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Tape Subject Log
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Conversation No. 374-1

Date: October 25, 1972
Time: Unknown between 4:20 pm and 4:40 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

The President's schedule
-Forthcoming meeting with Charles W. Colson

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 4:40 pm.

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Date: October 25, 1972
Time: Unknown between 4:20 pm and 4:40 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President dictated a memorandum for the file.

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[Personal Returnable]

[374-002-w001]

[Duration: 5m 18s]

1972 campaign
-John B. Connally
-Democrats
-Control
-Public role
-New Jersey

Vietnam negotiations
-Strategy
-George Meany
-Charles W. Colson

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- 1972 campaign
 - California strategy
 - Republicans
 - H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman
 - Polls

Conversation No. 374-3

Date: October 25, 1972
Time: 4:40 pm - 5:40 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Charles W. Colson.

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[Personal Returnable]
[374-003-w001]
[Duration: 4m 53s]

- 1972 campaign
 - California
 - The President's conversation with H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman
 - Polls
 - Standing with Catholics
 - State compared to national
 - Mexicans
 - Standing with students
 - Democrats
 - George S. McGovern
 - Labor
 - Frank E. Fitzsimmons, Paul Hall
 - San Francisco
 - Democratic control
 - Paul Hall

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- Michael P. Balzano, Jr., Donald F. Rodgers
- Michigan, *Detroit News* poll
- George C. Wallace's supporters
 - California
 - Use of manpower
 - Press releases
 - John G. Schmitz
 - Charles W. Colson's conversation with Paul Hall
 - Busing
 - Compared to Massachusetts
 - Busing
 - California
 - Telephone polls
 - Shift in polls
 - Meaning

Watergate

- George S. McGovern
 - Television [TV] appearance, October 25, 1972
 - H.R. ("Bob") Haldeman
- Effect on 1972 election
 - Polls
 - Albert E. Sindlinger's view
 - Possible voting margins
 - Press release
 - Undecided
- Reaction to news stories
 - Washington Post*
 - White House response
 - Ronald L. Ziegler
 - Haldeman-Dwight L. Chapin memorandum
 - Haldeman's view
 - George E. Christian rumor
 - John A. Scali
 - San Francisco
 - Vietnam
 - The President's view
 - Kenneth W. Clawson's view

Press relations

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- Nature of relationship
 - Katherine L. Graham
- Henry A. Kissinger, White House staff
 - The President's threat
- William P. Rogers
 - Dedication of *Washington Post* building
- The *New York Times* and *Washington Post*
 - White House strategy
 - Richard Scaife, W. Clement Stone, John A. Mulcahy
 - Influence
 - Charles Percy, John Sherman Cooper, Marlow W. Cook, Robert T. Stafford
- Graham
 - Georgetown
- Influence of *Washington Post*
 - Daniel L. Schorr, Carl Stern
 - American Broadcasting Corporation [ABC]
 - Chapin story news coverage
 - The President's appearance before prisoners of war [POWs]
- families group
 - Administration strategy
 - John B. Connally's advice
 - Public opinion
- Watergate
 - Ziegler's response
 - Robert J. Dole, Clark MacGregor
 - Possible libel suit
 - Haldeman, Chapin
 - Colson
 - Possible testimony
 - Neal B. Freeman
 - Benjamin C. Bradlee
- Policy toward the Press
 - The President's view
 - Compared to the President's handling of North Vietnam, Cambodia, Laos
 - May 8, 1972 decision
 - Kissinger
 - John D. Ehrlichman
 - Washington Post*
 - Clawson's conversation with Kissinger
 - Bradlee
 - Philip L. Geyelin

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- Influence
- Television stations owned by *Washington Post*
- WTOP
 - Columbia Broadcasting System [CBS]
- Miami
- Federal Communications Commission [FCC] action on license renewal
- The President's view
- Watergate
 - Polls
 - Albert E. Sindlinger
- Use of radio and TV
 - Administration strategy
 - Haldeman
 - 1968 campaign
 - Comparison

Manolo Sanchez entered at an unknown time after 4:40 pm.

Colson talked with the White House operator at an unknown time after 4:40 pm.

[Conversation No. 374-3B]

[See Conversation No. 32-43A]

[End of conversation]

Washington Post, New York Times

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 5:16 pm.

