Conversation No. 20-1

Date: January 31, 1972
Time: Unknown before 1:06 pm
Location: White House Telephone

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Non-historical]
[Duration: 22s ]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

Conversation No. 20-2

Date: January 31, 1972
Time: Unknown between 2:22 pm and 2:34 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 661-1A]

Request for a call to Abraham A. Ribicoff
Date: January 31, 1972
Time: 2:34 pm - 2:42 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with Abraham A. Ribicoff.

Greetings

Ribicoff's comments on welfare reform
   - President's commitment to reform

Welfare reform bill
   - Congressional problems
      - President's view
         - Advice of Ribicoff
         - Budget problem
         - Russell B. Long
         - Wallace F. Bennett
         - The President's possible meeting with Long, Bennett, and Ribicoff
            - Possibility of common ground
   - Ribicoff's view
      - Finance Committee attitude
         - Possibility of common ground
         - Bennett
            - Support for the President
            - Influence on others
               - Carl T. Curtis
               - Paul J. Fannin
      - Herman E. Talmadge's stance
      - Harry F. Byrd Jr.'s stance
   - Ribicoff's talk with Elliot L. Richardson, January 31, 1972
      - Protest against expensive programs
      - Ribicoff's speech
      - Medicare and Medicaid
   - Addition of working poor to welfare program
      - Number
      - Cost
      - Reaction by Congress
- Present program
  - Effective date
  - 1973 budget maneuvers
    - Ribicoff’s conversation with Richardson
    - Pilot program
  - Testing of new program
    - Benefits
    - Options
      - Savings
      - Workability
    - Effect in Finance Committee
      - Results
  - Remainder of President's bill
    - Family Assistance Plan [FAP]
      - Debate on floor
        - Results
        - House Resolution [HR] 1
  - Possibility of meeting with Long, Bennett, and Ribicoff
  - The President’s schedule
    - Recent meeting with Richardson
  - Cancer program
  - Confrontation in committee
    - Results
  - Ribicoff view
    - Pilot program for working poor
      - Results in Finance Committee
        - Bennett, Long, and Ribicoff
    - Floor maneuvers
      - Results
        - House of Representatives
          - HR 1
        - Ribicoff amendments
      - Working poor inclusion
        - Results
    - Ribicoff’s possible meeting with John D. Ehrlichman
      - Strategy discussion
      - Richardson
  - President's position
    - Necessity
    - Ribicoff’s speech
      - The President’s news summary note
    - Results
Conversation No. 20-4

Date: January 31, 1972
Time: Unknown between 3:55 pm and 3:57 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 661-3A]

Request for a call to Robert McClory

Conversation No. 20-5

Date: January 31, 1972
Time: 3:57 pm - 3:58 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with Robert McClory.

[See Conversation No. 661-3B]

Greeting
Conversation No. 20-6

Date: January 31, 1972  
Time: Unknown between 4:00 pm and 4:01 pm  
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 661-4]

Request for a call to Leslye A. Arsht

Conversation No. 20-7

Date: January 31, 1972  
Time: 4:01 pm - 4:03 pm  
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with Leslye A. Arsht.

[See Conversation No. 661-6]

Earlier party for Arsht  
-President's attempt to call
Gratitude for effort
  - Hours
  - News Summary

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 5s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 3
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 7s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 3
Conversation No. 20-8

Date: January 31, 1972
Time: Unknown between 4:03 pm and 4:04 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 661-7]

Request for a call to Stewart B. McKinney

Conversation No. 20-9

Date: January 31, 1972
Time: 4:04 pm - 4:06 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with Stewart B. McKinney.

[See Conversation No. 661-9A]

Greetings

Birthday greetings
- Clark MacGregor
- Congressional prospects
- President's Vietnam speech of January 25, 1972
  - McKinney’s view

Vietnam negotiations
- North Vietnamese reaction to US proposals
  - Need for concern
  - Possible military action
- Benefits of US proposal
  - Quality of offer
    - Negotiations
  - Public support
  - Prospects for success
Conversation No. 20-10

Date: January 31, 1972
Time: Unknown between 6:06 pm and 7:26 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator

Request for a call to H. R. (“Bob”) Haldeman

Conversation No. 20-11

Date: January 31, 1972
Time: 7:26 pm - 7:27 pm
Location: White House Telephone

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

President's schedule
- John B. Connally visit
- Timing
  - Congressional testimony
- William F. (“Billy”) Graham visit
- Prayer breakfast
- Apollo astronauts visit
- Connally visit
Date: January 31, 1972
Time: 7:44 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

Request for a call to Rose Mary Woods

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Date: January 31, 1972
Time: 8:00 pm - 8:04 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The White House operator talked with the President.

Status of call to Rose Mary Woods

The President talked with Woods.

Trip to the People’s Republic of China [PRC]
-Attendance
  -Rita Rajnich De Fantis
  -H. R. (“Bob”) Haldeman
  -Thelma C. (“Pat”) Nixon
Conversation No. 20-14

Date: February 1, 1972
Time: Unknown between 9:21 pm and 9:49 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

Request for a call to Charles W. Colson

Conversation No. 20-15

Date: February 1, 1972
Time: 9:49 pm - 10:15 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with Charles W. Colson.

Greetings

Governor's dinner

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 12m 54s ]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
Congress
  - Schedule
    - Gerald R. Ford and Hugh Scott
    - Leslie C. Arends

Dock strike
  - Ronald W. Reagan and [Forename unknown] Evans
    - Briefing
    - Statement
    - James D. Hodgson
    - Forthcoming statement by the President
    - Frank E. Fitzsimmons effort in strike settlement

Economy
  - News
    - Herbert Stein
    - Manufacturers orders
    - Construction
    - Unemployment figures
      - Release
      - Predictions
      - Analysis of trends
      - Need for concern

Busing
  - Richmond decision
    - John N. Mitchell’s comment
      - Possible Justice Department action
    - Reaction
    - Education
    - Racial integration
BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 7m 33s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2

Conversation No. 20-16

Date: February 2, 1972
Time: Unknown between 8:51 am and 9:10 am
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 664-1]

Request for a call to Charles S. Gubser

Conversation No. 20-17

Date: February 2, 1972
Time: 9:10 am - 9:13 am
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with Charles S. Gubser.

[See Conversation No. 664-2]
Birthday greetings
- William E. Timmons
- Gubser’s schedule
- Gubser’s support for President

Conversation No. 20-18

Date: February 2, 1972
Time: Unknown between 9:13 am and 9:14 am
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 664-3]

Request for a call to Thomas N. Downing

Conversation No. 20-19

Date: February 2, 1972
Time: 9:14 am - 9:15 am
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with Thomas N. Downing.

[See Conversation No. 664-5]

Birthday greeting
- William E. Timmons
- Charles S. Gubser birthday

William F. (“Billy”) Graham visit to President

Downing’s schedule
- Prayer breakfast
Conversation No. 20-20

Date: February 2, 1972
Time: Unknown between 1:40 pm and 1:48 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 318-9]

Request for a call to Peter M. Flanigan

Conversation No. 20-21

Date: February 2, 1972
Time: 1:48 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The White House operator talked with the President.

[See Conversation No. 318-11]

Status of call to Peter M. Flanigan
  -Flanigan's schedule
  -Return call
Date: February 2, 1972
Time: 1:50 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 318-12]

Request for a call to Julie Nixon Eisenhower

Date: February 2, 1972
Time: 1:56 pm - 2:00 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with Julie Nixon Eisenhower.

