

**White House Tapes**  
**Abuse of Governmental Power Segments**  
**Conversation Number 6-107**

Portion of a telephone conversation between the President and William E. Timmons. This portion was recorded on July 2, 1971 at an unknown time between 6:10 and 6:16 p.m. [This conversation is cross-referenced with conversation 260-21.] The National Archives and Records Administration prepared the following log of this conversation.

The President talked with William Timmons between 6:10 and 6:16 p.m.

Members of Richard H. Ichord's committee

The President conferred with H.R. Haldeman at an unknown time.

House Internal Security Committee members

- John M. Ashbrook
- Roger H. Zion
- Fletcher S. Thompson
- John G. Schmitz
- John Birch Society
- Claude Pepper
- Edwin W. Edwards
- Richardson Preyer
- Father Robert J. Drinan

Ichord's committee

- Possible investigation of Pentagon Papers
- Donald G. Sanders
- Counsel
- Ichord's political ambitions
- Ashbrook
- Thompson
- Political ambitions
- Howard "Bo" Calloway
- Background
- Possible investigation of Pentagon Papers
- Morton H. Halperin
- Leslie H. Gelb
- [First name unknown] Cook
- Timmons's conversation with Charles W. Colson

Senate Government Operations Committee

- National security and international operations

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- Henry M. Jackson
- Possible hearings

**Conversation Number 6-107 (continued)**

Committee Hearings

- Gerald R. Ford
  - Forthcoming call from White House
  - Haldeman
  - Timmons
  - Possible investigation of Pentagon Papers
  - Colson, Haldeman, John D. Ehrlichman
  - Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI)
  - Melvin R. Laird
  - Alger Hiss case
    - Comparison
  - Publicity
  - Members

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**Conversation Number 260-21**

Portions of a conversation between the President, John D. Ehrlichman and H.R. Haldeman. These portions were recorded on July 2, 1971 at an unknown time between 5:49 and 6:20 p.m in the President's EOB office. [This conversation is cross-referenced with conversation 6-107.] The National Archives and Records Administration prepared the following log of this conversation.

[Segment 1]

Pentagon Papers

- Conspiracy investigation
- Proper handling

- Possible White House operation contrasted with outside operation
- Charles W. Colson
  - Other operations
- Colson-Ehrlichman cooperation
  - Congress
- The press
  - Programming of columnists
    - [Unintelligible name]
    - Denver congressman
- Congress
  - The Hiss case
  - Richard Ichord
  - Ehrlichman's forthcoming conversation with Gerald R. Ford
- Melvin R. Laird
- Warren Hearnes
- Unnamed admiral, unnamed general
- Military investigative unit
- Staffing
  - Edward L. Morgan
  - John [or Don?] Evans
    - Former Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) employee described by Colson [E. Howard Hunt, Jr.]
- Richard A. Allen
  - Possible role
- Colson

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[Privacy]  
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- First Amendment protection
- Call to Ehrlichman from Richard Allen
  - Recommendation
  - Television
- Dr. Jerome Jaffe

[Segment 2]

Pentagon Papers

- Conspiracy investigation
  - [Unintelligible name]
  - John Tower, Strom Thurmond
- Edward Morgan
- Congressman
  - Need for committee backing
  - Ichord

The President talked with the White House operator at an unknown time between 5:49 and 6:10 p.m.

[Conversation no. 260-21E]

[See Conversation no. 6-106]

[End of telephone conversation]

Unemployment figures

- Statistical aberration, Bureau of Labor Statistics

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The President talked with William E. Timmons between 5:49 and 6:10 p.m.

