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Monday, August 24.

Busy day to start the San Clemente season - with Western media briefing, Quadriad, Business Council, plus some minor appointments. President roared through them in pretty good fashion. Had me in briefly for routine business and some schedule discussion, especially regarding Mexican visit.

At end of day, had Ehrlichman, Flanigan and me in, mainly to review the economic situation with Flanigan. Especially pleased because market up another 17 points, continuing last week's trend. Good sign, along with new *Fortune* analysis of economy that says it has turned. President pretty optimistic that this will at least neutralize the issue for the campaign - so main thrust will be on foreign affairs where we have our main strength. Was somewhat bothered by Business Council group's failure to recognize the political realities - and the need to stay on course now and get a little more support elected to Congress, then try to make the big changes.