Conversation No. 919-1

Date: May 16, 1973
Time: Unknown between 8:51 am and 9:07 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown man.

President’s schedule
- Meeting with Henry A. Kissinger

The unknown man left at an unknown time before 9:07 am.

Conversation No. 919-2

Date: May 16, 1973
Time: Unknown between 8:51 am and 9:07 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown man.

Clock
- Repair

The unknown man left at an unknown time before 9:07 am.

Conversation No. 919-3

Date: May 16, 1973
Time: 9:07 am - 9:25 am
Location: Oval Office
The President met with Henry A. Kissinger and an unknown man.

Question
-Name [?]

Greeting

The unknown man left at an unknown time before 9:25 am.

Vietnam peace negotiations
-Paris
  -Kissinger’s conversation with Alexander M. Haig, Jr.
  -Possible White House statement
  -Kissinger’s forthcoming press conference
  -Blast
    -April
  -Effect of Watergate
    -Economic aid
    -President’s support abroad
  -Forthcoming Soviet Summit

Forthcoming Soviet Summit
-Middle East
  -Israel
  -Nuclear treaty
  -Israel
    -Kissinger’s conversations
    -Kissinger’s forthcoming meeting with Hafiz Ismail

Middle East
-War
  -Arabs
  -1967 Arab-Israeli war
    -President’s telephone call with Eugene V. Rostow
  -Straits of Tiran
BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[National security]
[Duration: 12 s]

INTELLIGENCE

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

Middle East
- Possible negotiations
  - Forthcoming Soviet Summit
    - Principles
      - Wording
        - United Nations [UN] Security Council resolution
  - Egypt’s concession
  - Israel’s acquiescence
- Interim settlement
  - Overall settlement
    - Israel
- Delay
- Principles
  - Soviet Union’s support

Leonid I. Brezhnev’s letter to the President
- Kissinger’s visit to Soviet Union
  - Reply
  - Joseph W. Alsop’s column, May 16, 1973

Watergate
- Public mood
  - Weariness
Conversation No. 919-3 (cont’d)

-Revelations
  -Central Intelligence Agency [CIA]
-Wiretaps
  -Haig and Kissinger’s statement
    -National security
  -Effect of leaks on United States foreign policy
    -Strategic Arms Limitation Talks [SALT]
  -President’s knowledge
  -Henry Brandon
    -J. Edgar Hoover
      -Theories on role
-Comparison to Teapot Dome scandal
  -Warren G. Harding
  -Herbert G. Klein’s conversation with editors
    -President’s possible resignation
-President’s possible resignation
  -H. R. (“Bob”) Haldeman’s resignation
  -President’s possible activities
-Amateurishness of perpetrators
-Wiretaps
  -Daniel Ellsberg
-Democratic National Committee [DNC] break-in
-Cover-up
-Lt. Gen. Vernon A. Walters’s testimony
  -John D. Ehrlichman and Haldeman
  -John W. Dean III
    -Attempt to place defendants on CIA payroll
-White House strategy
  -White House staff resignations
    -President’s possible resignation
      -Assassination
      -Spiro T. Agnew
-Hoover
  -Possible handling
    -Blackmail
-President’s activities
-Joseph C. Kraft
Vietnam
   - Possible US withdrawal
   - Kissinger’s view on loss of Indochina
     - US attitude
   - South Vietnam’s sovereignty
     - Battle
     - 1975
   - Soviet Union and People’s Republic of China [PRC]
   - Europe

Forthcoming Soviet Summit
   - Kissinger’s conversation with Anatoliy F. Dobrynin, May 15, 1973
   - Agenda
   - Effect on Watergate hearings

Forthcoming European Summit
   - Bureaucratic discipline

Watergate
   - Popular mood
   - Effect
   - Compared with Pentagon Papers trial
   - Forthcoming trials
     - John N. Mitchell
   - Press attention
   - White House strategy

Chou En-Lai
   - State visit to US
   - President’s approval

Watergate
   - Effect on President
     - Loss of close associates
     - Kissinger, Haig, Ziegler
   - Congress’s attitude
Conversation No. 919-3 (cont’d)

- Compared with other events
  - Pentagon Papers
  - Laos
  - Cambodia
- Possible White House counterattack
- Timing
- Wiretaps
  - Newsmen
- Congress
  - Actions
    - Prisoners of war [POWs]
- Forthcoming White House social event

Vietnam peace negotiations
- Reports during trip
- Possible statement
- Kissinger’s schedule

Kissinger left at 9:25 am.

Conversation No. 919-4

Date: May 16, 1973
Time: Unknown between 9:25 am and 9:30 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown man.

Request for meeting with Ronald L. Ziegler

The unknown man left at an unknown time before 9:30 am.
Date: May 16, 1973
Time: Unknown between 9:25 am and 9:30 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 9:30 am.

Date: May 16, 1973
Time: Unknown between 9:25 am and 9:30 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown man.

The unknown man left at an unknown time before 9:30 am.
Date: May 16, 1973
Time: 9:30 am - 9:48 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Ronald L. Ziegler.

President’s schedule
- Radio speech on campaign reform
- President’s meeting with Henry A. Kissinger
  - Ziegler’s statement

Watergate
- Lt. Gen. Vernon A. Walters’s testimony
  - H. R. (“Bob”) Haldeman and John D. Ehrlichman
- Ziegler’s conversation with H. R. Haldeman
- John W. Dean III
- Central Intelligence Agency [CIA]
  - Defendants on payroll
- Haldeman and Ehrlichman
- President’s telephone call to Louis Patrick Gray
- White House response
  - Ziegler’s possible statement
    - Dean’s investigation
    - Ziegler’s briefing notes
    - President’s statement, August 29, 1972
- Dean’s documents
  - J. Fred Buzhardt, Jr.
  - [Joseph T.?] Sneed
- White House response
  - Ziegler’s possible statement
    - Dean’s investigation
      - President’s order
      - President’s statement, August 29, 1972
      - Briefing book
      - Ehrlichman’s role
Constitution No. 919-7 (cont’d)