[See Conversation No. 318-14]

Julie Nixon Eisenhower's schedule
   -Pittsburgh
   -Associated Press [AP] story

Charles W. Colson's memorandum
   -Thelma C. (“Pat”) Nixon’s trip
BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 22s]  

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

President's schedule
-Prayer breakfast
-Governors meeting
-Result
-Reubin O. Askew
-Republicans

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 2m 25s]  

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2
Conversation No. 20-24

Date: February 2, 1972
Time: Unknown between 2:00 pm and 2:04 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 318-16]

Request for a call to Ronald L. Ziegler

Conversation No. 20-25

Date: February 2, 1972
Time: 2:04 pm - 2:06 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with Ronald L. Ziegler.

[See Conversation No. 319-17]

Prayer breakfast
  - Reaction of press
  - News summary
  - Television coverage
    - National Broadcasting Corporation [NBC] lack of coverage
    - 1970 and 1971 coverage
  - Wire service coverage
  - Washington Post
  - Radio and television coverage
  - Quote on God
Welfare reform
- Elliot L. Richardson press conference
- John D. Ehrlichman
- Administration position
  - Congress
- Cost

Conversation No. 20-26

Date: February 2, 1972
Time: Unknown between 12:06 pm and 2:09 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 318-18]

Request for a call to Tricia Nixon Cox
  - Cambridge

Conversation No. 20-27

Date: February 2, 1972
Time: 2:09 pm - 2:13 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with Tricia Nixon Cox.

[See Conversation No. 318-20]
BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 13s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

Vice President Spiro T. Agnew
   -New York Times article
   -Legal services
   -Edward R.F. Cox

President's schedule
   -Prayer breakfast
   -Governors meeting
      -National Broadcasting Corporation [NBC]
      -Columbia Broadcasting System [CBS]

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 1m 16s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2

Charles W. Colson's memorandum
   -Thelma C. (“Pat”) Nixon’s trip
Conversation No. 20-28

Date: February 2, 1972  
Time: Unknown between 2:13 pm and 2:14 pm  
Location: White House Telephone  

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 318-21]

Request for a call to Harry S. Dent

Conversation No. 20-29

Date: February 2, 1972  
Time: 2:14 pm - 2:20 pm  
Location: White House Telephone  

The President talked with Harry S. Dent.

[See Conversation No. 318-22]
Governors' meeting
- Walter R. Peterson
- William T. Cahill
- Thomas J. Meskill
- Nelson A. Rockefeller
- Ronald W. Reagan
- Linwood Holton
- Rockefeller
- General attitudes
- Dent effort in California
  - Reagan
    - California Republican Assembly [CRA]
CRA
  - Vice President Spiro T. Agnew
    - John N. Mitchell
    - Possible call from Dent

Governors' briefing
- John D. Ehrlichman
- Henry A. Kissinger
- George P. Shultz
- Benefits
  - Input from Governors
  - Value-added tax [VAT]
- Partisanship
  - John B. Connally

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 38s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

Governor’s meeting
Prayer breakfast
  -Christian context
  -Guests
  -The President’s efforts

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 2m 19s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2

Conversation No. 20-30

Date: February 2, 1972
Time: 3:03 pm - 3:06 pm
Location: White House Telephone

H. R. (“Bob”) Haldeman talked with the President.

[See Conversation No. 318-25]

Response to Edmund S. Muskie speech
  -Henry A. Kissinger
  -William P. Rogers
  -Strategy

  -The President’s memorandum to Haldeman
    -Patrick J. Buchanan
    -Talking points

  -Vietnam
Date: February 2, 1972
Time: Unknown between 3:06 pm and 3:17 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 318-30]

Request for a call to John D. Ehrlichman
   -Camp David

Date: February 2, 1972
Time: 3:17 pm - 3:25 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with John D. Ehrlichman.

[See Conversation No. 318-32]

Value added tax [VAT]
   -Advocacy
   -Use as an issue
   -Tax increase
      -Shift in tax burden
      -New York Times story
      -John B. Connally
   -Property tax modification and reduction
Legal services bill
  - Veto prospects
  - Child development aspect of bill
  - Office of Economic Opportunity [OEO]
  - Administration efforts

[Family Assistance Plan]
  - Elliot L. Richardson
    - Press conference
    - Congressional dealing
      - Concessions
      - Conservatives
        - House Resolution [HR] 1
  - HR 1
    - Ronald L. Ziegler
    - Congress

Governors' meeting
  - Harry S. Dent view of briefings
    - Ehrlichman, George P. Shultz, Henry A. Kissinger
    - Governors
    - Speakers
      - Ronald W. Reagan
      - Nelson A. Rockefeller
    - Ehrlichman call to Rockefeller
      - Rockefeller's forthcoming testifying
        - The President's position
        - Congress
        - Benefits to New York
  - William G. Milliken
    - Michigan
    - Administration line
      - Massachusetts, Michigan
        - Francis W. Sargent
    - Support from politicians
Justice Department suit against milk producers
  -Ehrlichman call to John N. Mitchell
    -Options
      -Criminal charges
      -No action
      -Congressional hearing
    -Mitchell
      -Conversations with mild producers
    -Length of investigation

Legal services bill
  -Vice President Spiro T. Agnew meeting
    -Reason
      -William T. Cahill contacts
        -Agnew’s view
        -New Jersey
        -Cahill pressure
    -Legal services representative
      -Treatment of Vice President
      -Kenneth R. Cole, Jr.
      -Resignation
      -Signal to bureaucracy

Weather

Date: February 2, 1972
Time: Unknown between 3:25 pm and 3:30 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 318-34]

Request for a call to Stephen B. Bull
Date: February 2, 1972
Time: 3:30 pm - 3:31 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with Stephen B. Bull.

[See Conversation No. 318-35]

President's schedule
- Visit to barber

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Conversation No. 20-35

Date: February 2, 1972
Time: 4:29 pm - 4:31 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with Peter M. Flanigan.

[See Conversation No. 318-39A]

Trade negotiations
- Peter G. Peterson memorandum
  - Testifying by White House aides
    - The President’s conversation with John B. Connally
  - Connally presentation
  - Length
  - Content
    - William D. Eberle
  - Connally testifying
    - Presentation
      - Gold
    - Connally role
      - Peterson and Eberle role
  - Textile problem
    - Peterson memorandum
      - Connally view
      - David M. Kennedy role in negotiations
Date: February 2, 1972
Time: Unknown between 4:31 pm and 7:43 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

Request for a call to Henry A. Kissinger

Date: February 2, 1972
Time: 7:43 pm - 7:52 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with Henry A. Kissinger.

