



**NIXON PRESIDENTIAL MATERIALS STAFF**

**Tape Subject Log**  
*(rev. Nov-03)*

Conversation No. 796-1

Date: October 12, 1972  
Time: Unknown between 8:59 am and 9:01 am  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown person; the recording began while the conversation was in progress.

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[Personal returnable]  
[Duration:   1s  ]

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The unknown person left at an unknown time before 9:01 am.

Conversation No. 796-2

Date: October 12, 1972  
Time: 9:01 am - 9:06 am  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with John D. Ehrlichman.

Forthcoming press briefing by Hugh Scott and Ehrlichman  
-Caspar W. ("Cap") Weinberger

Debt Limit Expenditure Ceiling Bill  
-Russell B. Long

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- Telephone call from the President
  - Effect
    - Withdrawal of statement
  - Press coverage
- House of Representatives
- Possible amendment
  - Leonard B. ("Len") Jordan
  - Location
  - Wallace F. Bennett
- Senate

Congressional schedule

Busing

- Filibuster
- Scott
  - James B. Allen
    - Senatorial procedures
      - Tabling until next congressional session
- The President's schedule
  - Atlanta
- Denver
  - Supreme Court argument
- Ehrlichman's schedule
  - Atlanta
- Scott
  - Recent telephone conversation with Ehrlichman
    - Senatorial procedures
    - Timing

Congressional relations

- Procedures
  - Allen and Scott
  - Hubert H. Humphrey
    - Filibuster
      - Spending limitation
  - Edmund S. Muskie
    - Water Quality Bill
      - Possibility of Presidential pocket veto
  - Congressional schedule
    - House of Representatives
- Spending limit

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- William E. Timmons
- Congressional schedule

Briefing papers  
-Busing

The President and Ehrlichman left at 9:06 am.

Conversation No. 796-3

Date: October 12, 1972  
Time: 9:45 am - 9:52 am  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Alexander P. Butterfield.

Instruction

- Materials for H.R. ("Bob") Haldeman

The President's schedule

- Meeting with Claire (Hodgson) Ruth, October 13, 1972
  - Bobby Thomson, Ralph Branca
  - Lou Gehrig
- Drug Abuse Prevention Week
  - Egil ("Bud") Krogh, Jr., Dr. Jerome Jaffe's and Myles J. Ambrose's briefing, October 17, 1972
    - National Advisory Council for Drug Abuse Prevention 1972
      - Cabinet Room
      - Camp David
      - Campaign speeches
- Possible meeting
  - Masayoshi Ohira
  - Kakuei Tanaka
  - The President's previous meeting
- Politics
- [Ohira]

Butterfield left at 9:52 am.

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Conversation No. 796-4

Date: October 12, 1972  
Time: 10:05 am - 10:33 am  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with H.R. ("Bob") Haldeman at 10:05 am.

- 1972 campaign
  - Expenses
  - Vote letter
    - Press coverage
    - Committee for the Re-Election of the President [CRP]
    - Franked mailings
      - Fletcher Thompson
      - Georgia
      - Clark MacGregor
      - Printed statement
        - White House
        - CRP
      - Television [TV] and radio text

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- John B. Connally's previous conversation with Haldeman
  - Corruption charges
    - Response
      - Connally's handling

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- Presidential campaigning
- [George S. McGovern] campaign
- The President's role
- Counter-attack
  - Vice President Spiro T. Agnew
- Press standards
  - Kenneth W. Clawson
- Press standards
  - Supporters of McGovern
  - Attacks on the President and supporters
    - Republican National Committee [RNC]
      - Apparent methods used
  - The President's schedule
    - Berkeley
      - Flyers
      - Damage
    - Statue of Liberty
  - Tricia Nixon Cox's schedule
    - [Columbus Day] Parade
      - Shouting of obscenities
  - Policy of media toward coverage
    - Violence
    - The President's conversation with Charles W. Colson
- Connally's view
  - White House
  - McGovern's issues
    - Vietnam War
      - French embassy bombing
  - Graft, corruption as issues
    - Possible responses
      - Specifics
      - Context in history
        - Double standard
        - Patrick J. Buchanan
          - Richard ("Dick") Tuck
        - Record
          - Distribution of editorial writers
          - Comparisons
    - Press and network coverage
      - Possible reason

