

**NIXON PRESIDENTIAL MATERIALS STAFF**



**Tape Subject Log**  
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Conversation No. 727-1

Date: June 2, 1972  
Time: 8:25-9:11 am  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Charles W. Colson.

[This recording began at an unknown time while the conversation was in progress]

The President's trip to Soviet Union

- Media
  - Coverage
  - Communiqués
  - Impact
    - Colson's view
  - Television commentators
- Colson's advice
- Thelma C. ("Pat") Nixon's reception in Senate
  - Colson's view
  - Press reaction
- Mrs. Nixon's appearances abroad
  - The President's view
  - Compared to other First Ladies
    - Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis
    - [Anna] Eleanor Roosevelt, Mamie G.D. Eisenhower, Bess Truman, Claudia A. (Taylor) ("Lady Bird") Johnson
- Mrs. Nixon's television appearance previous evening
- The President's stay at Kremlin
  - The President's view
  - Public and press
- Agreements
  - Impressions
- The President's address to Soviet Union people
  - Timing
  - Tanya Savicheva
  - Media
    - Columbia Broadcasting System [CBS] special of President's speech
      - Viewer reaction
    - Network coverage
    - Newspaper coverage
      - American Broadcasting Company [ABC]
    - Savicheva
      - New York Times* profile
    - Colson's views

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- CBS coverage of speech
  - Reactions
- Editorial reaction
  - Colson's view
  - The President's comments
    - Henry A. Kissinger
    - Cabinet
    - State Department
  - Howard K. Smith
  - John S. ("Jack") Knight
- Articles
- Anti-ballistic missiles [ABM] treaty

Media

- People's Republic of China [PRC] trip
  - Effects
- Vietnam War
  - May 8 decision on bombing Hanoi
    - The President's view
- Gen. Alexander M. Haig, Jr. efforts
  - Vietnam coverage
- Vietnam
  - Washington Star* reporter
    - James Earl Richert
  - Mining
  - Laser-controlled bombs
    - 1966
  - Photograph coverage
  - Impression
    - US efforts
  - News story
    - North Vietnam
      - Orr Kelly
    - South Vietnam

Vietnam

- North Vietnam
  - Naval gunfire
  - Bombing
  - Mines
  - Blockade
  - Morale
  - Organization

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- "End the War" amendment
  - Clifford P. Case and Frank F. Church
  - Administration efforts to bring a vote
    - Trip effect
    - Clark MacGregor
    - William E. Timmons
- Foreign aid authorization
  - US Information Agency [USIA]
- Cease fire
  - Vote
    - Robert C. Byrd amendment
- Congress
- Demonstrators

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2  
[Personal returnable]  
[Duration: 3m 28s ]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2

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- The President's trip
  - Poland
    - Stefan Cardinal Wyszyinski
    - John Cardinal Krol
  - Media coverage
- Media coverage
  - Poland
  - Iran
  - Mrs. Nixon's coverage
  - Compared to George S. McGovern and Hubert H. Humprey

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 3

[Personal returnable]

[Duration: 3m 10s]

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Vietnam

- Aid
  - Humphrey
- Louis P. Harris poll
  - Results
    - Prisoners of war [POWs]
    - Coalition government
- Casualties
  - Figures
    - Decreases
    - Colson's view
      - Media coverage
- The President's view
  - Peace settlement
  - Bombing
    - South Vietnam
- North Vietnam
  - Bombing
    - Dien Bien Phu
    - Ho Chi Minh trail
    - Colson's view
- Press views
  - Marvin L. Kalb
    - May 9, 1972 decision by the President
- The President's credibility
  - Press

George C. Wallace

- Health
- Wounds
- Infection

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- Dr. [Forename unknown] Ward
- Previous conversation with Colson
- Walter Reed Hospital
- Ward's assessment

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 6

[Personal returnable]

[Duration: 8m 44s ]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 6

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Colson left at 9:11 am.

Conversation No. 727-2

Date: June 2, 1972

Time: Unknown between 9:11 and 9:45 am

Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

The President's schedule

- Bi-partisan congressional leadership meeting
- John D. Ehrlichman

Bull left at an unknown time before 9:45 am.

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Conversation No. 727-3

Date: June 2, 1972  
Time: Unknown between 9:11 and 9:45 am  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

The President's schedule  
-Meeting with Congressional leaders  
-Meeting with John D. Ehrlichman  
-Barber shop  
-Ehrlichman  
-Henry A. Kissinger

Bull left at an unknown time before 9:45 am.

Conversation No. 727-4

Date: June 2, 1972  
Time: Unknown between 9:11 and 9:45 am  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

Henry A. Kissinger

Bull left at unknown time before 9:45 am.

