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Tape Subject Log

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Conversation No. 820-24/821-1

Date: December 12, 1972

Time: Unknown between 3:38 pm and 6:10 pm

Location: Oval Office

The President met with H.R. (“Bob”) Haldeman and Gordon C. Strachan.

An unknown portion of the conversation was not recorded while the tape was changed.

Second-term reorganization

- The President’s possible visits to departments
 - 1969
 - The President’s confidence
 - Loyalty
 - Appointees
 - Visits to White House
- Government employees
- Wearing of flag lapel pins
 - The President, White House staff
 - Effect
- State Department
 - The President's instructions to Strachan at US Information Agency [USIA]
 - Studying
 - Strachan’s possible conversations with James Keogh
 - Visiting embassies abroad
 - Keogh
 - Removal of flag lapel pin
 - Vietnam War
 - Information gathering
 - Ambassadors, ministers
 - Foreign service officers [FSOs]
 - Diplomatic Chiefs of Mission [DCMs]
 - Quality
 - Departures
 - Promotions
 - Young people
- Bureaucracy

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- Recommendations for change
- Administrative duties
- Lawyers

- Bureaucrats
 - 1972 election
 - Effect
 - The President's visit to letter writers, 1971
 - Christmas
 - John F. Kennedy portrait
 - First term
 - Anticipation
 - New appointees
 - Edward M. Kennedy

- White House gifts
 - The President's appreciation
 - Loyalty

- Rose Bowl game
 - University of Southern California [USC]
 - Ohio State University
 - Offense
 - Professional football

Strachan left and Frank J. Shakespeare and Keogh entered at 3:58 pm. The White House photographer and Stephen B. Bull were present at the beginning of the meeting.

Geetings

- Press relations
 - Accuracy in Media [AIM]

Seating arrangements

[Photograph session]

- Press relations
 - The President's meeting with Hobart D. ("Hobe") Lewis, Michael J. O'Neill and John H. Kauffmann
 - Lewis's, Kuuffman's and O'Neill's recent trip to the Soviet Union

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- O'Neill
 - New York Daily News*
 - Washington Post, New York Times*
- Kauffmann
 - [*Washington Star*]
- Lewis
 - [*Reader's Digest*]
- Lewis, Kauffman and O'Neill
 - Importance
 - Previous failure to visit Soviet Union and Eastern Europe
- Shakespeare's future
 - The President's conversation with O'Neill
 - New York
- Lewis's, Kauffman's and O'Neill's recent trip to the Soviet Union
 - Left
 - USIA Exhibition Research and Development
 - O'Neill's study of USIA in Moscow
 - Length
- Second term reorganization
 - O'Neill
 - USIA Advisory Commission
- New York Daily News*
 - Editorials
 - Readership
- John M. Shaheen
 - [*The New York Press*]
 - Financing
 - Compared to television [TV] station
- Shakespeare's future
 - Shaheen's *The New York Press*
 - O'Neill
 - Financing
 - Capital
 - Shaheen's relationship with Peter M. Flanigan
 - New York
 - Financing
 - Shakespeare's conversation with Walter H. Annenberg
 - Shaheen's "heart"
 - Financing
 - Life*

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- Wealth of administration allies
 - W. Clement Stone
 - John A. ("Jack") Mulcahy
- Columbia Broadcasting System [CBS]
- Westinghouse
 - TV, radio stations
 - Soft drink bottlers
 - Broadcast learning
- Title
 - Executive Vice President
- Donald H. McGannon
- White House support for Shakespeare
 - Clay T. ("Tom") Whitehead
- TV licenses
 - TV
 - Channel 9, Florida
 - Washington Post*
 - TV, radio stations
 - Markets
 - San Francisco, Boston, Philadelphia
 - Operations compared to requisitions
 - White House support for Shakespeare
 - Charles W. Colson
 - Money making
 - Leisure time

Second term reorganization

- Advisory commissions
 - Arms control
 - USIA
 - Keogh
 - John C. Stennis
- Employee lists
 - Haldeman, Frederic V. Malek
 - Stanton D. Anderson
 - State Department
 - Ambassadors, Diplomatic Chiefs of Mission [DCMS]
- State Department
 - William J. Casey
 - Under Secretary for Economic Affairs