Colson talked with an unknown woman at an unknown time before 5:16 pm.

[Conversation No. 374-3C]

[See conversation No. 32-43B]

[End of conversation]

- Administration strategy and the press
 - Clawson
 - Scali's future plans in broadcast journalism

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- The President's view
 - Scali's previous work in journalism
 - State Department
 - Possible effect on network news
 - Dan Rather
- Possible return to California

- McGovern's forthcoming speech
 - Views of Haldeman, Connally
 - Possible response

Vietnam

- Colson's conversation with Jay Lovestone
 - Connally's TV appearance, October 20, 1972
 - War as issue
 - Importance of attacking McGovern's stance

An unknown person entered and left at an unknown time before 5:16 pm.

- Lovestone's and George Meany's forthcoming briefing by Haig
 - Coalition government issue
 - Prisoners of war [POWs]

Watergate and campaign practices

- Polls
 - Sindlinger's view
 - Effect on projected voting numbers
 - The President's position
 - Ziegler and MacGregor's response on Watergate
 - Washington Post*

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[Personal Returnable]

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1972 campaign's last two weeks

- The President's possible margin
 - Compared to Dwight D. Eisenhower's margin

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- The President's assessment
- 1960
- Harris poll on approval of the President
- Stable percentage

1972 campaign

- McGovern's vacillation on issues
- Corruption charges
 - Washington Post*
 - McGovern's description of the President's administration
 - Compared with other campaign issues
 - 1952 comparison
 - The Louis P. Harris poll
 - The economy, relations with the People's Republic of China [PRC], Soviet Union
- Vietnam War
 - Current status of negotiations
 - Harris poll numbers
 - “Hawks”
 - Uncertainty
 - Settlement
 - Timing
 - 1972 election
 - Public perceptions
 - Progress
 - Thieu
- McGovern's stance
 - Response by the President's surrogates
 - Amnesty, POWs, surrender
 - Harris
 - Kissinger briefing
 - Rogers

The President talked with Kissinger at an unknown time between 4:40 and 5:16 pm.

[Conversation No. 374-3A]

The President's request for attendance

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[End of telephone conversation]

1972 campaign

- Vietnam War and possible peace settlement
 - Harris's analysis
 - Kissinger
- McGovern's stance
 - Possible attack by Rogers
 - Haig's previous conversation with Colson
 - Possible attack by Melvin R. Laird
 - Laird's schedule
 - Europe
- Sindlinger's view

Kissinger entered at 5:16 pm.

- Public perception of issue according to Harris, Sindlinger
 - Timing of peace settlement compared with 1972 election
 - Appearance of progress
 - Haig's briefing of Meany
 - Meany's attacks on McGovern
 - Kissinger's conversation with Howard K. Smith
 - McGovern
 - May 8, 1972, bombing and mining of Haiphong Harbor
 - Nature of cease-fire agreement
 - Coalition government
 - Ziegler
 - Achievement of goals
 - Settlement
 - Timing
 - 1972 election
 - Perception of agreement
 - Kissinger's conversation with Max Frankel
 - McGovern
 - Kissinger's briefing
 - Administration strategy
 - Political considerations
 - Timing of briefing
 - Television network coverage
 - Newspaper coverage

Colson left at 5:23 pm.

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- Vietnam peace settlement negotiations
 - Cease-fire efforts
 - Possible response from North Vietnamese
 - North Vietnamese statements
 - Nguyen Van Thieu

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4

[National Security (B) withdrawal reviewed under MDR guidelines case number LPRN-T-MDR-2014-019. Segment exempt per Executive Order 13526, 3.3(b)(1) on 05/06/2019. Archivist: DR]

[National Security]

[374-003-w004]

[Duration: 48s]

INTELLIGENCE

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- Vietnam peace settlement negotiations
 - Thieu's actions
 - Timing of US response
 - Compared to 1972 election

An unknown person entered and left at an unknown time before 5:40 pm.