-New York Times story, May 16
  -Ehrlichman’s statement
-White House response
  -President’s orders concerning investigation
    -Clark MacGregor
    -Dean
    -Ehrlichman
  -Dean’s investigation
    -Responsibility as White House counsel
    -Federal Bureau of Investigation [FBI] reports
-Walters’s testimony
  -Haldeman and Ehrlichman
  -Press stories
-Ziegler’s forthcoming press briefing
  -Dean report
  -Wiretaps
    -President’s role
    -Ziegler’s previous statement
      -Dean
  -National security leaks
    -Possible effect
      -Vietnam War settlement and Strategic Arms
        Limitation Talks [SALT]
  -President’s orders
-Ziegler’s investigation
  -Responsibility of White House counsel
-Dean’s activities
  -Ehrlichman
  -Dean
    -Assurances regarding White House staff
      involvement to Ziegler and Gerald L. Warren

President’s schedule
  -John B. Connally
Conversation No. 919-7 (cont’d)

Watergate
- Ziegler’s morale
- Forthcoming press briefing
- Dean’s documents
  - Possible contents
- Elliot L. Richardson
  - Confirmation
- Ziegler’s conversation with Haldeman

Election Reform Commission

Ziegler left at 9:48 am.

Conversation No. 919-8

Date: May 16, 1973
Time: 9:48 am
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 46-74]

Conversation No. 919-9

Date: May 16, 1973
Time: 9:48 am - 9:54 am
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with J. Fred Buzhardt, Jr.

[See Conversation No. 46-75]
Conversation No. 919-10

Date: May 16, 1973
Time: 9:54 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

President’s schedule

Bull left at 9:54 am.

Conversation No. 919-11

Date: May 16, 1973
Time: 9:54 am - 10:23 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Alexander M. Haig, Jr.

J. Fred Buzhardt

Watergate
- John W. Dean III’s documents
- Possible contents
- Judge’s actions
- Domestic intelligence
- Meeting in President’s office
  - Adm. Noel Gayler, Richard M. Helms, and J. Edgar Hoover

President’s conversation with Henry A. Kissinger
President’s forthcoming meeting with John B. Connally

Connally
- Conversation with Haig and Roy L. Ash
  - Views on White House staffing
  - Ronald L. Ziegler
    - Possible resignation
  - Possible resignations of appointees
    - John C. Whitaker
  - Dean
  - Secretary of State
    - Connally
    - Kissinger
    - Connally’s view

J. Fred Buzhardt, Jr. entered at 9:59 am.

Watergate
- Dean’s documents
  - Contents
  - Dean’s motive
- Domestic intelligence
  - Wiretap
    - Operations
  - Samuel J. Ervin’s possible reaction
    - National Security Agency [NSA]
    - Operations
  - Dean
    - Contacts with President
      - Young lawyer’s reaction
  - Lt. Gen. Vernon A. Walters’s testimony
    - John D. Ehrlichman and H. R. (“Bob”) Haldeman
    - Dean’s activities
- Dean’s documents
  - Buzhardt’s search
- Buzhardt’s efforts
- Dean’s documents
Buzhardt left at 10:04 am.

Haig’s conversation with Connally
- Ziegler
  - Possible replacement
  - Herbert G. Klein
- Haig’s motive
- Secretary of State
  - Connally
  - Kissinger
  - Influence with Israel

Connally
- Forthcoming meeting with President
- Concern regarding economy
  - Confidence
  - Stock market
  - Energy policy
  - Wage and price policy
- Forthcoming meeting with President
  - Ultimatum
  - Return to Texas
  - White House staff
- Secretary of State
  - Conversation with Ziegler
- Views on White House staff
  - William E. Timmons
  - Ziegler

Ziegler
- Liability
  - Press relations
- Possible replacement
  - Need for President’s confidence
Secretary of State
- Timing of change
  - Forthcoming Soviet summit
  - Connally and Kissinger

Connally
- Possible role in White House

White House staff
- Optimism
  - Connally
  - Haig, Ziegler
  - President’s demeanor

Connally
- Complaints
- Intelligence
- Ambition
- Advice

Watergate
- Elliot L. Richardson
  - Conversation with Haig, May 15
    - Confirmation
    - Special Prosecutor
  - Special Prosecutor
    - Possible candidates
      - Warren M. Christopher
    - White House strategy
      - California candidate
    - Haig’s forthcoming conversations
      - Robert H. Finch
      - California candidate
      - Christopher
- Klein
Ziegler’s forthcoming press briefing
- Senate’s action on Cambodia

Vietnam peace negotiations
- Henry A. Kissinger’s schedule
  - Senate Committee
- South Vietnam
  - Sovereignty
    - Duration
  - Congress’s actions

Congressional relations
- Commission on Federal Election Reform
  - Complaints

Howard K. Smith’s call to Haig, May 15
- Possible meeting with President
  - President’s response
    - Timing
  - Availability of President

Watergate
- Effect in Washington, DC
  - Effect nationally
    - Public support
- Walters’s testimony
  - Central Intelligence Agency [CIA] cover-up
- Walters’s memoranda of conversation [memcons]
  - Secretary’s notes
  - Haig’s conversation with Walters
- President’s conversation with L[ouis] Patrick Gray
  - Motives
    - President
    - Haldeman and Ehrlichman
- CIA
  - Dean’s actions
  - Richard M. Helms’s possible actions
Conversation No. 919-11 (cont’d)

Connally
- Meeting with Haig
  - President
- Role in White House
  - Encouragement
- Meeting with President
  - Radio speech
  - Haig

Haig left at 10:23 am.

Conversation No. 919-12

Date: May 16, 1973
Time: Unknown between 10:23 am and 10:25 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown man.

President’s schedule
- Ronald L. Ziegler
- John B. Connally
  - Roy L. Ash

The unknown man left at an unknown time before 10:25 am.

Conversation No. 919-13

Date: May 16, 1973
Time: Unknown between 10:23 am and 10:25 am
Location: Oval Office
Conversation No. 919-13 (cont’d)

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 46-76]

Conversation No. 919-14

Date: May 16, 1973
Time: 10:25 am - 10:27 am
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with J. Fred Buzhardt, Jr.

[See Conversation No. 46-77]

Conversation No. 919-15

Date: May 16, 1973
Time: 10:27 am - 10:31 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Ronald L. Ziegler.