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- “Cover”
- Promotion
- Deputy
- Firings
- Casey
 - Travel
 - Timing
 - Confirmation
 - Consultant
- Leonard C. Meeker
 - Christine Rhoda (Halliday) Meeker
 - Bucharest
 - Opposition to administration
 - Departure
 - The President’s conversation with Henry A. Kissinger
- White House staff
 - Cuts
- USIA
 - Policy role
 - Need for consultation
 - Kissinger
 - Attitude
 - Vietnam negotiations
 - Settlement agreement
 - Relationship with Keogh
- State Department
 - [David] Kenneth Rush
 - Casey
 - Travel
 - Casey’s conversation with Shakespeare
- Personnel abroad
 - The President’s experience as Congressman
 - Social affairs
 - Manners
 - The President’s relationship with FSOs
 - Vice President Spiro T. Agnew
 - Relationship with FSOs
 - Tennis
 - The President’s experience
 - Manners

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- Loyalty
- Casey
- Social affairs
- Enemies
 - Press
 - Bureaucrats
 - USIA, State Department
 - Defense Department
 - Central Intelligence Agency [CIA]
 - Administration supporters
 - USIA
 - Promotions
 - Career officers
 - State Department
 - Arms Control and Disarmament Agency [ACDA]
 - Agency for International Development [AID]
 - Peace Corps
 - USIA
- USIA
 - Travel
 - Meeting people
 - Reading files
 - 1967, 1966
- State Department
 - Casey
- Shakespeare's experience in USIA
 - Travel
 - Compared to Kissinger, the President, William P. Rogers
 - Protocol
- State Department
 - Casey
 - Travel
 - Business community
 - Career officers
 - Important places
 - Business community
 - Establishment
 - Chase Manhattan Bank
 - The President's experience as Vice President
 - Protocol

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- Agnew
- The Presidents experience as Congressman, Senator and as a private citizen
- Shakespeare
- USIA
 - Keogh
 - Bureacratic position
 - The President's role
 - Kissinger, State Department
 - Washington Special Actions Group [WSAG] meetings
 - National Security Council [NSC] meetings
 - Senior Review Group [SRG] meetings
 - Votes, speaking, listening
 - Kissinger
 - May 1972
 - Listening
 - WSAG meetings
 - Elliot L. Richardson
 - Rush
 - William P. Clements, Jr.
 - Old group
 - Melvin R. Laird
 - David Packard
- US Foreign relations
 - Post-1972 election
 - End of Vietnam War
 - Timing
- Shakespeare's tenure
 - Comments about the administration
 - Effect
 - Compared to John Kennedy administration
- Robert F. Kennedy
 - Attorney General
 - Use, expansion, personnel, visits
- Henry Loomis
- Chairman of advisory commission
- Toughness, courage
- First term
 - Timidity
 - The President's conversation with John. D. Ehrlichman

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- 1968 election
 - Hubert H. Humphrey
 - John Kennedy
- Blacks
- 1972 election
 - Administration supporters
 - Business community
 - Post-1960 elections
- Compared to Robert and John Kennedy
 - Removal of Dwight D. Eisenhower Republicans
 - Exception
 - Homer H. Gruenther

US foreign relations

- The President's trip to the People's Republic of China [PRC] and the Soviet Union
 - Effects
 - Lessened perception of peril
 - Sense of euphoria
 - Vietnam War
 - Sense of euphoria
 - The West
 - Press relations
 - [Arnold] Eric Sevareid
- Soviet Union
 - Motive
 - Interests
- PRC
 - Motive
 - Interests
- US
 - Motive
 - Interests
- Western view
 - Change
 - Peace
- Chile
 - Salvador Allende Gossins dinner
 - New York
 - Richardson
 - State Department

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- Cuba
 - Fidel Castro
 - State Department
- Communist countries
 - Philosophy
 - Compared to the West's philosophy
- Public Opinion
 - Idealism
 - Indian Fighters
 - Peace
 - The President's relationship with foreign leaders
 - Anatoliy F. Dobrynin
 - Toasts
 - Leonid I. Brezhnev, Aleksei N. Kosygin, Nikolai V. Podgorny
 - Compared to the President's policies
 - PRC
 - Time
 - Communism
 - Détente*
 - European Security Conference
 - Soviet Union
- Recent Elections
 - Japan, Australia, New Zealand, West Germany, Britain, France
 - Left shift
 - Canada
 - Nationalism
 - Japan
 - Specialists, Communists
 - Georges J.R. Pompidou, Edward R.G. Heath, Willy Brandt
- Erosion of beliefs
- Youth
 - College students
 - View of Vietnam War
 - Killing
 - South Vietnam
 - North Vietnam
- Soviet Union, PRC

