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Monday, November 8.

Spent the whole day at Key Biscayne, leaving at 6:00 tonight. Had a call from Rogers today. He wanted to know whether it was okay for him to talk to Humphrey regarding lining up Democratic support for AID, and he wanted report back today; so I checked with the President and called him back, telling him by all means to go ahead. Also he raised the question on the Latin American trip, that December would be a problem because the Darien Gap highway is hard to get to in the weather conditions at that time, and he feels that stop would be an ideal way to start the trip, so we should try to time it for January instead.

Shultz called regarding his concern on orders from Ehrlichman to use Taft-Hartley on the Eastern ports. He says that a lot of the ports are now open and working because of local court actions, and that the judge has thrown out Taft-Hartley in the Great Lakes strike, for the first time that a President has been turned down. Also starting today we're having serious negotiations on the East Coast, because Gleason is feeling the pressure of the other ports working, so he thinks-- and plus that the New York employers don't want Taft-Hartley. In addition, the sooner we use it, the sooner it expires, of course, and thus it makes it closer to the West Coast expiration and keeps the two close together, which he doesn't want to do. So he recommends we not go ahead. The President, of course, agreed.

President spent the whole trip on the plane back up with the Attorney General going over political review and probably other items.

End of November 8.