# Tape Subject Log

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Conversation No. 456-1

Time: Unknown between 12:00 am and 9:42 am Location: Oval Office Unknown people [Secret Service] met [Previous non-historical (H) withdrawal reviewed under deed of gift 10/29/2019. Segment *cleared for release.*]

[Non-Historical]

[456-001-w001] [Duration: 33s]

Date: February 23, 1971

[This portion of the tape is mostly room noise with some muffled background conversation.]

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Recording was cut off at an unknown time before 9:42 am

Conversation No. 456-2

Date: February 23, 1971 Time: 9:42 am - 9:44 am Location: Oval Office

The President met with Ronald L. Ziegler

[Recording begins while the conversation is in progress]

Press

-Vietnam

-Reporting

-Ziegler's comments to press

-President's position

-Washington Post article

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# -Reporting of war

# Ziegler left at 9:44 am

Conversation No. 456-3

Date: February 23, 1971 Time: 9:46 am - 9:48 am Location: Oval Office

# The President met with Alexander P. Butterfield

# News summary

- -Alterations
  - -President's comments
  - -Effect of forthcoming economic meeting
  - -John B. Connally
  - -Paul W. McCracken
  - -George P. Shultz

### Butterfield left at 9:48 am

Conversation No. 456-4

Date: February 23, 1971 Time: 9:54 am - 9:55 am Location: Oval Office

# The President met with Alexander P. Butterfield

The President's schedule
-"Open Hour"
-Reporters
-The President's view
-John R. ("Jack") Williams, Jr.
-John B. Waters, Jr.
-Ronald L. Ziegler

#### Butterfield left at 9:55 am

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Conversation No. 456-5

Date: February 23, 1971 Time: 10:05 am - 11:30 am Location: Oval Office

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

Foreign trade policy

-Peter G. Peterson

-Administration policy

-Coordination

-William P. Rogers and Henry A. Kissinger

Kissinger

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[Privacy]

[456-005-w010] [Duration: <u>13s</u>]

Henry A. Kissinger -Behavior

-Trust

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# Henry A. Kissinger

- -General Alexander M. Haig, Jr.
- -Admiral Thomas H. Moorer
- -Melvin R. Laird
- -Press conference on Laos
  - -News summary
- -Cabinet meeting

# **Tape Subject Log**

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# -Briefings

The President's schedule
-Governors' conference
-Laos briefing
-John D. Ehrlichman
-President's view

#### Alexander P. Butterfield entered at an unknown time after 10:05 am

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Vietnam
-Military developments
-Reports
-Leak
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# Butterfield left at an unknown time before 10:25 am

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Economy
-Troika meeting
-Arthur F. Burns' statement
-President's memo
-Dissemination
-Action
-Haldeman's conversation with Burns
-Burns' statements on confidence
-Effect
-Stock market
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#### Appointments

-President's view
-Retired businessmen
-Retired officers

# Open Hour

-Need for accurate reporting
-Butterfield and Ronald L. Ziegler
-Color reports for press
-Role of staff reporter
-John B. Waters, Jr.
-John R. ("Jack") Williams, Jr.
-Taping system
-Butterfield

# **Tape Subject Log**

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```
-Transcripts
                     -President's orders
                -Butterfield's role
           -President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports
                -John K. Andrews, Jr.
                -James H. Van Alen
                     -President's conversation with Van Alan
                           -Publicity
           -James Udall
Press report
     -Vietnam incident
Public statements
     -Murray L. Weidenbaum
          -Revenue sharing
                -Possible compromise
     -John B. Connally
          -Maurice H. Stans
     -Departmental competition
           -Administration policy
The President's schedule
     -Cabinet officers
     -Staff dinner
     -Radio speech
     -Forthcoming White House Governors' dinner
          -Leslie T. ("Bob") Hope
                -Gifts
Kissinger
     -Role in Middle East
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[Privacy]

[456-005-w004] [Duration: 30s]

Henry A. Kissinger

# **Tape Subject Log**

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- -Role in Middle East
- -View of the Vietnam War
- -William P. Rogers [?]
- -Alexander M. Haig, Jr.
  - -The President's previous telephone calls with

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#### Henry A. Kissinger

- -The President's conversation with Moorer, February 22
  - -Vietnam
    - -Paris Peace Talks
    - -Conversation with Anatoliy F. Dobrynin
    - -Paris Peace Talks
- -Staff meetings
  - -Rogers, Laird, and Connally
- -Strategic Arms Limitation Talks [SALT]
  - -Rogers' view
  - -Kissinger's view
  - -Soviet view
  - -Berlin
  - -Middle East
- -Rogers/Kissinger relationship
- -National Security Study Memorandum [NSSM]
  - -Need for coordination
  - -Number
  - -Laird and Rogers' participation
- -Kissinger role
  - -Kissinger/Rogers relationship
- -SALT
  - -Joseph C. Kraft story
    - -Policy differences
    - -State of World message
    - -William H. Sullivan
    - -Leak
  - -Need for Administration response
    - -Forthcoming call to Rogers
    - -Effect
- -State of the World message
  - -SALT

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# [The President talked with an unknown person at an unknown time between 10:05 am and 10:25 am]

[Conversation No. 456-5A]

Request that Ehrlichman join them

# [End of telephone conversation]

# Kissinger

- -Abraham Lincoln
- -Press image
  - -Kissinger's role
    - -President
  - -Laird and Rogers

#### The President's schedule

- -Governors' conference
  - -Possible briefing on Laos operation
  - -Governors' concerns
  - -Publicity

#### Media reports

- -Dennis Warner's article
- -[Forename unknown] Crawford
- -Crosby S. Noyes
- -Dissemination
  - -Herbert G. Klein
  - -Robert J. Dole
- -New York Times article on revenue sharing