[Conversation no. 260-21F]

**Conversation Number 260-21 (continued)**

[See Conversation no. 6-107]

[End of telephone conversation]

- Conspiracy investigation
  - Congressional committee
    - Members
      - John G. Schmitz, Roger Zion
    - White House action
      - Committee counsel Donald G. Sanders
      - Timmons
    - Special Counsel
      - Chance for statements about national security by Internal Security committee members
      - Investigation into duplication of the Pentagon Papers
      - Call from Defense Department staff member to Ehrlichman
      - Approach by Congressional committee
- Coordination
  - Colson
  - The Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI)
    - John N. Mitchell
    - Edward Morgan
    - Egil "Bud" Krogh, Jr.
- Declassification of documents
  - William Rehnquist
  - Need for understanding of subjects
    - Cuban Missile Crisis
    - The Bay of Pigs invasion
    - Lebanon crisis
    - The U-2 incident
      - Bi-partisan aspect of topics
  - Mechanics of declassification

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**Conversation Number 534-2**

Portions of a conversation between the President, H.R. Haldeman and Henry A. Kissinger. These portions were recorded on July 1, 1971 at an unknown time between 8:45 and 9:52 a.m. in the President's Oval Office. The National Archives and Records Administration prepared the following log of this conversation. [Segment 5 has been withdrawn in its entirety because it is within a National Security withdrawal.]

[Segment 1] [P, HRH]

Pentagon Papers

- Action against anti-administration conspiracy
- John D. Ehrlichman
- Charles W. Colson
- The President's schedule
- Leaking of stories about opponents
- New York Times
- John F. Kennedy

[Segment 2] [P, HRH]

Pentagon Papers

- Handling of case by someone for the White House
- Charles T. Huston
- Richard V. Allen
- Henry E. Petersen
- Comparison to the President's involvement in the Hiss case
- Leaks
- J. Edgar Hoover
- John N. Mitchell
- Ehrlichman
- Orchestration of effort to leak information
- Purposes
  - Declassification
  - Political benefits
  - Vietnam
- Distraction from current issues
- Focus on previous administrations
- Type of person needed to handle the case

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- John C. Whitaker
- Qualities required
- Huston
- Presidential involvement

**Conversation Number 534-2 (continued)**

[Segment 3] [P, HRH, HAK]

Pentagon Papers

- Need for individual to be assigned to work with the President on the case
- Ehrlichman
- Ehrlichman, John W. Dean, III
- Comparison to Hiss case
- Ethics and lawyers
  - The Manson case
  - Mitchell
  - New York Times
- White House publications efforts
- Brookings Institution safe
- Break-in
- Blame

[Segment 4] [P, HRH, HAK]

Brookings Institution

- Break-in

An unknown individual entered and left.

[Segment 5] [P, HRH, HAK]

The Pentagon Papers Case

- Leaks
  - National Security Council [NSC] Staff
  - Investigation
    - Alexander M. Haig, Jr.
    - Wiretapping
- Issue of trust in the White House

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- Haldeman, Ehrlichman
- NSC Staff
- Liberals
- John N. Mitchell
- Reaction

**Conversation Number 534-2 (continued)**

[Segment 6] [P, HAK]

Pentagon Papers

- The Hiss case comparison
  - Tom Clark
  - Justice Department
  - Nixon's efforts
  - Use of leaks to get Hiss
    - Newspaper stories
    - contrasted with legal action in court
  - Grand jury
  - [First name not known] Murphy
  - J. Edgar Hoover
- Ellsberg case
  - Declassification
    - Ehrlichman
  - Opposition to Laird Plan
  - President's role
    - White House efforts
      - Conspiracy
      - Leaking of information
  - Cooke
    - Role
  - Rand Corporation

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[National security]

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- Cooke
  - Leaks
- Leaks by White House
  - Conspiracy
  - Other Administration's involvement
- Cooke
  - Elliot A. Richardson's handling of case
  - Leaks to press about involvement

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Conversation Number 534-2 (continued)**

The President talked to H.R. Haldeman at unknown time between  
9:23 and 9:52 a.m.

-Leak story

[End of telephone conversation]

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**Conversation Number 534-5**

Portions of a conversation between the President, H.R. Haldeman, Charles W. Colson and John D. Ehrlichman. These portions were recorded on July 1, 1971 at an unknown time between 10:28 and 11:49 a.m. in the President's Oval Office. The National Archives and Records Administration prepared the following log of this conversation.

