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Conversation No. 421-1

Date: March 21, 1973
Time: Unknown between 1:21 pm and 2:23 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

[Begin segment reviewed under deed of gift]

Weather

Refreshment

[End segment reviewed under deed of gift]

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 2:23 pm.

Conversation No. 421-2

Date: March 21, 1973
Time: Unknown between 1:21 pm and 2:23 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with an unknown person.

[Begin segment reviewed under deed of gift]

Refreshment [?]

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Conversation No. 421-2 (cont'd)

[End segment reviewed under deed of gift]

The unknown person left at an unknown time before 2:23 pm.

Conversation No. 421-3

Date: March 21, 1973
Time: 2:23 pm-2:24 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with Tricia Nixon Cox.

[See Conversation 37-184]

Conversation No. 421-4

Date: March 21, 1973
Time: Unknown between 2:23 pm and 2:52 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with an unknown person.

[Begin segment reviewed under deed of gift]

Refreshment [?]

[End segment reviewed under deed of gift]

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Conversation No. 421-4 (cont'd)

The unknown person left at an unknown time before 2:52 pm.

Conversation No. 421-5

Date: March 21, 1973
Time: 2:52 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 37-185]

Conversation No. 421-6

Date: March 21, 1973
Time: Unknown between 2:52 pm and 3:02 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

[Begin segment reviewed under deed of gift]

Refreshment

[End segment reviewed under deed of gift]

Manolo Sanchez left at an unknown time before 3:02 pm.

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Conversation No. 421-7

Date: March 21, 1973
Time: 3:02 pm-3:03 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

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

[See Conversation No. 37-186]

Conversation No. 421-8

Date: March 21, 1973
Time: 3:05 pm-3:45 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

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

John N. Mitchell
-Meeting with President
-Trip to Washington

Haldeman's meeting with John D. Ehrlichman and John W. Dean, III

An unknown person entered at an unknown time after 3:05 pm.

Request for pencil

The unknown person left at an unknown time before 3:45 pm.

Col. Robert J. Flynn
-Illness
-Prisoner of war [POW] dinner announcement
-Importance
-Mitchell
-Briefing for POWs
-Reaction to Haldeman's call
-Briefing by President

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- Briefing by President on foreign policy
 - Henry A. Kissinger, William P. Rogers
 - Vietnam
 - People's Republic of China [PRC]
 - Soviet Union
 - President's schedule

President's schedule

- William R. Tolbert, Jr.
- Suleiman Franjeh
 - Lebanon
- Zulfikar Ali Bhutto
- Kakeui Tanaka
 - Dinner
 - California
- [Shah of Iran] Mohammed Reza Pahlavi
- [Emperor of Japan] Hirohito's visit
- Europe [?]
- Thailand
- Organization of American States [OAS] reception
 - Latin America
 - President's attention
- Stephen B. Bull

Haldeman's schedule

- Trip to Florida
 - Dinner
 - Rogers [?]
 - Cabinet

Watergate

- Haldeman's forthcoming meeting
 - Ehrlichman and Dean
- Dean's workload
- E. Howard Hunt, Jr., G. Gordon Liddy
 - Money
- Watergate burglars
- James W. McCord, Jr.
- Frederick C. LaRue

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- Aid for Haldeman
- Pressure on Mitchell
- Herbert W. Kalmbach
- Mitchell

[Unintelligible]

- Money for defendants
 - Dean
 - Cubans

[Unintelligible]

- Administration's strategy
 - Money
 - Channeling to defendants
 - LaRue
 - Charles W. Colson
 - Hunt
- Ehrlichman
 - Ideas on strategy
 - Sense of concern about Watergate
- Egil ("Bud") Krogh, Jr.
 - Knowledge of Cubans
- William C. Sullivan
- White House staff
 - Testimony before grand jury
 - Guidelines
 - Legal advice
 - Criminal charges
- An attorney
- Jeb Stuart Magruder
- Liddy
 - Testimony
- Hunt
- Ehrlichman and Krogh
- Discussions of Watergate
 - Colson
- Hunt

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- Involvement in Watergate
- Colson
 - Campaign practices
- Liddy
 - Source of orders
 - Testimony
 - Knowledge
- Colson
 - Dean's statement to President
 - Call to Magruder
 - Pressure for information
- Intelligence operations
 - Haldeman pressure on Magruder
 - Legitimate activities
 - Open recording of Democratic public statements
 - Purpose
 - Legitimacy
 - Schedule information on opponents
 - Sources
 - News reports
- Grand jury

Haldeman talked with an unknown person at an unknown time between 3:05 pm and 3:45 pm.

