

**NIXON PRESIDENTIAL MATERIALS STAFF****Tape Subject Log***(rev. 9/08)*

Transcript #1: Part of a conversation between President Nixon and H. R. Haldeman in the Oval Office between 9:03 am and 9:52 am on April 19, 1971.

Conversation No. 482-8#1

Haldeman: We had a very good break in Evans and Novak this morning [unintelligible].

President: [Unintelligible].

Haldeman: Their --

President: [Speaking to Manolo Sanchez] Thanks very much.

Haldeman: -- their subject is "Muskie and the Trotskyites" and they make a thesis that we can build on and coming from them gives us something to do with it. Saying the fact that Muskie endorsed some of these demonstration here without even considering its domination by Trotskyite Communists typifies the cloak of respectability inadvertently provided from the far left by liberals.

President: Inadvertantly, huh?

Haldeman: Then he, he, he goes to great --.

President: Goes to what?

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Haldeman: They make the point that, that, uh, these, the people th-, he dictated the history of who put this demonstration together, that it's the Young Socialist Alliance which is the, has replaced the SDS as the radical organization now, that they are under the Socialist Workers' Party, an undeviating [unintelligible] line, that they admit they're using, only using the war as a device, and, uh, goes through the whole, whole [unintelligible] of the antiwar movement [unintelligible]. [Unintelligible] they think it is to have two world capitals. They say they want more than just peace in Vietnam. Their literature describes the Communist aggression in Vietnam as the Vietnamese revolution and heaps praise on it. And they pick 'em. They pick whoever organized this demonstration, the liberals, and the, the result is what would have been unimaginable a few years ago: hundreds of thousands of Americans marching in the Capital under Trotskyist command. This, in this town, is gonna bother some people.

President: Is it?

Haldeman: Some [unintelligible].

President: Bob, otherwise --.

Haldeman: [Unintelligible] some people.

President: Let me explain --.

Haldeman: It comes from somebody other --

President: Yeah.

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Haldeman: -- than us.

President: Yeah. I undersatnd. Bu-but what I sh-should say, though, that, knowing the House and Senate, the way [unintelligible] take that and have people s-see about that today. Circulate that to every member of the House and Senate. So the word is [unintelligible] Evans and Novak, from these liberal columnists, it's very interesting from this source [unintelligible]. Have one of our girls mail it out.

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Transcript #2: Part of a conversation between President Nixon and H. R. Haldeman in the Oval Office between 9:03 am and 9:52 am on April 19, 1971.

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Haldeman: This week they're gonna give the demonstrators a big thing, and that's the war --

President: That's right.

Haldeman: -- this week, and then next week will die down, and the week after will build up again.