Irish situation
- Embassy burning
- Dublin
- History of conflict
- Great Britain
- Settlement prospects
- Irish-American supporters

Edmund S. Muskie speech
- Ronald L. Ziegler rebuttal
- Melvin R. Laird
  - Conversation with Laird
    - Laird’s forthcoming statement
- North Vietnamese
- Impact of Muskie speech
  - Media reaction
- Congressional rebuttals
- William P. Rogers
  - Patrick J. Buchanan
    - H. R. (“Bob”) Haldeman’s conversation with Kissinger
- State Department role
- Need for sharp rebuttal
  - Haldeman
  - Ziegler
  - Buchanan rebuttal
    - President’s role
    - Eight Points
- Support for President
  - Michael J. Mansfield Amendment
- Kissinger’s critique

Kissinger briefing
  - Timing
  - Mansfield
    - Andrei A. Gromyko
    - Chou En-lai
    - Mansfield amendment

Kenneth B. Keating and Ellsworth F. Bunker meeting
  - Kissinger talk with Keating
  - Updating of situation
    - Kissinger’s possible talk with Lakshmi Kant Jha
    - Backchannel or letter
  - Testifying by Keating before Foreign Relations Committee
    - State Department
    - Jack N. Anderson papers
      - US relations with India
  - Charles Nelson aid

Contingency plan for Vietnam
  - National Security Council [NSC] meeting
  - Adm. Thomas H. Moore
    - Briefing
      - Muskie
  - Laird role
  - Need for toughness
-Military effort
  -Bombing
    -Extent
      -North Vietnam
    -Military augmentation
      -Sorties
      -Timing
        -Carriers
        -B-52’s
        -A-1’s
        -F-4’s
  -Strategy
    -South Vietnam
    -Beginning of North Vietnamese offensive
      -US response
    -Bunker view
    -South Vietnamese strength
      -Lam Son
    -Battlefield prospects
      -Effect on negotiations
  -Timing
  -Senate

Public relations
  -The President’s talks with Dr. W. Kenneth Riland
    -India-Pakistan War
    -Anderson papers
  -Foreign relations committee
    -Keating testifying
      -Protection of White House
      -Keating’s forthcoming talk with president
Conversation No. 20-38

Date: February 2, 1972
Time: 8:09 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

Request for a call to Charles W. Colson

Conversation No. 20-39

Date: February 2, 1972
Time: 8:09 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The White House operator talked with the President.

Status of call to Charles W. Colson
- Colson’s schedule

Conversation No. 20-40

Date: February 2, 1972
Time: 8:09 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

Request for a call to Rose Mary Woods
Conversation No. 20-41

Date: February 2, 1972  
Time: 8:00 pm - 8:09 pm  
Location: White House Telephone

The White House operator talked with the President.

Call from William P. Rogers

Rogers talked with the President.

International club reception

Irish problem
- Irish Foreign Minister visit
- British Ambassador visit
- Political impact
  - Edward M. Kennedy interest
- Rogers’s view of discussions
  - Content
    - Rogers’s conversation with George R.S. Baring [Earl of Cromer]
  - Political interest
    - James L. Buckley
    - Kennedy
  - Cromer's view
- President’s discussion with Edward R.G. Heath
  - US role
- Demagogy
- US aid to solution
- Embassy burning
- Guilt of parties
- Change in US role
  - Irish government concern
    - John M. ("Jack") Lynch visit
      - Rogers’s view
    - President’s schedule
      - President’s trip to People’s Republic of China [PRC]
- Pressure on British
  - Rogers’s view
  - Resistance
- Rogers’s forthcoming press conference
-Edmund Muskie speech
  -Effect on Vietnam negotiations
-Difficulty of Irish problem
  -Efforts at resolution
-Encouragement to private citizens
  -Cromer
  -Norman Vincent Peale
  -William F. (“Billy”) Graham
  -Terence Cardinal Cooke
  -Benefits
    -Lack of identification with US
-Cook and Peale effort
-Great Britain
-US concern
-Rogers’s forthcoming talk with Cromer
-US domestic forces
-Rogers’s telegram from Sir Alexander F. (“Alec”) Douglas-Home
  -View of US role
    -Aid on problem
    -Mediation
    -“Good offices”
-British handling of Ireland
  -Historical record
    -Effect
-Irish agitation
  -Kennedy
  -Destruction
  -Cromer
    -Irish Republican Army [IRA]
  -Czechoslovakian weapons

National Security Council [NSC] meeting
-Rogers’s opinion
  -Pressure for all options
    -Thomas H. Moorer
    -Melvin R. Laird
-Increase in forces
  -Carriers, B-52’s, A-1’s, F-4’s
  -Bombing
    -Timing
      -PRC trip
        -North Vietnam
Date: February 3, 1972
Time: Unknown between 9:18 am and 9:52 am
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

Request for a call to William P. Rogers

Date: February 3, 1972
Time: 9:52 am - 9:55 am
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with William P. Rogers.

[See Conversation No. 665-1B]

Breakfast with Michael J. Mansfield
   -Edmund S. Muskie speech
       -Mansfield’s possible view

Irish problem
   -News summary
   -Domestic perception
       -Need for statesmanlike role
   -Embassy burning
   -US role
       -John M. (“Jack”) Lynch
           -Possible visit
- Rogers’s forthcoming press conference
  - Rogers’s visit with Foreign Minister [Patrick J. Hillery?]
  - US involvement
  - Analogy to US problems
    - Blacks
  - US talks with Foreign Minister and Ambassador William Warnack
  - US involvement
  - Private citizen role possibilities
  - George R.S. Baring [Earl of Cromer]
  - President's discussion with Edward R.G. Heath
    - Rhodesian problem
    - Irish problem
    - US handling vis-a-vis Great Britain

The President’s schedule
  - Russian poet [Yevgeny Yevtushenko]
  - Forthcoming visit with President
    - Vietnam
    - Leonard Garment
    - Book
    - Photograph opportunities

Conversation No. 20-44

Date: February 3, 1972
Time: Unknown between 9:55 am and 12:49 pm
Location: White House Telephone


[See Conversation No. 665-6B]

Call from Julie Nixon Eisenhower for President

Conversation No. 20-45

Date: February 3, 1972
Time: 12:49 pm - 12:51 pm
Location: White House Telephone

Julie Nixon Eisenhower talked with the President.

[See Conversation No. 665-6C]

Busing
- Julie Eisenhower’s recent trip to Pittsburgh
  - Questions
  - Advantages compared to disadvantages
  - Education
    - Quality
  - Brown vs. Topeka Board of Education
    - Segregation
      - Dual school system in South
  - Superior education
  - Legal segregation
    - Elimination
  - Forced busing
    - Education
      - Inferiority

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 36s ]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

Date: February 7, 1972
Time: Unknown between 8:55 am and 11:41 am
Location: White House Telephone
The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 666-2B]

Henry A. Kissinger and Donald F. Barnes entered at 11:24 am.

Barnes talked with an unknown Colonel at an unknown time after 11:24 am; the President and Kissinger can be heard in the background.

The President talked with Gen. Alejandro A. Lanusse between 11:24 am and 11:41 am.

[See Conversation No. 666-2D]

Greetings
-Gratitude for president's expression of sympathy

The President’s forthcoming trip to People’s Republic of China [PRC]
-Significance
  -Lanusse’s view
  -US goals
-Breaking down of ideological barriers
  -Lanusse’s view
-US initiatives
-US allies
-Argentina’s normalizing relations with PRC
  -Lanusse’s October 23, 1971 letter to the President
-US recognition of PRC
  -Contribution of trip
    -Dialogue
-Argentina’s policy
  -Implementation

Financial mission to US
-Progress
  -Carlos Brignone
-US view
-President’s communication with John B. Connally
  -John R. Petty meeting with Lanusse
-Aid to Argentina
-Importance of mission success
- Inter-American cooperation
  - Democracy, human rights
- US view of Argentina
  - Friendship
  - Economic situation
  - US assistance
- Argentina view of US attitude
- Reciprocal trade
  - Liberalization
- US concerns
  - Political relations
  - Friendship
    - Basis for progress
  - Economic self-interest
- Argentina’s political goals

Friendship of countries
  - The President’s possible meeting with Lanusse
  - Progress for American community
  - World peace

Conversation No. 20-47

Date: February 7, 1972
Time: Unknown between 11:41 am and 3:41 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 319-7]

Request for a call to Raymond K. Price, Jr.

Conversation No. 20-48

Date: February 7, 1972
Time: 3:41 pm - 3:44 pm
Location: White House Telephone
The President talked with Raymond K. Price, Jr.; H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman can be heard in the background.