# Ehrlichman entered at 10:25 am

- -Administration response
  - -President's position
  - -Comments to governors
- -Weidenbaum's testimony
  - -Ehrlichman's conversation with Weidenbaum
    - -Hubert H. Humphrey
  - -Connally's role
  - -Rationale
  - -Substance

# **Tape Subject Log**

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- -The President's meeting with Wilbur D. Mills
- -President's conversation with Connally
- -Ehrlichman's conversation with Nelson A. Rockefeller
  - -Comments by the President
    - -Alternatives to revenue sharing bill
- -Connally's forthcoming talk to governors
- -Ehrlichman's comments
- -Reaction to the President's programs
  - -Rockefeller
    - -John Briggs
    - -The President's commitment to revenue sharing
    - -Precedents

#### Governors' conference

- -The President's forthcoming talk
  - -Content
    - -Domestic issues
    - -Laos
    - -Vietnam
    - -Focus of conference
- -Preston Smith
  - -Welfare costs proposal
  - -Rockefeller's reaction
  - -John V. Lindsay
    - -Forthcoming lawsuit
  - -President's comments
    - -Welfare reform
    - -Revenue sharing
    - -Ehrlichman's comments
- -Regional commissions
  - -Administration policy
  - -Edward L. Morgan
  - -Connally
  - -Democrats' counter-proposal
  - -Connally's view
- -Media coverage of administration presentations
  - -Weidenbaum
  - -Ziegler's role
  - -President's comments
- -Administration presentation
  - -Connally's view

# **Tape Subject Log**

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- -Media briefings by Donald H. Rumsfeld and Ehrlichman
- -Media coverage
- -President's view
- -Possible future press briefing
  - -Ziegler
- -Computer printout
  - -Revenue sharing

#### Ziegler entered at 10:41 am

- -Media coverage
  - -Statements
- -Tone and style of presentation
  - -Rumsfeld
  - -Ehrlichman

#### Weidenbaum's statement

-Ziegler's and Ehrlichman's statements

Wage and price controls

- -George P. Shultz
- -Administration's options
- -Davis-Bacon Act
  - -Effect

#### Ehrlichman and Ziegler left at 10:45 am

#### Kissinger

- -Speeches
  - -William L. Safire and Rogers
  - -Burns
- -Relations with Rogers
  - -Department of State
  - -Access to the President
    - -Haldeman's previous conversation with Rogers
      - -Haldeman's and Rose Mary Woods' roles
      - -Role of National Security Council [NSC]
- -Ecuadorean tuna boats
  - -Dole
  - -The President's reaction
  - -Rogers' role
    - -Organization of American States [OAS]

# **Tape Subject Log**

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-Resolution
          -Role and workload
                -Presidential involvement
                -Ambassador from Cyprus
                -Nicaraguan transistors
                     -Peterson
                -Use of NSC staff
                     -Compared to Domestic Council
                -Presidential involvement
                -Rogers
          -Information routing
               -Ehrlichman
                -Peter M. Flanigan
                -Presidential involvement
          -Compared with Department of State personnel
                -Rogers
          -Role
                -Vietnam
                -Connally
[Haldeman talked with Kissinger at an unknown time between 10:45 am and 10:52 am]
[Conversation No. 456-5B]
     Request that he join them in Oval Office
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[End of telephone conversation]

The President's schedule -NSC meeting date -Attendance -Frank J. Shakespeare -Rogers

#### Kissinger entered at 10:52 am

-Connally -Timing -Michael J. ("Mike") Mansfield breakfast -Carl B. Albert -Cabinet meeting -Preparation -Agenda