Conversation No. 727-5

Date: June 2, 1972  
Time: 9:45-10:03 am  
Location: Oval Office

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

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2

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[Duration: 2m 25s ]

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The President's schedule

-John D. Ehrlichman

-Meeting with bipartisan Congressional leaders

The President's trip to Soviet Union

-Speech by the President

-Haldeman's view

-Media coverage

-Points stressed

-Vietnam

-American strength

-Thelma C. ("Pat") Nixon

-Women's reactions

-Charles W. Colson's view

-Helicopter

-Vice President of US Steel Corporation

-Assessments

Kissinger entered at 9:50 am.

-Reaction

-Mrs. Nixon's impression

Kissinger's schedule

Pace of trip

-Kissinger

-Advancement

-William P. Rogers

-Strategic Arms and Limitation Treaty [SALT]

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- Meeting with Soviet leaders
  - Negotiations
  - Kissinger's view

## The President's schedule

- Meeting with congressional leaders
  - The president's strategy
  - Points to discuss
    - People's Republic of China [PRC]
    - Soviet Union
  - Kissinger's briefing
    - Negotiations
  - The president's input
    - Kissinger's role
      - Background
- The President's image

## Briefings on the President's previous trip to the Soviet Union

- Kissinger's briefing
  - Function of summit
    - The President's role
  - Incident at sea agreement
  - SALT
  - Middle East
  - Negotiations
    - Effect of President's involvement
    - Statement of principles
    - Jacob D. Beam and Andrei A. Gromyko
  - Input to press
    - Max Frankel
  - Time the President spent in meetings
    - Compared to diplomatic notes
  - Summit meetings
  - Agreements
  - Soviet statements on summit success



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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4

[National Security]

[Duration: 2s]

SOVIET UNION

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4

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- Leonid I. Brezhnev
- Andrei Grechko
  - Negotiations
    - Undersea Long-range Missile System [ULMS]
    - Missiles
    - Submarines
- The President's input
  - SALT
  - Submarine program
    - Adm. Thomas H. Moorer
    - Kissinger
  - Anti-ballistic missiles [ABM]
  - ULMS
  - B-1 bombs
  - Congressional opposition
  - Effect of negotiations
- Henry M. ("Scoop") Jackson's reaction
- The President's input
  - Letter to Brezhnev
  - Submarines

Media

- Reaction to the President's congressional address
  - Kissinger's view
  - Haldeman's view
  - Vietnam statement by the President

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Vietnam

- Gromyko
- North Vietnamese action
  - Hue
  - Kontum

An unknown woman entered at an unknown time after 9:50 am.

The President's schedule

- Meeting with Congressional leaders

The unknown woman left at an unknown time before 10:03 am.

Advertisement for the President's impeachment

- New York Times*
  - Signers
    - McGovern supporters
  - Printers' reaction

An unknown man [Stephen B. Bull?] entered at an unknown time after 9:50 am.

The President's schedule

Advertisement for the President's impeachment

- Printers' union reaction

Vietnam War

- Gen. Alexander M. Haig, Jr.'s view

The President, et al., left at 10:03 am.

Conversation No. 727-6

Date: June 2, 1972

Time: Unknown between 10:03 am and 12:08 pm

Location: Oval Office

Unknown persons met.

The President's schedule

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- Possible return to the Oval Office
- Meeting with Congressional leaders
- Barber shop
- The President's forthcoming trip to Key Biscayne, Florida

This conversation was cut off at an unknown time before 12:08 pm.

Conversation No. 727-7

Date: June 2, 1972  
Time: Unknown between 12:08 and 12:25 pm  
Location: Oval Office

Unknown persons met.

The President's schedule  
-Barber shop

This conversation was cut off at an unknown time before 12:25 pm.

Conversation No. 727-8

Date: June 2, 1972  
Time: 12:25-1:03 pm  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

The President's schedule  
-John D. Ehrlichman  
-Items for the President's signature  
-The President's departure

Alexander P. Butterfield entered at an unknown time after 12:25 pm.

- Items for the President's signature
- Harold B. Scott letter

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- Director, Bureau of International Commerce
- Maurice H. Stans

Bull left at an unknown time before 12:29 pm.

- Rose Mary Woods
  - Health
  - Schedule
  - The President's forthcoming trip to Florida
    - Woods
    - H.R. ("Bob") Haldeman
    - Katherine E. Bachman
      - Ronald Ziegler
    - Possible problems
  - Florida

Haldeman entered at 12:29 pm.

- Bachman
- Schedule
  - Problems
    - Soviet Union
    - Marjorie P. Acker
    - Secretarial help
    - Possible problems

Butterfield left at an unknown time before 12:31 pm.

John N. Ashbrook delegation

The President's schedule

- Florida
  - Woods
  - Secretarial help
    - The President's view
      - Zosimo T. Monzon
      - Secretary
      - Military aide
- The President's staff requirements
  - Donald H. Rumsfeld
- Woods
  - Trip to the Soviet Union
- Unknown White House secretary

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- Soviet trip
- Florida
- Weather
- Charles G. ("Bebe") Rebozo

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1  
 [Personal returnable]  
 [Duration: 12s]

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- The President's schedule
  - Congressional leaders meeting
  - The President's view
  - Clark MacGregor
  - The President's view

Domestic issues

Haldeman's schedule

Ehrlichman entered at 12:31 pm.

