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Tape Subject Log

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Conversation No. 69-1

Date: August 13, 1971
Time: 10:08 am - unknown before 11:57 am
Location: Cabinet Room

The President met with Vice President Spiro T. Agnew, John N. Irwin, II, Melvin R. Laird, General George A. Lincoln, John N. Mitchell, Richard M. Helms, Admiral Thomas H. Moorer, George P. Shultz, Ronald I. Spiers, David Packard, Henry A. Kissinger, Colonel Richard T. Kennedy, Dr. [Forename unknown] Weinsmith, Caspar W. ("Cap") Weinberger, and Kenneth W. Dam

[General conversation]

The President's meeting with the Joint Chiefs of Staff [JCS]

Agenda for meeting

National defense

- Federal budget
- 1950's and 1960's

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[National Security]

[069-001-w001]

[Duration: 1h 40m 39s]

National defense

- Military dispositions
 - Cuban missile crisis
- Union of Soviet Socialist [USSR] military capability
 - diplomacy
- US strategic doctrine
 - diplomacy
- Military dispositions and capability
 - Anti-ballistic Missiles [ABM]
 - Strategic interdiction
 - Intelligence
 - Bombers
 - Retargeting capability

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- Disarming capability
- Strategic forces
- Warheads
- Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR] capability
 - Air attacks
 - Missile forces
- Possible hostilities
- Safeguard missile
- Strategic Arms Limitation Talks [SALT]

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

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[National Security]
 [069-001-w001]
 [Duration: 43s]

DISPOSITIONS AND CAPABILITIES

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

- National defense
 - North Atlantic Treaty Organization [NATO]
 - Strategic Doctrines
 - Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]
 - Europe

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National defense

- North Atlantic Treaty Organization [NATO]
 - Strategic Doctrines
 - Allies
 - Conventional conflict
 - Selective use of nuclear weapons
 - Targets
 - Logistics
 - Approximately 30 days

National defense

- North Atlantic Treaty Organization [NATO]
 - Strategic Doctrines
 - US
 - People's Republic of China [PRC]
 - Korea
 - Japan
 - Political orientation
 - Nixon doctrine
 - Political opponents reasoning
 - Middle East
 - 1970 crisis
 - Military strategy
 - Size of army
 - Europe
 - Reinforcement capability
 - Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR] capability
 - Henry A. Kissinger's conversation with Raymond Aron
 - Possible use
 - Purpose
 - Diplomacy

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[Duration: 14s]

National defense

- North Atlantic Treaty Organization [NATO]
 - US forces
 - Europe
 - Strategy

National defense

- North Atlantic Treaty Organization [NATO]
 - US diplomacy
 - Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]
 - People's Republic of China [PRC]
 - Germans, Japanese
 - Henry M ("Scoop") Jackson's comments in New York
 - Allard K. Lowenstein's response
 - People's Republic of China [PRC]
 - Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]
 - US diplomacy
 - Vietnam
 - Goals
 - Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]
 - People's Republic of China [PRC]
 - Disarmament
 - Popular opinion
 - Melvin R. Laird
 - Democratic candidates
 - National economy
 - Federal budget
 - George P. Shultz
 - Defense budget
 - Federal budget
 - Purpose
 - Federal budget
 - Foreign aid
 - Planned program
 - Proposed program
 - Levels
 - Fiscal year [FY] 1973
 - Strategic forces

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- Joint Chiefs of Staff [JCS]
- Modernization costs
- Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]
- Strategic Arms Limitation Talks [SALT]
- Support for allies
 - Vietnam, Korea, Turkey, Israel, Cambodia
- Modernization
 - US Navy [USN]
 - Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]
 - US Marine Corps [USMC]
 - Vietnam

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[National Security]

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[Duration: 38s]

- National defense
 - Federal budget
 - Fiscal year [FY] 1973
 - General purpose forces
 - North Atlantic Treaty Organization [NATO]
 - Europe
 - Capabilities
 - Missions