# **Tape Subject Log**

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```
-Laotian situation
                          -Connally
               -Timing
                     -Dates
                          -Schedule conflicts
                     -Attorney General
               -Preparation
          -Morning meetings
Haldeman left at 11:05 am
     Vietnam military developments
          -Death of General Do Cao Tri
               -Circumstances
               -Impact
               -Successor
                     -Ellsworth F. Bunker cable to Kissinger
                          -Competence of Tri's successor
                               -General Creighton W. Abrams, Jr.'s and Bunker's view
          -General Nguyen Van Thieu
               -Nguyen Cao Ky
          -Cambodia operations
               -Developments
               -Tri
               -Leadership
               -Planning
          -Abrams
          -[Forename unknown] Davidson
               -Competence
          -General William C. Westmoreland
               -View of war
                     -Charles E. ("Chip") Bohlen
                     -Moorer's cable to Abrams
                     -Press stories
                          -Possible briefing
          -Military situation
               -Westmoreland's view
                     -Army of the Republic of Vietnam [ARVN] competence
               -Bunker's cable
                     -Effect in Saigon
```

-Abrams and Thieu

# **Tape Subject Log**

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- -Lam Son operation
- -[Forename unknown] Southerland
- -Lieutenant General Hoang Xuan Lam
- -ARVN
- -Public relations plan
  - -Briefing format
  - -Leaks to media

#### Media coverage

-Compared to civil war

#### Manolo Sanchez entered at an unknown time after 11:05 am

Book by Carl Sandburg

-Civil War generals

#### Sanchez left at an unknown time before 11:30 am

### Media coverage

- -Newsweek story on the President
  - -Joseph W. Alsop
  - -President's role
    - -European leader's view
    - -Laos

#### -Source

- -Edward R. G. Heath
- -Georges J. R. Pompidou
- -Unknown Italian

#### Vietnam

- -President's view of news coverage
- -ARVN
  - -Laotian operation
- -United States' troop withdrawal
  - -Time schedule
  - -Conditions
    - -Release of Prisoners of War [POWs]
- -Visit by Haig
  - -Laird's view
    - -Abrams
    - -Kissinger's position

# **Tape Subject Log**

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```
-Kissinger's conversation with Dobrynin
          -President's position
                -Haig's role
          -Bunker and Thieu
     -Peace proposal
          -Condition
          -Time schedule
SALT
     -Dobrynin
          -Letter to Aleksei N. Kosygin from the President
          -Letter from Kissinger
          -Response
                -Gerard C. Smith
                     -President's view
     -Press reports
          -State of World message
                -SALT section
                     -Kissinger
                     -Rogers
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# [The President talked with the White House operator at an unknown time between 11:05 am and 11:30 am]

[Conversation No. 456-5C]

Call to Haldeman

[End of telephone conversation]

[The President talked with Haldeman at an unknown time between 11:05 am and 11:30 am]

[Conversation No. 456-5D]

Leak in State Department

- -SALT section of speech
- -Ziegler
- -Effect on State of World message
- -Haldeman's investigation

[End of telephone conversation]

# **Tape Subject Log**

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Berlin negotiations
     -Public relations
          -Leak to media
                -Timing
                -President's role
                -President's position
          -Conclusion
                -Timing
     -Message to [David] Kenneth Rush
          -The President's role
          -Timing
          -Public relations
SALT
     -Proposal
     -Smith and Rogers
           -New York Times editorial
          -Letter to Kosygin from the President
                -Smith's reaction
                -Rogers' reaction
                -President's view
                -Laird
                -Smith
          -Credit for negotiations' success
           -Antiballistic Missile [ABM]
                -Laird
                     -Kissinger's conversation with Laird
     Dobrynin
          -Letter to Kosygin from the President
                -Editing
                     -Changes
                           -Multiple Independently-Targeted Reentry Vehicles [MIRVs]
General Joseph Maurer
     -Civil War record
           -General William T. Sherman
          -General Ulysses S. Grant
          -Lincoln
     -Vietnam
           -Military objectives
                -ARVN troops
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#### Vietnam

-New York Times article

-Laos action

-ARVN troops

-Tchepone

-Ho Chi Minh Trail

-Rationale

-Thieu's position

-President's view

-ARVN troops

-Press accounts

-Rowland Evans

-Administration public relations

-The President

-Laird's statements

-Administration position

-Bombing

-ARVN

-Air strikes

-Military situation

-North Vietnamese supplies

-Possible locations

-Possible statement

-Supplies

-Surface-to-Air Missile [SAM] sites

-Rationale

Maurer

# Kissinger left at 11:30 am

Conversation No. 456-6

Date: February 23, 1971

Time: Unknown between 11:30 am and 11:36 am

Location: Oval Office

The President met with Alexander P. Butterfield

# **Tape Subject Log**

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The President's schedule
-White House entertainment
-Introduction by the President
-Up With People
-Leslie T. ("Bob") Hope
-President's view

Butterfield left at an unknown time before 11:36 am

Conversation No. 456-7

Date: February 23, 1971 Time: 11:36 am - 11:48 am Location: Oval Office

The President met with Milton R. Young, Mark Andrews, Lee W. Huebner, and twenty-five members of the North Dakota Legislature [list of names unavailable]; the White House photographer was present during the meeting

[General conversation]
-Seating
Revenue sharing
-Importance to North Dakota
-Rural development
-Administration policy
-Funding

Presentation of gifts by the President

Description of Oval Office
-Theodore ("Teddy") Roosevelt
-John B. Connally

Young, et al. left at 11:48 am

# **Tape Subject Log**

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Date: February 23, 1971

Time: 11:48 am

Location: Oval Office

# The President met with Stephen B. Bull

Photo with John R. ("Jack") Williams, Jr.

Bull left at 11:48 am

Conversation No. 456-9

Date: February 23, 1971 Time: 11:49 am - 12:02 pm Location: Oval Office

The President met with John R. ("Jack") Williams, Jr., John D. Ehrlichman, and Lee W. Huebner; the White House photographer was present during the meeting

# Greetings

#### Arizona

-Water consumption

-Future projects

-Timing

-Funding

-President's view

-Arizona congressional delegation

-John J. Rhodes

-Administration policy

-Caspar W. ("Cap") Weinberger

- -Budget
- -Economy
  - -Unemployment
  - -Aerospace industry
  - -Mining
  - -Agriculture
  - -Construction

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-Real estate

-United States' economy

-Administration policy

-Administration efforts

-Water

-Arizona policies

-Effect on future

Presentation of gifts by the President

# Williams left and Ronald L. Ziegler entered at 11:57 am

Ehrlichman's phone conversation with the Vice President

-Governors' meeting

-Media coverage

-Rationale

-Revenue sharing

-Media coverage

-The President's forthcoming talk

-Remarks by the President and the Vice President

-Format

-John B. Connally's remarks

-Administration policy

-President's comments

Ziegler's press briefing

-Henry A. Kissinger's briefing

White House festivities

-Photographs

# Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 11:57 am

Schedule

Ehrlichman, et al. left at 12:02 pm

# Tape Subject Log

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Date: February 23, 1971 Time: 12:02 pm - 12:06 pm Location: Oval Office

The President met with John B. Waters, Jr., Patsy (Temple) Waters, Cynthia Waters, John B. Waters, III, John D. Ehrlichman, Ronald L. Ziegler, and Lee W. Huebner; the White House photographer was present during the meeting

Arrangement for photo

[General conversation]

- -Speaking engagement by the President
- -Children
- -Howard H. Baker, Jr.

Presentation of gifts by the President

Description of Oval Office

Tennessee politicians

J. B. Waters, Jr., et al. left at 12:06 pm

Conversation No. 456-26

Date: February 23, 1971

Time: Unknown between 12:06 pm and 12:16 pm

Location: Oval Office

Stephen B. Bull talked with an unknown man

Alexander P. Butterfield

Conversation No. 456-11

Date: February 23, 1971

# **Tape Subject Log**

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Time: 12:06 pm - 12:07 pm Location: Oval Office

# The President met with Stephen B. Bull [?]

The President's schedule -Press

Bull [?] left at 12:07 pm

Conversation No. 456-12

Date: February 23, 1971 Time: 1:05 pm - 2:09 pm Location: Oval Office

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

The President's schedule
-Governors' conference
-President's comments

# [The President talked with John D. Ehrlichman at an unknown time between 1:05 pm and 1:12 pm]

[Conversation No. 456-12A]

-Media coverage -White House dinner

# [End of telephone conversation]

Suspension of Davis-Bacon Act
-Briefing of congressmen
-Clark MacGregor's view
-Robert P. Griffin
