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Conversation No. 723-1

Date: May 11, 1972
Time: 10:03 am - 10:04 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Henry A. Kissinger.

- Soviet trade delegation
 - Seating arrangements
 - Meeting with the President
 - Length

Kissinger left at 10:04 am.

Conversation No. 723-2

Date: May 11, 1972
Time: Unknown after 10:04 am and before 10:06 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

- Alexander M. Haig, Jr.
 - Telephone call
 - Time
 - Purpose

Bull left at an unknown time before 10:06 am.

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Conversation No. 723-3

Date: May 11, 1972
Time: 10:06-10:07 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Ronald L. Ziegler.

Soviet trade delegation
-Press picture
-Ziegler's presence
-Size of group

Ziegler left at 10:07 am.

Conversation No. 723-4

Date: May 11, 1972
Time: Unknown after 10:07 am and before 10:08 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

Gifts to Soviet representatives
-Cuff links
-Time to present

Meeting with Soviet representatives
-Time

Bull left at an unknown time before 10:08 pm.

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Conversation No. 723-5

Date: May 11, 1972
Time: 10:08-11:01 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Nikolay S. Patolichev, Anatolij F. Dobrynin, Peter G. Peterson, Henry A. Kissinger, and Peter M. Flanigan; the White House photographer and members of the press were present at the beginning of the meeting.

Greetings

President's knowledge of Russian

President's forthcoming Soviet trip
-Russian language

Photographs
-Seating arrangements

Dobrynin

Interpreter

US-Soviet Union relations
-Trade
-Peterson's report
-Previous meetings between Kissinger and Leonid I. Brezhnev, Kissinger and Dobrynin

Photographs
-Arrangements
-Copies

[Photograph session]

Russian language
-Compared with Polish

Seating

Soviet Union

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- Meetings with the President
 - Patolichev report to Politburo
- Central Committee
 - The President's view
- Trade relations with US
 - Peterson's meetings with Patolichev
 - Expansion
 - New era
 - Discussion between US and Soviet officials
 - Peterson
 - Meetings with Maurice H. Stans
 - Patolichev
 - Dealings with Peterson
 - Benefits
 - Economic relations
 - Expansion
 - Recent figures
 - Obstacles
 - Most Favored Nations [MFN] status for Soviet Union
 - Importance
 - Political problems in US
 - Other nations
 - Patolichev
 - Report to Central Committee
 - Value of US trip
 - Economic relations
 - Credit
 - Current problems
 - Benefits
 - Expansion
 - Current problems
 - Soviet problems
 - Resolution of problems
 - Reciprocity
- Foreign trade
 - Cost of machinery
 - Need for credit
 - Machinery
 - Imports
 - Amount of credit
 - Credit in foreign countries
 - France

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- Italy
- West Germany
- Great Britain
- Japan
 - Amounts
 - Bargaining
- Oil pipelines
- Gas pipelines
- Copper ore
- Problems
 - Private solutions
 - Example of Far East seaport
 - Construction
- Credit for Soviet Union
 - Orders for goods
 - Effect on US-Soviet trade
- Economic relations with US
 - President's trip to Soviet Union
 - Kissinger's meeting with Brezhnev
 - Grain trade
 - Terms
 - Credit for Soviet Union
 - Agricultural problems
 - Patolichev's view
 - Current conditions
 - Frost in Siberia
 - Seasons
 - Patolichev's work during World War II
 - Location
- Credit for Soviet Union
- Grain
 - Purchases by Soviet Union
 - Exports
 - Amounts
 - Costs
 - Future trade
 - Problems
 - US-Soviet resolution
- Credits
 - Terms
- President's comments
 - President's approval of previous meetings

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- Patolichev, Earl L. Butz, Stans, and Peterson
- Kissinger, Brezhnev and Dobrynin

