



NIXON PRESIDENTIAL LIBRARY AND MUSEUM

Tape Subject Log  
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Conversation No. 418-1

Date: March 7, 1973  
Time: Unknown after 4:08 pm and 4:15 pm  
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

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[Begin segment reviewed under deed of gift]

- Dictation machines
  - Placement in President's bedroom
  - Lighting
    - Repair
    - Communication officer

[End segment reviewed under deed of gift]  
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Sanchez left at an unknown time before 4:15 pm.

Conversation No. 418-2

Date: March 7, 1973  
Time: Unknown between 4:15 pm and 5:50 pm  
Location: Executive Office Building

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

- Nelson A. Rockefeller
  - Meeting with President
  - Enthusiasm

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- Speaking abilities
  - Congressional leaders meeting [?]
- Compared with William P. Rogers

Charles Gill

- Employment
  - Roy L. Ash
  - Alternatives

Rose Mary Woods

- Camp David
- Salary
  - Raise
  - Compared with secretaries, special assistants
    - Leonard Garment
    - Patrick J. Buchanan
    - Stephen B. Bull, David N. Parker
- Raise
  - Problems
  - Compared to Haldeman

Manolo Sanchez's salary

- Raise
- Fina Sanchez
- Rex W. Scouten
- White House staff
  - Government pay
- Hours of work
- Raise

Prisoners of War [POWs]

- Celebrity value
  - Reduction
- White House reception
  - Scheduling
  - Need for time to recover
  - Scheduling

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- Flag Day
- Defense Department
- Calls
  - Col. Robinson Risner
  - Capt. Jeremiah A. Denton, Jr.
- Meetings with President
- Veterans of Foreign Wars [VFW]
  - Voice of Democracy contest winners
    - Appearance
      - Clothing
    - White House tours
    - Press coverage
      - Ronald L Ziegler
      - Wire services
    - Appearance
      - President's reaction
      - Compared with Future Farmers of America, Boy Scouts of America,
- Choral Group
  - Stephen B. Bull
- Dress
  - Secret Service agents
  - President's opinion
- Visitors to White House
  - Dwight Chapin [?]
    - Bull
  - President's introduction
    - Applause
    - Effect
      - Congressional members
      - Children
    - Bull
  - Thomas C. Korologos
- Stag dinners

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- Invitations
  - Republican National Committee [RNC]
  - Republican state chairmen
  - Cabinet
  - Supporters of President
- Convenience for President
- Women attendees
  - Compared to men

Women

- Number of appointees
- Qualifications for high positions
  - Compared to Blacks, Mexican Americans
- Women in administration
  - Performance

Vietnam Veterans

- Radio speech
  - John D. Ehrlichman
  - Compared to police officers

The President talked with Ehrlichman at an unknown time between 4:15 pm and 5:50 pm.

Rockefeller

- Capital punishment
  - Organized Crime
  - Drugs
    - Possession amount
    - Distribution
- President's speech on crime, drugs

[End of telephone conversation]

Ehrlichman talked with the President at an unknown time between 4:15 pm and 5:50 pm.

Telephone call

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[End of telephone conversation]

Ehrlichman

POWs

- Event at White House
  - Announcement
  - Timing
- Other events
  - Sammy Davis, Jr. show
  - Vietnam Veterans
  - Armed Forces Day
  - Memorial Day
    - Vietnam War dead
    - Parade
      - Television [TV] coverage
  - Radio speech
  - Naval Academy
    - Armed Forces Day
    - Officers
  - Memorial Day
    - Unknown soldier
      - Missing in action [MIA]
- Dinner
  - Announcement
- Event for children
  - Children at dinner
    - Behavior
    - Numbers
    - Later party
    - Tour of White House
    - MIA
- Meetings with President

President's meeting with freshmen Congress members

- Format
- Size

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- Location
  - Cabinet Room
  - Reaction
- Oval office

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- Speech [?]
  - Earl L. Butz
  - Moral theme

