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Friday, September 5.

Morning meeting of the "group". (Haldeman, Harlow, Kissinger, Ehrlichman). Started slow - but President got in gear and roared through all his PR points - need for a man; need to sell Nixon Doctrine as a major breakthrough in foreign policy; need to get over the importance of Bucharest as rejection of doctrine of limited sovereignty; need to show re-establishment of American leadership around the world; need to use more unconventional approaches; need to work more closely with the Governors, especially the liberal ones; need to realign Congressional liaison and use the guys who are really with us; then a long harangue about the whole subject of press relations, who to boycott, etc.

Would have gone on and on but was interrupted by Rogers/Yost meeting, then a photo session, then a haircut, then off for golf with John Mitchell for his birthday. First, though, another session with Ehrlichman and me. Nothing special. Changed into golf clothes in the office, after his usual pineapple and cottage cheese lunch. All quiet through the afternoon. Chapin over here for good sail and talk.