- Camp David

- The President's schedule
  - George P. Shultz
  - Peter G. Peterson
  - George W. Romney

Haldeman left an unknown time before 12:37 pm.

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Domestic issues

- Ehrlichman's summary
  - Parochial aid
  - John B. Connally testimony
    - Debt ceiling hearing
    - Wilbur D. Mills

Ziegler entered at 12:31 pm.

Press briefing

- Soviet Union trip
  - Ziegler's press statements
  - Henry A. Kissinger
  - Meeting with congressional leaders
    - Agreements
      - Strategic Arms and Limitation Treaty [SALT]
    - Reaction

Congress

- Possible reaction to SALT
  - Henry M. ("Scoop") Jackson
    - Defense spending increases
      - Submarines
        - Anti-ballistic missiles [ABMs]
  - Michael J. Mansfield
    - Defense cuts
  - Future negotiations
  - Mansfield
  - J. William Fulbright
  - George S. McGovern
- Meeting with Congressional leaders
  - The President's view
    - Details
- Budget
  - Supplemental request
    - Melvin R. Laird
      - Vietnam
      - SALT
    - Debt ceiling increase
    - Timing
- SALT treaty
  - Possible press questions
  - Mansfield

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- Allen J. Ellender
- Joint Chiefs of Staff [JCS] recommendation
- Possible press questions
- Responses

Ziegler left at 12:43 pm.

## Domestic issues

- Welfare reform
  - Elliot L. Richardson
    - The President's view
- Legislation
  - House Resolution [HR] 1
    - Administration strategy
      - The President's view
    - McGovern
    - Blacks
    - The President's position
      - Department of Health, Education, and Welfare [HEW]
  - Richardson's schedule
    - Japan
    - The President's schedule
  - Legislation
    - Richardson's compromise recommendation
      - Abraham A. Ribicoff
      - Wednesday group
      - Hugh Scott
      - Jacob K. Javits
      - Richard S. Schweicker
      - Compared to HR 1
        - Costs
    - Connally
    - Shultz
      - Liberals
        - Massachusetts Institute of Technology [MIT] professors
        - Cutbacks
  - Legislation
    - Clean Water Bill
    - Rural revenue sharing
    - Clean Water Bill
      - Possible veto
        - John N. Mitchell
        - Costs

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-Effect on economy

Kissinger entered at 12:46 pm.

US foreign relations

-Soviet Union

-SALT treaty

-President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board [PFIAB]

-Edward Teller's possible testimony before Congress

-Support

-Congressional reaction

-Hubert H. Humphrey

-John C. Stennis

-ABM

-Leslie C. Arends

-Gerald R. Ford

-George H. Mahon

-Mansfield

-Ellender

-MacGregor

-Senate support

-John G. Tower

-Mahon and Arends

-F. Edward Hebert

-Kissinger's possible call

-Mansfield

-Fulbright

-US options

-Defense options

-Congressional support

-SALT negotiations

-Submarines

-Leonid I. Brezhnev

-People's Republic of China [PRC]

-Mansfield

-Soviet Union

-US policy

-Mansfield

-Letter

-Chou En-lai

-Helmut Sonnenfeldt

-The President's letter William McMahan

-US policy on PRC



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- Poland
  - Piotr Jaroszewicz
  - Mrs. Jaroszewicz
  - Edward Gierek
- Comparison of Communist leaders
  - The President's view
    - Backgrounds
      - US businessmen
      - Congressmen
- PRC
- Soviet Union
  - William P. Rogers
  - South Vietnam
    - Brezhnev
      - US policy
  - Meeting with Brezhnev
  - Brezhnev and Aleksei N. Kosygin
    - The President's view
    - The President's meetings
    - Frank E. Fitzsimmons
    - George Meany
    - Andrei A. Gromyko
      - The President's view
      - Kissinger's previous meeting

Bull entered at an unknown time after 12:46 pm.

The President's schedule

Bull left at an unknown time before 1:03 pm.

US foreign relations

- Soviet Union
  - Communist Party Central Committee Statement
    - Vietnam War
      - Brezhnev
      - Mining of Haiphong Harbor
      - Middle East cease-fire
  - SALT negotiations
    - Kissinger's role
- Sweden
  - Ehrlichman's trip
    - United Nations [UN] conference on the human environment

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- Olaf Palme
  - Speech on Vietnam
- Russell E. Train
- John C. Whitaker
- Rogers
- Vietnam War
  - Ehrlichman's responses to Palme

Domestic issues

- Public relations
- Welfare

The President, Kissinger, and Ehrlichman left at 1:03 pm.