- Dinners for contributors
  - 1972 Election

[End segment reviewed under deed of gift]

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- Evening at the White House
  - Introductions of individuals
  - Paul Keyes' role
    - Impresario
    - Assistance
      - George H. W. Bush
      - Julie Nixon Eisenhower, Tricia Nixon Cox
  - Show themes
    - Irving Berlin
      - “Broken Hearted” [?]
    - Female performer
    - Country
      - “Okie from Muskogee”
      - Patriotic music
    - Berlin
      - President's introduction
      - Orchestra medley

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- Fred Astaire, Ethel Merman, Harry L. ("Bing") Crosby
- Finale
  - “No Business Like Show Business”
- Army Chorus
  - “God Bless America”
- Patriotism
- Jack Benny
  - Supporter of President
  - Classical music
  - Comedy
- Lucille Ball
  - Appeal to children
  - Reruns of "I Love Lucy"
- Value
- Compared to dinners
  - President's experience
- Entertainers
- Benny
- Davis
  - Positive publicity
    - Washington Post*
    - Ziegler
  - Washington Post* coverage
    - Donald Radcliffe
- Stag dinners
  - Press coverage
    - Effect
  - Toasts
  - Advantages
  - Army Chorus
  - Songs
- Evenings at White House
  - Army Chorus
    - “Road to Mandalay”
    - Response of men

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- Response of women
- "Strolling Strings"

Nyugen Van Thieu's visit

- Arrival ceremony
  - El Toro Air Base
  - President's attendance
  - Parade
  - Crowd
  - Statements
- Accommodations in California
  - House
    - Compared to hotel
    - La Jolla
    - San Clemente
  - Rose Mary Woods

President's schedule

- John Ford dinner
  - Citation
  - President's appearance
  - Reception
    - President as host
    - Room capacity
    - Attendees
      - Film institute trustees
      - Supporters of President
    - Taft Schreiber's opinion
    - President's appearance at dinner
      - Compared to John B. Connally event
  - Columbia Broadcasting System [CBS] taping of dinner
    - Excerpts of Ford's films
  - Marine Corps Band
    - Schreiber
  - Medal of Freedom
    - Daily Variety* article
  - Reception



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- Head table
- Introductions
  - Photographs
- Drafting schedule
- Camp David
  - Dinner
  - Meetings with President
    - Departure
    - Ehrlichman
    - Afternoon visits
- International Conference on Vietnam
  - Henry A. Kissinger and Rogers
  - State Department lunch
  - National Security Council [NSC] meeting
    - Strategic Arms Limitation Talks [SALT]
  - Cabinet meeting
- Cabinet meeting
  - Ehrlichman
  - Peter J. Brennan
  - Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.
  - Budget
  - Surrogate program
  - Aid to Vietnam
    - Rogers
    - Report to President

Haldeman talked with the White House operator and Rogers at an unknown time between 4:15 pm and 5:50 pm. The President conferred with Haldeman during the call.

[Conversation No. 418-2A]

[See Conversation No. 37-61]

- President's schedule
  - Cabinet meeting
  - Aid to Vietnam

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[End of telephone conversation]

Contributors

- Congressional leaders
- Reaction to Rogers
  - Line in speech
  - President's stature in other countries
- Concerns of supporters
  - Rogers' handling
  - Compared to Kissinger
- Public relations
  - Rogers' role

Melvin R. Laird

- Consultant to White House
- Attendance at meetings
  - Cabinet
  - congressional leaders
- Strategy on Congressional relations
  - Bryce N. Harlow
- Recruitment to White House staff
  - Defense Department
  - Harlow
- Compared to Ehrlichman, Brennan [?], Peter M. Flanigan, William E. Timmons,

Korologos, Richard M. Cook

- Congress's opinion
- Need for White House staff with Congressional background
- Timmons' position