- National defense
 - Federal budget
 - Fiscal year [FY] 1973
 - General purpose forces
 - North Atlantic Treaty Organization [NATO] requirements
 - Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR] naval activity
 - Federal budget
 - Vietnam
 - Reductions
 - US Navy [USN]

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- Elmo R. Zumwalt, Jr.'s presentation
- US Air Force [USAF]
 - Training
- Federal budget
 - US Army [USA]
 - William C. Westmoreland's presentation
 - Personnel
 - US Navy [USN]
 - Elmo R. Zumwalt, Jr.
 - US Air Force [USAF]
 - US Marine Corps [USMC]
 - Southeast Asia sorties
 - Goals
 - Strategic forces
 - Vietnam
 - Existing base structure
 - Volunteer forces
 - Pay increases
 - Military and civilian
 - Effect on strategic capability
 - Congress
 - Expenditures
 - North Atlantic Treaty Organization [NATO]
 - Warsaw Pact
 - Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]
- Deterrence
- Federal budget
 - Effect of different funding levels
 - Asia
- Korea
 - Tours of duty
- Strategic forces
 - Warheads
 - Comparison with Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]
 - North Atlantic Treaty Organization [NATO]
 - Warsaw pact
 - Vietnam
 - Cambodia
 - Korea
 - People's Republic of China [PRC]
 - Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]
 - Views of Joint Chiefs of Staff [JCS]
 - Safeguard program

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- Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR] capability
 - Air defense
 - Egypt
- Air defense
 - Airborne Warning and Control Systems [AWACS]
 - Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR] capability
 - Comparison
- Korea
- Deployment in Korean and Japan
 - Vietnam
 - Hawaii
 - Okinawa

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[National Security]

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[Duration: 26s]

- National defense
 - Strategic forces
 - Deployment in Korean and Japan
 - Okinawa
 - US Marine Corps [USMC] division
 - Commitment to North Atlantic Treaty Organization [NATO]
 - Swing forces
 - Mobility

- National defense
 - Strategic forces
 - Swing forces
 - North Atlantic Treaty Organization [NATO] concept
 - Vietnam
 - Enemy capabilities
 - Intentions

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- Balance of forces
- Presentation by Joint Chiefs of Staff [JCS]
 - Spiro T. Agnew
 - Timing
 - National Security Council [NSC]
- North Atlantic Treaty Organization [NATO]
 - Mediterranean
 - US Navy [USN]
 - Greece, Turkey, Spain
 - Egypt, Iraq
- East Asia
 - Nations' concerns
 - Vietnam
 - Great power relationships
- Military dispositions
 - Federal budget
 - Pacific
 - Japan
 - Treaty arrangements
 - Taiwan, Korea
 - Reductions
 - William P. Rogers's call to John N. ("Jack") Irwin, II
August 18, 1971
 - Swing forces
 - Korea
 - Vietnam
 - People's Republic of China [PRC]
- Europe
 - Mike J. ("Mike") Mansfield amendment
- Asia
 - Japan, Korea, Taiwan, Thailand
 - People's Republic of China [PRC]
 - Japan
 - Korea
 - Vietnam
 - Philippines, Indonesia
 - Japan
 - Balance of power shift

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[Privacy]

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[Duration: 3s]

National defense

-Asia

-Sisowath Sirik Matak

-The President's speculation

National defense

-Asia

-Sisowath Sirik Matak

-Conversation with the President

-Europe

-Asia

-The President's forthcoming trip to People's Republic of China [PRC]

-Sisowath Sirik Matak

-T. N.J. Suharto

-Ferdinand E. Marcos

-Thanom Kittkachorn

-Japan

-Nature of war between superpowers

-Interceptor airplanes

-Bombers

-Ground forces

-Melvin R. Laird

-Swing divisions

-Korea

-Department of State [DOS]

-The President's previous meeting with Joint Chiefs of Staff [JCS]

-Trust territories

-Guam

-Trust territories

-Williams

-US bases worldwide

-Okinawa

-General purpose forces

-Balance among services

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[Duration: 1m 22s]

General conversation

Press conference [?]

