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Saturday, June 24.

The President at Camp David. I got up for lunch and he had me over right afterwards for a couple of hours for mainly some general chitchat. He had gone this morning to-- by helicopter to look over the flood damage and felt that had gone pretty well. But felt he was right in just taking the four-man pool and no television cameras which, of course, I objected to because we lose the value of the television coverage, but he felt he couldn't have brought the event off otherwise. Ehrlichman thought it had gone extremely well, and we want Ziegler to make the point that the President didn't want to exploit the victims which is why he ruled out taking TV and giving any advance notice and so on. That it could only be on a surprise visit basis. He also got into some general political discussion trying to analyze where things stand, but nothing definitive.

End of June 24.