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Wednesday, April 30.

Cabinet and NSC in the morning. Usual free Wednesday afternoon. Used a big chunk of it for long meeting with Laird, General Wheeler and Kissinger regarding the reconnaissance flights in Korea. None have been made since the incident, apparently because we don't have adequate cover available. Then, without Wheeler, a discussion about Chiefs of Staff of Air Force and Navy.

Cabinet was a farce, regarding Volunteer programs. Went on and on - accomplished nothing.

Flap regarding Mrs. Doyle and decorating Florida house and the Oval Office. She's maneuvering with Pat Nixon – and President is trying to keep them all happy. Lots of staff discussion – Lucy, Tkach, Ehrlichman, Chapin, Rogers – regarding Pat Nixon problem. No one knows how to handle it.

President very strong in his disapproval of staff handling of ABM battle. Has no confidence in BeLieu and feels Bryce is not on top of it. He is not. We're trying to move staff system in via Alex, but Belieu so far doesn't get the picture.