[Segment 1] [P, HRH, CWC]

Pentagon Papers

-Coordination of investigation

-White House staff

-Need for full-time handling

-Tom C. Huston

-Haldeman

-Ehrlichman

-Colson

-Richard A. Moore, Ehrlichman

-Legal handling

-John N. Mitchell

-Daniel Ellsberg

-Leaks to press

-Court case

-Colson

-Facts

-The Hiss case

-Six Crises

-Nixon's role

-Harry S Truman

-Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI)

-J. Edgar Hoover

-Comparison

-Press

-Colson

-White House staff oversight

-Brookings Institution break-in

-Investigation of past administrations

-Cuban Missile Crisis

-Bay of Pigs invasion

-World War II

-Korean War

-Embarrassing documents

-John H. Roussetot

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- Need for full-time assistance
  - Initiative
- Ehrlichman
  - Other duties

**Conversation Number 534-5 (continued)**

- Colson
  - Congressional support
    - Rousselot
    - James D. McKeivitt
    - Philip M. Crane
    - John M. Ashbrook
    - Robert J. Dole
      - William E. Brock, III
- Press coverage
  - Colson's views
    - John F. Kennedy

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[National security]  
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- Kennedy
  - Edward M. Kennedy
- Need for coordinator
  - Haldeman, Colson, Ehrlichman
  - Richard V. Allen
    - Huston
      - Knowledge
      - Problems with Department of Defense
      - Work with Allen
      - White House Support
  - Huston and Allen

[Segment 2] [P, HRH, CWC, JDE]

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Pentagon Papers

- First Amendment rights
- Effect of publication
  - Placing lives of U.S. soldiers in jeopardy
  - Response to arguments
  - Letters to the editor

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[Segment 3] [P, HRH, CWC, JDE]

Pentagon Papers

- Brookings Institution
  - Documents
    - Alexander M. Haig, Jr.
    - Henry A. Kissinger
- Rand Corporation
- Ehrlichman
- President's orders

[Segment 4] [P, HRH, CWC, JDE]

Pentagon Papers

- Declassification
- Korea, World War II, Cuban crisis
  - Kennedy Presidential Library
    - Hyde Park (Franklin D. Roosevelt Presidential Library)
  - Publicity
- Pearl Harbor information

[Segment 5] [P, HRH, CWC]

Pentagon Papers

- Need for White House coordinator
  - Ehrlichman
  - Importance
  - Huston
    - Colson
      - The Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) investigation
- Defense intelligence
  - Melvin R. Laird
- Huston
  - White House staff help
  - Strategy
- Outside candidate
  - Friend of James Buckley

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[National security]  
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- Authorship of books
- E. Howard Hunt, Jr.
  - Conspiracy orientation
- Huston
  - Reaction to orders not supported by  
him
- Allen
- Vernon A. Walters
  - Attitude
- Need for press coverage
- Mitchell's attitude
- The President's expertise
- Hunt
- Declassification effort
  - Separation from conspiracy  
investigation
- Rousselot

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**Conversation Number 534-12**

Portions of a conversation between the President and H.R. Haldeman. These portions were recorded on July 1, 1971 at an unknown time between 1:38 and 2:05 p.m. in the President's Oval Office. The National Archives and Records Administration prepared the following log of this conversation.

[Segment 1]

Pentagon Papers

- Declassification project head
  - Richard V. Allen's recommendations
    - United States Information Agency (USIA) deputy general counsel
  - Charles W. Colson's recommendation
    - E. Howard Hunt, Jr.
    - Allen's lack of knowledge
    - Knowledge within intelligence

community

- Possibility of assignment of head of project to work under Colson
- Tom C. Huston
  - Approach to work
  - Bombing halt documents
- Scope of project
  - Need for commander
- Hunt
  - Outside consultancy
  - USIA employee
- Conspiracy orientation in outlook
  - Dual nature of project
    - Resistance by Departments of State and Defense to declassification effort
  - Joint Chiefs of Staff opposition