Shakespeare's residence

- Greenwich, Connecticut

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-Keogh

Second term reorganization

- Federal Trade Commission [FTC]
 - Donald McI. Kendall's recommendation
 - Pepsico
- Commissions
 - Federal Power Commission [FPC]
 - FTC
- Euphoria
 - Free enterprise
 - Demolition
 - Foreign policy

Shakespeare's expression of appreciation

The President's expression of appreciation

- Shakespeare
 - Conversations with the President
 - Participation
 - Compared to others in Federal agencies
 - Retirement
- Administration support

The President's administration

- Compared to Eisenhower administration
 - John Foster Dulles
 - Herbert Brownell
 - Rogers
 - Bureaucracy
 - Shakespeare's experience
- Social affairs
 - Activities
 - Harry S. Truman administration
 - Effect
 - White House staff
 - Wives
 - Cabinet
 - Wives
 - Activities

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- Clubs, golf, parties, bridge, cruises, vacations
- Need for new Establishment
 - Senators, Congressman
 - J. William Fulbright
 - Compared to Charles H. Percy, Charles McC. Mathias
- Social elite
 - Shakespeare's return to New York

1972 election

- Results
 - New York
 - Rhode Island, Connecticut
 - Upper middle class
 - White Anglo-Saxon Protestants
 - Compared to 1960 election
 - Gains
 - Middle class
 - Catholics, non-Catholics
 - Working class, white collars

Elitists

- US
 - Softness
 - Compared to Britain, France, West Germany, Japan
- California
 - Beverly Hills
 - Right, left
 - Los Angeles
 - San Francisco
 - David Packard
- East Coast
 - New York, Boston, Philadelphia, Washington, DC
 - Influence
 - Press relations
 - Publishers, editors
 - Teachers, professors
 - Businessmen
 - Government
 - [Taxes]
 - Kendall

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- Business committee
- “Main Street”
 - Compared to Business Council
- Education, readings, social affairs
- Ivy League schools
 - Ambassadors' background
 - Compared to US
 - Quotas
 - Ohio State University [OSU]
 - Kansas, Nebraska, Texas
 - Georgetown, New York
 - West
- View of the President
 - The President's education and background
 - [Duke University]
 - Grades
 - Social affairs
 - Alger Hiss case
 - Barry M. Goldwater
 - Joseph McCarthy
 - Alice Roosevelt Longworth
 - Education
 - Emphasis
 - Change
 - Timing
 - Press relations
 - Educational system
- Kinshasa Ambassadorial Meeting
 - Shakespeare role
 - Duration
 - Views
 - Unanimity
 - South Africa
 - US Marines
- US Chiefs of Mission
 - Africa
 - Education
 - Harvard University, Yale University, Princeton University
- Life*
 - Audience

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-Middle class

1972 election

- George S. McGovern nomination
 - Effect
 - The President's public statements
 - The President's victory margin
- California
 - Democratic Party
- Cost
 - Victory margin

Press relations

- 1972 election
 - Robert D. Novak article
 - Press credibility
 - Alleged McGovern gains, shift
 - Polls
- Belief in McGovern
 - Populism
 - Harriet Van Horner's article
 - Issues
 - Marijuana, abortion, busing, welfare, Vietnam War, flag lapel pins, work ethic
- Life, Look, Saturday Evening Post*
 - Endorsement of the President in 1972
 - Photographs
 - Reporters' view
 - Letter
 - Editor's view
 - Publisher's view
 - TV licenses
 - Reasons for failure
 - Misjudgment of the public
 - Cambodia invasion
 - The President's conversation with Peter J. Brennan
 - Hardhats
 - Haldeman's view
 - Colson
 - Kissinger's view

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- Leonard Garment's view
- Raymond K. Price, Jr.'s view
 - Resignation
- Haldeman's view
- Hardhats
- Students
 - Treatment
 - US flag
- Washington, DC
 - Effect on administration supporters
 - Washington Post, Washington Star, New York Times*, networks
 - Social affairs
 - Katherine L. Graham
- Erotic content
- Editorials
 - [Max] Gissen [?]
- Sensationalism
- Loss of audience
 - Elitism of staff
 - New York Daily News*
 - Harvard University
- Movies
 - The President's recent conversation with Jack L. Warner
 - The President's viewing of [*What the Peeper Saw*]
 - The President's view of movies
 - Sexual explicitness
 - What the Peeper Saw*
 - Plot
 - Rating
 - Patriotic movies
 - Public opinion
 - The President's conversations with [Tricia Nixon Cox and Julie Nixon Eisenhower]
 - Music, sexual explicitness in arts
- John Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts
 - Modern art
 - Audience

