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Saturday, July 25.

President slept late. Unusual for first day in San Clemente. In about 11:00 - had me in for over four hours. Then went back to the house for the evening. No plans.

Discussed schedule. Wants to plan Europe trip - to Spain, Yugoslavia, Great Britain, Netherlands, Ireland, Morocco, and probably Pope. Was thinking of late August - but I think I convinced him to wait until September, more effect on the campaign. He feels need to reinforce strength in foreign policy - as our main advantage. August also poses problem of Mexican trip - but September poses problem of Summit. If we do get a Summit it should be in mid-October.

Some talk of politics again. Wants follow up on trip to see what effect it had. Wants to be sure our candidates tie their opponents into hippies, kids, demos.

Back on Huntley. Important to destroy him, for effect on all other commentators.

Had Ziegler in for long talk - general press reactions and attitudes.

Very relaxed, just filling in the time. Decided to do press conference Thursday night. Final OK on Monday. Decided to go to ball game tomorrow - will ask Jack Drown and Don Nixon.

Amazing! Also said to ask Ronald Reagan and Murphy to dinner Monday night. Good.