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[National security]  
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Conversation Number 534-12 (continued)**

- documents
- World War II, Korea, Cuban missile crisis
  - Alternatives
  - Steering committee
    - Allen's suggestions
    - Haldeman, John D. Ehrlichman
    - John N. Mitchell
    - John G. Tower
      - Other roles
  - Frank H. Ichord's possible role
    - Congressional Committee hearings on conspiracy
    - Hiss case
  - Conspiracy investigation
    - Mitchell's views
      - Effectiveness as Attorney General
      - Richard G. Kleindienst
  - Declassification
    - Tonkin Gulf, Dominican crisis, Cuban missile crisis, Berlin crisis of 1961, Bay of Pigs, U-2 shootdown, Berlin crisis of 1958, Lebanon, Korea, Berlin blockade, Berlin Wall
    - Focus on incidents
      - Results and benefits
    - Public announcement
    - Ehrlichman
    - Hunt

[Segment 2]

**Pentagon Papers**

- Leaks
  - Efforts to combat leaks
    - Allen's perceptions
    - Fred Russell
    - Congress
      - John E. Hunt
      - Background
      - Samuel L. Devine
- Russell

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- Controllability
- Further consideration of Hunt
  - Colson
  - Haldeman's meeting

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**Conversation Number 535-4**

Portions of a conversation between the President, H.R. Haldeman, Charles W. Colson and Peter M. Flanigan. These portions were recorded on July 2, 1971 at an unknown time between 9:15 and 10:39 a.m. in the President's Oval Office. The National Archives and Records Administration prepared the following log of this conversation. Segment 5 has been withdrawn in its entirety because it is within a National Security withdrawal.

[Segment 1] [P, HRH]

Campaign funds

- Haldeman's meeting with John N. Mitchell
  - Control of funds
    - Edward M. Kennedy
      - Monitoring during forthcoming campaign
    - Polls
  - Amount
    - H. R. Haldeman's forthcoming conversation with Herbert W. Kalmbach
  - Leonard K. Firestone
- Polls
  - Role of Domestic Council
    - Different types
    - John D. Ehrlichman
    - Payments
- Funds for revenue sharing group
- Milk Fund
- 1970 spending on film (?)
  - Leonard Garment
- Private funds
  - Kalmbach's role
- Uses from the past
  - Amount
  - Congressional campaigns
  - President's orders

[Segment 2] [P, HRH, CWC]

Pentagon Papers

- Daniel Ellsberg
  - Outside assistance in gathering information
  - The President's July 1, 1971 conversation

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with J. Edgar Hoover

- Impression of reluctance by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) to pursue the case
- Possible call by Haldeman

### Conversation Number 535-4 (continued)

- Investigation of conspiracy
- Need for conversation with Melvin R. Laird
  - H. R. Haldeman
  - Ehrlichman
    - Legal side of case
- Coordination of anti-conspiracy effort
  - New York Times
    - Ehrlichman
  - Polygraph tests
    - President's orders
    - Mitchell's knowledge
      - Persons needed for coordinator's role in the White House
    - Colson
    - Tom C. Huston
- Need to begin the investigation
- Mitchell
  - Need for prosecution
  - Ronald L. Ziegler

[Segment 3] [P, HRH, CWC]

## Pentagon Papers

- Need for conspiracy investigation
- July 1, 1971 declassification meeting
  - Limited news release
  - Brookings Institution
    - Cut-off in access to classified information
  - Break-in
    - Removal of documents
  - Laird
    - Rand Corporation
  - Changes in handling classified information
- Washington Post article
  - Vietnam war

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- William F. Buckley, Jr.
- Impact of issue
  - Protection of classified documents as opposed to repression of the press
- Conspiracy investigation
  - Colson and Ehrlichman
  - Laird, Hoover
  - Mitchell