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Theater

- New York
 - The President's attendance at *Much Ado About Nothing*
 - Two Gentlemen of Verona*
 - William Shakespeare
 - Garment
 - OSU
 - Elite
 - Liberal Establishment
 - Corruption
 - Pornography
 - Garment
 - Theodore H. ("Teddy") White's article
 - Columbia School of Journalism
 - Berlin in 1920s
 - Avant-garde* trends
 - Art
 - Sex
 - Public opinion
 - Adolf Hitler
 - Cabaret*
 - Public opinion
 - Press relations

Leader class

- Weakness
- Dictators
 - Leadership
 - Mobilization of masses
 - Slogans
- The President and contemporaries
 - Last of old guard
- Second term reorganization
 - Departures
 - Perquisites
 - Cadillacs
 - Competence
- Rogers
 - State Department
 - Press relations

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- Lyndon B. Johnson
- Respect
- Appointees
 - Need for value judgment
 - Concern about perceptions
 - Portraits
 - New York Times*
 - Cabinet, administration personnel
 - Qualities needed
 - Courage
 - Conviction
 - Intelligence
 - Courage
 - Loyalty
 - Conviction
 - Supreme Court
 - Williams H. Rehnquist
 - Background
 - Judgeship
 - Age
 - Office of Legal Counsel
 - Arizona lawyer
 - Stanford University
 - Confirmation
 - Value
 - Warren E. Burger's view
 - Age
 - Workload
 - Conservatism
 - Age
 - Compared to Lewis F. Powell, Jr.
 - Intelligence
 - Compared to Henry A. Blackman, Burger
 - Politics
 - William O. Douglas
 - Friday conferences
 - Loyalty, courage, conviction
 - Left compared to right
 - Loyalty, courage, conviction

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- Intelligence
 - Flag lapel pins
 - George Meany
 - Business leaders
 - Education
 - Presidency or Papacy
- Intelligence
 - Spiritual and philosophical values
 - Free Society
 - Diversity
 - Vietnam War
 - Orders
 - Conservatives
 - Republicans
 - Business
 - Liberals
 - Government, media
 - Hostility to business
 - Second term reorganization
 - Moral, religious values, loyalty
- Left
 - Sacrifice
 - Character
 - Obsession with power
 - Individuals
 - Masses
 - Manipulation by government
 - Weaknesses
 - Lack of character
 - Lack of courage
 - US
 - Compared to Communists
 - Brezhnev
 - View of Michael J. Mansfield, McGovern
 - View of the President
 - Fear
 - Sentimental idealism
 - Contempt from right, far left
- Right
 - Inflexibility

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- Far left
- Left
 - Liberals
 - Danger
 - Lack of character
 - Business, media, professors
 - Ivy League presidents

US foreign relations

- US philosophical strength
 - Communism
 - PRC
 - Soviet Union
 - Press relations
 - Images
 - Fermentation, uncertainty, ruthlessness, values
 - Communism
 - Need to convey
 - Public relations [PR]
 - Mission
 - USIA, philosopher
 - Speech writing
 - Tone

1972 election

Bicentennial

- Compared to overseas assignment
- Presentation

White House gifts

- Pins
 - Wives
- Ash trays

Manolo Sanchez entered and left at an unknown time before 5:18 pm.

White House gifts

- Ash trays

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Keogh and Frank Shakespeare left at 5:18 pm.

Frank Shakespeare

- Value
- Working relationships
 - Difficulty
 - Kissinger
 - The President

[Begin segment reviewed under deed of gift]

Julie Nixon Eisenhower

- Possible position in White House
 - Meeting with Ronald L. Ziegler

[End segment reviewed under deed of gift]

Second term reorganization

- Julie Nixon Eisenhower
 - Recent conversation with Haldeman
 - East Wing
 - The President's, the President's Family, and White House staff schedules
 - Planning
 - Perceptions
 - Compared to issues
 - Richard A. Moore
 - Dwight L. Chapin
 - Garment
 - William L. Safire
 - John Reagan ("Tex") McCrary
 - Planning
 - Review
 - Objectives
 - Chapin

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- Planning
 - David N. Parker
- Office
- Meetings
 - Haldeman, the President
- East Wing
 - Thelma ("Pat") Nixon's schedule
- Cabinet
- Perceptions
 - "Human"
- East Wing
 - Press relations
 - Ziegler's view
 - Mrs. Nixon
 - Haldeman's role
- Ziegler's conversation with Julie Nixon Eisenhower
- Briefings
- White House dinners
 - Entertainment
 - Fred Waring
 - Constance M. (Cornell)("Connie") Stuart
- Ziegler's conversation with Mrs. Nixon
 - Stuart
 - Retention

The President left and entered at an unknown time before 5:24 pm.