The President

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Conversation No. 69-2

Date: August 16, 1971

Time: 10:10 am - 11:27 am

Location: Cabinet Room

Vice President Spiro Agnew met with William P. Rogers, John B. Connally, David Packard, John N. Mitchell, William T. Pecora, Clifford M. Hardin, Maurice H. Stans, James D. Hodgson, John G. Veneman, George W. Romney, David M. Kennedy, H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman, George P. Shultz, George H. W. Bush, John N. Irwin, II, Charls E. Walker, J. Philip Campbell, James M. Beggs, James T. Lynn, Laurence H. Silberman, Richard C. Van Dusen, Peter G. Peterson, Herbert G. Klein, Dr. Edward E. David, Jr., Raymond K. Price, Jr., Ronald L. Ziegler, Alexander P. Butterfield, Robert J. Brown, Paul W. McCracken, Caspar W. ("Cap") Weinberger, Arthur F. Burns, General George A. Lincoln, Herbert Stein, General Alexander M. Haig, Jr., and Frank J. Shakespeare

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[Duration: 12m]

General conversation

Greetings

The President

Wilbur D. Mills

George S. McGovern

-Statement

-Unknown magazine

[Applause]

The President and Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 10:10 am

President's schedule

-Nelson A. Rockefeller

-John V. Lindsay

-Bush

Bull left at an unknown time before 11:27 am

National economy

-President's programs

-Cabinet Committee on Economic Policy

-Development

-Connally

-Wage-price freeze

-International Monetary Fund

-President's speech, August 15, 1971

-Camp David meetings

-Connally, Shultz, Burns, McCracken

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- Campbell, Weinberger
- Cooperation
- Burns' role
- Need for Cabinet support
- Briefings
- Problems
 - Unemployment
 - Inflation
 - International dollar balance
 - Foreign asset reserves
 - Trade balances
 - Balance of payments
- The President's talks with Burns, Shultz, and McCracken
- The President's speech, August 15, 1971
- Interest rates
- President's program
 - Wage-price freeze
 - Tax relief
 - Budget cuts
 - New economic policy
 - Franklin D. Roosevelt administration
 - Goals
 - Burns, McCracken, Shultz
 - Stein
 - Wage-price freeze
 - Application
 - Interest rates
 - Economic Stabilization Act of 1970
- Interest rates
 - Federal Reserve Board [FRB]
 - Burns
 - Camp David meeting
 - International market
- President's program
 - Wage-price freeze
 - Dividends
 - Import surcharge
 - Trade Expansion Act of 1962
 - Application
 - Duty items
 - Exemptions
 - Wage-price freeze
 - Unprocessed food

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- Job development tax credit
 - Rate
 - Purpose
 - Production increase
- US foreign aid
 - Germany and Japan
- Machine tools
- Application
 - Congress
 - House Ways and Means Committee
- Import surcharge
 - Trade Expansion Act of 1962
 - Smoot-Hawley Tariff
 - Congress
 - General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade [GATT]
 - Quotas
 - Possible retaliation

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[National Security]

[069-002-w001]

[Duration: 55s]

- National economy
 - The President's program
 - Japanese Yen
 - Volkswagen

- National economy
 - The President's program
 - President's speech, August 15, 1971
 - Excise tax on automobiles
 - Personal exemptions on income tax
 - Federal budget
 - Deferrals
 - Revenue sharing
 - Cut in Cabinet department positions