**Conversation Number 535-4 (continued)**

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- Need for action
  - Neil Sheehan of the New York Times
  - Prosecutions in case
    - Ellsberg
    - [First name unknown] Cooke
    - Elliot L. Richardson
- Ellsberg's statement on involvement
  - Motivation
  - Comparison to Alger Hiss

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[Privacy]  
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- Hiss
- Ellsberg

[Segment 4] [P, HRH, CWC, PMF]

Public Broadcasting Corporation

- Anti-trust action
- Peter M. Flanigan

Pentagon Papers

- Conspiracy investigation
  - Unnamed man from the United States Information Agency (USIA)
- Richard V. Allen

Television broadcasting suit

- Anti-trust action
- Film and television production
  - Control of product

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- Broadcasting networks
  - Increase in production of programs, movies
- Precedential effect
  - Federal Communications Commission (FCC)
    - Prime time access case

**Conversation Number 535-4 (continued)**

- Independent networks
  - Gulf Oil request for Nixon-Cox wedding rebroadcast
  - Julian Goodman
- Previous request on speech
  - National Broadcasting Corporation (NBC)
- Control and influence
  - Mitchell



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**Conversation Number 535-23**

Portion of a conversation between the President, Rose Mary Woods and H.R. Haldeman. This portion was recorded on July 2, 1971 at an unknown time between 12:35 and 12:48 p.m. in the President's Oval Office. The National Archives and Records Administration prepared the following log of this conversation.

Surveillance

- Anthony Lake
- Documents
- Edmund S. Muskie
- Morton H. Halperin

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**Conversation Number 537-2**

Portion of a conversation between the President, H.R. Haldeman and Ronald L. Ziegler. This portion was recorded on July 2, 1971 at an unknown time between 3:37 and 4:02 p.m. in the President's Oval Office. The National Archives and Records Administration prepared the following log of this conversation.

Pentagon Papers

- Public reaction
- Brookings Institution
  - Acceptance of classified documents
  - Rand Corporation
- Reaction to case
  - Tom C. Huston
- Daniel Ellsberg
  - Status of case
    - J. Edgar Hoover
    - Conspiracy investigation
- Elliot L. Richardson
  - John D. Ehrlichman
  - Action on Defense Department employee [Cooke]
    - Polygraph examinations
    - Ehrlichman
  - Larry Lynn
- Richard V. Allen
  - Comments about Lynn
- Melvin R. Laird
  - Comments
- Declassification investigation

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**Conversation Number 537-4**

Portion of a conversation between the President, H.R. Haldeman and Ronald L. Ziegler. This portion was recorded on July 5, 1971 at an unknown time between 4:28 and 6:15 p.m. in the President's Oval Office. The National Archives and Records Administration prepared the following log of this conversation.

Pentagon Papers

-New York Times

-Editorial

-Stewart Alsop

-Max Frankel's veracity

-Neil Sheehan's involvement

-James J. Kilpatrick's questions

-Sheehan's involvement

-Leak of information

-John N. Mitchell

-Charles W. Colson

-J. Edgar Hoover

-Request for private report

-Melvin R. Laird

-Public opinion

-Delays

-Limitation of access by the New

York Times, Washington Post

-Rich Smith (?)

-Access preference to the Chicago

Tribune, Los Angeles Times

-Don Ervin, "Elbow" Beckman

-Beckman's father-in-law

-Release of information

-World War II

-Chicago Tribune

-Franklin D. Roosevelt

-John F. Kennedy's administration

-Los Angeles Times

-Laos

-1962 accords

-Ho Chi Minh trail

-The President's conversation with Alexander M. Haig, Jr.

-Security clearances

-Limitations on non-governmental contractor personnel clearances

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[National security]  
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- Central Intelligence Agency (CIA)  
briefings for Richard Nixon in 1961-68  
period out of office
- Denial by Presidents John F.  
Kennedy and Lyndon B. Johnson
- McGeorge Bundy, Rand Corporation
- Haldeman's need for clearance while  
handling Fairchild account for the J. Walter  
Thompson Agency
- Limitation of outsider clearances in the future
- Benefits

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**Conversation Number 538-5**

Portion of a conversation between the President and H.R. Haldeman. This portion was recorded on July 6, 1971 at an unknown time between 9:25 and 9:50 p.m. in the President's Oval Office. The National Archives and Records Administration prepared the following log of this conversation.