[Conversation No. 421-8A]

Request for call to unknown person

[End of telephone conversation]

Watergate

- Henry E. Petersen
- Grand jury
 - Questions
 - Subpoenas
 - Files
- Federal Bureau of Investigation [FBI]
 - Sullivan
- Strategy for administration

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-Handling grand jury

[Unintelligible]

-Statements for Senate committee

-Use of executive privilege

-Question of potential guilt

-Sherman Adams

-Problem of grand jury

-Alger Hiss case

-Court decisions

-Press

-*New York Times, Washington Post*

-Hostility to President

-Grand jury

-Limitations

-Contrast with Senate committee

-Special prosecutor

-Appointment

-Tom C. Clark

-Grand jury

-Handling

Next meeting with Haldeman

-Time

Haldeman left at 3:45 pm.

Conversation No. 421-9

Date: March 21, 1973

Time: Unknown between 3:45 pm and 3:48 pm

Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 37-187]

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Conversation No. 421-10

Date: March 21, 1973
Time: 3:48 pm-3:49 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with Gen. Brent G. Scowcroft.

[See Conversation No. 37-188]

Conversation No. 421-11

Date: March 21, 1973
Time: Unknown between 3:49 pm and 4:23 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with Rose Mary Woods.

Letter from Alice Widener [?]
-Photograph
-*New York Daily News*

Conversation No. 421-12

Date: March 21, 1973
Time: Unknown between 3:49 pm and 4:23 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 37-189]

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Conversation No. 421-13

Date: March 21, 1973
Time: 4:23 pm-4:39 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with Alexander M. Haig, Jr.

[See Conversation No. 37-190]

Conversation No. 421-14

Date: March 21, 1973
Time: 4:41 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 37-191]

Conversation No. 421-15

Date: March 21, 1973
Time: Unknown between 4:41 pm and 4:43 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 37-192]

Conversation No. 421-16

Date: March 21, 1973
Time: 4:43 pm-4:45 pm

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Conversation No. 421-16 (cont'd)

Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with Stephen B. Bull.

[See Conversation No. 37-193]

Conversation No. 421-17

Date: March 21, 1973

Time: Unknown between 4:45 pm and 4:53 pm

Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with Rose Mary Woods.

Sample of incoming correspondence
-Hobart D. ("Hobe") Lewis

Conversation No. 421-18

Date: March 21, 1973

Time: 4:53 pm-6:01 pm

Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Ronald L. Ziegler.

News report
-Detroit

Press briefing
-Kenneth R. Cole, Jr.
-Gerald L. Warren
-Food prices
-Positive tone

Watergate

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Conversation No. 421-18 (cont'd)

- President's statement
 - A letter
 - Questions from press
- Strategy
 - Statement on Dwight L. Chapin
 - Disclosures for the record
 - Washington Post* story
 - Public reaction
- Grand jury
 - Convocation
 - Findings
 - Investigations of H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman, John D. Ehrlichman, Charles W. Colson, Donald H. Segretti
- Statement by President
 - Attack on Ervin Committee
 - William J. Baroody, Jr.
 - Infringement on constitutional principles
 - Publicity
- “5 percenter cases”

The President talked with the White House operator at an unknown time between 4:53 pm and 4:58 pm.

[Conversation No. 421-18A]

[See Conversation No. 37-194]

[End of telephone conversation]

Watergate

- Harry S. Truman administration

The President talked with William P. Rogers between 4:58 pm and 5:00 pm.