- Thieu's future as US ally
- Dan Rather's recent conversation with Kissinger
 - Timing compared to 1972 election
- McGovern
 - Administration strategy
- Kissinger's meeting with Sir James Plimsoll
 - Briefing for William McMahan
- Incentives
 - Halt to US bombing
- Public perception of cease-fire agreement
- Conservatives

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- William F. Buckley, Jr.
- Thieu
 - Frequency of meetings with Ellsworth F. Bunker
 - Political skills compared with military skills
- US political implication
 - Smith's view
 - Kissinger's view
- Coalition government
- Time* article
- South Vietnamese actions
 - Dispatches to Britain, Australia
 - Anatoliy F. Dobrynin
 - George R.S. Baring (The Earl of Cromer)
 - Haig
- Negotiations
 - 1968
 - Compared to 1972
 - Hubert H. Humphrey
 - Administration strategy
 - Timing
 - January 1, 1973, November 20, 1972
 - Le Duc Tho possible meeting with Kissinger in Paris
 - Settlement text
 - Ellsworth F. Bunker

An unknown person entered and left at an unknown time before 5:40 pm.

- Gen. Creighton W. Abrams, Jr.
- Gen. William C. Westmoreland
 - Haig
 - North Vietnamese troops in South Vietnam
 - Economic assistance

Kissinger left at 5:40 pm.

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Date: October 27, 1972

Time: Unknown between 8:08 am and 8:30 am

Location: Executive Office Building

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The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

Dictabelts for private file

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 8:30 am.

Conversation No. 374-5

Date: October 27, 1972

Time: Unknown between 8:08 am and 8:30 am

Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

The President's schedule

- Gilroy Roberts
 - Oval Office
- Harold Lee
- Health Services Industry committee
- John D. Ehrlichman
 - House Resolution [HR] 1
- Roberts, Lee
- Haircut
- Ehrlichman

Bull left at an unknown time before 8:30 am.

Conversation No. 374-6

Date: October 27, 1972

Time: 8:30 am - 8:45 am

Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with John D. Ehrlichman.

House Resolution 1 [HR 1] legislation

- Taxpayers
- Social Security
 - Tax increase

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- The President's previous statements
- Compared to the President's philosophy
- Outlays
 - Caspar W. ("Cap") Weinberger
 - George P. Shultz
- Full employment balance
- Congress
- Social Security provisions
 - Amount of increase
 - Effect
 - Disability payments
 - Medicare
 - Shultz
- Welfare reform
 - Proposals by the President's administration
 - Congressional action
 - Payroll tax increases
 - Compared with social security tax increases
 - Benefits for aged, disabled
 - Washington Post* letter to the editor
- Shultz
 - Treasury Department
 - Forthcoming conversation with Ehrlichman
- Budget
 - Outlays
 - Amounts
 - Fiscal Year [FY] 1974
 - Full employment
 - Outlay ceiling
 - FY 1973 compared with FY 1974 numbers
 - FY 1974
 - Full employment
 - FY 1973 administration target
 - FY 1974 full employment
 - Weinberger
- Bill signing
 - Environmental legislation
 - Possible statement
 - Timing with Vietnam peace negotiations
 - Legislative workload
 - The President's schedule
 - Henry A. Kissinger's trip to Saigon
 - The President's schedule

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-Reports on negotiations

Ehrlichman left at 8:45 am.

Conversation No. 374-7

Date: October 27, 1972
Time: Unknown between 8:45 am and 9:03 am
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with Henry A. Kissinger.

Kissinger's schedule
-Forthcoming meeting

Conversation No. 374-8

Date: October 27, 1972
Time: Unknown between 8:45 am and 9:03 am
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 32-66]

Conversation No. 374-9

Date: October 27, 1972
Time: 9:03 am - 9:04 am
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with Stephen B. Bull.

[See Conversation No. 32-67]

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Conversation No. 374-10

Date: October 27, 1972
Time: 9:06 am
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 32-68]

Conversation No. 374-11

Date: October 27, 1972
Time: 9:10-9:50 a.m.
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Patrick J. Buchanan.

White Paper on campaign practices

- The President's instructions
- For the record
- Editor of *Barron's*
- Subjects
 - International Telephone and Telegraph [ITT] case
 - The President's press conference
 - Soviet Union grain deal
 - The President's involvement
 - Carpet industry gift charges
 - Corruption
 - American Federation of Teachers [AFT] support for McGovern
 - Right to strike
 - Campaign contributions
 - Press coverage
 - ITT, Watergate
 - The Milk Fund
 - Congress
 - Wilbur D. Mills

Henry A. Kissinger entered at 9:14 am.