President's schedule

- Meeting with federal Woman's Award recipients
  - Press [?]
  - Length
  - Other meeting
  - Value
    - Bull
    - Haldeman's recommendation

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Public relations

- Goals
  - Congress
  - Ehrlichman
  - Need to decide
- President's image
  - World leader, peacemaker
  - Rogers
  - Preservation
  - Compared to John F. Kennedy's administration
    - Civil rights
    - Bangladesh
- President's speeches
  - Focus on big picture
    - Compared to international monetary situation, budget
    - People's Republic of China [PRC]
    - Union of Soviet Socialist Republics {USSR}
    - National spirit
- President's image as world leader, peacemaker
  - Compared to Dwight D. Eisenhower, John Kennedy, Lyndon B. Johnson
- John Kennedy's failures
  - “John Kennedy's 13 Great Mistakes in the White House”
    - Publishing information
    - Haldeman's copy
      - Library book
      - Check-outs
      - Frequency
    - Publisher
    - Malcolm Smith, Jr.
      - Mutual Broadcasting System [MBS]
    - Need for reprinting
    - Haldeman's meeting with *Newsweek* reporter
    - Writer's point of view
      - Kissinger
      - Support for President's philosophy
      - Nixon Doctrine

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- Second Inaugural Address
- Chapter on Laos
  - Vietnam, Ngo Dinh Diem assassination
  - Criticism of John Kennedy
    - Press conference on Laos
      - Andrei A. Gromyko
      - W[illiam] Averell Harriman
- Smith
  - Whereabouts
- First printing
  - Purchase
    - Edward M. ("Ted") Kennedy
- Goals
  - Clarification
- President's historical legacy
  - President as political innovator
    - Franklin D. Roosevelt
    - New Federalism
    - Boldness
      - Anticommunism
        - PRC trip
      - Price and wage controls
  - Leadership
- Domestic programs
  - Legacy
    - Avoidance
  - Crime
  - Problems for President
  - New Federalism, New Majority
  - Energy, environment
    - Public interest
      - Oil industry
      - CBS TV show
  - Negative results
- Taxes
  - New Federalism
  - Lack of positive credit

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- Value
  - Government reorganization
  - Public interest
  - Lack
    - White House counselors
    - Cabinet departments
- Leadership
- Achievement of goals
  - Limitations
- Foreign Policy
  - Crises
  - Trips
    - Africa
    - Latin America
    - Europe
    - USSR
    - PRC
    - Japan
- Major issues
  - Government spending, taxes
  - Bureaucracy
  - Revenue sharing
  - New majority
  - Reestablishment of U.S. world leaderships
    - Prisoners of War [POWs]
    - US-PRC relations
  - Social issue
    - Family
    - Police department
    - Army
    - Volunteers
    - Religion
    - Patriotism
    - Self-help
    - Moral integrity
    - Sacrifice
    - Puritan work ethic

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- “Square America”
    - Patrick J. Buchanan
    - New Establishment
    - Herman Kahn
  - Scheduling approach
  - Goals
    - 1974 election
      - Scheduling approach
      - Senate, governorships
      - House of Representatives
        - Target districts
      - Visit to localities
        - Regional balance
    - South
      - Mississippi
        - John C. Stennis event
      - New Orleans
        - Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW)
    - Al Smith event
      - New York
    - Iowa
      - Herbert Hoover birthplace event
  - Focus on big issues
  - TV appearances
    - Vetoes
- President's schedule
- March, April
  - State dinners
    - Lee Kuan Yew
    - Giulio Andreotti
  - Lee Kuan Yew
    - Stag dinner
    - Wife's attendance
    - Speech
    - Press coverage
      - Howard K. Smith