US-Soviet relations

- World War II alliance
 - Cooperation among leadership
- Military might
- Economic strength
- Differences
 - Philosophy
 - Areas of conflict
 - Resolution
- Future relations
 - Reciprocity
 - Trade development
- Long-term interests
- Resolution of differences
 - Objectives
 - Tactics
- US-Soviet Union Summit
 - Significance
 - Soviet leadership and people
 - President's respect
 - President's meetings with Brezhnev
 - Goals
 - Future cooperation
- Export-Import [Ex-Im] Bank credits
- MFN status
 - Congressional approval
 - President's position
- Differences
 - Resolution
 - Mutual interests
- Long-range goals
 - Economic relations
 - Distractions
 - Areas of conflict
 - Economic agreement
 - Importance
 - President's meeting with Brezhnev
 - President's authority
- Patolichev's report to Brezhnev and other leaders

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-A joint commission

Gifts

- Cuff links
- President's seal

Artifacts in Oval Office

- Walter H. Annenberg's gift ["Star of the President"]
- Steuben glass design
- Crewelwork by Julie Nixon Eisenhower

Patolichev, et al., left at 11:01 am.

Conversation No. 723-6

Date: May 11, 1972

Time: Unknown after 11:01 am and before 11:02 am

Location: Oval Office

The President met with Alexander P. Butterfield.

Signatures

Butterfield left at an unknown time before 11:02 am.

Conversation No. 723-7

Date: May 11, 1972

Time: 11:02-11:21 am

Location: Oval Office

The President met with Ronald L. Ziegler.

- President's previous meeting with Nikolay S. Patolichev
- Ziegler's statement
- Meeting description

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- Trade relations
 - Agriculture
 - Industrial products

Vietnam

- Blockade
 - President's decision
 - Press commentary

An unknown person entered at an unknown time after 11:02 am.

- President's previous meeting with Soviet trade representatives
 - Ziegler's briefing
 - Soviet summit
 - Questions

Refreshment order

The unknown person left at an unknown time before 11:08 am.

- President's previous meeting with Soviet trade representatives
 - Ziegler's statement
 - Alexander M. Haig, Jr.'s suggestion
 - Bilateral discussions
 - Arms limitation
 - Trade
 - Leonid I. Brezhnev
 - Purpose of meeting
 - Trade
 - Wording of statement
 - Progress
 - Trade expansion
 - Vietnam discussion
 - Anatoliy F. Dobrynin

Henry A. Kissinger entered at 11:08 am.

- Wording of statement
 - Kissinger's view
 - Brezhnev, Aleksei N. Kosygin, Maurice H. Stans
 - Exchange of representatives
 - Vietnam topic

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Conv. No. 723-7 (cont.)

- Ziegler's comment
- Soviet Summit
- New announcements
- Significance for North Vietnam

Ziegler left at 11:10 am.

Soviet summit

- Poland's prediction
 - Significance
 - Kissinger's call to Jerzy Michalowski
- President's meeting with Patolichev and Dobrynin
- US-Soviet relations
 - President's comments on World War II alliance
 - Winston S. Churchill's experience
 - Kissinger's meeting with Brezhnev
 - Adolph Hitler
- Kissinger's call to Michalowski
 - Ships in Haiphong
 - Polish response
 - Significance
- President's trip
 - Likelihood of cancellation
- Press comments
 - Alarmist
 - Ziegler's reports
 - The President's view

Vietnam

- Blockade
 - President's letters to Brezhnev and Chou En-lai
 - People's Republic of China [PRC] statement
 - Tone
 - Wording
 - Message to Chou En-lai
 - US goals
 - PRC statement
 - Restraint
 - Soviet statement
 - Wording
 - PRC statement
 - Kissinger's view

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- Press reaction
- Soviet summit
 - Political repercussions
 - Press
 - Democrats
 - Agreements
 - Benefits for president
- Blockade
 - Decision
 - Kissinger's view
 - Kissinger staff's assessment
 - William P. Rogers
 - Soviet summit
 - President's previous decision
 - Risks
 - Election
 - Soviet response
 - Motives
 - Previous decisions
 - Cambodia
 - India-Pakistan war
 - Risks
 - Soviet summit
 - Likelihood of Cancellation
- North Vietnam offensive
 - Military region one
 - B-52 strike
 - Time
 - Extent
 - Location
 - South Vietnam marine landing
 - Number
 - World War I and II
 - President's expertise
 - Suggestion for Haig and military
 - Tanks
 - Use in World War I
 - US tanks
 - Use in South Vietnam
 - The President's suggestion
 - An loc
 - B-52 attacks

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- Time
- Impact
 - Forthcoming Washington Special Actions Group [WSAG] meeting
 - Kissinger's view
- Hue
 - Use of President's suggestions
 - Adm. Thomas H. Moorer
- Soviet summit
 - President's preparations
 - Kissinger meeting with Dobrynin
 - Likelihood of Cancellation
 - Kissinger's view
 - Previous meeting with Patolichev
 - Significance
 - President's preparations

Kissinger left at 11:21 am.