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White paper

- Watergate cover up and campaign practices
 - Reports on H.R. ("Bob") Haldeman involvement
 - Washington Post* article, October 27, 1972
 - Democratic National Committee
 - San Francisco
 - Clean administration
 - Sabotage
 - Information on rallies
 - Necessity
 - News summary
 - Barry M. Goldwater's campaign
 - Democratic campaign tactics
 - Action against Edward R.F. Cox
 - Republican Phoenix headquarters
 - Damage in San Francisco
 - Los Angeles
 - Republican National Convention
 - McGovern supporters
 - Damage
 - Violence
 - Lack of criticism
 - Organization of demonstrators
 - Rallies of the President, Thelma C. ("Pat") Nixon, [Julie Nixon Eisenhower, Tricia Nixon Cox]
 - Hecklers
 - Free speech
 - Lack of criticism
 - Campaign finances
 - Double standard
 - Desperation tactics
 - Reasons

McGovern and 1972 campaign

- The President's view
- McGovern's position on Vietnam
 - White House attacks
 - Settlement
 - W[illiam] Averell Harriman's statement
 - Communist government in South Vietnam
 - Prisoners of war [POWs]
 - Laos, Cambodia

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- Disarmament of South Vietnam
- Unconditional withdrawal of US
- “Peace with surrender”
- “Peace with Honor”
- White House attacks
 - Vice President Spiro T. Agnew
- Effect on negotiations
- Thailand
- McGovern settlement terms
 - Cambodia
 - Laos
 - POWs
 - Peter Lisagor’s statement on coalition government
- Administration achievement of peace terms
 - Effect on critics

Press relations

- Administration policy on returning calls to the press
 - The president’s orders
 - Washington Post* Watergate story
 - Murrey Marder, Carroll Kilpatrick, Joseph C. Kraft
 - New York Times*
 - Libel actions
 - John M. Mitchell
 - Maurice H. Stans
 - Haldeman

McGovern and 1972 campaign

- McGovern’s position on Vietnam
- Aid to Laos and Cambodia
- Ramifications
 - Communism Laos and Cambodia
 - Thailand
 - South Vietnam
 - Peace with surrender
 - Guarantees on POW's
 - Good faith of enemy
- White House attacks on McGovern criticism
 - McGovern position
 - Terms of agreement
 - Ability to obtain same terms previously
 - Charles W. Colson
 - Response by the White House

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- Kissinger's previous trip to Paris
 - R. Sargent Shriver's statement on the President's morality
 - The president's order to response
 - Administration use of trip
 - Indira Gandhi
 - Hanoi
 - Reason for trip

Vietnam peace settlement

- The press
 - Ronald L. Ziegler's view
 - The President's view
 - Motivations
 - Thieu
 - POWs
 - Laos, Cambodia
 - Bombing and mining, May 8, 1972
 - Summit meeting with Soviets, May 1972
 - Mood
 - Issue of the coalition government
 - Le Duc Tho
 - Thieu's strategy
 - Opposition in South Vietnam
 - Communists
 - Cease-fire agreement
 - Elections in Vietnam
 - Prospects
- The press
 - Alexander M. Haig, Jr.'s conversation with Marder
 - White House treatment of *Washington Post*
 - White House attacks on McGovern, Shriver
 - President's view
 - Strategy
 - McGovern's Vietnam position
 - Thieu

Publication of White Paper by *Barron's*

- Reprints
- Release by an individual
 - St. Louis Globe-Democrat*
 - Clark MacGregor
- Reason for publication
 - For campaign

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-For the record

1972 campaign

- Television [TV] program October 26, 1972
- Press coverage
- Networks

McGovern campaign tactics

- Bombing
- Violence
- Hecklers
 - Location
- Treatment of McGovern, Shriver compared with the President

Vietnam peace settlement

- 1972 campaign
 - Aggressive campaigning
 - Agnew
 - Cease-fire Agreement
 - Secrecy
 - Administration campaign strategy
 - McGovern attacks
 - Delay of peace
 - “Peace with honor”
 - “Peace with surrender”
- Hanoi’s public release of settlement
 - Content of agreement
- 1972 election
 - Timing of settlement
 - Prospects for peace

Buchanan left at 9:30 am.

