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Monday, July 12th. The President had a long session with Haig this morning and agreed to meet on Friday with Sisco, Rogers, Kissinger, and Helms on the Mideast and the India-Pakistan problem. Also agreed to meet with Dave Kennedy on Friday morning regarding the Japanese textile negotiations.

The announcement will be Thursday night on television at 7:30 Pacific Time, and we'll put the word out on it earlier Thursday, put, saying on Wednesday something about Rogers will make the report on the Southeast Asia question.

Peterson had called me, raising Cain about the Kennedy matter and urging that the President see Kennedy, because of the political problems in the fact that the President appears not to be interested in the, in the Kennedy mission, which has got our textile people very distressed.

The President also had Haig meet with Rogers this morning and tell him about the, Henry's activities in Paris, both past and present, so that Rogers will be completely up to date on all the missions Henry's been on in the past and the full deal on this trip. Haig was very concerned about this and told me he thought that it will probably permanently break it off with him with Henry, but that he would go ahead and do it anyway. I told him I didn't think it would, and that Henry would realize that this was the right thing to do.

The President emphasized the absolute necessity of no press in the compound at any time during the rest of this week, and then, also wanted me to set up a system whereby nobody would get phone calls from the press or anything like that. He then went through the list of people to be informed and agreed that we should...



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...inform the British, French, Germans, Australians, Koreans, Taiwan, of course, the Thais, South Vietnam, Japan, and India. No Latin Americans, not, definitely not Canada. All of these would be told just 15 minutes before the President goes on the air, and should be done by Rogers and Haig.

Then he wants Colson, MacGregor, Scali, and Buchanan and perhaps some others to be setup to inform others to be sure and watch the broadcast, so that we give them some advance notice. That would include Reagan and Rockefeller and all the conservative columnists—Wilson, White, Buckley, Alsop, but only our friends. Then we need a session after the announcement on how to play the announcement, developing a simple line. He wanted to be sure that we didn't inform in advance any of the Left or Establishment people, and no Congressional people, except possibly Mansfield. I think we'll change that, though, and get a plan for some Congressional notifications, because we can make some positive mileage out of that. He decided to return to Washington on Sunday, after the full day of meetings on Friday and then the, probably a day off on Saturday.

We had a meeting with Mardian, who came out to meet with Ehrlichman on the whole document situation...



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The President told Mardian to get to Eastland and have him get into this right away, and confirm that we will also have Ichord and his committee work on it.

The President mentioned that Bebe had discovered now that the five reporters that have been working for months on the story about him in Florida for Newsday, had finally decided that there wasn't enough there to run a story, and so they gave up on it, which is, of course, welcomed news.

The President originally had planned to have Al Haig and me join him and Henry for breakfast at 7:00 in the morning when Henry arrives, but then called me at home to say that he decided to just have Henry over for breakfast, and then he'd come over to the office with Henry, afterwards, and meet with Al and me, we'd go on from there.

End of July 12th.