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Saturday, June 6.

More personnel maneuvers. Announced Finch and Richardson. Worked pretty well. Haven't seen news coverage. President again all cranked up about staff meetings and building the inside group. Bob looked in horrible shape. I think we're getting him out just in time.

Then President had Ehrlichman, Richardson and me in with Shultz to follow up on him about OMB. President gave him a great pitch - after which we all had lunch. Shultz called Ehrlichman later to say he'd take it. Now all we need is Weinberger and we're really rolling. These are great changes - will be very productive.

Regarding economy, President pushing point our unemployment is up because we're bringing boys home. Not as high as any Kennedy year - higher than Johnson, but he was accelerating a war and sending men into it - we are building toward prosperity without war, which no Democratic president has achieved in modern times.

President off to Camp David with family and Eisenhowers, to celebrate Julie and David's graduation. Called to suggest considering Moynihan for UN. Good idea.