

Date: November 1, 1971
Time: 4:04 pm - 5:08 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Henry A. Kissinger.

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Washington Star

- [Smith Hempstone, Jr.?
 - Articles
 - Stance toward Administration
 - Relationship to Charles W. Colson
 - US Marine Corps
 - Trip to Africa
 - George Sherman
- Sherman's stories
 - State Department
 - Colson
- Sherman's schedule
 - Colson
 - Kissinger

Robert Kleiman

- New York Times* editorial, November 1, 1971
 - William P. Rogers's role in People's Republic of China [PRC] initiative
 - Taiwan, Republic of China
 - Patrol
 - Cancellation
 - Notification of PRC
 - Pakistan channel
 - Channel
- July 15, 1971 announcement
 - 1969 initiative

The PRC initiative

- State Department
- Rogers's role
 - Taiwan patrol
- Warsaw talks
- Trip to the PRC
 - Cambodian invasion
- State Department
 - Marshall Green
- Warsaw talks
 - The President's order to Walter J. Stoessel, Jr.
 - Agha Muhommad Yahya Khan
- State Department

Kleiman

Sherman's stories

- Kissinger
 - Relationship with the President
- State Department

The PRC initiative

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- Rogers
 - John A. Scali
 - Conversation with Kissinger
 - American Broadcasting Corporation [ABC]
 - Role
- Process
 - Romania channel
 - Kissinger's record of messages
 - Historians
- New York Times*

Melvin R. Laird

Rogers

Kissinger's schedule

- Sherman
 - Colson
- Crosby S. Noyes's request
 - Star* Editorial Board
- Sherman
 - Colson
- Washington Post*

Foreign aid program

- State Department

Rogers

- Statement to Scali
 - The PRC initiative
 - The President
- Knowledge of the PRC initiative
 - Kissinger's trip to Pakistan
 - Message

Foreign aid program

- Senate meeting, November 1, 1971
 - Security assistance
 - Development assistance
 - Foreign Relations Committee
 - Clark MacGregor
 - Colson
 - Kissinger
- The President's forthcoming meeting with Rogers

- House of Representatives
- Public statements
- MacGregor
- George H. Mahon
- Gerald R. Ford
- Carl B. Albert

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The President's schedule

- William McMahon
- Possible statement to the press

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[National Security]

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The President's schedule

- William McMahon
- Weakness
 - Henry A. Kissinger's opinion
 - The President's opinion
 - Henry A. Kissinger's opinion

Department of State [DOS]

- News leaks
- Rogers
 - White House
- Green
 - PRC talks
- Martin J. Hillenbrand
 - Soviet talks
- The President's forthcoming meeting with Chou En-lai
 - Diplomatic arrangements
 - Kissinger

Laird

John N. Mitchell, George P. Shultz and H. R. Haldeman entered and Kissinger left at 4:15 pm.

Kissinger

- The PRC initiative

James R. ("Jimmy") Hoffa

- Possible clemency

- Possible pardon
- Frank E. Fitzsimmons's efforts
 - International Brotherhood of Teamsters
- Executive clemency
 - Procedures
 - Mitchell
 - The President
 - Recommendation
 - Parole board
 - Mitchell
 - Timing
- Possible parole
 - Public perception
 - 1972 election
- Executive clemency
 - Mitchell's view
 - Possible *quid pro quo* by Fitzsimmons
 - Pay Board
 - The President's economic program
 - George Meany

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Pay Board

- Shultz's view
- Meany and Leonard Woodcock
 - American Federation of Labor-Congress of Industrial Organizations [AFL-CIO]
- Woodcock and Fitzsimmons
 - Meany
- Public perception

Hoffa

- Fitzsimmons's efforts
- Executive clemency
 - Possible conditions
 - 1972 election
 - Teamsters
 - Views of Barry M. Goldwater and John J. Rhodes
 - Activities of opponents
 - Parole board
 - Woodcock's meeting with Shultz
 - Fitzsimmons
 - Meany's views
 - [I[lwirth] W[ilbur] Abel's view
- Quid pro quo*
 - The President's economic program
- Time served
- Sentence
 - Executive clemency
- Parole Board's actions
 - James Hoffa, Jr. and attorney
 - Hoffa's labor connections

- Resignations
- Hoffa's finances

Teamsters

- Construction unions
- Maurice A. Hutcheson
- Hoffa
 - Walter P. Reuther
 - Robert F. Kennedy
- Fitzsimmons and Woodcock
- United Auto Workers [UAW]
 - Reuther
 - Alliance for Labor Action
 - AFL-CIO
 - Woodcock
 - General Motors strike
- Differences in viewpoints
 - Fitzsimmons
 - Social issues
 - Dues collection
 - Voter registration
 - Reuther
- Effectiveness for minorities
 - Chicago