Watergate
- John W. Dean III’s documents
- Contents
- 1970 domestic intelligence coordination
  - Central Intelligence Agency [CIA]
  - National Security Agency [NSA]
  - Federal Bureau of Investigation [FBI]
- J. Edgar Hoover
- Tom C. Huston
Conversation No. 919-15 (cont’d)

- White House response

John B. Connally
- Opinion regarding White House staff resignations
  - President’s response
    - H. R. (“Bob”) Haldeman, John D. Ehrlichman
  - Secretary of State
    - Soviet summit
- Intricacy
- Dinner with Ziegler
  - Opinion regarding White House staff resignations
  - Housecleaning
    - Haldeman, Ehrlichman
- Conversation with Alexander M. Haig, Jr.
  - Ziegler’s departure
- Briefings
  - New role
  - Replacement

An unknown man entered at an unknown time after 10:27 am.

Connally’s arrival

The unknown man left at an unknown time before 10:31 am.

Connally
- Possible role on White House staff

Ziegler’s schedule

Ziegler left at 10:31 am.
Date: May 16, 1973
Time: 10:31 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown man.

President’s schedule
- Alexander M. Haig, Jr. and John B. Connally

The unknown man left at 10:31 am.

Date: May 16, 1973
Time: 10:31 am - 11:35 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with John B. Connally.

Connally’s schedule

White House social affairs
- Forthcoming Prisoners of War [POW] dinner
  - Structure under construction
  - Attendees
    - Wives, mothers

President’s schedule
- Armed Forces Day
- POWs
  - Dallas
- President’s need for travel
Conversation No. 919-17 (cont’d)

-Georges J. R. Pompidou
  -Iceland
-Bob [Robert H. Abplanalp or Leslie T. (“Bob”) Hope?]
  -Golf
    -Bahamas

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[Begin segment reviewed under deed of gift]

Golf
  -President’s and Connally’s activities
    -Regularity of playing
      -Frustrations
  -Houston
  -Connally’s ranch [?]

[End segment reviewed under deed of gift]
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President’s schedule
  -Dallas visit
    -Golf
    -Friends
    -Invitation
    -Fairmont Hotel
    -Private residence
      -United States Secret Service [USSS]
    -Connally’s ranch
      -San Antonio

Connally
  -Conversation with Alexander M. Haig, Jr. and Roy L. Ash
  -Conversation with George P. Shultz
  -White House staff
    -Ehrlichman and Haldeman
-Possible role in administration
  -State Department
    -Haig
    -President’s plan
    -Delay

US foreign policy
  -Forthcoming Soviet summit
    -Agreement on the Prevention of Nuclear War
      -State Department’s knowledge
      -Great Britain’s approval
      -People’s Republic of China [PRC] approval
      -Henry A. Kissinger, Haig [?]
    -Edward R. G. Heath [?]
    -Chou En-lai
    -Strategic Arms Limitation Talks [SALT]
    -Middle East peace negotiations
      -General principles
        -Israel
        -US pressure
        -Egypt
          -Soviet Union pressure
          -Interim settlement
    -Kissinger’s meeting with Le Duc Tho
    -Kissinger’s meeting with Hafiz Ismail [?]
  -Soviet summit
    -Public relations [PR]
  -Secretary of State
    -Kissinger
    -William P. Rogers
      -Decency, strength
      -Resignation
      -Trip to Latin America
    -Soviet summit
      -Andrei A. Gromyko
      -Agreements
      -Middle East
-Soviet summit
  -Preparations
    -Leonid I. Brezhnev’s meeting with President
      -President’s visit to Soviet Union
      -San Clemente
      -Key Biscayne
      -Camp David
      -"Spirit of Yalta"
        -Franklin D. Roosevelt, Winston S. Churchill, Josef V. Stalin
    -President’s strategy
      -Middle East, Southeast Asia
      -Arms race
      -Impact of Watergate

-Secretary of State
  -Rogers’s resignation
  -Kissinger’s role
    -Knowledge
    -European summit
    -October
    -Difficulty
  -Replacement
    -Timing
  -Role compared to National Security Council [NSC]
    -Gen, Brent G. Scowcroft
  -Replacement
    -Timing
    -European summit
  -Kissinger’s role
  -Connally’s appointment
    -Timing
    -Southeast Asia
    -Soviet summit
    -Europe
    -Kissinger’s role
  -John F. Dulles’s role with Dwight D. Eisenhower
  -Timing and importance of change
Connelly’s trip to Soviet Union
  -Timing
  -Attendance at Soviet summit
    -Kissinger [?]
    -Signal
  -Timing, length
  -Meeting with Brezhnev
  -Soviet summit
    -Brezhnev
      -Hunting trip
        -Connally
        -Boar
        -YO Ranch
        -Exotic game
        -Texas home
        -San Clemente
      -Demonstrations
        -Cities
          -Hungarian-Americans, Polish-Americans
        -Texas Hill Country for hunting trip
  -Secretary of State
    -Timing of change
  -Problems
    -Defense budget
    -Foreign aid
    -Trade bill
Conversation No. 919-17 (cont’d)

-Balance of payments
-State Department and Defense Department
-Leadership

White House staff
-Need for change
  -John J. McCloy
  -Bruce
  -Bryce N. Harlow
  -David Packard
  -Melvin R. Laird
  -John W. Byrnes
  -William E. Timmons
    -Robert C. Hill
    -Defense Department
-Byrnes
  -Children
  -Honesty
  -Finances
-Clark MacGregor [?] 
  -Work with Committee to Re-elect the President [CRP]
-Ronald L. Ziegler
  -Press relations
  -Possible replacement
    -Gerald L. Warren
    -Herbert G. Klein
    -George Christian

Press relations
- President’s press conferences
  - Timing
    - Grand jury indictments
  - Questions and answers [Q&A]
- President’s openness
  - Secret negotiations

Personnel management and appointments
Conversations No. 919-17 (cont’d)

-Ziegler
-Intelligence, loyalty, honesty
-Statements regarding John W. Dean, III report
-Usefulness
-Credibility as press officer
-Compared with other staff members
-Conversation with Connally
-Likability

-Cabinet
-Ash
-Limitations
-Shultz
-Communication skills
-Compared with William E. Simon
-Loyalty, competence
-Possible changes
-Dr. James R. Schlesinger
-Defense Department
-Earl L. Butz
-Rogers C. B. Morton
-Peter J. Brennan
-James T. Lynn
-Caspar W. (“Cap”) Weinberger
-Elliot L. Richardson
-Possible departure
-Schlesinger