Henry A. Kissinger's schedule

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- Vietnam negotiations
  - Hanoi
  - Cable from Kissinger
    - Meeting with the President
      - Discussion with Col. Richard T. Kennedy
      - Possibility of meeting with William P. Rogers
  - Alexander M. Haig, Jr.
    - Kennedy
    - Rogers
      - Announcement
      - Kissinger report
  - Ronald Ziegler's announcement
    - Kissinger's possible arrival time
- Haig
  - Nguyen Van Thieu
- Kissinger
- Hanoi
- Meeting with the President
  - Publicity

1972 election

- Press relations
  - CRP, *Washington Post*
  - Press standards
    - MacGregor
    - Robert J. Dole
  - Donald Segretti story
    - St. Louis Post Dispatch*
    - New York Times*
      - McGovern
        - Peace plan
  - Washington Post*
    - Journalistic style
  - Building dedication invitations
    - The President's order to Cabinet officers
    - Rogers's acceptance
    - John N. Mitchell
    - Maurice H. Stans
      - Libel
    - Administration stance
      - Walter Washington
      - Rogers

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Washington, DC jail takeover by inmates

- Blacks
- Grievances
  - Judge's [Albert C. Bryant's] action
- Administration involvement
- News coverage
- Washington, DC

1972 election

- McGovern
  - Vietnam speech, October 10, 1972
    - Reaction
  - Bombing of French consulate
    - Public interest
    - Casualty
      - [Hanoi]
  - Bombing accuracy
    - Surface to air missile [SAM]
  - Melvin R. Laird
  - Washington Star* editorial
  - James B. ("Scotty") Reston
  - Joseph C. Kraft
  - Residual forces
  - J. William Fulbright
  - McGovern's staff
    - Prisoners of war [POWs]
      - Bombing
    - Thailand
      - Rogers
  - [Adm. John S. McCain, Jr.]

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The President's responses to McGovern's corruption charges

- Discussion of campaign practices
  - In-office press conference
    - Clawson
      - ["Canuck"] letter
      - William Loeb's repudiation
        - Colson
        - Marilyn Berger
  - Democratic Party activities
    - Telephone calls from Los Angeles office, flyers from Berkeley office
      - Editorials
        - Washington Post*
        - Chicago Tribune*
        - Orlando Sentinel*
        - St. Louis Globe Democrat*
  - Press standards
    - Washington Post*
      - Rogers's possible statement
        - Possible effectiveness
        - New York Times*

Press and media relations

- Connally's view
- Establishment
  - Walter L. Cronkite, Jr.
    - Newsweek*
    - Time*
  - Raymond K. Price, Jr.
  - James Keogh
  - Clawson
- Clawson
  - Beliefs
  - Buchanan
    - Jewish background
- Kevin Phillips's theme
  - Buchanan theme

News briefing



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- Ziegler
  - Kissinger's meeting with the President
  - Television [TV] coverage

An unknown woman entered at an unknown time after 10:05 am.

Ziegler's schedule

The unknown woman left at an unknown time before 10:24 am.

- Campaign activities
  - Tone
  - Public reaction
  - Watergate

Ziegler entered at 10:24 am.

- The President's schedule
  - The President's remarks at Atlanta reception, October 12, 1972
    - TV and radio coverage
    - Atlanta press pool
    - J. William Theis
    - Atlanta Journal-Constitution*
    - Cameras and lights
  - Meeting with Kissinger
    - Rogers's schedule
    - Kissinger's schedule
      - [National Security Council] [NSC]
      - Reports
      - Rogers

Alexander P. Butterfield entered at 10:26 am.

- The President's schedule
  - [Atlanta]

Ziegler left at 10:28 am.

- Memoranda from John D. Ehrlichman
  - Copies
  - Guest list

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Haldeman left at 10:29 am.

First Family's schedule  
-Visits to the South

The President's schedule  
-Butterfield's schedule

The President and Butterfield left at 10:33 am.