Pentagon Papers

- Focus of attention on issue
  - Charles W. Colson
  - Vietnam
    - John F. Kennedy's administration
    - Release of documents
- Type of material leaked by Daniel Ellsberg
  - Comparison to type of material seen by Richard M. Nixon while Vice President
  - Security clearances held by former members of the Kennedy and Johnson administration
- Alexander M. Haig, Jr.
  - List
    - McGeorge Bundy, Averill Harriman, Robert S. McNamara
  - Staff
- Loss of clearance
- The press
  - New York Post's July 4, 1971 editorial
    - Responsibility for security
    - Colson
- White House coordinator
  - Colson
  - John D. Ehrlichman

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**Conversation Number 538-13**

Portion of a conversation between the President, H.R. Haldeman, and Alexander M. Haig, Jr. This portion was recorded on July 6, 1971 at an unknown time between 11:12 and 11:45 a.m. in the President's Oval Office. The National Archives and Records Administration prepared the following log of this conversation.

Pentagon Papers

- John N. Mitchell's forthcoming meeting with the President
- White House response
  - John D. Ehrlichman, Charles W. Colson, Haldeman
  - Patrick J. Buchanan
  - Employee of the Central Intelligence Agency
- (CIA)
  - United States Information Agency (USIA) employee
    - Unnamed man active in Vietnam prisoner of war (POW) matters
    - Richard H. Ichord's committee
    - Job with Ichord's committee
    - Fletcher S. Thompson
    - Leaks to the committee
- Polygraph tests
  - Haldeman's conversation with John N. Mitchell
  - Test on Cooke
  - Defense Department
  - Robert C. Mardian

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Alexander M. Haig, Jr. entered at 11:26 a.m.

- People involved
- Investigation

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- Cooke
  - Charles Mc. Mathias
    - Refusal to turn over documents
      - National Security Council (NSC)
  - Daniel Ellsberg
  - Lawrence E. Lynn
  - Morton H. Halperin, Lynn

**Conversation Number 538-13 (continued)**

- Circumstantial nature of evidence
  - Documents
    - Southeast Asia
    - Mathias
- Internal White House investigation
- William P. Rogers
- Mardian, William Macomber, Richard T. Kennedy
- J. Fred Buzhardt, Jr.
  - Deposition
- White House investigation
  - Former CIA employee
    - Role
- Washington Star article
- Henry A. Kissinger
  - Staff
- Conspiracy
  - Ehrlichman's view
  - Leak stories
    - Neil Sheehan
- The President's forthcoming meeting with Mitchell
  - Ehrlichman, Haldeman

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**Conversation Number 540-9**

Portions of a conversation between the President and John D. Ehrlichman. These portions were recorded on July 20, 1971 at an unknown time between 11:09 and 11:46 a.m. in the President's Oval Office. The National Archives and Records Administration prepared the following log of this conversation.

[Segment 1]

Pentagon Papers

- Richard H. Ichord
  - Disinclination to pursue matter in his House Internal Security Committee
  - Possible forthcoming bid for gubernatorial job
  - Need to appeal to liberal voters
- F. Edward Hebert, Leslie C. Arends
  - Interest in investigation
    - Selection of junior member of Congress to handle case
    - Chance for a special Congressional counsel to make a name for himself
- White House staff efforts
  - Egil "Bud" Krogh, Jr.
    - [First name unknown] Cooke's meetings with Daniel Ellsberg

[Segment 2]

Pentagon Papers

- Cooke-Ellsberg contacts
  - Planned polygraph test
    - Richard G. Kleindienst
    - Preparations
  - Kleindienst
    - Elliot L. Richardson
      - Questions
    - William P. Rogers
      - National Security Council documents in possession of Senator Charles Mc. Mathias
  - Request for return
    - Rogers



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-Ehrlichman

-Kleindienst to request return

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**Conversation Number 545-1**

Portions of a conversation between the President, H.R. Haldeman, Henry A. Kissinger and John D. Ehrlichman. These portions were recorded on July 26, 1971 at an unknown time between 9:49 and 10:20 a.m. in the President's Oval Office. The National Archives and Records Administration prepared the following log of this conversation.