The President’s schedule

The President’s forthcoming address to White House Conference on the Industrial World Ahead
- Speech changes
  - Talking points
  - Splices
  - Length
  - Use in written form
  - Overlap of terms
    - Wage and price freeze

Conversation No. 20-49

Date: February 7, 1972
Time: Unknown between 3:44 and 4:44 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 319-13]

Request for a call to Ronald L. Ziegler

Conversation No. 20-50

Date: February 7, 1972
Time: 4:44 pm - 4:49 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with Ronald L. Ziegler.
[See Conversation No. 319-14]

Afternoon briefing
  -Henry A. Kissinger briefing
  -Content
    -Xuan Thuy offer
    -Foreign policy report
    -News embargo

Vietnam
  -Morning briefing
    -H. R. (“Bob”) Haldeman statement about critics
    -Associated Press [AP] coverage
    -Administration clarification
      -Ziegler
      -Haldeman’s opinion
      -The President’s comments before taking office
      -Lack of unity

George S. McGovern statements
  -End of aid to South Vietnam
  -Withdraw Nguyen Van Thieu recognition
  -Administration handling
    -Lack of comment
      -Edmund S. Muskie
    -Factual errors
    -Points of view

Helen A. Thomas story
  -President's involvement in reporter selection for People’s Republic China [PRC] trip
    -Reported call by correspondent to President
    -List of invitees
      -The President’s friends
      -Joseph C. Kraft
      -Stanley Karnow
  -Administration denial
    -Ziegler’s talk with the President
      -Criteria for invitee selection
        -The President’s involvement
        -Ziegler’s role
    -Invitees
      -Support for the President
Conversation No. 20-51

Date: February 7, 1972  
Time: Unknown between 4:49 pm and 4:52 pm  
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 319-16]

Request for a call to Thelma C. (“Pat”) Nixon

Conversation No. 20-52

Date: February 7, 1972  
Time: Unknown between 4:53 pm and 8:52 pm  
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with Thelma C. (“Pat”) Nixon.

[See Conversation No. 319-18]

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1  
[Personal Returnable]  
[Duration: 43s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
Conversation No. 20-53

Date: February 7, 1972
Time: Unknown between 4:53 pm and 8:52 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

Request for a call to Ronald L. Ziegler

Conversation No. 20-54

Date: February 7, 1972
Time: Unknown between 4:53 pm and 8:52 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The White House operator talked with the President.

[See Conversation No. 319-19B]

Ronald L. Ziegler's schedule
  - Briefing
  - Return of the President's call

Conversation No. 20-55

Date: February 7, 1972
Time: 8:52 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 320-4]

Request for correct time
Conversation No. 20-56

Date: February 8, 1972
Time: Unknown between 10:21 am and 12:28 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 320-8]

Request for a call to H. Walter Riland
-Dr. W. Kenneth Riland

Conversation No. 20-57

Date: February 8, 1972
Time: 12:28 pm - 12:29 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with H. Walter Riland.

[See Conversation No. 320-9]

Birthday greetings
-Dr. W. Kenneth Riland's performance
-Letter from the President
-Calls
-Wish for successful trip to the People’s Republic of China [PRC]

Conversation No. 20-58

Date: February 8, 1972
Time: 2:31 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 320-14]

Request for a call to Robert H. Finch

Date: February 8, 1972
Time: 2:31 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The White House operator talked with the President.

[See Conversation No. 320-15]

Status of call to Robert H. Finch
   - Finch's schedule
   - John C. Veneman
   - Madison Hotel
   - Return of call

Date: February 8, 1972
Time: Unknown between 2:31 pm and 2:44 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 320-17]

Request for a call to Hugh Scott
Conversation No. 20-61

Date: February 8, 1972
Time: Unknown between 2:31 pm and 2:44 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

Request for a call to Ronald L. Ziegler

Conversation No. 20-62

Date: February 8, 1972
Time: 2:44 pm - 2:48 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with Ronald L. Ziegler.

[See Conversation No. 320-18]

Press briefing
- Correspondent list
- President's involvement
- Charge of regional bias
- Criteria
- Provision of reports
- Discontent with list
  - Texas
    - John B. Connally’s view
    - Criteria
      - *Dallas Morning News*
    - Connally’s view
  - Judgement in selections
    - Ziegler role
    - Connally view
    - Talk to Jack B. Krueger
    - Soviet Union trip
  - Reason for selection
Conversation No. 20-63

Date: February 8, 1972
Time: 2:49 pm - 2:51 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with Hugh Scott.

Scott statement after leadership conference
   - Ronald L. Ziegler
   - Wire play
   - Enthusiasm of statement
   - Vietnam negotiations
      - Los Angeles Times coverage
         - Attack on Edmund S. Muskie
         - Reason
         - Attack on George S. McGovern
         - Proffer of peace terms
         - Consequence
            - Timing of possible settlement
               - 1972 election

Conversation No. 20-64

Date: February 8, 1972
Time: Unknown between 2:51 pm and 2:54 pm
Location: White House Telephone
The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 320-20]

Request for a call to Earl B. Ruth

Date: February 8, 1972  
Time: Unknown between 2:51 pm and 2:54 pm  
Location: White House Telephone

The White House operator talked with the President.

[See Conversation No. 320-23]

Call to Earl B. Ruth
  -Disconnection

Date: February 8, 1972  
Time: 2:54 pm - 2:56 pm  
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with Earl B. Ruth.

[See Conversation No. 320-24]

Birthday greetings
  -William E. Timmons  
  -Celebration  
  -Appreciation of support

Vote on deficit
  -Gerald R. Ford  
  -North Carolina employment outlook  
  -Employment problem
Date: February 8, 1972
Time: 2:57 pm - 3:01 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The White House operator talked with the President.

Call from Robert H. Finch

The President talked with Finch between 2:57 pm and 3:01 pm.

[See Conversation No. 320-25]

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 4m 11s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

Leadership
   - Finch view
      - Quality of leadership
      - William P. Rogers
         - Foreign policy record
Date: February 8, 1972
Time: 7:05 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

Request for a call to Ronald L. Ziegler

Conversation No. 20-69

Date: February 8, 1972
Time: 7:05 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The White House operator talked with the President.

Status of call to Ronald L. Ziegler
- Ziegler's schedule
- Parent Teacher Association meeting at St. Agnes School

Conversation No. 20-70

Date: February 8, 1972
Time: 7:06 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

Request for a call to H. R. (“Bob”) Haldeman
- Haldeman's schedule
- Movie
Date: February 8, 1972  
Time: 7:14 pm  
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

Request for a call to John D. Ehrlichman

Date: February 8, 1972  
Time: 7:14 pm  
Location: White House Telephone

The White House operator talked with the President.

Status of call to John D. Ehrlichman
- Ehrlichman's schedule
- Movie

Date: February 8, 1972  
Time: Unknown between 7:14 pm and 7:32 pm  
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

Request for a call to Charles G. ("Bebe") Rebozo
Date: February 8, 1972
Time: 7:32 pm - 7:38 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with Charles G. (“Bebe”) Rebozo.

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 5m 32s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

Conversation No. 20-75

Date: February 9, 1972
Time: Unknown between 7:58 am and 8:31 am
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 668-3]

Request for calls to John N. Erlenborn of Illinois, John T. Myers of Indiana, and John M. Zwach of Minnesota

Conversation No. 20-76

Date: February 9, 1972
Time: 8:31 am - 8:32 am
Location: White House Telephone

The President met with Rose Mary Woods [?]

The President’s schedule

The President talked with John N. Erlenborn

[See Conversation No. 668-5]

Birthday greetings
  - William E. Timmons
  - Coincidental birthdays
    - John T. Myers and John M. Zwach
  - Seniority

Date: February 9, 1972
Time: 8:34 am - 8:35 am
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with John T. Myers.

