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Thursday, September 4.

Cabinet meeting. First ever held out of DC area. Covered tax reform plans. Great report by Harlow regarding background and outlook in Congress. Then general discussion, mainly in general area of the problems of trying to stop inflation and control the economy. Romney led off with the housing construction problem and they went on from there. President let the meeting go on over three and a half hours - probably worthwhile.

Another afternoon swimming invitation at beach at Pendleton. This time with Harlow and Ehrlichman. Again President took off. I went swimming with him a little later - then Ehrlichman and I left as President took off for long walk with Bryce. I had to get up to LA for the light opera.

Jo called several times. Seems to be really pleased with the new house. Thank goodness!