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Conversation No. 184-12 (cont'd)

Conversation No. 184-1

Date: December 18, 1972
Time: Unknown between 10:25 am and 10:45 am
Location: Camp David Study Desk

The President talked with the Camp David operator.

Request for a call to Majorie P. Acker
-Acker's location
-Rose Mary Woods's office

Conversation No. 184-2

Date: December 18, 1972
Time: 10:45 am - 10:46 am
Location: Camp David Study Desk

The President talked with Marjorie P. Acker.

The President's schedule
-Dinner party
-Telephone calls
-Anne L. Armstrong
-Secretary
-Tobin Armstrong
-Number of attendees
-Adm. Thomas H. and Carrie Ellen (Foy) Moorer
-Anne Armstrong

Conversation No. 184-3

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Conversation No. 184-12 (cont'd)

Date: December 18, 1972
Time: Unknown between 10:46 am and 10:48 am
Location: Camp David Study Desk

The President talked with the Camp David operator.

Request for a call to Marjorie P. Acker

Conversation No. 184-4

Date: December 18, 1972
Time: Unknown between 10:46 am and 10:48 am
Location: Camp David Study Desk

The President talked with Marjorie P. Acker.

The President's schedule

- Dinner party
 - Invitations
 - Acceptances
 - Number
 - Adm. Thomas H. and Carrie Ellen (Foy) Moorer
 - Anne L. Armstrong
 - Number of women and men
 - Menu
 - Food
 - Fish
 - Salad
 - Fish

White House gifts

- Music boxes
 - Lucy A. Winchester
 - Families

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Conversation No. 184-5

Date: December 18, 1972
Time: Unknown between 10:46 am and 10:48 am
Location: Camp David Study Desk

The President talked with the Camp David operator.

Request for a call to Ronald L. Ziegler

Conversation No. 184-6

Date: December 18, 1972
Time: 10:48 am - 11:11 am
Location: Camp David Study Desk

The President talked with Ronald L. Ziegler.

Vietnam War

- Ziegler's press conference
 - US bombing and mining of North Vietnam
 - William Beecher's *New York Times* article
 - Henry A. Kissinger
 - Washington Star*
 - Washington Post*
 - Source
 - [National Security Council] [NSC]
 - Kissinger's reaction
 - The President's May 8, 1972 speech
 - Purpose
 - Settlement agreement
 - Enemy buildup and offensive action
 - Kissinger's press conference
 - Negotiations
 - Negotiations
 - Enemy buildup and offensive action

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- Invasion of South Vietnam
- Points to make
- Settlement agreement
 - Prolongation of war and negotiations
 - The President's memorandum
 - October 1972 agreement
 - Principles
 - Kissinger
- Negotiations
 - Resumption
 - Settlement agreement
 - Nguyen Van Thieu
 - Breakdown
 - Thieu
- Purpose
 - Enemy buildup and offensive action

Press relations

- Washington Post*
 - Alleged barring from White House
 - Helen A. Thomas article
 - Washington Post* article in Style section
 - Ziegler's possible call to Julie Nixon Eisenhower
 - Julie Nixon Eisenhower's possible conversation with Thelma C. ("Pat") Nixon
 - Ziegler's statement to United Press International [UPI]
 - Tone
 - Ziegler's statement to the *Washington Star*
- Invitations
 - Washington Star*
 - Press pool
 - New York Times*
 - Washington Star*
 - New York Times*
 - Selection process
 - Wire services
- Washington Post* articles
 - Style section
 - Dorothy McCardle
 - Associated Press [AP] photographs

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- Pool report
- White House access policy
 - San Antonio Light*
 - [Marianne Means] [?]
 - Wire services
 - Mrs. Nixon, Julie Nixon Eisenhower
- Ziegler's view
 - Washington Post's* attitude toward White House
- Alleged barring from White House
 - Discrimination claim
 - Thomas article
 - Unknown article
 - White House access policy
 - UPI
 - Press pool
 - Criticism
 - Washington Star*
 - New York Times*
 - Local compared to national coverage
 - Ziegler's conversation with Kenneth W. Clawson
 - Past access
 - Freedom of the press
 - Prerogative claim
 - Social events
 - Open House
 - Candlelight tour
- Ziegler's conversation with David
 - Washington Star*
 - Kraslow
 - Sources
 - Past practice
- Washington, DC
 - Influence of *Washington Post* and *New York Times*
- Call to Julie Nixon Eisenhower
 - Washington Post*
 - Alleged barring from White House
 - Ziegler's possible call to Julie Nixon Eisenhower
 - The President's possible call to Julie Nixon Eisenhower
- New York Times*
 - Contact with Kissinger

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- H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman, Ziegler
- State Department
- Haldeman, Ziegler

The President's schedule

- Dinner party
 - Announcement
 - Timing
 - Attendees
 - Alice Roosevelt Longworth
 - Howard K. Smith
 - Richard L. Wilson
 - Katherine Young (Macy) Wilson
 - Anne L. Armstrong
 - Adm. Thomas H. Moorer

Second term reorganization

- Armstrong
 - Announcement
 - Timing
 - Washington Star*

Press relations

- Washington Star*
 - White House social events
 - Local compared to national coverage
 - Kansas City Star*
 - Dallas Times Herald*
 - Washington Star*
 - Timing
 - Wire services
 - Ziegler's conversation with Patrick J. Buchanan

Vietnam War

- Kissinger's press conference
 - Negotiations
- Ziegler's press conference
 - US bombing and mining of North Vietnam
 - Kissinger's advice to Ziegler
 - Settlement agreement

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- The President's May 8, 1972 speech
- Continuation
 - Settlement agreement
- Purpose
 - Enemy buildup and offensive action
 - The President's May 8, 1972 speech
 - Prisoners of War [POWs]
 - Cease-fire
 - Free elections in South Vietnam

Conversation No. 184-7

Date: December 18, 1972
Time: Unknown between 11:11 am and 11:14 am
Location: Camp David Study Desk

The President talked with the Camp David operator.