-Jacob K. Javits
-Administration position

White House dinner

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-Press coverage
          -Columbia Broadcasting System [CBS] interest
                -Herbert J. ("Jackie") Gleason
          -Charles W. Colson
          -Guest list
          -Thelma C. (Ryan) ("Pat") Nixon's view
          -Advantages
                -Compared to Edward K. ("Duke") Ellington dinner
                -Gleason
                -President's position
                -Beverly Sills
     -Location of stage
          -Richard ("Red") Skelton
          -Johnny Cash
     -Press coverage
          -Mrs. Nixon's view
Newsweek story on State of World message
     -Leak
          -Haldeman's conversation with William P. Rogers
                -Henry A. Kissinger
                -James J. Kilpatrick, Jr.
                -Strategic Arms Limitation Talks [SALT]
                -Arms Control and Disarmament Agency [ACDA]
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#### Colson entered at 1:12 pm

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Davis-Bacon Act
-Colson's role
-Effect
-Wage Price Board
-Wage and price freeze
-James D. Hodgson
-Colson's view
-Effect on unions
-Purpose
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[Haldeman talked with the White House operator at an unknown time between 1:12 pm and 1:30 pm; the President and Colson can be heard in the background]

[Conversation No. 456-12B]

# **Tape Subject Log**

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Call to MacGregor

[End of telephone conversation]

Suspension of Davis-Bacon Act

- -Administration position
  - -Raymond K. Price, Jr.
  - -President's view
  - -Purpose
- -Labor's view
  - -Peter J. Brennan
- -Administration strategy
  - -Ehrlichman's view
  - -Criticism from left
  - -Credibility
  - -John B. Connally's view
  - -The President's view

[Haldeman talked with MacGregor at an unknown time between 1:12 pm and 1:30 pm; the President and Colson can be heard in the background]

[Conversation No. 456-12C]

-Congressional briefing
-Timing

[End of telephone conversation]

-Administration strategy

-Joint statement by George P. Shultz and Colson

-Wording

-Labor Department section

-Public versus private statement

-Purpose of Davis-Bacon Act

-Union wages

-Re-instatement

-Timing

-State Department view

-President's view

[Haldeman talked with the White House operator [?] at an unknown time between 1:12 pm and 1:30 pm; the President and Colson can be heard in the background]

# **Tape Subject Log**

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[Conversation No. 456-12D]

Call to Shultz

[End of telephone conversation]

Suspension of Davis-Bacon Act
-Administration strategy
-Joint statement by Shultz and Colson
-Wording
-Justification of Davis-Bacon Act
-Union wages

#### Shultz entered at 1:30 pm

-Department of Labor view

-Paul W. McCracken

-Willie J. Usery, Jr.

-Brennan

-Effects of opposition

-William L. Safire

-Schedule

-State of the World address

-Oil and steel actions as precedent

-Steel prices

-Bargaining process

-Conditions that fostered Davis-Bacon Act

-Consistency of administration's actions

-Steel and oil actions

# Rose Mary Woods entered at 1:50 pm

-Safire

-The President's schedule

# Woods left at 1:54 pm

State of the World address

-Safire

-Price

-Kissinger

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-Newsweek story

-Leak

-Rogers

-ACDA

-Haldeman's conversation with Rogers
-Kissinger

National Security Study Memoranda [NSSMs]

- -Haldeman's conversation with Kissinger
- -Melvin R. Laird
- -Number
- -Alexander P. Butterfield

#### Haldeman left at 1:56 pm

Davis-Bacon Act

- -Statement from administration
  - -Wording
    - -Rationale for administration action
    - -Meaning to industry
    - -Colson's call to concerned party
- -Construction industry
- -Hodgson's statement

Colson and Shultz left at 2:09 pm

Conversation No. 456-13

Date: February 23, 1971

Time: Unknown between 2:09 pm and 3:00 pm

Location: Oval Office

The President met with unknown people [Manolo Sanchez and Stephen B. Bull?]

[Previous archivists categorized this section as unintelligible. It has been rereviewed and released 10/29/2019.]

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[Unintelligible] [456-013-w001] [Duration: 3m 46s]

[This portion of the tape is mostly room noise with some muffled background conversation.]

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The unknown people [Sanchez and Bull?] left at an unknown time before 3:00 pm

Conversation No. 456-14

Date: February 23, 1971

Time: Unknown between 2:09 pm and 3:00 pm

Location: Oval Office

The President met with unknown people [Alexander P. Butterfield and Stephen B. Bull?]

Schedule

The unknown people [Butterfield and Bull?] left at an unknown time before 3:00 pm

Conversation No. 456-15

Date: February 23, 1971

Time: Unknown between 2:09 pm and 3:00 pm

Location: Oval Office

The President talked with the White House operator

Call to William L. Safire

# Tape Subject Log

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Conversation No. 456-16

Date: February 23, 1971 Time: 3:00 pm - 3:05 pm Location: Oval Office

# The President met with Alexander P. Butterfield

The President's schedule

Butterfield left at 3:05 pm

Conversation No. 456-17

Date: February 23, 1971 Time: 3:05 pm - 3:08 pm Location: Oval Office

# The President talked with William L. Safire

State of the World message
-Melvin R. Laird and William P. Rogers
-National security
-Defense
-Arms control
-Schedule

Conversation No. 456-18

Date: February 23, 1971

Time: Unknown between 3:08 pm and 3:22 pm

Location: Oval Office

# The President met with Alexander P. Butterfield

Schedule

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# Butterfield left at an unknown time before 3:22 pm

Conversation No. 456-19

Date: February 23, 1971

Time: Unknown between 3:08 pm and 3:22 pm

Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown person

Schedule

The unknown person left at an unknown time before 3:22 pm

Conversation No. 456-20

Date: February 23, 1971

Time: Unknown between 3:22 pm and 4:06 pm

Location: Oval Office

Unknown people [Secret Service?] met

The President's location

Recording was cut off at an unknown time before 4:06 pm

Conversation No. 456-21

Date: February 23, 1971 Time: 4:08 pm - 4:09 pm Location: Oval Office

The President met with Ronald L. Ziegler

# **Tape Subject Log**

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Media coverage
-Governors' conference
-President's appearance
-James D. Hodgson

Ziegler left at 4:09 pm

Conversation No. 456-22

Date: February 23, 1971 Time: 4:12 pm - 6:18 pm Location: Oval Office

Governors' conference

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

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-President's appearance
     -Use of forums
          -Role
          -John B. Connally's role
                -John D. Ehrlichman
     -Former Governors' Committee
State of the World message
     -William L. Safire's role
     -Melvin R. Laird's role
     -Henry A. Kissinger
          -Press report
                -Leak
          -William P. Rogers
          -Haldeman's conversation with Kissinger
                -Strategic Arms Limitation Talks [SALT]
                     -News story
          -Anatoliy F. Dobrynin
          -SALT
                -United States' letter
                     -Leonid I. Brezhnev
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-Andrei A. Gromyko

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```
-Kissinger's role
         -Length
         -SALT story
              -Impact
              -Tactics
         -Kissinger
              -Workload
BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2
[Previous PRMPA Privacy (D) withdrawal reviewed under deed of gift 10/29/2019. 2m 50s
segment cleared for release. 1m 10s remain closed as 456-022-w002.]
[Privacy]
[456-022-w002]
[Duration: 1m 10s]
END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2
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[Privacy]
[456-022-w002]
[Duration: 2m 50s]
    Henry A. Kissinger
         -Work at White House
              -George P. Schultz
         -Possible treatment by the President and H.R. ("Bob") Haldeman
         -California
         -Tardiness
         -State dinner
              -H.R. ("Bob") Haldeman's role
              -Preparation
         -Tardiness
         -Rhetoric [?]
         -Press report on state of World Message [?]
              -Strategic Arms Limitation Talks [SALT] [?]
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# **Tape Subject Log**

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```
Press coverage of the President
     -Press conference
          -Topics
                -Foreign policy
                -Domestic policy
          -Length
          -Efficacy
          -Timing
          -Length
                -1962 campaign
                     -Edmund G. ("Pat") Brown
The President's schedule
     -Camp David
     -Connally
     -Rogers
     -Laird
     -Admiral Thomas H. Moorer
     -President's forthcoming press conference
     -National Security Council [NSC] meetings
          -Kissinger
          -Rogers
Arthur F. Burns
     -Revenue sharing
     -Daniel P. ("Pat") Moynihan
The President's meeting with Science Advisory Committee
     -Results
          -Dr. Edward E. David, Jr.
          -Participants
          -Congressmen
Schedule
     -Press coverage
     -Connally
     -The Vice President
```