[Segment 1] [P, HRH, HAK]

Leaks

- Ehrlichman
- Egil "Bud" Krogh, Jr.

[Segment 2] [P, HRH, HAK]

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[Closed by Statute]  
[Duration: 1 m 13 s ]

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[Segment 3] [P, HRH, JDE]

Pentagon Papers

- Leslie Gelb
- Possible conspiracy
- Robert C. Mardian

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[Duration: 13 s ]

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Conversation Number 545-1 (continued)

- Gelb group
  - National Security Council (NSC)
  - Haig
- Leak
  - Chicago Tribune

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 13  
[Closed by Statute]  
[Duration: 6 s ]

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- Mardian
- Leaks
  - Charles W. Colson
  - E. Howard Hunt, Jr.
  - Mardian
    - Information on Sheehan
    - Ellsberg
    - Gelb
    - Background
      - John F. Kennedy, Robert S. McNamara

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**Conversation Number 545-3**

Portion of a conversation between the President, John D. Ehrlichman, Egil "Bud" Krogh, Jr. and H. R. Haldeman [?]. This portion was recorded on July 24, 1971 at an unknown time between 12:36 and 12:48 p.m. in the President's Oval Office. A portion of this conversation has been previously released as part of the White House Tapes, Watergate Special Prosecution Force File Segment.

Leak

[Transcripts of the following portion of the conversation may be found in Record Group 460, Box 58, pp. 1-6 and Statement of Information (SI), Bk. VII, pt. 2, pp. 868-885 (1-18).]

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**Conversation Number 546-4**

Portions of a conversation between the President and John D. Ehrlichman. These portions were recorded on July 26, 1971 at an unknown time between 5:34 and 6:12 p.m. in the President's Oval Office. The National Archives and Records Administration prepared the following log of this conversation.

[Segment 1]

Leaks

-Release of information

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[Closed by Statute]

[Duration: 4 s ]

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-Top secret report to the Attorney General

-H.R. Haldeman

-Chicago Tribune

-New York Times

-Egil "Bud" Krogh, Jr.

[Segment 2]

Pentagon Papers

-Declassification

-World War II-era documents

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**Conversation Number 547-3**

Portion of a conversation between the President and H.R. Haldeman. This portion was recorded on July 27, 1971 at an unknown time between 9:03 and 10:25 a.m. in the President's Oval Office. The National Archives and Records Administration prepared the following log of this conversation.

Declassification effort

- John D. Ehrlichman
  - General Services Administration
- World War II era documents
  - Korean war
- Collection of documents for the President
  - Bay of Pigs
  - Berlin
  - Cuban missile crisis
  - John F. Kennedy-Lyndon B. Johnson administration
  - Egil "Bud" Krogh, Jr.'s assignment

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**Conversation Number 549-12**

Portion of a conversation between the President and John D. Ehrlichman. This portion was recorded on July 28, 1971 at an unknown time between 11:51 a.m. and 12:44 p.m. in the President's Oval Office. The National Archives and Records Administration prepared the following log of this conversation.

Leaks/Pentagon Papers  
-Justice Department  
-Grand jury information

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[Duration:  3 s ]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 3

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-Brookings Institution  
-Leslie H. Gelb

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[Closed by Statute]  
[Duration:  3 s ]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4

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-Investigation  
-Reports

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 5

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[Duration: 35 s ]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 5

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Conversation Number 549-12 (continued)

-Investigation

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 6  
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[Duration: 5 s ]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 6

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Justice Department  
-Grand jury  
-Information