Conversation No. 723-8

Date: May 11, 1972

Time: Unknown after 11:21 am until 11:22 am

Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown person.

President's schedule

-Executive Office Building [EOB]

The President and the unknown person left at 11:22 am.

Conversation No. 723-9

Date: May 11, 1972

Time: Unknown between 3:03 pm and 3:09 pm

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Location: Oval Office

The President talked with an unknown person.

An unknown person's return
-Return call

Conversation No. 723-10

Date: May 11, 1972
Time: 3:09 pm - 3:24 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Henry A. Kissinger.

Vietnam
-Soviet Union response to the blockade
-Kissinger's previous meeting with Anatoliy F. Dobrynin
-Leonid I. Brezhnev message
-Content
-Meanings
-Wording
-Major point
-Soviet ships
-US attacks
-Interference
-Kissinger's reassurance

An unknown person entered at an unknown time after 3:09 pm.

Refreshments

The unknown person left at an unknown time before 3:24 pm.

US-Soviet Union relations
-Brezhnev's message
-Soviet Summit
-Reply by Dobrynin
-US statements

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Conv. No. 723-10 (cont.)

- German Treaty
 - Dobrynin references
 - US position
- Soviet Summit
 - Cancellation
 - Timing
 - Likelihood
 - Kissinger's view
 - Dobrynin's assessment of diplomatic moves
 - President's letter
 - Comparison to Cuban missile crisis
 - Public statements
- President's peace proposals
- Soviet Summit
 - Impact on North Vietnam

Vietnam

- North Vietnamese offensive
 - US countermeasures
 - Effect
 - President's trip to Soviet Union
 - Kissinger's trip to Peking
- Blockade
 - Press response
 - Ronald L. Ziegler's report
 - World War III predictions
 - President's meeting with Nikolay S. Patolichev
 - Significance
 - Politburo decision
 - Mining
 - US air strikes
 - Cessation in Hanoi and Haiphong
 - Time
 - Damage
 - Timing
 - Soviet Summit
 - Soviet ships
 - Instructions to Adm. Thomas H. Moorer
 - Reason
 - Soviet Response
 - Soviet Summit
 - Demonstrations

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- Inspiration
- William P. Rogers
 - Forthcoming meeting with the President
 - Time
 - Substance
 - Peace proposals
 - Instructions for Rogers
 - Comments before Soviet Summit
 - Soviet Summit
 - Rogers's knowledge of Polish response

President's forthcoming meeting with Rogers

- Time
- Substance of discussion
 - Soviet response to blockade
- State Department
 - Statement
 - Release
 - Time

Vietnam

- Blockade
 - Soviet response
 - Tone
 - US response to Soviet note
 - Timing
 - Delivery
 - Study
 - Dobrynin
 - Attitude
- Soviet Summit
 - Dobrynin's stake
 - Kissinger's forthcoming meeting with Dobrynin
 - Soviet note
 - US response
 - Time
 - German Treaties
 - Ratification
 - Soviet moves
 - Time
 - Cancellation
 - Likelihood

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Conv. No. 723-10 (cont.)

- Kissinger's view
- Polish response
 - Interpretation
- Timing
 - Press response
 - German Treaty vote

President's meeting with Rogers

Kissinger left at 3:24 pm.

Conversation No. 723-11

Date: May 11, 1972

Time: Unknown after 3:24 pm and before 3:25 pm

Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

President's schedule

- Meeting with William P. Rogers
 - Time
- Meeting with Henry A. Kissinger
- Camp David helicopter
 - Time
- Charles G. ("Bebe") Rebozo

Bull left at an unknown time before 3:25 pm.

