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Monday, July 13.

Fairly light day - the Environment Council, Henry Kearns, and Secretary Rogers in the morning. Whittier Class reunion, Senator Dole and Senators Aiken and Cooper in the afternoon. Couple of long sessions with Kissinger and a couple with me.

Some more on Kevin Phillips to analyze Senate races and the Derge poll. Also very interested in Roper poll regarding student unrest, exactly opposite findings from those of Harris poll Heard is peddling.

More emphasis on basing all scheduling and other decisions on political grounds. Especially emphasize Italians, Poles, Elks and Rotarians, eliminate Jews, blacks, youth.

Covered some more detailed notes he had made regarding Derge poll, and gave me his copy back - with a lot of notes. Wants a bunch of state polls now in key states. Follow-up on Peace Corps and Vista from last night - wants Harlow to follow up with Frank Bow to make cuts.

Regarding Family Assistance Plan, wants to be sure it's killed by Democrats and that we make big play for it - but don't let it pass, can't afford it. Wants to move all financial support on GOP primary in Connecticut out to New York to defeat Goodell.

Kissinger in to see me for his periodic depression regarding Rogers. This time he's found Rogers is meeting Dobrynin tomorrow, and Kissinger is absolutely convinced he's going to try to make his own Vietnam settlement - plus get a Summit meeting, and take full credit for all. Kissinger's temptation is to confront Bill and insist they have it out with President - or else one will have to leave. Thinks he can scare him out. I urged against it on grounds he might not scare out and President can't follow through, especially before elections. Actually it would be counterproductive for Kissinger, and hurt him badly with President - and solve nothing.