[Conversation No. 421-18B]

[See Conversation No. 37-195]

[End of telephone conversation]

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Conversation No. 421-18 (cont'd)

Watergate

- Gen. Harry H. Vaughn's testimony during Dwight D. Eisenhower administration
- Chapin
- President's statement
 - John W. Dean, III's call to Segretti
 - Segretti's activities
 - Disclosure of information
 - Haldeman
 - Knowledge of Chapin and Segretti
 - Segretti's activities
 - White House staff testimony
 - Letters
 - Segretti case
 - Case of bad judgment
- Attacks on administration
- Grand jury
 - White House staff testimony
 - Dean
 - Investigation
 - Advantage to administration over Senate hearing
- Ervin hearings
- Letter
- President's statement
 - Timing

Haldeman and Dean entered at 5:20 pm.

Trip to California

- Press relations
- Assistance
- John Ford dinner

Watergate

- Publicity for administration's side

Press relations

- White House correspondents
- Television [TV]

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Conversation No. 421-18 (cont'd)

- [Unintelligible]
- Banquet
 - Format
 - Timing
 - Questions for President
 - Watergate

Theodore H. White

Ehrlichman entered and Ziegler left at 5:25 pm.

[A transcript of the remainder of the conversation may be found in 8RPC, pp. 131-145; *U.S. vs. Mitchell*, Ex. 13, pp. 00208-00236 (1-27); SRPC, pp. 250-269 (1-20); RG 460, Box 171, pp 1-38; SI Pres. Nixon, pp. 56, 185; SI, Bk. III, pt. 2, pp. 1149-1180 (1-38); Bk. VII, pt. 4, pp. 1831-2 (20-21)].

An unknown man entered and left at an unknown time during the transcribed portion.

[End of transcribed portion]

Haldeman, Dean, and Ehrlichman left at 6:01 pm.

Conversation No. 421-19

Date: March 21, 1973

Time: Unknown between 6:01 pm and 6:05 pm

Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Gen. Brent G. Scowcroft.

Vietnam

- US military actions
 - Prisoners of war [POWs]
 - Nguyen Van Thieu
- North Vietnam infiltration
 - Resupply efforts
 - Press conference [?]

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Conversation No. 421-19 (cont'd)

- New York Times* report [?]
- Resumption of bombing
 - Alternatives
 - Military value
 - Henry A. Kissinger

The President and Scowcroft left at 6:05 pm.

Conversation No. 421-20

Date: March 28, 1973

Time: Unknown between 8:35 am and 8:40 am

Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

President's schedule

- American Medical Association [AMA]
 - Chairman
- Meeting with George P. Shultz
- James H. Cavanaugh
- Meeting with Indian ambassador
 - Henry A. Kissinger
 - Indira Gandhi
- Roger Shields
 - POW return
- Nguyen Van Thieu's visit
 - Gift
- H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman

Telegram

- Trip to South Africa

White House interior changes [?]

- Bull's meeting
- Julie Nixon Eisenhower

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Conversation No. 421-20 (cont'd)

[Pause]

Request

[Pause]

Instruction

Bull left before 8:40 am.

Conversation No. 421-21

Date: March 28, 1973

Time: Unknown between 8:40 am and 8:45 am

Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

President's meeting with H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman
-John N. Mitchell
-Length

President's signature
-Nominations

Bull left at an unknown time before 8:45 am.

Conversation No. 421-22

Date: March 28, 1973

Time: 8:45 am-9:00 am

Location: Executive Office Building

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

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Meeting with John N. Mitchell

- Mitchell's arrival
- Questions for Mitchell
- Jeb Stuart Magruder

Watergate

- Grand jury
- Charles W. Colson
- Charges
 - Obstruction of justice
 - Perjury
- Colson
 - John W. Dean, III
 - Preparation of Magruder
- Mitchell
 - Charges against
- Grand jury
- John G. Tower, Norris Cotton
- Washington Post* story
 - Jules Witcover
 - Republican activists
 - Interest in Watergate
 - Oliver Quayle, Albert E. Sindlinger
- Media coverage
 - Networks
 - Lead stories
- Washington Post* editorial
 - Criticism of Samuel Dash
- Ervin hearings
 - James W. McCord, Jr.
 - Executive session
- White House cooperation
 - Tower, Lowell P. Weicker, Jr.
 - Informal testimony
 - Henry A. Kissinger
 - William E. Timmons
 - President's concerns
 - Executive privilege
- Federal Bureau of Investigation [FBI]