Conversation No. 723-12

Date: May 11, 1972

Time: 3:25pm - 3:39 pm

Location: Oval Office

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

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Meeting with William P. Rogers

- Time
- Henry A. Kissinger

Manolo Sanchez

- Health
- Schedule
- Key Biscayne

Vietnam

- Blockade
 - President's meeting with Rogers
 - Rogers's public statements
 - Peace offer
 - Kissinger's view
 - President's line
 - Rogers's line
 - Melvin R. Laird's line
 - Administration's stance
- Prisoners of war [POWs] wives
 - Forthcoming events
 - Locations
 - Boston, Richmond, Washington
 - President's presence
 - Meeting with the President
 - Timing
 - Press reaction
- Congressional strategy
 - Clark MacGregor's recommendation
 - Sense of Congress resolution
 - Similarity to Clifford P. Case-Frank F. Church Amendment
 - Fund cutoff
 - Timing
 - Advantages for administration
 - Kissinger's advice
 - Instructions to Haldeman
 - MacGregor
 - "Hawks"
 - President's goals
 - South Vietnamese morale
 - Nguyen Van Thieu

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- Effect of Congressional actions
- Congressional actions
 - Administration actions
 - Case-Church Amendment
 - John Sherman Cooper-Church Amendment
 - Resolution to cut off funds
 - Administration response
 - Kissinger's advice
 - President's decision
 - Time
 - Rogers meeting
 - Delay
- Blockade
 - Thomas W. Benham poll results
 - Difference between student demonstrators and general public
 - Demonstrations
 - Administration response
 - Minnesota
- President's meeting with Rogers
 - Haldeman's and Kissinger's presence
 - Press conference
- Haldeman's forthcoming meeting with Kissinger
 - Strategy with Congress
- Lyndon B. Johnson's policies
 - Concern for Senate, Soviet Union
- Congress
 - Administration stance
- Blockade
 - Press response
 - Alarmism
 - Ronald L. Ziegler's report
 - Fear of World War III
 - Laos
 - Cambodia
 - People's Republic of China [PRC]

Haldeman left at 3:39 pm.

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Conv. No. 723-12 (cont.)

Conversation No. 723-17

Date: May 11, 1972
Time: 3:39 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 24-79]

Conversation No. 723-13

Date: May 11, 1972
Time: Unknown between 3:39 pm and 3:40 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with Thelma C. ("Pat") Nixon.

[See Conversation No. 24-80; one item has been withdrawn from this conversation]

Conversation No. 723-14

Date: May 11, 1972
Time: Unknown after 3:40 pm and before 3:45 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Alexander P. Butterfield.

President's trip to Camp David
-Arrangements for secretarial services

Butterfield left at an unknown time before 3:45 pm.

Conversation No. 723-15

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Date: May 11, 1972
Time: 3:45-3:51 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Rose Mary Woods.

Woods's location
-Charles G. ("Bebe") Rebozo

President's schedule
-Camp David
-Departure time

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 42s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

-Manolo Sanchez
-President's previous visit
-Sanchez's response
-Sanchez's health
-Knee operation
-Recovery time
-Possible trip to Florida

Vietnam
-Blockade
-Elmer H. Bobst's letter
-Support for the President
-Support for peace
-Walter Williams
-President's speech
-Message to the President

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Conv. No. 723-15 (cont.)

-Public support
-Public support for the President

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 3
[Personal-Returnable]
[Duration: 41s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 3

Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 3:45 pm.

The President's schedule
-Forthcoming meeting with William P. Rogers
-Rogers's arrival
-H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman's attendance
-Arrival

Bull left at an unknown time before 3:51 pm.

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4
[Personal Returnable]
[Duration: 2m 7s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4

Soviet Summit
-President's attitude
-Possible cancellation

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President's meeting with Rogers
 -Instructions to Woods
 -Bull

Woods left at 3:51 pm.

Conversation No. 723-16

Date: May 11, 1972
 Time: 3:51-4:44 pm
 Location: Oval Office

The President met with William P. Rogers, Henry A. Kissinger, and H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman.

