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Wednesday, May 7.

Another heavy day of appointments - NSC, etc. - ending with GOP Gala (a disaster as far as seating goes, President on main floor at a regular table, no dais, lot of signing autographs, etc.) and the late flight to Florida.

Even so, I ended up with six pages of notes on follow-up for Defense luncheon, Arthur Burns' latest problem, some Ambassador possibilities, Mrs. Doyle, the need to investigate foundations, (he's fascinated by the Fortas case - has found from Mitchell that he not only took \$20,000 fee, but signed contract for \$20,000 for life and his wife after that – shocking - President in the middle of calls to Bob Griffin, etc.), possible appearance at building union meeting next week.

Interesting session regarding need for support of conservative intellectuals and foundations, with Laird, McCracken, Baroody.

Lot of planning regarding possible press conference next week regarding peace plan. Trying to figure best way.

Huge Burns flap because he didn't get in to see President about two sentences in Hunger message. Ehrlichman kept him out, so he came to me - then wrote long memo to President. Feels if he can't get in when he wants to, he'll have to quit. No more need for him. Also Rose in huge flap regarding misunderstanding. She's on a real downhill trend.