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Wednesday, August 30.

President had me in this morning for a series of miscellaneous follow-up items. He was concerned about the schedule for Hawai'i and thinks Chapin should be back working on schedule. He didn't think we'd allowed enough time for the receiving line at Clare Luce's, wants to be sure that we send certificates to all the medal winners at the Olympics. Wanted to be sure that the Convention people are told what a great job they did, the Gallup poll shows the credit that they deserve. Wants to be sure Haig doesn't let Henry Kissinger's desire for a settlement prevail, that's the one way we can lose the election, we have to stand firm on Vietnam, and not get soft. Wants to keep the weekend free to get some time off at San Clemente. He says he talked to Stans and Colson on the phone to cheer them up after their depositions before the grand jury, and so on.

On the way to Hawai'i, he made the point that we should use the line, "the tactics of the desperate man" to hit McGovern. Hawai'ian arrival was okay, not too big a crowd, but a great introduction by Governor Burns, who has indicated to Ehrlichman that he will have to stay a Democrat publicly, but that he's voting for the President. Then good reception at Clare Luce's, and we got the receiving line done in exactly the time we had scheduled, so that problem was overcome. The Tanaka arrival went okay.

And that's the end of August 30.