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Tape Subject Log
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Conversation No. 98-1

Date: April 12, 1972
Time: Unknown between 12:00 am and 11:59 pm
Location: Cabinet Room

Vice President Spiro T. Agnew met with Hugh Scott, Robert P. Griffin, Margaret Chase Smith, Norris Cotton, Peter H. Dominick, Gordon L. Allott, George D. Aiken, John G. Tower, Gerald R. Ford, Leslie C. Arends, Richard H. Poff, John B. Anderson, John J. Rhodes, Barber B. Conable, Jr., Samuel L. Devine, Robert C. ("Bob") Wilson, Peter H. B. Frelinghuysen, William E. Minshall, Robert J. Dole, Henry A. Kissinger, John D. Ehrlichman, George P. Shultz, Clark MacGregor, William E. Timmons, Ronald L. Ziegler, Richard K. Cook, Thomas C. Korologos, Patrick J. Buchanan, Noel C. Koch, and Kenneth R. Cole, Jr.

[General conversation/Unintelligible]

The President entered at 8:05 am

Vietnam

[To listen to the segment (57m45s) declassified on 02/28/2002, please refer to RC# E-588, E-589.]

Vietnam

- News coverage
- Talking points
- Agnew
- Support of administration's policy
- Compared with 1968 and Cambodia

Vietnam

[To listen to the segment (2m54s) declassified on 02/28/2002, please refer to RC# E-589.]

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- Press coverage
 - Motives
- Military situation
 - United States' efforts
- Public support
 - Democratic candidates
 - Television commentators
 - Howard K. Smith
 - Cambodia

Vietnam

[To listen to the segment (1m3s) declassified on 02/28/2002, please refer to RC# E-589.]

- Scott's comments regarding Battle of Bull Run
- March 21, 1918 German offensive against Britain
 - Winston S. Churchill's comments
 - British Lieutenant General Sir Hubert de la Poer Gough

Foreign policy vis-a-vis Vietnam

[To listen to the segment (2m34s) declassified on 02/28/2002, please refer to RC# E-589.]

- Public support
 - Success of Vietnamization
 - Withdrawal

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Vietnam

[To listen to the segment (8m17s) declassified on 02/28/2002, please refer to RC# E-589.]

- Military situation
 - John C. Stennis
 - Possible statements by participants in meeting
- Negotiations
- Public support
 - Rhodes
 - Duration
 - Possible statements by participants in meeting
 - Military situation

Vietnam

[To listen to the segment (5m59s) declassified on 02/28/2002, please refer to RC# E-589.]

- Possible briefings for congressmen
 - Arends
 - Smith
 - Aiken
 - Moorer
 - Kissinger
 - Wilbur D. Mills
 - F. Edward Hébert
 - Samuel S. Stratton

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Vietnam

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Ehrlichman's forthcoming briefing and talking points

- Busing
- Food prices
- Drugs

Food prices

- John B. Connally's speech

Administration fact sheets

- Background information

Drugs

- Situation in 1969
- Administration's efforts
- Crime
 - Washington, DC
- Urban housing
- Administration's efforts
 - William P. Rogers
 - Armed forces in Far East
 - Grand juries
 - Pushers
 - Tax evasion
 - Heroin hotline
 - Value
 - Rehabilitation
 - Funds
 - State and local efforts

Food prices

- Possible controls
 - Life* magazine article
- Administration's efforts

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- Causes
- Administration's efforts
 - The President's meeting with Cost of Living Council
 - Connally's meeting with food chain executives
 - Result
- As percentage of after-tax income
- Compared to other prices
- Focus of administration
 - Farmers
 - Earl L. Butz's efforts
 - By constituency

Busing

- Popular opinion
 - Television coverage
- The President's proposal
 - Effect on south
 - National policy
 - District judges
 - Richmond court
 - Priorities
 - Inferior schools
 - Possible effect of increased funding
- James S. Coleman report
 - Elliot L. Richardson's press conference
- Department of Health, Education, and Welfare [HEW] survey
- Dr. David J. Armor of Harvard University
 - Forthcoming book
 - Possible testimony
- Coleman
- Inferior schools
 - New York
 - Chicago
 - Los Angeles
 - Cleveland
 - Effect of busing
 - Administration's plan
- The President's proposal
- Northwestern High School in Prince George's County, Maryland
 - Racial conflict
 - Press coverage
- Richard G. Kleindienst's forthcoming announcement

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- Media response
 - Detroit case
- Need for congressional action

Fact sheets and background material

- Distribution

Equal Education Opportunity Bill

- Experts' testimony
 - Compensatory education
 - HEW
 - Funding or busing
 - National Association for the Advancement of Colored People [NAACP]
- Democratic candidates' children
 - Henry M. ("Scoop") Jackson

Labor Committees in Senate and House

- The President's experience
 - Taft-Hartley Act

Busing

- Possible campaign issue
- Possible Constitutional amendment
- The President's proposal
 - Moratorium
- Coleman
- Value of forced integration
- Senate Judiciary Committee's actions
 - Michigan
- House Judiciary Committee
 - Moratorium Bill
- Possible quick court test of pending legislation
 - Moratorium Bill

Schedule

The President left at 10:14 am

[General conversation/Unintelligible]

The Vice President, *et al.* left at an unknown time before 11:59 pm