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Transcript #1: Part of a conversation between President Nixon and H. R. (ABob≡) Haldeman in the Oval Office between 1:05 pm and 2:15 pm on April 17, 1971

Conversation No. 481-7#1

Haldeman: See, this weekend will be a rough weekend on, on TV 'cause they, uh, [Paul N. (APete≡)] McCloskey[, Jr.] on one thing and the Vietnam Veterans Against the War, the demonstrators, on another one--

President: Uh-huh.

Haldeman: --And somebody else on another one.

President: Yeah, disturbance, you mean?

Haldeman: Yeah.

President: [Unintelligible].

Haldeman: Eh, it isn't gonna make much, I mean, this week is all gonna be kind of a mish-mosh, starting tomorrow morning and through the whole week, up to the demonstration on Saturdays [unintelligible] as much play as they can to --.

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Transcript #2: Part of a conversation among President Nixon, H. R. (ABob≡) Haldeman, and Henry A. Kissinger in the Oval Office between 2:53 pm and 3:30 pm on April 17, 1971.

Conversation No. 481-7#2

President: But on the other, another thing too, Henry, is that I think on the Chi-, on the, uh, [unintelligible] Democrats are out on the woods on these demonstrations. [Laughs.] My God, about how hot, if something happens there, I, an' this time I want a count, window by window, of every one they break.

Kissinger: And, you know, [Edward M. (ATed≡)] Kennedy's holding hearings on bombing in Laos and refugees starting Wednesday, just two days before the demonstrations.

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Transcript #3: Part of a conversation among President Nixon, H. R. (ABob≡) Haldeman, and Henry A. Kissinger in the Oval Office between 2:53 pm and 3:30 pm on April 17, 1971.

Conversation No. 481-7#3

Kissinger: But of course, if [Edward M. (ATed≡)] Kennedy had any sense of responsibility, he'd wait until after the demonstrations.

Haldeman: Well, hell, he's doin' it because of 'em.

President: He's having public hearings?

Kissinger: Yeah.

President: Who's gonna testify? Who's he having? [Paul N. (APete≡)] McCloskey[, Jr.]?

Haldeman: What's the difference? He's got all the veterans up there. That's their plan to that, too. They've got the Vietnam Veterans Against the War.

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Transcript #4: Part of a conversation among President Nixon, H. R. (ABob≡) Haldeman, and Henry A. Kissinger in the Oval Office between 2:53 pm and 3:30 pm on April 17, 1971.

Conversation No. 481-7#4

President: We're doin' pretty well --.

Kissinger: Oh --

President: -- doin' as well as anybody could expect.

Kissinger: -- I --

President: I don't think the demonstration's gonna hurt too much. Don't, don't, in my view --

Kissinger: -- we needed --

President: -- [unintelligible] they demonstrate --

Kissinger: -- help.

President: -- just hope they demonstrate hard.

Kissinger: As a matter of fact --

Haldeman: Probably [Unintelligible]--

Kissinger: -- Mr. President --.

Haldeman: That's the problem.

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President: You really think it's gonna be peaceful?

Haldeman: I planned on the basis that I think the militants are, as far as I can read the intelligence, which is lousy, uh, I, it doesn't look good, but it's hard to see whether it's, whether they=re gonna mobilize any, anybody.

Kissinger: But if they demonstrate --

Haldeman: -- [unintelligible].

Kissinger: -- and then you follow with a lot of positive things, they just would look silly.

President: [Unintelligible] they were not related to Vietnam.

Kissinger: Unh.

Haldeman: [Unintelligible] demonstrate on Vietnam while the President's going ahead and solving the, the --

Kissinger: [Unintelligible].

Haldeman: -- the world problems. Vietnam he's already taken care of.