Vietnam peace settlement

- Administration campaign strategy
- Political aspects
 - Contrast with McGovern proposals
 - Coalition government
 - POWs
 - Laos, Cambodia
 - Defense of South Vietnam
 - North Vietnam
 - Thieu’s position

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- Propaganda
 - North Vietnam
 - Signing of agreement
 - Western propaganda
 - US support for Thieu
- Intelligence information
 - North Vietnamese officials
 - North Vietnamese strategy and 1972 election
 - October 26, 1972

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 7

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[National Security]

[374-011-w007]

[Duration: 11s]

INTELLIGENCE

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Vietnam peace settlement

- Present situation
 - Message to North Vietnamese
 - Kissinger's schedule
- Press relations
 - Kissinger's press briefing, October 26, 1972
 - The President's view
 - Lisagor
 - Bernard Kalb
 - Killed in action [KIA] figures for previous week
 - Media coverage
- Type of settlement
 - No surrender
 - Desire of American public

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-McGeorge Bundy's appearance on TV

Watergate

- The *New York Times*
- The *Washington Post* story on campaign charges
 - White House response
 - H.R. ("Bob") Haldeman and secret fund
 - The President's view
 - Kissinger's view
 - Nelson A. Rockefeller's campaign tactics
 - Wiretaps
 - Rockefeller's associates
- Watergate
- Wiretapping
- Central Intelligence Agency [CIA]
- Watergate break-in
 - Democratic National Committee [DNC]
 - Lawrence F. O'Brien, Jr.
 - Responsibility
 - Hubert H. Humphrey
 - Edmund S. Muskie
 - Kissinger's view

Campaign strategy

- Attacks on McGovern
- Vietnam as issue
- Aggressive campaigning
 - Barry M. Goldwater
- McGovern attacks on Vietnam peace settlement
 - Effect on peace settlement talks
 - Effect on US

Vietnam peace settlement negotiations

- North Vietnamese strategy
 - Publication of settlement terms
 - Possible White House strategies
 - Thieu's actions
 - Dispatching of ambassadors worldwide
 - Referendum proposal
 - Kissinger's conversation with Joseph W. Alsop
 - William F. Buckley, Jr.'s possible visit with Thieu
 - Catholicism
- Post-1972 election strategy

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- Gen. Creighton W. Abrams, Jr.
- Kissinger's role
- Thieu's position in light of US strategy
- South Vietnamese government
 - Administrative structure
- 1972 campaign
 - John B. Connally
 - Haig's call to Connally
- Reaction to timing of settlement
- Kissinger's talk with Alsop
 - Forthcoming article
- Haig's forthcoming telephone call to Cardinal Cooke
- Kissinger's forthcoming telephone call to Ronald W. Reagan
 - The President's May 8, 1972 decision
 - Coalition government
 - Attack on McGovern
- Haig's forthcoming telephone calls to Samuel W. Yorty, George C. Wallace

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[Personal Returnable]

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[Duration: 1m 40s]

- 1972 campaign
 - Gallup polls
 - Percentages
 - Lyndon B. Johnson
 - Dwight D. Eisenhower
 - 1956 campaign
 - Unemployment
 - Public perception
- George S. McGovern
 - The President's opinion
- Henry A. Kissinger's opinion of public perception
 - George S. McGovern
 - R. Sargent Shriver

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Vietnam

- Kissinger's forthcoming telephone call to Connally
 - Colson's previous call to George E. Christian
 - The President's May 8, 1972 decision
- Agnew
 - Haig's briefing
 - The President's view
 - The President's relationship with conservatives
 - The President's November 3, 1969 speech
 - Demonstrations
 - Mining Haiphong, bombing North Vietnam
 - Negotiations
- Thieu
 - US strategy
- North Vietnam
 - Strategy
 - Message
- North Vietnam position compared with US position
 - Bombing halt
 - Progress
 - Timing

The President's schedule

- Harold Lee
- Hong Kong

Kissinger's forthcoming telephone call to Connally

- Kissinger's forthcoming telephone call to the President

Kissinger left at 9:50 am.