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- Roscoe Drummond
- Joseph W. Alsop
- Views on world
  - Vietnam
- Stag dinners
  - Size
  - New Establishment
    - Leaders
      - Howard K. Smith
      - Donald McI Kendall
    - New Labor
    - Conservative Academics
    - Texas
    - Labor, church leaders
    - Foreign policy interest
    - “Elites”
      - Invitations
        - Newbold (“Newby”) Noyes, Jr.
        - Katherine L. Graham
        - Mike Flynn, *New York Daily News*
        - Adrian Lee [?], [unintelligible name]
- Lee Kuan Yew
  - Private dinner
  - Press coverage
  - Guest list [?]
- State dinners
  - Andreotti
    - Trip to Key Biscayne
    - Congressional recess
  - Kakuei Tanaka Visit
    - Scheduling
    - Relation to trip to USSR
- Another state visit
  - Black
- VFW speech
- Trip to California
- Europe trip

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- [Emperor of Japan] Hirohito
- Tanaka visit
- Mohammed Reza Pahlavi [Shah of Iran] visit to US

**Public relations**

- Tour of nation
  - Value
  - Reception
    - Influence of POWs
- Events at White House
  - Value to President
    - Paul Keyes
    - Pearl M. Bailey, Willy Brandt
  - TV
  - Film footage
  - Francis A. ("Frank") Sinatra
- Publicity of previous trips
- Need for activity

**Congressional relations**

- Objectives
  - Budget battle
  - Legislated appropriations
  - Veto overrides
  - Public pressure on Congress
    - Surrogates
      - Support for President
      - Letter writing campaign
      - Self-help
    - President's veto
- Aid to North Vietnam
  - Compared to budget battle
    - Public support
  - Rogers, Kissinger, Elliot L Richardson, George P. Shultz, William E. Simon
  - Assistant Secretaries



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[Begin segment reviewed under deed of gift]

Manolo Sanchez entered at an unknown time after 4:15 pm.

Women

Charles G. ("Bebe") Rebozo  
-Marriage

[End of segment reviewed under deed of gift]

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Sanchez and Haldeman left.

Conversation No. 418-3

Date: March 9, 1973

Time: Unknown between 2:12 pm and 2:15 pm

Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

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[Begin segment reviewed under deed of gift]

President's schedule  
-Meeting

Camp David  
-Traffic

[End of segment reviewed under deed of gift]

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The President talked with H. R. {"Bob"} Haldeman at an unknown time between 2:12 pm and 2:15 pm.

[Conversation No. 418-3-A]

President's meeting with Haldeman

[End of telephone conversation]

Schedules

-Copies

-Dates

-Extra copies

-Tricia Nixon Cox, Julie Nixon Eisenhower

Sanchez left at an unknown time between 2:12 pm.

Conversation No. 418-4

Date: March 9, 1973

Time: Unknown between 2:12 pm and 2:15 pm

Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See also Conversation No. 37-68]

Conversation No. 418-5

Date: March 9, 1973

Time: Unknown between 2:15 pm and 3:05 pm

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Conversation No. 418-3 (cont'd)

Location: Executive Office Building

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

President's schedule

The President talked with Charles G. ("Bebe") Rebozo between 2:15 pm and 2:18 pm.

[Conversation No. 418-5A]

[See also Conversation No. 37-69]

[End of telephone conversation]

Public relations

- Crime speech
- Name of slogan
  - Clean Air Act, Safe Streets Act, New Federalism
  - Patrick J. Buchanan, William L. Safire, [unintelligible name]
- Legislative package
  - Request for capital punishment
    - Congress
  - Criminal code revision
- Need for phrasemaker
  - Herbert G. Klein [?]
  - Editor
  - Work with Ehrlichman
    - Crime speech
      - Ehrlichman's edits
      - Cop killers
      - Criminal penalties
    - Ehrlichman's work load
  - Importance of work
  - Hugh Scott
- Cabinet meetings
  - Compared to Dwight D. Eisenhower's cabinet
  - William P. Rogers [?]