# **Tape Subject Log**

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-The President's previous meeting with North Dakota Congressmen
              -Results
              -Effect of Air Force One use
                   -Grand Forks trip
                   -Rationale
         -National Security Study Memoranda [NSSMs]
              -Haldeman coordination
    Fifty-two foreign service officers who signed Cambodian letter
         -U. Alexis Johnson
         -Results
              -Resignations
              -Assignments
                   -Vietnam
                        -Civil Operations Revolutionary Development Support [CORDS]
                   -Ellsworth F. Bunker
         -Johnson's view
              -Promotion recommendations
              -President's view
    Admiral Raymond A. Spruance
         -Philippines
         -Edward G. Lansdale
         -Charles Bohanan [sp?]
         -Unknown man
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[Previous PRMPA Personal Returnable (G) withdrawal reviewed under deed of gift 10/29/2019.
Segment cleared for release.]
[Personal Returnable]
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F. Donald Nixon

[456-022-w003] [Duration: 4m 52s]

- -Spain trip
- -Dinner with Robert C. Hill
- -Potential telephone call with the President
- -John D. Ehrlichman [?]
- -Telephone call to H.R. ("Bob") Haldeman
  - -Visit to the President

# **Tape Subject Log**

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### -Compared with Rose Mary Woods

#### **Polls**

- -The President compared with Edmund S. Muskie and George C. Wallace
  - -Issues
    - -Defense
    - -Foreign aid
    - -Drug control
    - -Pollution
    - -Welfare
    - -Health care
    - -Pornography
    - -Public schools
    - -Equality
    - -Cities
    - -Aid to poor
  - -Interpretation
    - -Edmund S. Muskie
    - -Successful candidate
    - -Candidate stance on issues

