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Sunday, October 26.

President stayed at Camp David until mid-afternoon. Worked hard all weekend - filled a tape with lot of ideas regarding promotion of Latin America speech and Vietnam speech. Wanted to bring all our Latin American Ambassadors up for briefing - Kissinger strongly argues against it. President called four or five times after he got back from Camp David, loaded with work to be done - has a lot of ideas. Also wants to review whole schedule for week of November 3, after the speech. Then called about Holton and Cahill trips, had talked to both of them and had new input.

Regarding plans for SALT announcement tomorrow, secret has been well kept. Rumors just now starting. Big flap between Kissinger and Rogers as to where and who does briefing. Ended up that Ziegler makes announcement at White House, then Rogers briefs at State. Kissinger very upset - feels he should brief and President should get all the credit. President pleased with secrecy, but he told Mansfield and practically told Allott and McCormack. Then can't understand why it leaks.