-White House staff
-Press office, Congressional liaison office
-Byrnes
-Responsibilities
-Council of Economic Advisors [CEA]
-Herbert G. Stein

National economy
-President’s meeting with Shultz
-Possible freeze
-Import surcharge
Conversation No. 919-17 (cont’d)

-International reaction
-Balance of payments
-US exports
   -Bilateral agreements
     -South America
       -Venezuela [?]
       -Canada
       -Taiwan
       -Japan
     -Effect on US jobs
       -Appeal to labor
     -Tax legislation
       -Multinational corporations
     -Labor unions

-Import surcharge
   -Nationalism
-Possible freeze
   -Effects of conclusion
-Inflation
-Unemployment

Personnel management and appointments
-Shultz
-Cabinet
   -Communication
-Spiro T. Agnew
   -Domestic Council leadership
   -Ability
-Cabinet meeting
   -Connally’s advice
   -Ash’s follow-up
     -Personnel problems
       -Clearance
     -Federal Bureau of Investigations [FBI] record
   -Contacts with President
Congressional relations
- President’s meetings with leadership
- Bipartisan election commission
- President’s conversation with Gerald R. Ford, Hugh Scott
- Timmons
- Congressional liaison office in White House
  - Perceptions of liaison’s stature
  - Timmons
  - Byrnes

Ziegler
- Role on White House staff
- Press conferences
  - Frequency
- Conversation with President
  - Replacement

Watergate
- Defined
- Washington, DC’s feelings regarding White House staff
- Press actions
- Indictments
  - Mitchell
  - John D. Ehrlichman and H. R. (“Bob”) Haldeman
  - John N. Mitchell, Jeb Stuart Magruder
  - Seale Rule
- President’s papers
- White House cooperation
- President’s response
  - Grand jury indictments
- President’s possible resignation
- Impeachment
- White House response
  - Rebuild confidence

Personnel management
- Appointments
Conversation No. 919-17 (cont’d)

-Harlow, Clark MacGregor, and George H. W. Bush’s recommendations
-Securities and Exchange Commission [SEC] chairman[?]
  -G. Bradford Cook
    -Resignation
    -Robert L. Vesco case
    -Replacement
  -Recommendations
    -Connally
      -Republican machinery
  -Resignations
    -Robert C. Seamans, Jr.
      -Air Force
    -Howard (“Bo”) Calloway
    -Robert F. Froehlke
    -Second term
    -Private sector
      -Experience
    -White House favors
      -Effect of Vesco case
  -White House staff role
    -Operations compared to policy
    -Compared to Cabinet, agencies
      -President’s responsibility
  -Domestic Council
    -Operations
      -Compared to policy
    -Dams
    -Political patronage
    -Shultz, Morton, Schlesinger, and Byrnes
  -Cabinet officers
    -President’s culpability

President’s possible resignation
  -Agnew

Watergate
  -Connally’s conversation with Haig
Conversation No. 919-17 (cont’d)

-Daniel Ellsberg
-Wiretaps
-Connally’s conversation with unknown man
  -Samuel J. Ervin, Jr.
  -Hearings
  -Pace
  -President’s reaction
  -Possible release of information
-Lyndon B. Johnson
-J. Edgar Hoover
-Destruction of records
-United States Secret Service [USSS]
-John F. Kennedy
-Removal of Federal Bureau of Investigation [FBI] files
  -Marvin Watson
-Johnson’s files
  -Lyndon B. Johnson Library
-Criticism
-President’s possible response
-Press irresponsibility
-Compared with McCarthyism
-Charges concerning President’s San Clemente property
-Los Angeles Times headline
-Connally’s law firm
  -Gulf Resources
  -Bob Adams[?]
-President’s possible response
-Effect of forthcoming Soviet summit
-Indictments
-Special Prosecutor
  -Warren M. Christopher
  -Partnership
-Edward M. (“Ted”) Kennedy and John V. Tunney
  -Party for Bob Pressler
  -1976 campaign
  -Carmine Bellino
-Christopher
Conversation No. 919-17 (cont’d)

- Relationship to Edward M. (“Ted”) Kennedy
- Tunney
- Information gathering on the President’s opponents
  - FBI, USSS
- Connally’s mood

Connally left at 11:35 am.

Conversation No. 919-18

Date: May 16, 1973
Time: Unknown between 11:35 am and 11:36 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown man.

President’s statement on campaign reform
- Taping
- President’s schedule

The unknown man left at an unknown time before 11:36 am.

Conversation No. 919-19

Date: May 16, 1973
Time: 11:36 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown man.

President’s statement on campaign reform

The President and the unknown man left at 11:36 am.
Conversación No. 919-36

Fecha: 16 de mayo de 1973
Hora: Desconocido entre las 11:36 y las 11:49 am
Lugar: Oficina Oval

El Presidente se encontró con una persona desconocida.

Saludo

Agenda del Presidente

La persona desconocida se fue antes de las 11:49 am.

Conversación No. 919-20

Fecha: 16 de mayo de 1973
Hora: Desconocido entre las 11:36 y las 11:49 am
Lugar: Oficina Oval

El Presidente habló con Alexander M. Haig, Jr.

Agenda del Presidente
- John B. Connally

Agenda de Haig
Date: May 16, 1973  
Time: Unknown between 11:49 am and 12:34 pm  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Alexander M. Haig, Jr.

Watergate
- G. Bradford Cook  
  - President’s previous conversation with John B. Connally  
  - Testimony before Ervin Committee  
  - Resignation  
  - Robert L. Vesco  
- President’s reaction  
- William J. Casey  
  - Leonard Garment’s forthcoming investigation  
  - Vesco  
  - Possible resignation  
  - H. R. (“Bob”) Haldeman and John D. Ehrlichman

President’s previous meeting with Connally  
- Secretary of State appointment  
  - Henry A. Kissinger  
  - Connally  
  - Timing  
    - European summit  
  - Possible target for Democrats  
- Connally’s schedule  
  - Leonid I. Brezhnev’s visit to US  
    - Hunting trip  
    - Texas

- White House staff  
  - Need for new faces  
  - John C. Whitaker  
  - Ronald H. Walker  
  - Cook
Conversation No. 919-21 (cont’d)

-Bernard J. (“Bunny”) Lasker
-Jerry H. Jones’s list

Personnel appointments and management
- Haig’s schedule
  - Cook’s resignation
- President’s previous meeting with Connally
  - Ronald L. Ziegler
    - Possible role on White House staff
    - Compared with Ehrlichman
  - Scheduling and public relations [PR]
- John A. Scali’s telephone call to Haig
  - Ziegler
    - Possible replacement
    - Robert J. McCloskey
      - Service to William P. Rogers
      - Ambassadorship
- Ziegler
  - Possible replacement
    - Robert B. Semple, Jr.
    - Kenneth W. Clawson
  - Credibility
    - Scali’s view
    - John W. Dean, III

President’s meeting with Connally
- Cabinet
- George P. Shultz
- Import surcharge
- Grain prices [?]