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Date: October 27, 1972

Time: Unknown between 9:50 am and 9:52 am

Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

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H.R. ("Bob") Haldeman's forthcoming meeting with the President

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 9:52 am.

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Date: October 27, 1972
Time: 9:52 am
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 32-69]

Conversation No. 374-14

Date: October 27, 1972
Time: 9:52 am
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 032-070]

Conversation No. 374-15

Date: October 27, 1972
Time: 9:52 am - 9:54 am
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with Dwight L. Chapin.

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[Duration: 2m 4s]

[See Conversation No. 032-071]

Conversation No. 374-16

Date: October 27, 1972
Time: 9:55 am - 11:08 am
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Charles W. Colson.

- The President's schedule
- H.R. ("Bob") Haldeman
- Bills for signature, veto

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[Personal Returnable]
[374-016-w001]
[Duration: 12m 19s]

- Campaign polls
- Harris poll
 - Percentages
- Gallup
- Iowa
 - News reports
- National Broadcasting Company [NBC]
 - George S. McGovern
- Chicago Sun-Times poll
 - Percentage
- Chicago Tribune poll
 - Percentage

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- New York Daily News*
 - Unpublished
 - Timing of poll publications
- Harris poll
 - Percentages
- Samuel Lubell
- Voter shift
 - Workers
- Effect of press

H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman entered at 9:56 am.

1972 campaign

- California shift in polls
 - Union workers
 - George S. McGovern gain
 - Nature of California union
 - Mexicans
- New York poll
 - Union workers
 - Percentages
 - George S. McGovern gain
 - Reason
 - Personal interview poll, October 20-23, 1972
- Telephone poll
 - Catholic
 - Percentages
- Time frame of polls
 - Shifts in polls
 - Reasons
- Black voters
- Manhattan
- Bronx, Queens
- North Carolina
- Buffalo
- September polls
 - Results
 - Compared to present
 - Nature of sample
- California
 - Drop in the President's support in polls
 - Catholics
 - Election prospects

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- New York
 - Gain in polls
 - Reasons
 - Blacks
 - Polls
- The President's opinion on poll breakdowns
- Harris poll
 - Union workers
- Administration action to offset losses in polls
 - California
 - Donald F. Rodgers, Frank E. Fitzsimmons, Paul Hall, and Michael P. Balzano, Jr.
 - Catholics
 - Los Angeles
 - Bay Area
 - Southern California
 - San Francisco
 - The President's opinion
 - San Jose
 - Santa Clara
- Dwight D. Eisenhower in 1956
 - Comparison to 1972
 - California
 - Ronald W. Reagan
 - West showing compared with the East

1972 campaign

- McGovern's position on Vietnam peace settlement
 - News summary
 - Patrick J. Buchanan, Henry A. Kissinger
 - The President's orders to attack McGovern
 - Possible attack on R. Sargent Shriver
 - Prisoners of war [POWs]
 - Disarmament of South Vietnam
 - Coalition government
 - Timing of US pullout
 - Kissinger's public statements
 - John A. Scali's view
 - "Peace with honor" compared with "Peace with surrender"
 - Electorate

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- The President's view
- The White house and the press
 - Joseph C. Kraft
 - Communication with the *Washington Post*
 - Murrey Marder's call to Alexander M. Haig, Jr.
 - The President's orders for Kissinger
 - New York Times*
 - William P. Rogers
 - William H. Sullivan
 - John B. Connally
 - Haig
- Delegating authority
 - Comparison to [Thomas] Woodrow Wilson
 - Vice President Spiro T. Agnew

Record of opponents' statements on issues

- Polls
- Efforts of Colson's staff
- Six Crises*
 - James B. ("Scotty") Reston
 - William F. Knowland
- Kissinger
- Possible television [TV] special
 - Testing of Dan Rather's predictions
 - Timing
 - 1972 election
 - Press coverage
 - Columbia Broadcasting System [CBS]

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[Duration: 11m 25s]

1972 campaign

- The President's October 26, 1972 trip
 - Countryside
 - Housing
 - Economic status of people