[See Conversation No. 668-6]

Birthday greetings
  - Age
    - Possibility of becoming Speaker of the House

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 16s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2
Conversation No. 20-78

Date: February 9, 1972
Time: 8:39 am - 8:40 am
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with John M. Zwach.

[See Conversation No. 668-7]

Birthday greetings
  - Coincidental birthdays
    - John T. Myers and John N. Erlenborn
    - Support for the President

Conversation No. 20-79

Date: February 9, 1972
Time: Unknown between 8:40 am and 8:44 am
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 668-8]

Request for a call to Gen. Walter R. Tkach

Conversation No. 20-80

Date: February 9, 1972
Time: 8:44 am - 8:45 am
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with Gen. Walter R. Tkach.

[See Conversation No. 668-9]

Promotion
- Timing

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 21s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

Conversation No. 20-81

Date: February 9, 1972
Time: 10:15 am
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 668-12C]

Request for a call to Thelma C. ("Pat") Nixon
Conversation No. 20-82

Date: February 9, 1972
Time: Unknown between 10:15 am and 11:04 am
Location: White House Telephone

The White House operator talked with the President.

[See Conversation No. 668-12D]

Location of Thelma C. (“Pat”) Nixon
- Mrs. Nixon's schedule
- New York

Conversation No. 20-83

Date: February 9, 1972
Time: Unknown between 11:04 am and 2:52 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 321-10]

Request for a call to Alexander M. Haig, Jr.

Conversation No. 20-84

Date: February 9, 1972
Time: 2:52 pm - 2:57 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with Gen. Alexander M. Haig, Jr.

[See Conversation No. 321-11]
Vietnam
- Bombing strikes
  - B-3’s
- Schedule
  - Weather
  - Timing
- Nature of strike
  - Maximum effort
  - Agreement of military
- Targets
  - Infiltration intensity
  - Troops as targets
- Adm. Thomas H. Moorer view
  - Talk with Haig
  - Communication fixes
    - Regimental and division headquarters
- Duration of strike
- Advantages of 48 hour strike
- Tactics
  - Communications intelligence
  - Gen. Creighton W. Abrams, Jr. view
- Haig view
  - Psychological impression
  - Enemy psychology
    - US withdrawal
      - Sortie levels
        - Melvin R. Laird
        - Abrams
  - Perception of US strength
  - Price of enemy activity
  - Carrier arrival
    - Number
      - Gulf of Tonkin
  - Press coverage
BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[National Security]
[Duration: 20s]

INTELLIGENCE

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

-Enemy movement in Laos
-Enemy coasts
-South Vietnamese Navy
  -Success of coastal strikes
  -Problems
    -Weather and navigation
  -Moorer
  -Prospects
-Weather
-Navy and Air Force ability
-Forthcoming bombing strike
  -Moorer
  -Use on other occasions

Conversation No. 20-85

Date: February 9, 1972
Time: Unknown between 2:51 pm and 3:36 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

Request for a call to Henry A. Kissinger
Date: February 9, 1972
Time: 3:36 pm - 3:38 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with Henry A. Kissinger.

Vietnam
- US stance on negotiations
  - Patrick J. Buchanan memorandum
  - William P. Rogers comment
    - Question to Ronald L. Ziegler at briefing
    - Los Angeles Times coverage
- Kissinger comments at briefing
  - Kissinger renouncement of reported official comment
  - Nguyen Van Thieu position
    - North Vietnam response
- US stance on terms
  - Thieu offer of resignation
    - Administration handling
      - The President’s speech of January 25, 1972

Date: February 9, 1972
Time: Unknown after 3:38 pm
Location: White House Telephone

H. R. (“Bob”) Haldeman talked with the White House operator; the President can be heard in the background.

Request for a call to Patrick Buchanan

Unknown book

Haldeman talked with Buchanan.
Public relations
- President's handling of press conference
  - Substantive issues
  - Eloquence
  - Coverage of desired points
  - Delivery
    - Pace
  - Length
  - Wire coverage
  - Vietnam questions
    - Questions and answers preparation
    - Nguyen Van Thieu mention
    - William P. Rogers
  - Transcript
  - Busing
    - Congressional action
      - The President’s forthcoming trip to the People’s Republic of China
        [PRC]
    - Forthcoming meeting
  - Questions on Haldeman
    - George S. McGovern

Conversation No. 20-88

Date: February 13, 1972
Time: Unknown between 6:37 pm and 7:25 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

Request for calls to William P. Rogers and H. R. (“Bob”) Haldeman
Date: February 13, 1972
Time: 7:25 pm - 7:37 pm
Location: White House Telephone

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

Ambassadorial appointments
- William P. Rogers talk with president
  - Recommendations
    - Peter M. Flanigan
    - Henry A. Kissinger
    - Iran
  - United Nations [UN]
  - West German post
    - Martin J. Hillenbrand appointment
      - Kissinger’s opinion
      - Advantage
      - Kissinger
      - Preference for non-career appointee
    - Unknown person
  - Need for prompt filling
    - [David] Kenneth Rush opinion
      - Effect on President
    - Meeting with Flanigan, Kissinger and Haldeman
  - Flanigan role
  - Iceland
    - Preparation
      - Unknown person
  - Australian post
    - Lloyd I. Miller status
  - Argentina post
    - John D. Lodge
  - Frederick V.E. (“Val”) Peterson
    - Career appointment
  - German post
  - Iranian post
    - Kissinger preferences
      - William H.[?] Sullivan
      - Joseph S. Farland
  - Pakistan post
- Delicacy of situation
- Farland role
- Appointment politics
- Chief of protocol
  - [Forename unknown] Ruiz [sp?]
  - Marion H. Smoak
  - Role
    - [Luis Echeverria Alvarez]
    - Emil (“Bus”) Mosbacher, Jr.
    - William R. Codus
    - The President’s forthcoming trip to Soviet Union
    - Downgrading of office
      - Rogers
  - Role
  - Complications

The President’s schedule
- Post-Soviet trip agenda
  - North Atlantic Treaty Organization [NATO] countries
  - Iran
  - Kissinger
    - Rogers
    - Haldeman
- Scheduling
  - NATO trip
  - Iran trip
    - Benefits
      - Compared to NATO trip
  - NATO trip
    - Results
      - Soviet reaction
      - Soviet press
  - Iran trip
    - Length
  - President’s role in scheduling
  - Haldeman role
    - Handling of Kissinger
    - Kissinger scheduling role
    - Rogers scheduling role

Rogers's possible trip to Pakistan and India
  - President’s view
The President’s schedule
- Trips
  - Competition for invitations
    - John B. Connally
  - Thelma C. ("Pat") Nixon
- Cabinet
- Traveling arrangements
  - Flying
    - Guests on Air Force 1
    - Return trips

Scheduling
- Haldeman view
  - Kissinger
  - Rogers
  - NATO

Conversation No. 20-90

Date: February 13, 1972
Time: Unknown between 7:37 pm and 7:52 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The White House operator talked with the President.

Henry A. Kissinger call to President

Kissinger talked with the President between 7:49 pm and 7:52 pm.
Vietnam negotiations
- North Vietnamese message
  - Lt. Gen. Vernon A. Walters
  - Prospects
    - Objection to bombing
    - Kissinger view of bombing
  - Timing of message
  - Possible purposes
    - Request for meeting
    - Condemnation of US
    - Diplomatic move
    - Release of meeting transcripts
      - August 16 and May 31, 1971 proposals

Kissinger's schedule
- Melvin R. Laird breakfast
  - Alexander M. Haig, Jr. promotion
    - Discussion with the President
    - Vietnam negotiations

Conversation No. 20-91

Date: February 14, 1972
Time: Unknown between 10:22 pm and 10:32 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

Request for a call to Henry A. Kissinger
Date: February 14, 1972  
Time: 10:32 pm - 10:40 pm  
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with Henry A. Kissinger.