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Hoffa

- Executive clemency
 - Possible conditions
 - Others awaiting presidential action
 - Restoration of civil rights
 - Typicality
 - Possible reaction
- Mitchell's lunch with *Time-Life* and *Fortune* staffs, November 1, 1971
 - Rogers and Kissinger
 - Political prisoner question
 - Parole period
 - Discrimination
 - Conduct in prison
- Executive clemency
 - Political considerations
 - Public perception of labor leaders
 - Edward M. Kennedy's possible reaction
 - Robert Kennedy
 - Possible effects on the Administration
 - Benefit
 - Criticism
 - Teamsters endorsement of Hubert H. Humphrey in 1968
- Executive clemency
 - Discrimination
 - Timing
 - 1972 election

- Parole board
 - Possible action
 - Perception
- Conditions
- Fitzsimmons

Pay Board

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- Fitzsimmons
- Possible vote
- Effect on Teamsters and construction workers

Hoffa

- Teamsters' impressions
 - Fitzsimmons
 - The President's speech to Teamsters convention
- Unionists' support
- Executive clemency
 - Possible reaction by critics
 - Compared to release of Black Panther
 - Dr. Thomas W. Matthew

Matthew

- Executive clemency
- Leonard Garment's memorandum to the President

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[Privacy]

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Thomas W. Matthew

- Alleged activities
 - Stealing
 - Government and finance committee [?]
- Projects

James R. ("Jimmy") Hoffa

- As symbol
- Robert Kennedy's activities
- Executive clemency
 - Edward Kennedy's possible reaction
 - John L. McClellan's possible reaction

National economy

- Pay Board
 - Wage contracts
 - Shultz's conversation with Arnold R. Weber
 - Retroactivity
 - Railroad workers
 - Freeze period
 - Cost of Living Council [COLC] decision Conv. No. 610-2 (cont.)
 - Meany's view
 - Retroactivity
 - Prices
 - Views of Woodcock and Fitzsimmons
 - Automobile workers
 - Milton Friedman's views
 - Sanctity of contracts
 - Timing of decision
 - Meany's possible action
 - Administration's response
 - Weber
 - John B. Connally
 - Contingency plan
 - Price commission
 - Reasonable standards
 - Wage and price freeze
 - Possible fate
 - Timing
 - Support
 - Labor
 - Canada
 - Preparation
 - The President's program
 - Possible action
 - Extension of freeze
 - Involvement
 - Standards
 - Legal status
 - Congress
 - James Tobin
 - Article of October 31, 1971
 - Yale University
 - John F. Kennedy
 - Article
 - Content
 - Kermit Gordon's view
 - Possible reaction
 - Presidential intervention
- Tobin

Shultz and Haldeman left at 4:53 pm.

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1972 campaign

- New Hampshire primary
 - Petitions
 - December 23, 1971
 - Suggested plan
 - Delegations
 - Announcement of the President's candidacy
 - Timing
 - January 5-6, 1972
 - Response to New Hampshire Secretary of State
 - Delegates and alternates
- Wisconsin, Ohio, and Florida primaries
 - Timing
- Announcement of the President's candidacy
 - Timing
 - January 1972
 - Response to New Hampshire Secretary of State
 - January 20, 1972 deadline
 - Petitions
 - Attention
 - Potential criticism
 - Ronald L. Ziegler

National economy

- Pay Board
 - Prospects
 - Wage and price controls
 - Meany's possible action
 - Meany's support with labor
 - Shultz
 - Mitchell's conversation with Fitzsimmons, October 30, 1971
 - Public board
 - Administration's action
 - Congress
 - Labor
 - Need for planning
 - Shultz and Weber
 - Arthur F. Burns
 - L. Patrick Gray's actions
 - Meany's possible action
 - Administration's reaction

-Shultz

Hoffa

- Executive clemency
 - Mitchell's view
 - The President's further actions
- Relationship with organized labor

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The President's schedule

- Mitchell
- McMahon
- Rogers

Mitchell left and Robert L. Kunzig and Frederic L. Malek entered at 5:02 pm.

Kunzig

- Role in administration
 - Justice Department
 - American Bar Association [ABA]'s action
 - General Services Administration [GSA]
- Confirmation as judge
 - Nomination
 - Retirement of predecessor
 - Timing
 - Deal with White House
 - Previous confirmations
 - Hugh Scott
 - Possible leak

Presentation of gifts by the President

Kunzig

- Performance

Kunzig and Malek left at 5:18 pm.

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Date: November 1, 1971

Time: 5:08 pm

Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown person [Dr. W. Kenneth Riland?]

The President talked with an unknown person.

[End of telephone conversation]

The President and the unknown person left at 5:08 pm.

Conversation No. 610-3
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Date: November 1, 1971

Time: Unknown between 5:08 pm and 11:59 pm

Location: Oval Office

Unknown people [Secret Service agents] talked.

The President's schedule

[End of telephone conversation]

The unknown people [Secret Service agents] met.

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The President's location [?]

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