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Conversation No. 421-22 (cont'd)

-Declassification of documents

[PROCESSING NOTE: WITHDRAWAL NO. 1 HAS BEEN DECLASSIFIED IN FULL]

- Bay of Pigs
- Assassination of Ngo Dinh Diem
- Kissinger
 - Vietnam War

- Ervin Committee
 - Weicker
 - Samuel J. Ervin, Jr.
 - Agreement with White House
 - Charges of non-cooperation
- Haldeman's meeting with Mitchell
- Haldeman's role
 - Public relations reaction
 - John D. Ehrlichman's abilities
 - Wounded Knead incident
- Strategy
 - Colson, Timmons
 - Resolution of issue
 - Haldeman's role
- Congress
 - Intensity of hostility
 - Charges of cover-up
 - White House staff statements for investigations
 - A record of proceedings
 - Kissinger's meeting
 - Need for control
- A Dean report
 - Issuance
 - Value
 - Haldeman's opinion

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Conversation No. 421-22 (cont'd)

-Dean's credibility

Haldeman left at 9:00 am.

Conversation No. 421-23

Date: March 28, 1973
Time: 9:00 am
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 44-36]

Conversation No. 421-24

Date: March 28, 1973
Time: 9:00 am-9:01 am
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with Stephen B. Bull.

[See Conversation No. 44-37]

Conversation No. 421-25

Date: March 28, 1973
Time: Unknown between 9:01 am and 9:44 am
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 44-38]

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Conversation No. 421-26

Date: March 28, 1973
Time: 9:44 am-9:52 am
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with Ronald L. Ziegler.

[See Conversation No. 44-39]

Conversation No. 421-27

Date: March 28, 1973
Time: 10:56 am
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 44-40]

Conversation No. 421-28

Date: March 28, 1973
Time: 11:08 am-11:09 am
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with Walter Lippman.

[See Conversation No. 44-41]

Conversation No. 421-29

Date: March 28, 1973
Time: Unknown between 11:09 am and 12:28 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

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Conversation No. 421-29 (cont'd)

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

[Begin segment reviewed under deed of gift]

Refreshment

[End segment reviewed under deed of gift]

Manolo Sanchez left at an unknown time before 12:28 pm.

Conversation No. 421-30

Date: March 28, 1973

Time: Unknown between 11:09 am and 12:28 pm

Location: Executive Office Building

The President dictated a memorandum for the file.

[Begin segment reviewed under deed of gift]

President's schedule

- Meeting with H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman
 - Watergate [?]
 - Press coverage [?]
- Walter Lippman
 - Telephone call
 - Health

[End segment reviewed under deed of gift]

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Conversation No. 421-31

Date: March 28, 1973
Time: Unknown between 11:09 am and 12:28 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

[Begin segment reviewed under deed of gift]

President's schedule
-Barber

[End segment reviewed under deed of gift]

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 12:28 pm.

Conversation No. 421-32

Date: March 28, 1973
Time: Unknown between 11:09 am and 12:28 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President dictated a memorandum for the file.

[Begin segment reviewed under deed of gift]

“Odds and ends”
-White House [?]
-Impressions [?]

Press relations [?]
-Watergate [?]

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Conversation No. 421-32 (cont'd)

-Conversation with John D. Ehrlichman [?]
-Newspapers [?]

[End segment reviewed under deed of gift]

Conversation No. 421-33

Date: March 28, 1973
Time: Unknown between 11:09 am and 12:28 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President dictated a memorandum for the file.

[Begin segment reviewed under deed of gift]

Telephone call [?]
-Congratulations [?]
-Private conversation
-John D. Ehrlichman [?]
-William P. Rogers [?]

[End segment reviewed under deed of gift]

Conversation No. 421-34

Date: March 28, 1973
Time: Unknown between 11:09 am and 12:28 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

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Conversation No. 421-34 (cont'd)

The President rehearsed a portion of a speech.

[A transcript of the final broadcast of this speech appears in PPP 1973, 234-238.]

Sanchez let at an unknown time before 12:28 pm.