Greetings

Weather

- Lack of privacy for the President
- Lyndon B. Johnson's greeting tourists

Vietnam

- Rogers's statements
 - Business Council
 - Forum
 - Support for the President
 - Peter G. Peterson
 - Peter M. Flanigan
 - Problems in getting support
 - Plans
 - Similarity to subcabinet meeting
 - Response
 - Difficulty of decision to blockade
 - Political risks
 - Effect on business market morale
 - Need to support the President
 - Peterson and Flanigan's roles
- Congressional testimony
 - Timing

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- Kissinger
- Melvin R. Laird
- Press conference
- Timing
- Reason
- Soviet Summit
 - President's meeting with Nikolay S. Patolichev
 - Significance
 - Politburo awareness
 - Polish message
 - President's suspicions
 - Parallel to John F. Kennedy and Cuban missile crisis
 - Anatoliy F. Dobrynin
 - President's meeting with Patolichev
 - Substance of discussions
 - Vietnam
 - Ronald L. Ziegler's questions
 - Length
 - Previous discussion by Patolichev with Peterson, Maurice H. Stans
 - Patolichev's statements
 - The President's view
 - Peterson
 - Flanigan
 - Control of Peterson and Earl L. Butz
 - Possible change in Soviet policy
 - Bank credits
 - Most Favored Nation [MFN] status
 - Official statements compared with action
 - Soviet response to the President's letter
 - Official Response
 - US response
 - Delay
 - Interim response
 - Soviet statement
 - Tenor
 - Richard M. Helms's view
 - Alfred L. Atherton draft
 - Distribution by Ziegler, Robert J. McCloskey
 - Soviet statement
 - Telegraph Agency of the Soviet Union [TASS]
 - Coordination between Rogers and Kissinger

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- Timing
- Soviet Statement
 - Method of distribution
 - Motives
 - Summit cancellation
 - Timing
 - Risks
 - Challenge to blockade
 - Soviet statements
 - US official's response
- Media reports
 - Leaks
 - White House sources
 - National Broadcasting Company [NBC]
 - Columbia Broadcasting System [CBS]
 - Check of Kissinger's office
 - John A. Scali
 - Ziegler
 - National Security Council [NSC] staff
 - Robert B. Semple story in *New York Times*
 - NSC meeting details
 - Kissinger, John B. Connally
 - Handling of leaks
 - Official comments
 - State Department
 - President's schedule
 - Camp David
 - United Nations [UN] Security Council action
 - Soviet Union, People's Republic of China [PRC] positions
 - Incidents at sea
 - Negotiations with Soviets
 - Department of Defense [DOD] position
 - John W. Warner
 - Soviet ships
 - US ships and aircraft proximity to Soviet ships
 - Limitations on US forces' overflight
 - Problems
 - Intelligence units' position
 - Negotiations With Soviets
 - Dangers
 - Delay
 - Paper For The President

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- Negotiations
 - Indochina
 - Ceasefire
 - Other parties
 - Cambodia, Laos
- Blockade
 - British statement
 - Pierre E. Trudeau's statement
 - Belgian statement
 - Malaysian statement
- Negotiations
 - Geneva-type convention
 - Participants
 - British
 - French
 - Soviets
 - PRC
 - US
 - Laos
 - Cambodia
 - North and South Vietnam
 - Timing
 - British proposal
 - Sir Alec Douglas-Home
 - Soviet response
 - PRC
 - US stance
 - Soviet Summit
 - President's previous offers
 - Details
 - Laird
 - Public comments
 - Soviet Summit discussions
 - 1954 Geneva Convention
 - Issue
 - Ceasefire
 - Guidelines
 - Soviet response to Geneva-type conference
 - Paris negotiations
 - Limitations
 - Scope of conference
 - Laos

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- Cambodia
- British proposal
 - Possible response
 - Rogers's and Kissinger's advice
- 1954 conference
 - French role
- Study of proposal
- British initiative compared with French initiative
- US response
- Previous negotiations
- Supporters in Congress
 - John C. Stennis
- Funds termination
 - Current proposal
 - President's terms
- White House reaction to funds cut-off proposals
 - Possible effects of cutoff
 - Ceasefire
 - Withdrawal of US troops
 - Prisoners of war [POWs]
- Timing
- Negotiations
 - President's stance
 - Actions in Congress
 - Problems for South Vietnam
 - Nguyen Van Thieu
 - President's proposals
 - Congressional proposals
 - Problems
- Blockade
 - President's decision
 - Potential opposition
 - Effect on South Vietnam
 - Support for President's peace proposals
 - Stennis and Robert C. Byrd's stance
 - Public statements
 - Wording
 - Clifford P. Case-Frank F. Church amendment
 - Stennis's position
 - Byrd proposal
 - Congressional action
 - Sense of Congress resolution

