Senators Scott, Griffin, Allott and Cotton reported on the consensus from today's Policy luncheon. GOP Senators feel the Capitol and offices must be kept open during the demonstrations. One door should remain open for entrance and exit into the Capitol building, but only those with passes will be permitted to enter. Guests must be personally escorted into building by Senators' staff.

However, it was reported that Barry Goldwater will close his office Thursday until he's assured that it is safe for his staff to come to work and perform their duties.

Most Senators are concerned over demonstrators but agree that the normal functions of government cannot be interrupted.

The Republican Senators will meet again in Conference on Friday, April 30, to determine a course of action regarding the demonstrations. They want to make certain their action is consistent with your own plans. Therefore, they recommend that they meet briefly with you before their conference.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That you meet with the regular Senate and House GOP leadership at 8:00 a.m. Thursday, April 29, to discuss plans for week-end demonstrations. (This will replace next Tuesday's scheduled meeting).

2. That you also meet with Mansfield, Scott, Albert and Ford at 9:30 a.m., Thursday, April 29, for the purpose of coordinating week-end efforts.

3. That John Ehrlichman handle the briefing on Administration plans.
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That's up to them - but I wouldn't be involved in any way.