White House dinner  
-Andre Malraux  
-Quality of meeting  
-Malraux speech  
-Kissinger view  
-Afternoon meeting  
-Economic aid  
-Mao Tse-tung  
-Liberals  
-Mao’s forthcoming meeting with president  
-Reason  
-Comment to president  
-People’s Republic of China [PRC] trip  
-Gen. Charles A.J.M. de Gaulle  
-Effect on world  
-Effect of occasion  
-The President’s comments  
-The President’s forthcoming trips to Soviet Union and PRC  
-Comments on Mao Tse-tung and Jawaharl Nehru  
-Feeling for mystique  
-American mystique  
-Abraham Lincoln  
-French view of mystique  
-PRC view of mystique  
-Kissinger’s trip  
-Discussion with Chinese Marshal  
-Mao

Handling of PRC trip  
-Need for dignity and confidence  
-Ability of others to handle  
-PRC trip  
-Vice President Spiro T. Agnew  
-John B. Connally
-President’s qualification to understand PRC
  -President’s schooling
-Tragedies
  -PRC
  -Kissinger role in setting up trip

Malraux
  -Comments
  -Health
  -Economic preoccupation
  -Interpretation of Edward M. Kennedy remarks

Forthcoming PRC trip
  -Reason
    -Fear
      -Malraux’s view
        -Economic aid
          -Marxist view
        -Legitimacy
      -Malraux’s view
        -Mao’s desires
          -Chines unification
            -Taiwan, Republic of China
        -Respect
      -Economic progress
    -Historical significance

White House dinner
  -Malraux
  -Howard K. Smith
    -Soviet Union trip
Conversation No. 20-93

Date: February 14, 1972
Time: Unknown between 10:40 pm and 10:42 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

Request for a call to Charles W. Colson

Conversation No. 20-94

Date: February 14, 1972
Time: 10:42 pm - 10:52 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with Charles W. Colson.

H. R. (“Bob”) Haldeman

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 9m 48s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

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Conversation No. 20-95

Date: February 15, 1972
Time: Unknown between 9:02 am and 10:21 am
Location: White House Telephone

The White House operator talked with the President.

[See Conversation No. 672-2B]

Call from Julie Nixon Eisenhower

Julie Nixon Eisenhower talked with the President between 10:20 am and 10:21 am.

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 1m 20s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

Conversation No. 20-96

Date: February 15, 1972
Time: Unknown between 10:30 am and 10:45 am
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 672-2C]

Request for a call to Tricia Nixon Cox
Conversation No. 20-97

Date: February 15, 1972
Time: 10:45 am - 10:47 am
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with Tricia Nixon Cox.

[See Conversation No. 672-2D]

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 1m 39s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

Conversation No. 20-98

Date: February 16, 1972
Time: 8:05 pm - 8:13 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

Request for a call to Julie Nixon Eisenhower.
Conversation No. 20-99

Date: February 16, 1972
Time: 8:13 pm - 8:14 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with Julie Nixon Eisenhower.

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 8s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

Conversation No. 20-100

Date: February 16, 1972
Time: Unknown between 8:14 pm and 10:03 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

Request for a call to H. R. (“Bob”) Haldeman
Conversation No. 20-101

Date: February 16, 1972
Time: 10:03 pm - 10:04 pm
Location: White House Telephone

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

Preparations for People’s Republic of China [PRC] trip
- Remarks prior to departure
- Delivery to President

Conversation No. 20-102

Date: February 17, 1972
Time: Unknown between 8:11 am and 8:28 am
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 674-6]

Request for a call to Nelson A. Rockefeller

Conversation No. 20-103

Date: February 17, 1972
Time: 8:28 am - 8:31 am
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with Nelson A. Rockefeller.

[See Conversation No. 674-7]
Rockefeller view of People’s Republic of China [PRC] trip
   - Gratitude for effort

The President’s schedule

Prospects for success of trip
   - Taiwan, Republic of China negotiations
   - Peace potential
   - Benefits from trip
   - George H. Gallup poll
   - Gratitude for Rockefeller aid
     - Dinner remarks

PRC trip
   - Opportunities

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 44s ]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2

Best wishes to Margaretta (“Happy”) Rockefeller

Follow-up to trip
   - Rockefeller briefing
     - Henry A. Kissinger
     - Intelligence panel briefing
Conversation No. 20-143

Date: February 28, 1972  
Time: 10:46 pm  
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

Request for a call to Henry A. Kissinger

Conversation No. 20-104

Date: February 28, 1972  
Time: 10:46 pm  
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

Status of call to Henry A. Kissinger
   -Kissinger’s telephone call to Ronald W. Reagan  
   -Return of call

Request for a call to H. R. (“Bob”) Haldeman

Conversation No. 20-105

Date: February 28, 1972  
Time: 10:47 pm - 10:50 pm  
Location: White House Telephone

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

Reception at Andrews Air Force Base
   -Crowd reception  
   -Television coverage  
   -Report to the nation
Date: February 28, 1972
Time: 10:52 pm - 11:00 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The White House operator talked to the President.

Call from Henry A. Kissinger on the line

Kissinger talked with the President.

Call to Ronald W. Reagan
- Taiwan, Republic of China
  - Washington Post headline
- Reagan view
  - Headlines in California
  - Communiqué
- The President’s talk with Reagan
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- Criticism
  - World report
  - Détente
  - TASS

President's schedule
- Meeting with Anatoliy F. Dobrynin
  - Benefits
  - Timing
    - PRC
  - Dobrynin’s forthcoming meeting with Kissinger
    - The President’s forthcoming trip to the Soviet Union
  - Possible dinner

Accomplishments of trip
- Public reaction to trip
  - Rogers
  - Reception at airport
    - Demonstrators
  - Cabinet
    - Elliot L. Richardson
      - Communiqué
    - Rogers
      - Marshall Green
        - Berlin
  - Reagan
    - Support
    - Statement
Conversation No. 20-107

Date: February 28, 1972
Time: Unknown between 11:00 pm and 11:05 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

Request for a call to William P. Rogers

Conversation No. 20-108

Date: February 28, 1972
Time: 11:05 pm - 11:11 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with William P. Rogers.

Reception at airport
- President's speech
  - America the Beautiful

President's schedule
- Forthcoming Congressional leaders meeting
  - Possible remarks by the President and Rogers
    - Defense commitment to Taiwan, Republic of China
    - Nixon Doctrine

Washington Post headline
- Pullout from Taiwan
  - Stanley Karnow
  - Administration view
    - Peaceful settlement
    - Nixon Doctrine
President’s schedule
  -Congressional leaders meeting
    -Rogers's meeting with People’s Republic of China [PRC] foreign minister
      -Tone
    -President’s meetings
      -Tone
      -Content
      -Disclosure

Recent PRC trip
  -Rogers meeting with foreign minister
    -Troop withdrawal
      -Europe
        -World wars
        -Soviet threat
    -President’s meeting with Chou En-lai
      -Troop withdrawal
      -Japan
        -US influence
        -Korea, Taiwan
  -Rogers meeting
    -Revolution in Africa
      -Rogers’s schedule
The President’s schedule
- Congressional leaders meeting
  - Rogers’s remarks
  - Cabinet meeting

Recent PRC trip
- President’s meeting with Chou
  - Future meeting
    - Communiqué
    - Bipartisan composition
    - Chou response
    - Announcement at forthcoming meeting
      - Michael J. Mansfield and Hugh Scott invitations
        - Benefits
    - Mao Tse-tung meeting
      - The President’s possible comments at forthcoming meeting
        - Preparation
        - Protocol
    - Rogers’s meeting with foreign minister
      - Canton fair
        - Invitation to Americans
          - Significance

Conversation No. 20-109

Date: February 28, 1972
Time: 11:11 pm - 11:12 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

Request for a call to John B. Connally
Conversation No. 20-110

Date: February 28, 1972
Time: 11:12 pm - 11:15 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with John B. Connally.