Presidency
- Possible resignation
- Impeachment
  - Public opinion
  - Views of press corps
  - Congress
Conversation No. 919-21 (cont’d)

-Resignation
  -New York Times

Watergate
-Dean
-J. Fred Buzhardt, Jr.
-White House response
-Lt. Gen. Vernon A. Walters
  -Testimony
  -Memoranda of conversation [memcons]
-William E. Colby’s possible testimony
-Dr. James R. Schlesinger’s possible testimony
-Walters
  -Testimony
  -Memcons
    -National security
-Cook
  -Replacement
-Press coverage
-Popular reaction
  -Confidence in government
  -Support for President
  -Haig’s travels
-Lyndon B. Johnson’s leaving office
-President’s possible resignation
  -Guilt
    -Vesco
  -White House reaction

Personnel management and appointments
-Ziegler’s role on White House staff
  -Haig’s role on White House staff
  -President’s manager
  -PR
  -Spokesperson
    -Transition
      -Timing
Conversation No. 919-21 (cont’d)

-Scali
  -Emotion
  -Appointment
-Ziegler
  -Credibility
    -Transition
  -Replacement
-Scali
  -Contributions
  -Loyalty

Watergate
- Elliot L. Richardson
  -Connally’s opinion
  -Conversation with Haig, May 15
    -Special Prosecutor
    -Confirmation
    -Special Prosecutor
-Special Prosecutor
  -Warren M. Christopher
    -Partisanship
  -Possible White House actions
  -Christopher
    -“Kennedy Democrat”
  -Possible actions
  -Richardson’s selection process
    -Ervin Committee’s input
-Cook
  -Dean’s documents
    -Diplomatic cables
      -Ngo Dinh Diem
      -Bay of Pigs

Haig left at an unknown time before 12:34 pm.
Conversation No. 919-22

Date: May 16, 1973
Time: Unknown between 11:49 am and 12:34 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown man.

Ronald L. Ziegler’s schedule
- Press briefing
- Meeting with President

The unknown man left at an unknown time before 12:34 pm.

Conversation No. 919-23

Date: May 16, 1973
Time: Unknown between 11:49 am and 12:34 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown man.

Ronald L. Ziegler’s schedule
- Press briefing

Weather

The unknown man left at an unknown time before 12:34 pm.
Date: May 16, 1973
Time: Unknown between 11:49 am and 12:34 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Rose Mary Woods.

Weather

G. Bradford Cook
- Robert L. Vesco
- Resignation
- $48,000 for Hubert H. Humphrey
  - John Loeb
  - Indictment

David Marx
- Telephone call to Rose Mary Woods
- Uncle to Daniel Ellsberg’s wife [Patricia Marx]
  - J. Edgar Hoover’s inaction
    - Impact on White House investigation
    - Affinity for Marx family
- Telephone call to Woods
  - Television [TV]
- Meeting with Walter L. Cronkite, Jr.

President’s possible resignation
- Reason
- Partisanship

Watergate
- Effect on nation

Woods’s conversation with Marx
- Santa Ana Register
  - George H. W. Bush and Republican National Committee [RNC]
Watergate
- Calls for President’s resignation
- Daniel Ellsberg and Anthony J. Russo, Jr.
  - National opinion
  - Theft of national security information
  - Appointment
  - Federal Bureau of Investigation [FBI]
  - Service on Scranton Committee
  - Patrick J. Buchanan [?]
- Russo’s work in Chicago
  - Angela Y. Davis
  - Chicago Seven
  - Impeachment
- Congressional action
  - Impeachment

Henry A. Kissinger
- Letter for President to sign
  - Leonid I. Brezhnev and Nicolai Ceausescu

Presidency
- Difficulty
  - State Dinner, May 15

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END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
Julie Nixon Eisenhower’s schedule
-Indiana

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Julie Nixon Eisenhower’s schedule
-Popular reception

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Watergate
- Possible letters to editors
  -President’s accomplishments
  -McCarthyism
  -Santa Ana Register story regarding the President’s San Clemente property
  -Trust
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Conversation No. 919-24 (cont’d)

-Nixon Foundation
-Samuel J. Ervin, Jr.’s comment

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President’s schedule
  -Tiredness
  -State Dinner
    -Preoccupations

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Watergate
  -President’s response
  -Peter J. Brennan’s telephone call to Woods
  -White House response
  -Helen A. Thomas
  -President’s activities
  -Woods’s schedule
    -Social event at Iranian ambassador’s residence
      -Amir-Alsan Afshar’s demeanor [?]
      -Frank N. Ikard [?]
        -Jean Ikard
        -Edward W. Brooke
        -Robert Gray
    -Woods’s demeanor
      -Support for President
      -Haircut
      -Style

-Egil (“Bud”) Krogh, Jr.

Weather
Conversation No. 919-24 (cont’d)

Cook

President’s supporters

Woods left at an unknown time before 12:34 pm.

Conversation No. 919-25

Date: May 16, 1973
Time: Unknown between 11:49 am and 12:34 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

President’s signature

White House social events
- Etiquette

President’s schedule
- Henry A. Kissinger’s recommendation
  - Council of the Americas, Board of Trustees
  - David Rockefeller
- Meeting with Mustafizur Rahman Siddiqui
  - Bangladesh
  - Duration
  - Letter from Sheik Mujibur Rahman

Bull left at an unknown time before 12:34 pm.
Date: May 16, 1973
Time: Unknown between 11:49 am and 12:34 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown man.

Refreshment [?]
-Placement [?]