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- Provisions
- Support for President
- President's concerns
 - Public opinion
 - Negotiating position
- House Armed Services Committee
- Need for Congressional appropriations
- Delay in White House response
- Stennis and Byrd
 - Importance
- Public statements
 - Adm Thomas H. Moorer [?]
 - Instructions to Haldeman for White House staff
 - Laird
- Military action
 - Plans for weekend
 - Railroads
 - Petroleum, Oil, and Lubricants [POL]
 - B-52 strikes
 - Number in South Vietnam
 - An Loc
 - Kontum
 - An Loc
 - Kontum
 - Plans for future
 - Haiphong
 - Soviet ships
 - Railroads
 - POL
 - Power plants
 - Washington Special Action Group [WSAG] discussions
 - U. Alexis Johnson
 - Limitations
 - B-52s strikes
 - Public support
 - Erosion over time
 - Effect on North Vietnam
 - Congressional action
 - Time
 - Threat to negotiations
 - Danger to Summit
 - Message to Congress from White House

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- Effect on President's negotiations
- Incentives to North Vietnam

Rogers left at 4:27 pm.

Vietnam

- A Geneva-type conference
 - Kissinger's assessment
 - British, French, Cambodian, Soviet, and Chinese roles
- Congressional action
 - Stennis
- Blockade
 - Public support
 - Congressional support
 - Press comments
 - Soviet Summit
 - Congressional resolution effect
 - Timing of Patolichev's visit
 - NBC news report
 - Distribution
 - Jerrold L. Schecter's comment
 - Dobrynin
 - Rogers's comments
 - Kissinger's view
 - Cancellation
 - Timing
 - German treaties
 - Public support for the President in event of cancellation
 - Timing
 - Damage to Soviets
 - Timing
 - Leonid I. Brezhnev note
 - Rogers's knowledge
 - Tenor
- Soviet ships
 - US guidelines
 - Dobrynin letter
 - Interpretations
 - Kissinger's meeting with Dobrynin
- Soviet Summit
 - Parallel to John F. Kennedy and Cuban missile crisis
 - Cancellation

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- Timing
 - German treaties
- Soviet actions
 - Possible scenarios
 - Press campaigns
 - Demonstrations in US
 - Effectiveness
- Soviet Summit
 - Soviet response
 - Tone
 - Cancellation
 - Kissinger's expectations
- Press reports
 - Rogers's report about leaks
 - Connally at NSC meeting
 - Leaks
 - Rogers's knowledge
 - Marvin L. Kalb story
 - Sources
 - White House
 - State Department
 - Content
 - Stories on Summit
 - Kalb story
 - Ziegler
- Soviet Summit
 - Cancellation
 - Time
 - Likelihood
 - Kissinger's meeting with Dobrynin
 - Advance party in Moscow
 - Preparations
 - Cancellation
 - Timing
 - Likelihood
- Blockade
 - Press relations
 - Connally
 - White House staff
 - Strategy for Congress
 - Kissinger's forthcoming call to Stennis
 - Appeal for support

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- Congress
 - Role in foreign policy
 - Support for President
 - Church
 - Motives
- Blockade
 - North Vietnam response
 - Necessity for US
- North Vietnamese offensive
 - South Vietnam collapse
 - The President's efforts
 - Likelihood
 - North Vietnam collapse
 - Likelihood
 - An Loc
 - Capture of North Vietnamese commander
 - Interrogation in Saigon
 - Similarity to *The Godfather*
- Soviet Summit
 - Patolichev
 - Kissinger's view
 - NBC
 - Dobrynin

Alexander P. Butterfield entered at 4:41 pm.

Haldeman left at 4:43 pm.

Trip to Camp David

The President, Kissinger and Butterfield left at 4:44 pm.