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Tuesday, April 1.

Chiefs of State day. President came in late, and buzzed. Ehrlichman and I went in, reviewed quite a few things right up to 10:00 when the first visitor was due. President spent the whole day until 6:30 seeing the main heads of state that were here for the funeral.

At 6:30 we finally got back in (President spent an extra hour with Kishi of Japan). Rose had a few signatures, as did I. Then brought Pete Flanigan in for laying on of hands. President pretty relaxed and in good humor. Talked briefly with Pete about his new job, then got into details on Ambassadors - so I got out my list and got it approved. Now we're up to date on all of State's recommendations.

Ehrlichman came in at 7:00 (President was due then at house for dinner with Don Nixon and his daughter) - to report on problems with Don Nixon. Don Kendall had spent half the day on this. Don Nixon still holding out for more dough, plus extra-curricular earnings and fees. A real jerk – and a real burden for President. President agreed to get tough – but then said he'd do it in writing. He can't do it face-to-face.

President finally left for dinner at 7:25 - and was back in office at 8:20. Quick dinner! He worked until about 9:30. Got all the left-over paperwork cleared up. So he can really relax this weekend. Is letting me go home. Tonight I went over and had a sauna and massage. Very relaxing.

So a short week comes to a close. President leaves tomorrow at 7:45. I leave at 10:30. Ehrlichman and Harlow go with President to Abilene for funeral then to Key Biscayne. Big domestic policy meeting Friday. Burns, Finch and Moynihan fly down, stopping first in Memphis for Martin Luther King parade. My idea. Gets the President out of it.