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- President's use of rhetoric
- John A. Scali
- John A. Volpe
- Phrasemaking
  - Scali
  - Domestic Council
  - Speech writing
    - Crime speech
      - Ehrlichman
  - Taxes and spending
    - Education
    - Family budget
- Phrasemaking
  - Spiro T. Agnew's contributions
    - Television [TV]
    - Rogers
    - Critique

Agnew

- Problems of leadership
  - Compared to John B. Connally, Nelson A. Rockefeller
  - President as Vice President under Eisenhower
    - Role of Vice President
    - Cabinet

Crime Speech [?]

Appointments

- New appointments
- Ambassadors
  - Pool of 40 candidates
    - New career appointees
    - Blacks
    - Labor unionists
  - Black appointments
    - Compared to State Department
      - Foreign Service Officers [FSO]
- Career compared to non-career appointments

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- Limits
- Iceland, Malta, Yugoslavia, Venezuela,
- Indonesia, Malaysia, Afghanistan, Dominican Republic
- Difficult assignments
- Hold-overs
- Australia
  - Marshall Green
- Belgium
  - Robert Strausz-Hupe
- France
  - John Irwin
- India
  - Daniel P. ("Pat") Moynihan
- Iran
  - Richard A. Helms
- Italy
  - Volpe
- Spain
  - Adm. Horacio Rivero
- Turkey
  - William B. Macomber, Jr.
- Contributors
  - Problem for Maurice H. Stans
- Careerists
  - Rogers
- Contributors
  - Priority
- Replacements
  - Strausz-Hupe'
  - Conservatives
  - Rivera
- Philip K. Crowe, John D. J. Moore
- Thomas Burns
  - Career Service
  - Labor Background
  - George Meany
- Blacks

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- Careerist from State Department
- Strausz-Hupe, Rivero [?], Burns
- Replacements

Manolo Sanchez and Fina Sanchez

- Pay
  - Source of funds
    - Residence appropriations
    - Interior Department
  - Civil Service
  - GS level
  - Base pay
    - Room and board
    - Overtime
- Total pay
  - Fina Sanchez
  - Compared to domestic work
- Starting pay
  - Increases

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- Bonus

[End segment reviewed under deed of gift]

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- Total pay
  - Increase

Kissinger entered at 2:35 pm.

John Downey

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- Mother's illness
- President's message
  - Chou En-lai
- Release from prison
- Call to Downey's brother

Kissinger talked with the White House operator at an unknown time between 2:35 pm and 2:46 pm.

[Conversation No. 418-5B.]

[See Conversation No. 37-70]

[End of telephone conversation]

- Release from prison
  - Hong Kong
- Press statement
  - Edward M. ("Ted") Kennedy
  - Ronald L. Ziegler

People's Republic of China [PRC]

- Release of prisoners
  - Robert J. Flynn, Philip E. Smith
  - Downey

Pay raises

- Sanchez, Kissinger
- PRC Dr. K. E. Bruce appointment
  - Head of liaison office
    - State Department's recommendation
    - Edwin W. Martin
    - Ambassador to Burma
    - President's experience
    - Latin America
      - Brazil
    - Malcolm Smith, "John F. Kennedy's 13 Great Mistakes in the

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White House"

- Liaison office
  - Transportation
    - Military plane
    - Peking

Edwin Martin

- Misidentification

Bruce

- Appointment to the liaison office
  - Back channel communication
  - State department officers
  - Alfred L. Jenkins, John H. Holdridge
  - Announcement

Press conference

- Announcements
  - Liaison office appointments
  - USSR visit
  - State visits
    - Tanaka
      - Connection with PRC announcement
  - Prisoners' release compared to liaison office
  - Bruce's appointment

Bruce

- Age
  - Compared to Chou En-lai

Messages

- President's letter
- Kissinger's letter to Chou En-lai
  - Bruce

Announcement

- Bruce



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The President talked with William Downey at an unknown time between 2:35 pm and 2:46 pm.

[Conversation No. 418-5C]

[See Conversation No. 37-71]

Health of Downey's mother

Announcement

-Kissinger call to Ziegler

Kissinger talked with the White House operator at an unknown time between 2:35 pm and 2:46 pm.

