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Tuesday, April 11.

President got into some discussion this morning, after his Vietnam meeting with Henry on the Russian trip plans. I raised the point of where he'll stop on the way over. And he doesn't like the idea of the Azores any better than anyone else and suggested we try in Majorca which didn't work out and had me call Dick Walter's who suggested some of the bases in Spain but that won't work. President then wanted to try Lucerne but then got back to Austria which was his original suggestion, and we've now agreed to go for Salzburg and to spend two nights. He also wanted me to talk to Billy Graham about whether he should go to the Baptist church while he's in Moscow.

Says he's going to do a press conference with whole press corps in Moscow, wants to shoot for a three-on-one interview in the networks on Wednesday, the 7th after we get back. He had Ziegler in for some discussion of Russian press-- the press corps on the Russian trip. Ron made his pitch about having to have an open listing on it if we can get the Russians to agree to that. The President finally gave into Ron's view on it.

He then got into some ideas on follow-up on the Ehrlichman plan, he wants to have John hold meetings with the surrogate speakers maybe once a week to get them charged up, give them the line, get them to concentrate on the key issues. Also he called later this afternoon and wants Ehrlichman to take over half of the leaders meeting tomorrow and get into to the domestic programs on drugs, busing, and food prices, after Henry does the half-hour on the general war situation.

No new developments today. President had a fairly full afternoon because we moved up some of the schedule from Thursday so he'll be clear then before he goes to Canada. He's now planning to go to Camp David at noon tomorrow and stay until noon on Thursday.

End of April 11.