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- People described
- Reception by people
- Religious nature of people
 - Candles
- The President's speech on Vietnam
 - Louie B. Nunn
 - “Peace with honor”
 - Reception by people
 - “Peace with honor”
- M. Gene Snyder and Tim Lee Carter
 - Conservatives
 - The President's opinion
- John Sherman Cooper
- Republican core
- Volunteers
 - West Virginia
- Catholics
- Chicago
 - George P. Shultz
 - Louis Harris, Frank E. Fitzsimmons, Albert E. Sindlinger

Campaign issues

- Economy
- Watergate
 - Effect on electorate
 - Democrat
 - Catholics, intellectuals, ethnics
 - Realities of politics for Democratic leaders
 - Richard J. Daley and Robert P. Hanrahan
 - Possible outcome of election
 - Richard M. Scammon's survey on support for the President
 - Demographics
 - Abortion, amnesty
- Campaign strategy
 - Negative and positive ads, John B. Connally broadcast
 - Radio spots
 - George S. McGovern
 - Massachusetts
 - Clark Macgregor
 - John B. Connally
 - Prospects
 - John B. Connally's television appearance
 - Edward M. (“Ted”) Kennedy

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-George S. McGovern

Vietnam and the 1972 election

- McGovern
 - Sympathy appeal
 - Campaign strategy
 - Proposals for peace in Vietnam
 - Focus of White house response
 - Media coverage, October 26, 1972
 - Possible public response
 - Ending the war in 1969
 - W[illiam] Averell Harriman
 - McGeorge Bundy
 - Kissinger
- Watergate as issue
- McGovern's statements
 - Credibility
 - Colson's view
 - Campaign strategy
 - Attacking Shriver
 - Buchanan's view
 - Robert J. Dole's statements
- Administration strategy
 - Ziegler's view
 - The president's recent views
 - McGovern's recent remarks
 - US casualties
 - Use of Agnew for White House response
 - Use of Rogers for press conference
 - Support for the President
 - Dole

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- 1972 campaign
 - California
 - Organization
 - Franklyn F. (“Lyn”) Nofziger
 - Republican voters
 - Telegrams
 - Appeal to Republican voters
 - Democratic voter breakdown
 - Door-to-door campaign
 - Getting vote out
 - Republican voters
 - Character of population
 - Democrats’ strategy
 - Democrats
 - Billy Mills
 - Program organizers
 - The President’s schedule
 - John B. Connally [?]
 - November 3, 1972
 - Strategy

- 1972 campaign
 - Vietnam War demonstrations
 - Boston
 - Federal building
 - McGovern’s peace settlement proposals
 - Withdrawal timetable

The President left after an unknown time after 9:56 am.

- Shriver
 - Kissinger’s trips

The President entered at an unknown time before 11:05 am.

- Haldeman
 - Newspaper story in *Washington Post* about 1962 activities
- Donald F. Nixon
- Albert E. Sindlinger’s views

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- Public opinion
 - Polls
 - Measure of success
 - Louis P. Harris, Sindlinger, Richard M. Scammon
 - Important factors
 - Busing, amnesty, abortion, foreign policy
 - Vietnam
 - Press
 - McGovern
 - Opportunity to attack administration
 - Economic issues, Vietnam
 - Limitations on administration's popularity
 - Public perception of McGovern campaign
 - Vietnam
 - Moral issue
 - Frank E. Fitzsimmons
 - “Peace with honor”
 - Sindlinger
 - Economy
 - The President's standing
 - George H. Gallup
 - Kissinger

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[Duration: 15m 23s]

- End of campaign period
 - Change in polls
 - Hubert H. Humphrey surge
 - Salt Lake City speech
 - Labor
 - Democrats for Nixon in 1968
 - Shift in polls
 - Comparison between early and late October
 - Salt Lake City speech
 - Comparison of Hubert H. Humphrey surge to current trend

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Tape Subject Log
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- Gallup poll
- Barry M. Goldwater, Sr.
- Spiro T. Agnew
- George S. McGovern momentum
 - Watergate as issue
- Margin of error
- Lyndon B. Johnson comparison, 1964
 - Spread of polls
 - Gallup poll
 - Compared to Barry M. Goldwater, Sr.
 - Retained favorable relationships with media and pollsters
 - Democrat
 - August poll
 - October poll
 - November polls
 - Election
 - Barry M. Goldwater, Sr.
- Schedule
 - California