President’s schedule

Ronald L. Ziegler’s schedule
-Press briefing

The unknown man left at an unknown time before 12:34 pm.

Date: May 16, 1973
Time: 12:34 pm - 1:25 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Alexander M. Haig, Jr.

G. Bradford Cook
-Resignation

Watergate
- Elliot L. Richardson
  - Possible contact with President
  - Possible replacement by James T. Lynn
  - Confirmation
  - Ervin Committee
An unknown man entered at an unknown time after 12:34 pm.

Ronald L. Ziegler’s press conference
- Leonard Garment
  - Availability to President

The unknown man left at an unknown time before 1:25 pm.

Press relations
- Ziegler
  - Frequency of press briefings
    - Issues briefings
    - President’s role
      - Indictments

Watergate
Conversation No. 919-27 (cont’d)

-Effect on administration
-Administration’s response

White House staff
-Changes
  -Connally
  -John W. Byrnes
-Deputy for Haig
-Press secretary replacement
-Ziegler
-Haig’s role
-Public relations [PR]
  -Patrick J. Buchanan and Raymond K. Price, Jr.
-Ziegler
  -Possible replacement
    -Robert J. McCloskey
    -Loyalty, capabilities
      -Southeast Asia policy
-Support for President
-Liability
  -Compared with Henry A. Kissinger, Haig

Watergate
-H. R. (“Bob”) Haldeman and John D. Ehrlichman
  -Resignations
    -Lt. Gen. Vernon A. Walters’s testimony
-Walters’s memoranda of conversation [memcons]
  -William E. Colby’s possible testimony
  -Richard M. Helms
  -Dr. James R. Schlesinger
-Colby

Personnel management and appointments
-Schlesinger
  -Richardson
  -Confirmation
  -Washington Post editorial
Congressional relations
  -Senate resolution
    -Funds for Indochina

Watergate
  -White House response
    -Connally’s view
    -Solid decision making
    -President’s appointments
  -Congress

William E. Timmons
  -Congressional liaison office
    -Weakness
  -Possible replacement
    -Byrnes
    -Bryce N. Harlow
      -Financial situation
    -Retirement
  -Clark MacGregor
    -Investigation
  -George H. W. Bush
    -Republican National Committee [RNC]

Spiro T. Agnew
  -Attendance at Cabinet meeting
    -Reaction to Connally
  -Statement [?]
    -Leak
    -Support for President
  -Duties
    -Compared to Connally
    -Cabinet
    -National Security Council [NSC]
    -Senate
    -Compared to President as Dwight D. Eisenhower’s Vice President
Conversation No. 919-27 (cont’d)

- Congress
- Domestic Council
  - Reporting
  - Forthcoming conversation with Haig

Vietnam
  - Kissinger’s conversation with President
    - Peace negotiations
    - Congress
    - Impeachment
  - Bombing
    - Compared to mining
  - Armed Services Committee vote
  - People’s Republic of China [PRC]
    - Relations with United States

Poll
  - Support for the President
  - National reaction [to Watergate ?]
    - Revulsion
    - Marxist dialectic

Watergate
  - J. Fred Buzhardt, Jr.
    - Forthcoming call to Charles W. Colson
  - Colson
  - Executive privilege
    - Grand jury
    - Trials
  - Ervin Committee
    - Indictments
      - Lawyers for Haldeman and Ehrlichman
  - Buzhardt

Agnew
  - Reaction to Connally
Conversation No. 919-27 (cont’d)

Connally’s schedule
- Bill Kintner

Declassification
- Bay of Pigs, Ngo Dinh Diem, Lebanon
- Effect on foreign policy

Watergate
- Wiretaps
  - William D. Ruckelshaus
  - John F. Kennedy and Lyndon B. Johnson administrations
    - United States Secret Service [USSS]
  - William C. Sullivan’s statement
- News coverage
  - Ziegler
    - *New York Times*
  - Federal Bureau of Investigations [FBI] leaks

FBI director
- Jerry H. Jones’s forthcoming meeting with Haig
- Ruckelshaus
- Herbert J. Miller, Jr., head of Robert F. Kennedy’s criminal investigations division
  - Republican
  - Service
    - Latin America
      - Haig
  - Criminal charges
    - Lyndon B. Johnson
    - Robert D. (“Bobby”) Baker
      - John F. Kennedy’s assassination
      - Ticket
      - Johnson’s knowledge
      - 1964 election
      - Robert F. Kennedy’s problem

Watergate
- Compared to Bobby Baker
- Cook

FBI director
- Miller
  - Haig’s list
- Requirements
  - Miller
    - Republican
    - John F. Kennedy administration
    - Legal career
    - Toughness, dedication

Watergate
- Buzhardt
  - John W. Dean, III’s documents
    - Defense Department visit
  - Melvin R. Laird
- Dean
  - Documents
    - Possible release
    - National security
    - Criminal liability
- White House response
  - Ronald L. Ziegler

Connally
- Previous meeting with President
  - Attitude
- Beliefs regarding White House staff
  - Motive
- Richardson’s confirmation
  - Dislike
- Laird
  - Dislike
    - Lockheed
    - Monetary issues
Conversation No. 919-27 (cont’d)

-Pay ceiling

Watergate
-Press briefings
  -Ziegler
  -Garment’s role
  -LaCosta

Personnel management and appointments
-Ziegler
  -Value
  -Haig’s deputy
-Buzhardt
  -Possible role
  -Watergate
  -Counsel
  -Work with Garment
-Domestic Council
  -Kenneth R. Cole, Jr.
    -Staff
    -Ehrlichman
    -Relations with George P. Shultz and Roy L. Ash
  -Need for in-house intellectual
    -Price and Buchanan
-Policy area
  -Agnew
  -Intellectual
    -Compared to operational functions
-Intellectual’s role
  -Public speaking
-Performance
  -Cabinet
-Shultz
-Time commitment
-Connally
  -Possible Cabinet position
    -Timing after Soviet summit
Conversation No. 919-27 (cont’d)