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### Polls

- -Vietnam
- -Prisoners of War [POWs]
  - -Rescue raids
  - -Cease-fire
  - -Prisoner exchanges

Dwight D. Eisenhower's stag dinners and lunches

- -Number by year
  - -Attendance
- -Compared with the President's social functions
  - -Attendance
    - -Heads of State
      - -Prime Minister of Ireland
- -R. Anthony Eden [Earl of Avon]

The President's schedule

-Rural Development Council

# **Tape Subject Log**

(rev. 2/24)

- -Meeting with press
- -Remarks by President
- -Clifford M. Hardin
  - -Edwin L. Harper
    - -Briefing
- -Meeting with editors
  - -Press plan
    - -Cabinet officers
    - -President
- -Robert D. Ray
- -Richard B. Ogilvie
- -Warren E. Hearnes
- -Patrick J. Lucey
- -Mechanics of arrivals
  - -Air Force One
    - -Senators and Congressmen
  - -Public relations
- -Rochester trip
  - -Nelson A. Rockefeller
  - -John N. Mitchell
  - -Itinerary
- -Davis-Bacon Act
  - -Charles W. Colson
- -Swearing-in of Thomas S. Kleppe
- -Civil rights leaders' meeting with the President
  - -Ehrlichman
  - -George W. Romney
  - -Roy Wilkins
  - -Dorothy Height
  - -Whitney M. Young, Jr.
  - -Robert J. Blackwell
  - -Berkeley G. Burrell
  - -Value

# Kissinger

- -Role in foreign relations
  - -Rogers
  - -Dobrynin
- -President's possible conversation with Kissinger
- -Rogers
- -Laird
- -Compared to Burns

# **Tape Subject Log**

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#### -Compared to Leonard Garment

[The President talked to an unknown person at an unknown time between 4:12 pm and 5:51 pm]

[Conversation No. 456-22C]

Request for Harry S. Dent
-Location

[End of telephone conversation]

The President's schedule
-Leslie T. ("Bob") Hope
-Accommodations
-Herbert J. ("Jackie") Gleason
-Blair House

[Haldeman talked with an unknown person in Robert H. Finch's office at an unknown time between 4:12 pm and 5:51 pm]

[Conversation No. 456-22A]

Invitation for Finch to meet with the President

[End of telephone conversation]

Old Executive Office Building office

- -Finch
- -Rogers' office
- -Space
- -The President's offices
- -Roosevelt Room
- -Cabinet Room

Kissinger

-Rogers

Dent entered at an unknown time after 4:12 pm

# **Tape Subject Log**

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[Personal Returnable]

[456-022-w006]

[Duration: 24m 19s]

### Mississippi

- -The President's previous trip
- -The President's telephone call to John B. Williams
- -Clifford M. Hardin
- -George A. Lincoln
- -Winton M. ("Red") Blount
- -Murray M. Chotiner

#### 1972 campaign

- -Alabama
  - -The President's forthcoming trip to Birmingham
  - -Southern regional group
  - -The President's invitation to speak at University of Alabama
  - -Alabama state Republican Party chairman
- -The South
  - -Southerners' support of the President
    - -The Supreme Court
    - -Laos
    - -Cambodia
- -Alabama
  - -Harry S. Dent's conversation with state executive committee chair
- -Political responsibilities for campaign
  - -Attention to certain southern states
    - -Florida
  - -John N. Mitchell, H.R. ("Bob") Haldeman, Harry S. Dent
    - -Pennsylvania
  - -H.R. ("Bob") Haldeman and John N. Mitchell's talk with Robert H. Finch
    - -Minorities
    - -Governors
      - -William W. Scranton
  - -Harry S. Dent's role and staff
    - -Political public relations
    - -Roger E. Johnson
    - -Liaison
    - -George T. Bell
      - -Charles W. Colson

# **Tape Subject Log**

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```
-Religion
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- -Potential meeting
  - -Roger E. Johnson, George T. Bell, Harry S. Dent, Charles W. Colson
- -Southern states
  - -Polls
  - -Harry S. Dent's view
- -George C. Wallace
  - -Political future
  - -Health
  - -Marriage
  - -Alabama
    - -Possible visit by the President
    - -Paul W. ("Bear") Bryant
    - -Benefits of a visit
      - -Impact on George C. Wallace
    - -The President's previous visits to Mississippi and Louisiana
    - -John J. Sparkman
      - -University of Alabama
- -William M. ("Red") Blount [?]
- -The President's conversation with Samuel W. Yorty
  - -Edmund S. Muskie and the South
    - -Record
    - -Victor Lasky
    - -Record
      - -Harrold G. Carswell
      - -Cambodia
      - -Vietnam War
      - -Edward M. ("Ted") Kennedy
      - -ABM [Anti-ballistic Missile]
- -Southern states
  - -Black vote
    - -School integration
      - -Compared to the North
    - -Department of Housing and Urban Development [HUD] programs
    - -Department of Agriculture program
      - -George W. Romney
    - -Arthur A. Fletcher and Robert J. Brown
    - -Gallup approval poll
      - -Popularity among blacks in the south
      - -Conservatism
- -Harry S. Dent's forthcoming meeting with John N. Mitchell
  - -The President's schedule