1962 California gubernatorial campaign

- Percentages
- Cuban Missile Crisis
- John F. Kennedy
 - Edmund G. ("Pat") Brown
- The President's view

1972 campaign

- Vietnam
 - Support
 - Charles W. Colson's conversation with unknown man
- The President's campaign appearance at Kentucky
 - Albert B. ("Happy") Chandler
 - Louis B. Nunn
 - Leslie T. ("Bob") Hope comparison
 - Jack Benny
 - Comedic timing
 - Richard A. Moore
 - Paul Hall [?]
- Motorcades
 - Stopping
- Campaign appearances
 - Before election

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-Grand finale

Terence Cardinal Cooke and John P. Cardinal Cody's request
for peace prayers

Request for a telephone call to Kissinger

Haldeman talked with Kissinger at an unknown time between 11:05 and 11:08 am.

[Conversation No. 374-16A]

Vietnam update
-Kissinger's call to Connally
-Haig's briefing of George Meany

[End of telephone conversation]

Vietnam peace settlement
-Connally's views

The President, Haldeman and Colson left at 11:08 am.

Conversation No. 374-17

Date: October 27, 1972
Time: Unknown between 1:34 pm and 2:40 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

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

Schedule

Haldeman left at an unknown time before 2:40 pm.

Conversation No. 374-18

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Tape Subject Log
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Date: October 27, 1972
Time: Unknown between 1:34 pm and 2:40 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

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[374-018-w001]
[Duration: 55s]

Menu

- Steak [?]
- Salad

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 2:40 pm.

Conversation No. 374-19

Date: October 27, 1972
Time: Unknown between 2:30 pm and 2:40 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

Request for a meeting with Charles W. Colson

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 2:40 pm.

Conversation No. 374-20

Date: October 27, 1972

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Tape Subject Log
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Time: 2:40 pm - 2:50 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Charles W. Colson.

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[Personal Returnable]
[374-020-w001]
[Duration: 5m 28s]

- 1972 campaign
 - First Monday* insert
 - Brochure about George S. McGovern
 - Literature distribution
 - Republicans
 - Press
 - Bias
 - Editorial support for the President
 - Strategy after election
 - Press
 - Other newspapers compared with *Washington Post*
 - George S. McGovern
 - Polls
 - The President's lead
 - Landslide
 - Gallup poll
 - Matthew Bailey's [?] opinion
 - Methods
 - Vietnam
 - Support
 - Harris poll and Sindlinger poll
 - Percentages
 - Editorial release of election prediction by Louis Harris
 - October 30, 1972 release
 - Syndicate rules
 - Hawk
 - Theodore H. ("Teddy") White

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Tape Subject Log
(rev. Feb-24)

1972 campaign

- Poll results
 - Vietnam peace settlement
 - George S. McGovern
 - Negativism
 - Economy
 - Foreign relations with Soviet Union and the People's Republic of China [PRC]
- Election strategy
- Louis P. Harris's report
 - Prospects
 - Vietnam and prisoners of war [POWs]
 - South Vietnam elections
 - The President compared with McGovern
 - Speech potential
 - South Vietnam elections
 - William P. Rogers, Spiro T. Agnew, John B. Connally
 - Possible television advertisement
 - McGovern's Vietnam position
 - Compared with the President's position
 - Surrender
 - POWs

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[Personal Returnable]
[374-020-w002]
[Duration: 2m 10s]

1972 campaign

- Shift in polls
 - Reason
 - George S. McGovern's strategy
 - The President's strategy
 - George P. Shultz
 - Louis Harris
 - The President's attacks
 - Perception of George S. McGovern

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Tape Subject Log
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- John B. Connally [?]
- Harris poll
 - Catholics
- Gallup poll, Lubell poll
 - Shift in polls

Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 2:40 pm.

- The President's schedule
 - Forthcoming Oval Office meeting with Robert J. Dole

Bull left at an unknown time before 2:50 pm.

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[Personal Returnable]
 [374-020-w003]
 [Duration: 58s]

- 1972 campaign
 - Robert J. Dole's forthcoming television appearances
 - Three networks
 - Louis Harris

The President and Colson left at 2:50 pm.