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- Cost of Living Council
 - Lincoln
- Attrition
- Criticism from opponents
- Private sector job stimulation
 - Automobile industry
- Automobile industry
 - James M. Roche's conversation with Connally and McCracken [?], August 15, 1971
 - Jobs
- Unemployment
 - Government's role
 - President's previous conversation with Rockefeller
 - John Kenneth Galbraith
 - Increase federal budget
- President's program
 - Federal budget
 - Fiscal years 1972, 1973
 - Weinberger
 - Revenue sharing
 - Tax cuts
 - Expenditure cuts

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[National Security]

[069-002-w002]

[Duration: 8s]

- National economy
 - The President's program
 - Federal budget
 - Caspar W. ("Cap") Weinberger
 - Chiang Kai-shek

- National economy
 - The President's program
 - Federal budget

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- Welfare reform
- Tax credit
- Personal exemption increase
- Auto excise taxes
- Revenue reduction
 - Import surcharge
- Expenditure reduction
- Employment stimulation
- Economic expansion
- Import surcharge
 - Inflation
 - Budget cuts
 - Tax cuts
- Inflation
 - Dollar stabilization
 - Import surcharge
 - Wage-price freeze
 - Import surcharge
 - Burns
- Wage-price freeze
 - Length
 - Follow-up program
- Convertibility of dollar

[This segment was declassified on 02/28/2002.]

[National Security]

[069-002-w003]

[Duration: 3m 32s]

National economy

- The President's program
 - Federal budget
 - Japan
 - The President's previous Quadriad meetings
 - Germany
 - Great Britain
 - Purpose
 - Paul A. Volcker's trip to Europe
 - France
 - Germany

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- Great Britain
- Italy
- James Dewey Daane's trip to Europe
 - Holland
 - Belgium
 - Switzerland
- Importance
 - William P. Rogers's conversation with Eisaku Sato, August 15, 1971
 - Arthur F. Burns's conversation with unknown man, August 15, 1971
 - John B. Connally's conversation with unknown man

National economy

- The President's program
 - Wage-price freeze
 - Length
 - Inflation
 - Duration
 - Labor
 - Monetary aspect
 - Taxes
 - Anti-trust laws
- Strikes
 - Effect on farm exports

[This segment was declassified on 02/28/2002.]

[National Security]

[069-002-w004]

[Duration: 10m 38s]

National economy

- The President's program
 - Federal budget
 - Japan
- President's program
 - Convertibility of Dollar
 - Japan
- Nation's relative importance in world trade

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- Latin America
- Africa
- Middle East
- South Asia
- Japan
- Great Britain
- France
 - Charles A. J. M. de Gaulle
- Italy
- Germany
- Spain
- Japan
- The President's program
 - Effect on international monetary system
 - International Monetary Fund [IMF]
 - Convertibility of Dollar
 - Paul A. Volcker's previous briefing of ambassadors
 - Price of gold questions
 - Treasury Department
 - Federal reserve board
 - Department of State [DOS]
 - London Times* editorial and headlines, August 16, 1971
 - Effect abroad
 - Views of American people
 - International trade
 - Possible administration comments
 - The President's pending visit to People's Republic of China [PRC]

National economy

- The President's program
 - Connally's forthcoming press conference
 - Network coverage
 - Bernard J. ("Bunny") Lasker's call to Haldeman, August 16, 1971
 - Stock market
 - Effect
 - Burns' conversation with central bankers, August 15, 1971

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[National Security]

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[Duration: 2m 59s]

National economy

-The President's program

-Effect

-Arthur F. Burns's conversation with central bankers August 15

-Volcker and Daane

-European stock markets

-Price of gold

-Gold markets

-Japan

-The President's schedule

-Quadriad meeting

-Japanese cabinet

-Hirohito welcome in Anchorage

-Europe

-Canada

-Pierre E. Trudeau

-William P. Rogers's conversation with Mitchell Sharp

The President left at an unknown time before 11:27 am

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[Unintelligible]

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General conversation

-Thomas H. Moorer

Activities of unknown man

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William P. Rogers

The President's question

-Reaction

-Answer

-Assault [?]

Agnew, et al. left at 11:27 am