## **Tape Subject Log**

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- -Florida
  - -Claude R. Kirk, Jr.
  - -William C. Cramer
- -Republican state chairmen
  - -William C. Cramer
  - -John B. Connally
  - -Visit to the White House
    - -March 1971
- -Harry S. Dent's conversation with Clarke T. Reed
- -Elliot L. Richardson
  - -Department of Health, Education, and Welfare [HEW]
  - -American Medical Association [AMA]
  - -Jonathan Moore
  - -General counsel
  - -[first name unknown] Warren
  - -Will Hays
- -James J. Rhodes
- -South
  - -Need for a campaign plan
  - -Democrats
    - -Left wing
  - -Black vote
  - -Edmund S. Muskie
    - -Visit with black leadership
      - -Southerner on presidential ticket
  - -Ernest F. ("Fritz") Hollings
  - -Carey Estes Kefauver
  - -Lyndon B. Johnson
    - -Texas
- -Agriculture
  - -Attention to the Midwest states
  - -Rural development program
  - -Possible special assistant in Department of Agriculture
  - -The President's schedule
    - -Trip to Des Moines
      - -March 1, 1971
  - -1968 campaign support
  - -Murray Spritzer
    - -Harry S. Dent's forthcoming talk with John N. Mitchell
      - -Possible special assistant in Department of Agriculture
      - -Bob [last name unintelligible]
  - -The President's schedule

## **Tape Subject Log**

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-"Salute to Agriculture" event
                -Planning
                -Harry S. Dent's conversation with Jack Miller
                -Murray Spitzer
                    -Bob [last name unintelligible]
            -Secretary of Agriculture
        -Politics
            -Harry S. Dent
                -H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman [?]
                -John N. Mitchell
                -Marvin R. Laird
                -Charles W. Colson
*******************************
Dent left and Finch entered at 5:51 pm
    Hope
    William J. Casey appointment
The President talked with an unknown person at an unknown time between 5:51 pm and 5:52
pm]
[Conversation No. 456-22D]
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[Personal Returnable]
[456-022-w011]
[Duration: 9s]
    The President's schedule
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[End of telephone conversation]

## **Tape Subject Log**

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The President's schedule

- -Kissinger
- -Safire

[Haldeman talked with an unknown person at 5:52 pm; the President and Finch can be heard in the background]

[Conversation No. 456-22B]

Status of Casey appointment

[End of telephone conversation]

Casey appointment

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[Personal Returnable]

[456-022-w007] [Duration: 4m 3s]

Robert H. Finch's role in 1972 campaign

- -Pennsylvania
- -State by state

Request

-Tea and coffee

Robert H. Finch's role in 1972 campaign

- -Pennsylvania
  - -William W. Scranton
  - -[first name unknown] Jones
  - -Philadelphia
  - -Pittsburgh
- -Governors' liaison
  - -William W. Scranton
  - -William G. Milliken
  - -Francis W. Sargent

## **Tape Subject Log**

(rev. 2/24)

```
-Public appearances
               -Youth
                     -Young Republican groups
                          -The President's opinion
                     -Target demographics and subgroups
                     -Youth councils
                     -Stephen Hess's role
                     -View of revenue-sharing
          -Program development
               -Women's program
               -Hispanics
                     -[first name unknown] Garcia
                          -Possible hiring and plans
     Milk Fund
          -Milk money
               -Distribution
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Segment cleared for release.]
[Personal Returnable]
[456-022-w008]
[Duration: 3m 6s]
     1972 campaign
          Forthcoming Robert H. Finch meeting with Manuel Lujan, Jr.
               -[first name unknown] Garcia
               -Efforts for Edward M. ("Ted") Kennedy
               -Hispanics
               -Charles G. ("Bebe") Rebozo [?]
               -Robert H. Finch's views
```

Youth

-Political affiliations

## **Tape Subject Log**

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```
-Potential support for President
         -Edmund S. Muskie
         -Edward M. ("Ted") Kennedy
              -Appeal to young voters
         -Hubert H. Humphrey and Henry M. ("Scoop") Jackson
         -High school seniors
              -18 year old voters
              -The President's schedule
                   -Possible high school commencement address
    Robert H. Finch's visit to Miami
         -Key Biscayne
              -Charles G. ("Bebe") Rebozo
                     -Telephone calls with
              -Construction
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[Previous PRMPA Personal Returnable (G) withdrawal reviewed under deed of gift 10/30/2019.
Segment cleared for release.]
[Personal Returnable]
[456-022-w009]
[Duration: 7m 56s]
    1972 campaign
         -Youth
         -Possible speech by the President on public television
         -William F. Buckley, Jr.'s television show
              -Ratings
              -Appeal to youth
              -Comparison to college
         -Department of State [DOS]
         -Edmund S. Muskie
              -Appeal to Mexicans
              -Blacks
                   -Harry S. Dent's views
                       -Polls
                       -South compared with North
```

-Conservatives

## **Tape Subject Log**

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```
-Polls
     -Religious groups
          -Catholics
     -Ethnic groups
          -Eastern Europeans
          -Irish
-Jews
     -Polls
     -Louis C. Wyman [?]
     -Edmund S. Muskie
     -Henry M. ("Scoop") Jackson
          -Administration approach to Israel
     -Contributions
     -Hamilton Fish, Jr. and Sargent R. Shriver
     -Golda Meir
-Women
     -Bill Hughes [?] conversation
     -Vietnam
     -Need for organization
     -Patricia R. Hitt
     -Anne L. Armstrong
     -Mothers
     -Economy
          -Food prices
-Vietnam veterans
     -Potential support
     -Leslie T. ("Bob") Hope
          -Higher education
     -Televised event
-William W. Scranton [?]
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The President's activities
-Public relations
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-Bryce N. Harlow

-Congressional action

-Reaction time to administration action

-Health program

-The Vice President

## **Tape Subject Log**

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## Old Executive Office Building office

- -Office locations
- -Receptions
- -Secretary

### Connally

- -Efforts
- -Attendance at White House dinners
- -Health
- -Schedule

#### The President's schedule

-Camp David

#### Alexander P. Butterfield entered at 6:05 pm

- -Church service
- -Meeting with Kissinger

## Butterfield left at 6:09 pm

-Connally's schedule -Idanell (Brill) ("Nellie") Connally

Finch's schedule

-Trip to Europe

-Timing

#### Haldeman and Finch left at 6:18 pm

Conversation No. 456-23

Date: February 23, 1971

Time: Unknown between 6:18 pm and 6:40 pm

Location: Oval Office

## Unknown men [Secret Service?] met

The President's schedule

## **Tape Subject Log**

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## Recording was cut off at an unknown time before 6:40 pm

Conversation No. 456-24

Date: February 23, 1971 Time: 6:42 pm - 7:18 pm Location: Oval Office

## The President met with Henry A. Kissinger

#### Vietnam

-General Alexander M. Haig, Jr. visit

-Melvin R. Laird

-General Nguyen Van Thieu

- -General Creighton W. Abrams, Jr.
- -Purpose
- -Military situation
- -Purpose
- -Kissinger's conversation with John Sherman Cooper
- -Democrats
  - -Edward M. ("Ted") Kennedy, Michael J. ("Mike") Mansfield, and J. William Fulbright
    - -Administration response
  - -Troop withdrawal
- -General Do Cao Tri
  - -Successor
    - -Ellsworth F. Bunker's message to Kissinger
- -Laos Briefing
  - -E. Ross Adair
    - -Age
    - -Congressional service
  - -John B. Connally
  - -William P. Rogers
  - -John N. Mitchell

#### H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman entered at an unknown time after 6:42 pm

The President's schedule

## **Tape Subject Log**

(rev. 2/24)

