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Sunday, October 25.

President had meetings with Chiefs of State most of day, then to Camp David in late afternoon for the night.

Big stir as rumor out that Goodell would pull out of New York race on TV tonight - lots of calls to decide our action if he does. President talked to Bill Buckley and had me call him plus Mitchell, etc., to get readings. Wasted a lot of time, because Goodell stayed in - just hit President for not backing him, etc.

Back on the question of election eve. Finch opposed to half hour, so President reconsidered again and finally decided to stay with the five minute approach - which really does the candidates more good - solves the linkage problem, because we can put individual candidates tags on for each state - and only buy the ones we need.