Smith [?]
- William C. Sullivan
  - Tom C. Huston
- President’s meeting with Haldeman
  - Lincoln Room
- Breadth of investigation
  - Egil (“Bud”) Krogh, Jr.
  - Robert L. Vesco
  - John N. Mitchell and Maurice H. Stans
- Stans
  - Mitchell
- Grand Jury
- Ehrlichman’s possible testimony
- Walters’s memcons
- Ehrlichman’s possible testimony
  - Fake cover for CIA
  - Gray
- Haldeman’s meeting with Ehrlichman, Helms and Walters
  - Motives
  - President’s order
  - Ehrlichman’s role
- Daniel Ellsberg
- Gen. Robert E. Cushman and Schlesinger
  - Affidavit regarding call from Ehrlichman, July 7, 1972
  - Meeting with Ehrlichman regarding July 7, 1972 telephone call
  - Request for memo
  - Affidavit
An unknown person talked with the President at 1:20 pm.

[Conversation No. 916-19B]

[Begin telephone conversation]

[No discernable topic]

[End telephone conversation]

Watergate
- Walters’s memos
  - President’s viewing

Haig entered at 1:20 pm.

Watergate
- Walters’s memcons
  - Meeting with Helms, Haldeman and Ehrlichman
    - Dean
  - Dean
  - President’s role
    - Orders to Haldeman and Ehrlichman regarding Helms and Walters
      - Motives
      - President’s meeting with Haldeman and Ehrlichman
        - Ehrlichman’s office
    - President’s knowledge
    - Haldeman’s knowledge
- Walters’s meetings
  - Dean and Helms
- President’s orders to Haldeman and Ehrlichman
  - CIA
Conversation No. 916-19 (cont’d)

-Bay of Pigs
-President’s meeting with Helms
  -CIA involvement
-Walters’s meetings
  -Haldeman, Ehrlichman and Helms
    -Gray
    -Dean
    -Authorization
    -Memcons
    -Gray
    -Telephone call from the President
-Gray
  -Testimony, May 10
  -Conversation with the President
    -President’s call concerning FBI’s prevention of San Francisco hijacking
-Walters’s memcons
  -Meeting with Haldeman, Ehrlichman and Helms
    -Haldeman’s statements
    -Gray
    -CIA
    -Bay of Pigs
    -Hunt and Liddy
    -Pentagon Papers
-Meeting with Gray
  -June 23, 1972 and July 6, 1972
  -June 23, 1972
    -CIA
    -Mexican bank connection
    -Kenneth Dahlberg
    -Gray’s possible meeting with Dean
-Motives behind Haldeman’s and Ehrlichman’s meeting with Helms and Walters
  -Hunt and Liddy
-Walters’s meetings with Gray
  -Dean
-Dean
  -Role
  -Contacts with CIA
Conversation No. 916-19 (cont’d)

-Haldeman’s knowledge
-Timing
-Hunt
-Hunt
-Involveement
-Walters
-Memcons
-Executive privilege
-National security
-Location of copies
-Schlesinger, William E. Colby’s awareness
-Schlesinger’s order
-Elliot L. Richardson
-Haig’s telephone call to Schlesinger
-Haldeman’s forthcoming meeting with Buzhardt
-Colby
-Richardson
-Executive privilege
-Leonard Garment’s approach
-Dean
-Schlesinger, Colby
-Buzhardt’s possible call to Colby
-National security, executive privilege
-Watergate contrasted with memo in Ellsberg case
-Executive privilege
-Haldeman’s lawyers’ view
-Walters’s memcons
-Richardson
-Walters’s possible testimony
-National security
-Individuals with knowledge
-Walters’s possible testimony
-Walters’s memcons
BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2
[National security]
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END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2

Watergate
-Walter’s memcons
  -Hunt and James W. McCord
  -Buzhardt’s view
-Innuendo
-Buzhardt’s meeting with Walters
-Gray
  -Grand Jury testimony regarding CIA
    -President’s order
  -Walters’s memcon
    -President’s conversation with Gray
  -Walters’s possible testimony
-Walters
-President’s role
  -Conversation with Gray
  -Concern regarding CIA
    -Buzhardt’s view
  -Conversation with Gray
  -Walters’s memcon, July 13, 1972
    -Dean
      -Haldeman and Ehrlichman
-Walters
Conversation No. 916-19 (cont’d)

- Possible testimony
- Possible conversations
  - Richardson, Colby, and Schlesinger
  - Attitude toward the President
  - Dean
  - Haig’s conversation with Schlesinger
- Helms
  - Possible testimony
  - Conversation with Haldeman
  - Meeting concerning CIA involvement
  - Conversation with the President concerning CIA involvement
- White House reaction
  - CIA involvement
  - Cubans
- Walters
  - Possible testimony
  - Location
  - Possible conversation with the President

Haig left at 1:55 pm.

Watergate
- Ehrlichman
- Dean
  - Role
  - Colby’s belief
- White House reaction
  - CIA
  - Hunt
- Gray
  - Meeting with the President
- Walters
  - Value of possible testimony
- Indictments of Mitchell and Maurice H. Stans
  - Perjury
- White House response
- Goals of the President’s opponents
Haig talked with the President between 2:00 pm and 2:01 pm.

[Conversation No. 916-19C]

[Begin telephone conversation]

[See Conversation No. 46-3]

[End telephone conversation]

Watergate
- Haldeman’s mood

The President and Haldeman left at 2:02 pm.
An unknown United States Secret Service [USSS] agent entered at an unknown time after 2:02 pm.

President’s location  
-Executive Office Building [EOB]

Agent’s location

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

President’s schedule  
-Meeting with Henry A. Kissinger  
-Office

Message  
-Request

The conversation was cut off at an unknown time before 11:59 pm.