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Sunday, December 5.

The President still in Key Biscayne. He called around a little after noon to say he wanted to make some changes in the schedule for the TV special tomorrow, mainly because of the India-Pakistan war. He wants to have a meeting at 1:30 in the EOB with Rogers, Kissinger, Connally, Moorer, Helms, and Laird, or Packard if Laird is not here. This meeting he would allow them to cover, at least partially, for the television. He also thought we ought to try and build up Pat Nixon more; that we shouldn't bring the dog into the office during the day, but rather take him for a walk at the end of the day; and that he doesn't want to have any staff member's relatives drop by, but rather someone from outside, as well as a few human interest-type phone calls to someone outside.

Bill Rogers called this morning in something of a stir, because he hadn't talked with the President all weekend and felt he should with the India-Pakistan war going on, and asked that the President call him when he could during the day. So I called Alex and had him set up the call. Apparently it was a misunderstanding yesterday in that the State Department was going to put out that they had been directed by the President to do what they were doing and now Haig told them to take it out, and then later Ziegler said that the President had ordered State to do it. So Rogers is complaining that if he knows what the President wants, he can see that it's carried out. He doesn't want to argue with him, and all, but he does need to do it, and we have some close decisions to make before they go to the Security Council at the UN this afternoon.

End of December 5.