Greetings

Welcome at airport
  -Sound system failure
    -The President’s and Vice President’s remarks

The President’s schedule
  -Cabinet meeting
    -Possible repetition of remarks

Recent People’s Republic of China [PRC] trip
  -Public relations
    -Domination of news
      -The President’s call to Connally on February 27, 1972
  -Revelation of meetings
    -Exchange with PRC leaders
      -Chou En-lai
      -Mao Tse-tung
    -Briefing from Henry A. Kissinger

Conversation No. 20-111

Date: February 28, 1972
Time: Unknown between 11:15 pm and 11:22 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

Request for a call to Ronald L. Ziegler
Date: February 28, 1972
Time: 11:22 pm - 11:25 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with Ronald L. Ziegler.

Reception at airport
- Crowd reception
- Television coverage
- Impact
  - Calls to Ziegler
- Report to nation

Taiwan, Republic of China question about US defense commitment
- Handling of press
  - Henry A. Kissinger’s comment in Shanghai
  - The President’s remarks

- US-People’s Republic of China [PRC] relations
  - Congressional concern
    - The President’s remarks
- PRC-Taiwan relations
  - Prospects
  - Washington Post headline
    - Stanley Karnow
    - Max Frankel’s article
    - Wire services
    - Karnow
Conversation No. 20-113

Date: February 28, 1972
Time: Unknown between 11:25 pm and 11:28 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

Request for a call to Charles G. (“Bebe”) Rebozo

Conversation No. 20-114

Date: February 28, 1972
Time: 11:28 pm - 11:29 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with Charles G. (“Bebe”) Rebozo.

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[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 1m 28s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
Conversation No. 20-115

Date:  February 29, 1972
Time:  Unknown between 2:42 pm and 2:48 pm
Location:  White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 322-2]

Request for a call to Clark MacGregor

Conversation No. 20-116

Date:  February 29, 1972
Time:  Unknown between 2:42 pm and 2:48 pm
Location:  White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 322-4]

Request for a call to Charles W. Colson

Conversation No. 20-117

Date:  February 29, 1972
Time:  2:48 pm - 2:50 pm
Location:  White House Telephone

The President talked with Clark MacGregor.

[See Conversation No. 322-5]
Congressional leaders
  -MacGregor meeting with people such as Barry M. Goldwater, and J. William Fulbright
  -Reaction to leadership meeting
  -Reaction to the President’s recent trip to the People’s Republic of China [PRC]
  -Michael J. Mansfield and Hugh Scott forthcoming trip to PRC
  -Senate reaction
  -The President’s negotiations
  -MacGregor view
  -Information disclosure
    -“Color”
    -Future possibilities
  -Fulbright
    -Meeting with President and Secretary of State William P. Rogers
      -Reaction
      -Radio Free Europe and Radio Liberty

The President’s schedule
  -Thelma C. (‘Pat’) Nixon
  -Workload

Conversation No. 20-118

Date: February 29, 1972
Time: 2:50 pm - 2:53 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The White House operator talked with the President.

Charles W. Colson on the line

Colson talked with the President.

[See Conversation No. 322-6]

The President’s schedule
  -Henry A. Kissinger
People’s Republic of China [PRC] trip
   -Public reaction
     -President's greatness as world leader
     -President's demeanor and confidence
       -History of President's conduct
   -Political benefits
     -Skeptics

President's schedule
   -Return of Colson's call

Conversation No. 20-119

Date: February 29, 1972
Time: Unknown between 2:53 pm and 2:56 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 322-9]

Request for a return call to Charles W. Colson

Conversation No. 20-120

Date: February 29, 1972
Time: 2:56 pm - 3:16 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with Charles W. Colson.

[See Conversation No. 322-10]

Reaction to the President’s recent trip to the People’s Republic of China [PRC]
   -Skeptics and Democrats
     -President's confidence and poise
-Colson’s conversation with Albert E. Sindlinger and Louis P. Harris
-Harris view
  -Poll timing
-Sindlinger
  -Poll timing
-George H. Gallup poll
  -Donald H. Rumsfeld
  -Poll timing
-The President’s personal image
  -Press
  -Photograph of toast with Chou En-lai
    -Public reaction
-History of Nixon image
  -Gen. Charles A.J.M. de Gaulle meetings
  -[James] Harold Wilson meetings
-Novelty of PRC setting
  -Landing in Peking
-Colson sampling of reaction
-Taiwan, Republic of China
  -Washington Post headline
    -The President’s comments to Congressional leaders
  -Dan Rather radio report
-General quality of reporting
  -The President’s comments at airport reception
  -Rather
    -Administration rebuttals
    -Harris call
    -Taiwan
-Image projection on return
-Speech
  -Composition
  -Public attention
  -Drama of scene
  -Tone
  -Conveyance of purpose
  -Closing note
-Substance compared to personal image
-Dwight D. Eisenhower
-Colson's informal poll
  -President's image
  -Confidence
    -Great Wall of China
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- Forbidden City
- Toasting
- Toasting with PRC leaders
- Television coverage
- Television ratings
- Prospects
- Call from Howard K. Smith to Colson
- Impression of President
- Commentary on trip
  - Timing
  - News summaries
  - Taiwan question
  - Asia
  - Military presence and influence

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[Duration: 7m 42s]

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Economy
- Sindlinger poll
  - Results
  - Consumer attitudes
  - Business indicators
  - Results
    - Compared to 1968
  - Money supply
    - Arthur F. Burns's effort
  - Consumer Price Index [CPI]
    - Downward movement
    - Timing
    - Post wage and price freeze
  - Leading business indicators
BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 1m 12s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2

Date: February 29, 1972
Time: 3:17 pm - 3:18 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The White House operator talked with the President.

H. R. (“Bob”) Haldeman on line

Haldeman talked with the President between 3:17 pm and 3:18 pm.

[See Conversation No. 322-12]

Ronald L. Ziegler and Haldeman meeting with President
Date: February 29, 1972
Time: Unknown between 3:18 pm and 8:40 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

Request for a call to H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman

Date: February 29, 1972
Time: 8:40 pm - 8:47 pm
Location: White House Telephone

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

The President’s schedule
- Forthcoming trip to Florida
  - Henry A. Kissinger's schedule
  - Anatoliy F. Dobrynin lunch
- Use of two planes
  - Staff plane
    - Timing of departure
- President's plane
  - Timing of departure
- Passengers
  - Julie Nixon Eisenhower
  - Rose Mary Woods
  - Conversation with Haldeman
  - George P. Shultz
  - John D. Ehrlichman
  - Julie Nixon Eisenhower
  - President's schedule
    - Bill signing
      - Alexander P. Butterfield
      - Richard G. Kleindienst
      - Julie Nixon Eisenhower's view
- Passengers
  - Ehrlichman
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-Attendance
  -Jeanne Ehrlichman
  -Meeting with President
    -Kissinger
  -Helicopters
  -Staff plane
    -Timing
      -Kissinger
      -Dobrynin
  -President's plane
    -Timing
  -President's schedule
    -Bill signing
    -Meeting with John B. Connally

Hugh Scott and Michael J. Mansfield remarks from leadership conference
  -Media coverage
    -Los Angeles Times
      -Editorial
      -Robert Elegant column
      -Ernest Ferguson's column
        -Outlook for Soviet Union trip

Media relations
  -General tone
  -The President’s recent trip to the People’s Republic of China [PRC]
    -Kissinger
      -William F. Buckley, Jr.’s view
      -Patrick J. Buchanan awareness

Departure
  -Woods
    -Talk with Haldeman
      -Trip
      -Lawrence H. Higby
        -Effect of reaction to trip
    -Timing
      -Julie Nixon Eisenhower's view
  -Camp David
  -Benefits of trip
  -President's schedule
    -Bill signing
Date: February 29, 1972
Time: Unknown between 8:47 pm and 8:49 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

Request for a call to Alexander M. Haig, Jr.