Request for a call to H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman

Conversation No. 184-8

Date: December 18, 1972
Time: 11:14 am - 11:24 am
Location: Camp David Study Desk

The President talked with H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman.

- The President's schedule
 - Meeting with Richard G. Kleindienst, John D. Ehrlichman
 - Schedule change
 - Timing
 - Meetings
 - William D. Ruckelshaus

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- Photograph session
- Retention
- Environmental policy
- Maurice H. Stans
- Diplomatic credentials
- Surrogates reception
- Dr. W. Kenneth Riland
- December 20, 1972
 - Thelma C. ("Pat") Nixon's schedule
 - Volunteers Tea
 - Departure for Florida
 - Timing
- Camp David
 - Christmas decorations
 - William Hersch
 - Tree, garland
 - Use by Cabinet and others
 - Robert H. Finch
 - John N. Mitchell
 - Robert H. Dole
 - Melvin R. Laird
 - Stans
 - Donald H. Rumsfeld
 - Stans
 - Kathleen (Carmody) Stans
 - Invitations
 - Mitchell and Martha (Beall) Mitchell
 - Stans
 - Invitations
 - Robert J. Dole
 - Clark MacGregor
- Second term reorganization
 - Dole
 - Anne L. Armstrong
 - Announcement
 - Associated Press [AP]
 - Renunciation
 - Leak
 - Leaks

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- Rogers C. B. Morton
- George H. W. Bush
- Women appointees
 - Armstrong
 - Patricia R. Hitt
 - Californians
 - Transportation Department

Press relations

- The President's conversation with Ronald L. Ziegler
 - New York Times*
 - Contact with Henry A. Kissinger
 - [National Security Council]
 - Vietnam War
 - Reseeding mines
 - William P. Rogers
 - Washington Post*
 - Alleged discrimination
 - Local compared to national coverage
 - Washington Star*
 - New York Times*
 - Kansas City Star*
 - San Antonio Light*
 - Nashville Banner*
 - Pool reports
 - Wire services
 - United Press International [UPI]
 - White House access policy
 - Patrick J. Buchanan
 - William L. Safire
- Ziegler's press conferences
 - Performances
 - Backgrounders

Conversation No. 184-9

Date: December 18, 1972

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Time: Unknown between 11:24 am and 11:25 am
Location: Camp David Study Desk

The President talked with the Camp David operator.

Request for a call to Henry A. Kissinger

Conversation No. 184-10

Date: December 18, 1972
Time: 11:25 am - 11:35 am
Location: Camp David Study Desk

The President talked with Henry A. Kissinger.

The President's schedule

- Dinner party
 - Richard L. Wilson
 - Joseph W. Alsop
 - Adm. Thomas H. and Carrie Ellen (Foy) Moorer
 - Announcement
 - Timing

Vietnam War

- US bombing and mining of North Vietnam
 - Hanoi announcement
 - Timing
 - Attacks on radio stations
 - B-52s
 - Weather
 - Losses
 - Expectations
 - [Hanoi]
 - Surface to air missiles [SAMs]
- Number
- Schedule
- SAMs

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- Losses
 - Expectations
- Purpose
- Naval strikes
 - Tactical Air [TACAIR] strikes
 - A-6s
 - Timing
 - A-6s, A-3s
 - F-111s
 - Airfields
 - Timing
- William Beecher's *New York Times* article
 - Source
 - Accuracy
 - Source
 - Defense Department
 - Melvin R. Laird
 - [David] Kenneth Rush
- Hanoi announcement
 - Tone
 - Negotiations
- Resumption of negotiations
 - US message to North Vietnam
 - Expected reply
 - Timing
 - Settlement agreement
 - Timing
 - 1973 Inauguration
- Purpose
 - US credibility
 - North Vietnam
 - People's Republic of China [PRC], Soviet Union
- Hanoi announcement
- Apollo XVII Astronauts
- Public relations [PR]
 - Handling
- Beecher's *New York Times* article
 - Source
 - Purpose
 - Timing

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- North Vietnam's response
- Ronald L. Ziegler, Alexander M. Haig, Jr.
- Attacks and radio stations
- Defense Department
 - Laird
 - Rush
- William P. Rogers
- Unknown person
- Defense Department
 - William J. Baroody, Jr.
 - Laird
- Weather
- Support aircraft
 - Number
- Airplane losses
 - B-52s
 - SAM
 - Report
 - Pilots
 - Past experience
- Forthcoming report

Conversation No. 184-11

Date: December 18, 1972

Time: Unknown between 11:35 am and 12:28 pm

Location: Camp David Study Desk

The President talked with the Camp David operator.

Request for a call to Henry A. Kissinger

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Date: December 18, 1972
Time: 12:28 pm - 12:30 pm
Location: Camp David Study Desk

The President talked with Henry A. Kissinger.

Vietnam War

- US bombing of North Vietnam
 - Reports
 - Timing
 - Targeting
 - Freeways
 - Tactical Air [TACAIR] strikes
 - B-52s
 - Number
 - Intensity
 - Targets
 - Damage
 - Risks
 - Populated areas
 - Criticism
- Intensity
- Alternative