[Conversation No. 418-5D]

[See Conversation No. 37-72]

Announcement

-Prisoners' release

-Downey

-Timing

-Wording

-Request to Chou En-lai

-Downey's mother

-Illness

-Thomas J. Meskill

-Connecticut

-Appeal

-Ziegler

Telephone call to Meskill

The President talked with the White House operator at 2:46 pm.

[Conversation No. 418-5E]

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[See Conversation No. 37-73]

[End of telephone conversation]

Call to Meskill  
-Reasons for call

Announcement  
-Downey  
-Ziegler

Kissinger talked with Ziegler at an unknown time between 2:46 pm and 2:53 pm. The President can be heard in the background.

[Conversation No. 418-5F]

[See Conversation No. 37-74]

Downey  
-Private message to Chou En-Lai

[End of telephone conversation]

Release of Downey  
-Announcement  
-State Department's role  
-Method of Appeal  
-Edward Kennedy  
-Letters, telephone calls  
-Meskill  
-Telephone calls  
-Credit  
-Announcement  
-Ziegler  
-Telegram  
-Announcement

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-PRC

-Announcement

-Selective release

-[unintelligible name]

-Howard K. Smith

-*New York Times*

-*Washington Post*

-*New York Times*

-Call to Charlie Daniel

-Handling

-President's message to Chou

Meeting with. Rogers

-Reasons

-Report on trip

-Cabinet meeting

-Rogers' statement

-US commitment

-Ehrlichman

-Spiro T. Agnew

Foreign Aid

-Congress

-Pakistan

-India

-Weapons

-Armored personnel carriers [APCs]

-Spare parts, repaired equipment

-David Packard

-Contract

-Delegation

-Kenya

-Uganda

-Size

-Evacuation

-Thomas P. Melady

-Idi Amin

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- Letters
- Melady's return

Ziegler's Announcement

Kissinger left at an unknown time after 2:46 pm.

- Downey release
- Kissinger's skills

Kissinger entered at an unknown time before 2:53 pm.

- President's press conference
- Timing
- Announcement
- PRC
- Bruce

Kissinger left at 2:53 pm.

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[Begin segment reviewed under deed of gift]

- Public relations
- Strategy
- Plan
- Vetoes
- George H. W. Bush
- Spokesperson
- Janet Johnson

- Bush
- New York City mayoral election
- Primary
- Nelson A. Rockefeller

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- William T. Cahill
- John N. Mitchell

House Campaign Committee

- Robert C. ("Bob") Wilson
  - Resignation
- Clarence ("Bud") Brown, Jr.
  - Succession struggle
- Wilson's staff
  - Compared to Agnew's staff

[End segment reviewed under deed of gift]

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President's schedule

- Republican Congress members
  - Meeting with President
    - Cabinet room, Oval Office [?]
    - Freshmen
- Function on Saturday
  - William E. Timmons
  - Evening at the White House
- Camp David
- Church service
- Shamrock presentation
  - Gift
    - Ashtray

The President talked with Meskill between 3:00 pm and 3:02 pm.

[Conversation No. 418-5G].

[See Conversation No. 37-75]

[End of telephone conversation]

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Conversation No. 418-5 (cont'd)

Public relations

- Budget
  - Statements
- Cabinet meeting
- Plan
- President's public appearances
  - Advance work
- Press conferences
- Radio speeches
- Meetings with Congress members
- William J. Baroody, Jr.
  - Outside assistance
  - Meeting with Charles W. Colson

H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman left at 3:05 pm.

Conversation No. 418-6

Date: Unknown between March 9 and March 12, 1973

Time: Unknown between 3:05 pm, March 9 and 12:46 pm, March 12, 1973

Location: Executive Office Building

Unknown people met.

Inquiry

- President's location [?]

The conversation was cut off at an unknown time before 12:46 pm, March 1973.