```
-National Security Council [NSC] meeting
          -Timing
     -Swearing-in ceremony
     -Frank J. Shakespeare
     -George H. W. Bush
     -NSC meeting
Middle East
     -Israeli/Arab talks
          -Prospects
                -Kissinger's view
                -Administration position
                -Report to the President
                     -Middle East
                     -Laos
The President's schedule
     -NSC meeting
          -Timing
State Department translator
     -Lieutenant General Vernon A. Walters
     -President's view
     -Possible position at White House
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[Previous National Security (B) withdrawal reviewed under MDR guidelines case number LPRN-T-MDR-2014-020. Segment declassified on 10/10/2018. Archivist: MM]

[National Security] [456-024-w003] [Duration: 1m 4s]

People's Republic of China [PRC] and US relations

- -Chinese deputy foreign minister
  - -Conversation with Norwegian ambassador
    - -Possible meeting
- -The President's role
- -Camp David
- -Chinese deputy foreign minister
  - -Conversation with Norwegian ambassador

## **Tape Subject Log**

(rev. 2/24)

```
-People's Republic of China [PRC] contacts with US
                           -Warsaw
                           -Alternatives
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    The President's schedule
         -William J. ("Jack") Edwards
              -William E. Timmons
         -Public relations
              -Administration policy on Vietnam
              -Meetings with reporters
              -Walter L. Cronkite, Jr., [Arnold] Eric Sevareid, John A. Scali, and John W.
                   Chancellor
         -NSC meeting
              -Briefings by Admiral Thomas H. Moorer
                   -Vietnam
              -Briefing by Joseph J. Sisco
                   -Middle East
              -Briefing by Richard M. Helms
                   -Laos
              -Attendance
                   -Bush
                   -Connally
                   -Mitchell
                   -The Vice President
                   -Undersecretaries
                        -David Packard
                   -General John W. Vogt, Jr.
              -Moorer
Kissinger left at 7:02 pm
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Segment cleared for release.]

[Personal Returnable] [456-024-w004] [Duration: 1m 22s]

## **Tape Subject Log**

(rev. 2/24)

```
1972 campaign
        -The President's conversation with John N. Mitchell
             -George C. Wallace
                 -Democratic votes
                        -Compared with Republican votes
                 -George C. Wallace health
                 -Effects on the President's candidacy
                 -John F. Kennedy and Harry S. Truman
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    The President's conversation with Kissinger
        -Middle East
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[National Security]
[456-024-w005]
[Duration: 31s]
    The President's conversation with Henry A. Kissinger
        -Middle East
             -Potential conflict
             -Israel
                 -1967 lines
                 -Possible conversations with Henry A. Kissinger
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    Henry A, Kissinger
```

-Role in administration
-Foreign policy
-President's position
-United States-Soviet Union relations
-President's role
-Anatoliy F. Dobrynin

## **Tape Subject Log**

(rev. 2/24)

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-The President's role
-Workload
-Rogers
-Haldeman's conversation with Rogers
-State Department leak
-Kissinger's comments to press
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-Gerard C. Smith

-Strategic Arms Limitation Talks [SALT] negotiations role

-President's role

-Aleksei N. Kosygin

-Rogers

-Department of State

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Archivist: MM]
[National Security]
[456-024-w007]
[Duration: 46s]

#### Middle East

-Henry A. Kissinger

-Potentially encouraging Israel

-The President's role

-1972 election [?]

-US aid to Israel

-Arms package

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 7

[National Security] [456-024-w007] [Duration: 3s]

## Tape Subject Log

(rev. 2/24)

\* Middle East -US aid to Israel -Henry A. Kissinger \* Middle East -Kissinger's view -Israel -Compared to Vietnam -Role -Press briefings -Meetings -Middle East -William L. Safire -Laird -Writing style -Safire and Raymond K. Price, Jr. Haldeman left at 7:18 pm

Conversation No. 456-25

Date: February 23, 1971

Time: 7:18 pm

Location: Oval Office

The President met with Manolo Sanchez

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# Tape Subject Log (rev. 2/24)

[Personal Returnable] [456-025-w001] [Duration: 1m 10s]
Request -Coat
Instructions
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The President and Sanchez left at 7:18 pm