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Wednesday, December 17.

NSC on Africa, budget review, and a press Christmas reception. That about used up the President's day, with a breakfast with Mansfield as a starter.

Fairly long noon session on schedule details, some general trivia and a few Ehrlichman items.

Ehrlichman and I met with Ted Braun this morning to brief him on the John and Martha Mitchell situation before his meeting with the Attorney General, to see if he can give him some basic PR guidance and assistance. Ted called later to say he had gotten on well with John and they were going to go to work.

President did a pretty good job with the press, in a light vein, with couple of good cracks. The party came off very well.