-Kissinger
-Secretary of State
  -Connally
    -Liabilities
    -Democratic Party
-Kissinger
  -Assets
  -Haig’s experience
  -Congressional testimony
-Soviet Union and People’s Republic of China [PRC] initiatives
-Kissinger
  -Overseas trips
  -Social engagements
-William P. Rogers’s resignation
  -State Department morale
  -Soviet summit
  Nuclear agreements
    -US concessions
    -Interpretation
    -President’s control
    -Kissinger’s role
-Announcement
  -State Department morale
  -Rogers’s reaction
-Connally’s viewpoint
-Rogers’s resignation
  -Willingness
  -Kissinger
  -Haig
-Connally
  -Kissinger’s possible response

Presidential papers
  -Haldeman
  -President’s notes to Kissinger

Ziegler
Conversation No. 919-27 (cont’d)

- Duration of press briefing
  - Garment
- Toughness
- Retention on staff
- Loyalty

Watergate
- Walters
  - Testimony
    - Confirmations of Schlesinger and Colby
  - Memcons

Schlesinger
- Relations with Congress
- Selection as candidate
  - Defense Secretary
  - Ability
  - Experience
  - Knowledge
    - Missile

Richardson
- Confirmation
  - President’s support
  - Conversation with President
- Conversation with Haig
  - Ziegler
- Possible actions as Attorney General
- Liberalism
  - Judicial appointments
  - FBI director
  - President’s prerogative
    - Haig

Watergate
- Cook
  - Maurice H. Stans
Conversation No. 919-27 (cont’d)

-Texas
-Telephone call from Dean

March 21
-Haldeman and Ehrlichman
-President’s response

April 17
-Haldeman and Ehrlichman
-President’s opponents

Great Society, social welfare, and permissiveness

Haig left at 1:25 pm.

Date: May 16, 1973
Time: Unknown between 1:25 pm and 3:02 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with an Nellie L. Yates [?].

Ronald L. Ziegler’s schedule
-Length of briefings
-Number of pages
-Forthcoming meeting with President

Yates [?] left at an unknown time before 3:02 pm.
Conversation No. 919-37

Date: May 16, 1973
Time: Unknown between 1:25 pm and 3:02 pm
Location: Oval Office

Unknown United States Secret Service [USSS] agents met.

Retrieval of something
- Door [?]

The USSS agents left at an unknown time before 3:02 pm.

Conversation No. 919-29

Date: May 16, 1973
Time: Unknown between 1:25 pm and 3:02 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

President’s schedule
- Meeting with George P. Shultz
- Delay
- Council of the Americas, Board of Trustees
- June

Bull left at an unknown time before 3:02 pm.
Date: May 16, 1973
Time: Unknown between 1:25 pm and 3:02 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown man.

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Refreshment

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The unknown man left at an unknown time before 3:02 pm.

Date: May 16, 1973
Time: Unknown between 1:25 pm and 3:02 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 46-82]
Date: May 16, 1973  
Time: Unknown between 1:25 pm and 3:02 pm  
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with J. Fred Buzhardt, Jr.

[See Conversation No. 46-83]

Date: May 16, 1973  
Time: 3:02 pm - 4:08 pm  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with J. Fred Buzhardt, Jr. and Alexander M. Haig, Jr.

Watergate
- John W. Dean, III’s documents
- Huston Plan
- Memoranda [memos]
  - H. R. (“Bob”) Haldeman
  - J. Edgar Hoover
- Phraseology
  - Surreptitious entry
  - Huston
  - Illegality
  - Hoover’s objections
- President’s approval
- Possible use by Ervin Committee
- Possible White House response
- Executive privilege
- Executive privilege
  - Lt. Gen. Vernon A. Walters’s memoranda of conversation [memcons]
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Conversation No. 919-32 (cont’d)

-Possible court order
-Dean’s documents
  -Possible White House response
    -National security
    -Timing
    -Patrick J. Buchanan
    -William D. Ruckelshaus
  -Implementation
    -President’s meeting with Hoover
    -Demonstrations
      -Intelligence reports to Buzhardt
  -Purpose
  -Content
    -Electronic surveillance

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[National security]
[Duration: 25 s]

TARGETS

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

Watergate
-Dean’s documents
  -Content
    -Agents
      -Federal Bureau of Investigation [FBI]
    -Surreptitious entry
BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2
[National security]
[Duration: 3 s]

TARGETS

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2
Conversation No. 919-32 (cont’d)

- President’s role
- Duration of implementation
  - Buzhardt’s conversation with Henry E. Petersen, May 16
- Robert C. Mardian
  - Role
- Executive privilege
  - Walters’s memcons
    - Central Intelligence Agency [CIA] papers
  - Attorney-client privilege
  - Buzhardt’s conversation with Charles W. Colson, May 16
  - Assistance to President
  - John N. Mitchell’s possible testimony
    - President’s knowledge of Democratic National Committee [DNC] bugging
    - Refutation of Mitchell
  - Colson’s possible statements
  - Effects
    - Dean

-Huston Plan
  - Possible White House response
  - Relation to Watergate burglary

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 3
[National security]
[Duration: 24 s ]
SURVEILLANCE
END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 3
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Conversation No. 919-32 (cont’d)

Watergate

-Huston Plan
  -Meeting in President’s office
  -J. Edgar Hoover
  -Restrictions
    -Defense Intelligence Agency [DIA] [?]
  -Implementation
    -Tom C. Huston
    -Haldeman
  -Effect on Watergate burglary scandal
  -Richard M. Helms
  -Walters’s memcons

-Walters’s memcons
  -Dean
    -Accuracy of account of meeting with Ehrlichman, Haldeman, and Richard M. Helms
      -Cubans
        -Bay of Pigs
        -E. Howard Hunt, Jr.
  -Huston Plan
    -Helms, Hoover, Adm. Noel Gayler, and Donald V. Bennett

-Huston’s memo to Haldeman
  -Phraseology

-Huston Plan
  -Sol Lindenbaum’s referral to Dean
    -Justice Department, Legal Counsel’s office
  -Implementation
    -Army
  -White House response
    -Lindenbaum’s referral, March 3, 1972
    -Dean’s possible plan

-Dean’s documents
  -Possessors
    -John J. Sirica, Ervin, and District Attorney
    -Possible return to White House
      -Ervin
National Security Agency [NSA]
Possible White House response
Huston Plan
Relation to Watergate burglary
Mitchell
Hunt
Product
Distribution
Internal Security Division at Justice Department
Analysis group
Mardian and FBI
President’s and Haig’s knowledge
Interagency group