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Date: February 29, 1972
Time: 8:49 pm - 8:52 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with Alexander M. Haig, Jr.

Haig’s schedule
- William P. Rogers meeting
  - The President’s recent trip to the People’s Republic of China [PRC]
    - Rogers’s view
      - The President and Henry A. Kissinger
        - US-PRC differences
          - Taiwan, Republic of China

[Unintelligible]

PRC trip
- Haig’s view
  - Kissinger

[Unintelligible]

Haig’s meeting with Rogers
Date: February 29, 1972  
Time: Unknown between 8:52 pm and 8:57 pm  
Location: White House Telephone

The White House operator talked with the President.

Henry A. Kissinger on the line

Kissinger talked with the President between 8:55 pm and 8:57 pm.

Departure for Florida
- Kissinger's schedule
  - Air Force Two
- President's schedule
  - Julie Nixon Eisenhower

Alexander M. Haig, Jr.'s talk with William P. Rogers
- Rogers's view of People’s Republic of China [PRC] trip
  - Haig’s talk with the President
- President/Kissinger dealing with PRC
  - Kissinger/President qualifications
- PRC policy
  - Soviet Union
  - Vietnam negotiations

Kissinger dinner with President and family
- Benefits

Kissinger's schedule
- Backgrounder
  - Charles G. (“Bebe”) Rebozo
Conversation No. 20-127

Date: February 29, 1972
Time: Unknown between 8:57 pm and 9:05 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

Request for a call to Charles G. (“Bebe”) Rebozo

Conversation No. 20-128

Date: February 29, 1972
Time: Unknown between 8:57 pm and 9:05 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

Request for a call to Hobart D. Lewis

Conversation No. 20-129

Date: February 29, 1972
Time: 9:05 pm - 9:08 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with Hobart D. Lewis.

PRC trip
- James Michener's effort
- Television coverage
  - The President and Thelma C. ("Pat") Nixon
- Possible effect on Soviet Union
- The President’s talk with Lewis

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[Duration: 12s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2

-Chou En-lai
- Taiwan, Republic of China [PRC]
- Newspaper coverage
- Readers Digest article
- Michener
  - Preview by President's staff
- Lewis’s health
- Congratulations to the President and Mrs. Nixon
- Length of preparation
- Effect
  - World
  - Nation
  - Effect on Democrats

The President’s schedule

Greetings to unknown admiral

Date: February 29, 1972
Time: Unknown between 9:08 pm and 9:13 pm
Location: White House Telephone
The President talked with the White House operator.

Request for a call to Hugh Scott

Conversation No. 20-131

Date: February 29, 1972
Time: 9:13 pm - 9:17 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with Hugh Scott.

Scott’s and Michael J. Mansfield’s forthcoming trip to the People’s Republic of China

[PRC] trip
- House of Representatives objections
  - Scott rebuttal
- Timing
- Preparations
  - Channels
    - President's discussion with Chou En-lai to set up trip
      - Duration

Leadership conference
- Taiwan, Republic of China
  - US defense commitment
    - Administration line
      - PRC reaction

Scott and Mansfield’s forthcoming PRC trip
- Benefits

Conversation No. 20-132

Date: February 29, 1972
Time: 9:17 pm - 9:19 pm
Location: White House Telephone
The White House operator talked with the President.

Charles G. (“Bebe”) Rebozo talked with the President.

People’s Republic of China [PRC] trip
- Public reaction
- Historical prominence
- Chances for peace

Date: February 29, 1972
Time: Unknown after 9:19 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The White House operator talked with the President.

Call from Dwight L. Chapin

Chapin talked with the President at an unknown time after 9:19 pm.

Chapin call to John V. (“Jack”) Brennan
   -Mistaken connection

Conversation No. 20-134

Date: March 1, 1972
Time: Unknown between 8:12 am and 8:50 am
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 676-8]

Request for a call to Charles W. Colson

Conversation No. 20-135

Date: March 1, 1972
Time: 8:50 am - 9:08 am
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with Charles W. Colson.

[See Conversation No. 676-9]

The President’s schedule

Economy
- Stock market
  - Amount of trading
  - Herbert Stein economic report
    - Staff meeting
    - Memoranda
- Employment
  - Uninsured employment figures
    - Prospects for January employment figure
    - Timing of forthcoming figure

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Busing issue
- Senate action
  - Robert P. Griffin amendment defeat
    - Margin
    - Benefits
      - Political
        - The President’s legislative posture
  - Voting breakdown
    - Edmund S. Muskie
    - Hubert H. Humphrey
    - George S. McGovern
    - Michael J. Mansfield
Economy
   - H. R. (“Bob”) Haldeman’s role
   - Unemployment statistics

Conversation No. 20-136

Date: March 1, 1972
Time: 11:19 am
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 676-16]

Request for a call to Thelma C. (“Pat”) Nixon

Mrs. Nixon’s schedule
Conversation No. 20-137

Date: March 1, 1972
Time: 11:22 am
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 676-17]

Request for a call to Ronald H. Walker

Conversation No. 20-138

Date: March 1, 1972
Time: Unknown between 11:22 am and 11:27 am
Location: White House Telephone

The White House operator talked with the President.

[See Conversation No. 676-21]

Status of call to Ronald H. Walker
- Walker's schedule
- President's schedule
  - Possible future call
  - Florida

Conversation No. 20-139

Date: March 1, 1972
Time: Unknown between 11:22 am and 11:29 am
Location: White House Telephone

The White House operator talked with the President.
[See Conversation No. 676-22A]

Thelma C. (“Pat”) Nixon on the line

Mrs. Nixon talked with the President between 11:27 am and 11:29 am.

Chinese gifts
   - Display

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[Duration: 18s ]

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Conversation No. 20-140

Date:  March 1, 1972
Time:  11:29 am - 11:32 am
Location:  White House Telephone

The White House operator talked with the President.

Ronald H. Walker on the line

Walker talked with the President between 11:31 am and 11:32 am.
[See Conversation No. 676-22B]

Walker's effort in People’s Republic of China [PRC]
-Remarks by Chinese
- Walker's health
- Florida trip

Conversation No. 20-141

Date: March 5, 1972
Time: Unknown between 7:02 pm and 7:53 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The White House operator talked with Manolo Sanchez.

Rose Mary Woods on the line

Woods talked with Sanchez.

President's schedule

Sanchez talked with the White House operator.

Request to keep line open

Conversation No. 20-142

Date: March 5, 1972
Time: 7:53 pm - 7:54 pm
Location: White House Telephone

The President talked with Rose Mary Woods.
BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 56s ]

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