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4
[National security]
[Duration: 3 s ]

TARGETS

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4

Watergate
Huston Plan
Surreptitious entry into private residence
Possible White House response
Hoover’s opposition
BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 5
[National security]
[Duration: 18 s]

TARGETS

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 5

Watergate
- Huston Plan
  - Approval authority
  - Mitchell
  - Richard G. Kleindienst
  - Delineation
- Buzhardt’s possible conversations
  - Huston, Mardian, and William C. Sullivan
- Possible White House response
  - Ervin
  - Dean’s testimony
  - Haldeman
  - Television [TV] appearance by President
- 1969 wiretaps
- New York Times telephone call to Kissinger
- Possible White House response
  - White Paper
  - Buchanan
- Ervin’s role
- Possible leak to press
- Possible White House response
  - Burglary
Conversation No. 919-32 (cont’d)

-Lack of implementation
-Break-in of Ellsberg’s psychiatrist’s office
- Egil (“Bud”) Krogh, Jr.
- President’s letter to Hoover
- Plumbers
-Possible White House response
- Press handling of story
- Compared to New York Times’s use of Pentagon Papers
- Compared to Congressional reports
- Dean’s documents
- Locations
- US Attorney office, Congress, bureaucracy
- Possible White House response
- Press handling of story
-Huston Plan
- Hoover’s demurrers
- FBI role
- Tapping
- Breaking and entering
- Central Intelligence Agency [CIA] role

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 6
[National security]
[Duration: 38 s]

TARGETS

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 6
Watergate
- Dean’s documents
  - Buzhardt’s forthcoming conversations
    - Haldeman
    - Huston
    - Sullivan
    - Mardian

President’s schedule
- George P. Shultz
  - Message problems [?]

Watergate
- Huston Plan
  - Justification
    - Ervin
  - 1968 riots
    - Washington, DC
    - Use of military to gather intelligence

Buzhardt left at 3:52 pm.

Watergate
- Dean’s documents
  - Possible White House response
- Executive privilege
  - Application of executive privilege to Walters’s documents
- Possible White House response
  - Dean’s documents
  - Krogh
  - Walters
- Walters
  - Conversation with Haldeman and Ehrlichman
- Possible White House response
- Krogh’s operation
  - Ehrlichman’s statement
- Huston Plan
An unknown man entered at an unknown time after 3:52 pm.
The unknown man left at an unknown time before 4:08 pm.

Watergate
- Possible White House response
  - President’s role
- Huston Plan
  - Civil libertarians
    - 1972 election
  - Implementation
- President’s role
  - Instructions to Krogh
  - Hoover
  - Instructions to Ehrlichman and Haldeman
    - Conversation with Walters and Helms
- Huston Plan
  - Hoover’s demurrer
- Possible White House response
  - Buzhardt’s view
  - Walters
  - Krogh
  - Huston Plan
    - Ervin
    - Wiretaps
    - Reasons for creation
      - Security
      - Law and order
- Dean’s documents
  - Leaks

President’s schedule
- Shultz

Haig’s schedule
Conversation No. 919-32 (cont’d)

- Dinner
  - Sequoia
  - Forthcoming call to Haldeman

Haig left at 4:08 pm.

Conversation No. 919-33

Date: May 16, 1973
Time: 4:08 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown man.

Memorandum [memo] on voluntary oil allocation

An unknown man entered at 4:08 pm.

Delivery of item
  - President’s location [?]

The two unknown men left at 4:08 pm.

Conversation No. 919-34

Date: May 16, 1973
Time: Unknown between 4:09 pm and 4:52 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with George P. Shultz.

Weather
Conversation No. 919-34 (cont’d)

Science

Petroleum
- Voluntary allocation plan
- Compulsory allocation plan
  - Henry M. (“Scoop”) Jackson
  - William E. Timmons’s conversation with Shultz

Science

An unknown person entered at an unknown time after 4:09 pm.

Refreshment

The unknown person left at an unknown time before 4:52 pm.

Scientific community
- Administration relations
  - Budget cuts
- Mood on campuses
  - Irrationality
  - Faculty
- Notion of excellence
- Basic research
- Possible energy program
  - Manhattan Project
  - Space program
  - Management and engineers
  - Budget
  - Effect on academic groups
- Dr. H. Guyford (“Guy”) Stever
- William O. Baker

Watergate
- Shultz’s meeting with Stever’s group, May 16
  - Break-in
  - Forthcoming events
Conversation No. 919-34 (cont’d)

-Possible indictments
-Role of national security
-Compared with John F. Kennedy’s administration

Possible energy program
- President’s role
- Fiscal Year 1975 budget

Watergate
- John J. (“Jack”) Caulfield
  - Relationship with President
    - Treasury
  - News reports regarding grand jury testimony
    - Offers of clemency to James W. McCord
  - Forthcoming meeting with Shultz
    - Personnel status
      - Termination compared to leave
        - Indictment
          - Clemency
          - Conspiracy
          - McCord
  - Relationship with President

Fiscal Year 1974 budget
- State of economy
  - Prospect of balanced budget
    - Complaints
    - Expansion
    - Employment
    - Fiscal discipline
  - Revenue estimates
    - Forthcoming statement
      - Roy L. Ash
      - Content
  - Possible balanced budget
    - Revenue estimate
    - Shultz’s support
Conversation No. 919-34 (cont’d)

-Decision
-Interest on National Debt
  -Price of expansion
  -Estimate
-Defense spending
  -Cuts
    -Congressional action compared to President
  -Ash
-Possible balance
  -Psychological effect

Energy
-Use of gasoline
  -Automobiles
  -Pollutant
  -Possible excise tax
  -Effects
    -Environment and conservation
    -Price inflation
    -Revenue rate
    -Budget balance
      -Cuts
      -Treasury Department
    -Amount
    -Other taxes
    -States’ use
    -Oil companies
    -President’s concern over politics of issue
-Forthcoming study
  -Revenue
  -Political implications

Taxes
-Withholding on dividends paid to foreigners
  -Wilbur D. Mills’s proposal
  -Jacob K. Javits’s views
  -Current law
Conversation No. 919-34 (cont'd)

-Bilateral treaty
-Reduction
-Mills’s proposal
-Arthur F. Burns’s view
-Elimination
-Congress
-Possible effects
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