- Letter from unknown sculptor
 - Tone
 - Humility
- The President's schedule
 - Possible meeting
- Gift for the President

[Begin segment reviewed under deed of gift]

- Julie Nixon Eisenhower
 - Work with Mrs. Nixon

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Butterfield entered at 5:24 pm.

[End segment reviewed under deed of gift]

The President's schedule

- Reception for 1972 election supporters
 - Errors
 - Identities
 - The President's knowledge
 - Military aide
 - Maurice H. Stans, Clark MacGregor
 - Democrats
 - New Majority
 - Democrats

Butterfield left at an unknown time before 5:50 pm.

The President's schedule

- Frank Shakespeare
 - Guidance
- Lewis's, Kauffmann's and O'Neill's trip to the Soviet Union
 - Report
- First term
- Cancelled meeting with [Blake Sanborn and Donald Kemp] of Whittier, California
 - Parker
 - Rose Mary Woods
 - Telephone call
 - The President's family
 - Woods
 - Letter
 - Mrs. Nixon
- Parker
 - Mrs. Nixon's schedule
- Julie Nixon Eisenhower's possible job
- Woods's judgment
 - [John H. Alexander]
- Necessary meetings

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- Visits to agencies
- Meetings
- Control
- Meetings with administration officials
 - Problems
 - John A. Volpe, Clifford M. Hardin
 - Volpe
 - Massachusetts
 - Philosophy
 - Trust funds

Second term reorganization

- John C. Whitaker
- Young people
- Women
 - Under Secretaries
 - [Atomic Energy Commission] [AEC]
 - Dr. Edward David
 - [Dixie Lee Ray]
- Dr. James R. Schlesinger
 - Relationship with Stennis
 - Possible meeting with the President
 - CIA memorandum
 - John D. Ehrlichman
 - Caspar W. ("Cap") Weinberger
 - Colson
 - Congressional relations

Congressional relations

- Stennis
 - Ehrlichman, Haldeman

The President's schedule

- Cabinet dinner
- Guests
 - Ehrlichman
 - Haldeman's view
 - Kissinger's view
 - Social events
 - Ehrlichman's schedule

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- Ziegler, William E. Timmons
- Social, cultural events
 - White House staff
 - Compared to Cabinet
 - The President's experience as Vice President
 - Mrs. Nixon
 - Haldeman's leadership
 - Facilities
 - Blair House
 - Corcoran Museum of Art [?]
 - National Portrait Gallery
 - Lectures
 - Wives
 - Families
 - View of Washington, DC
 - William and [Helena (Julius)] Safire
 - John and [Jeanne] Ehrlichman
 - H. R. and [JoAnne (Horton)] Haldeman
 - Caspar and [Jane (Dalton)] Weinberger
 - George P. and Helena M. ("Obie") Shultz
 - Helena Shultz's view
 - Lectures
 - Role as surrogates
 - Jo Haldeman's view
 - Lucy A. Winchester
 - Julie Nixon Eisenhower
 - White House staff
 - Cabinet
 - Mrs. Nixon's schedule
 - Teas
 - Receiving lines
 - Red Room
 - Green Room
 - Tours
 - Mrs. Nixon
 - Example
 - Republican Woman's Committee of Ames, Iowa
 - Jeanne Ehrlichman
 - Cabinet
 - White House

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- Jo Haldeman's experience at Los Angeles art museum
- Cabinet Room, Oval Office
- Guards
- Jeanne Ehrlichman, Obie Shultz
- White House tours
 - Friends
 - Letters
 - Michael J. Farrell
 - Mrs. Nixon
 - Sanborn and Kemp of Whittier
 - Congressional relations
 - Administration supporters
 - Republicans, Democrats
 - Administration opponents
 - Ticket availability
- Julie Nixon Eisenhower's conversation with H.R. Haldeman
 - Julie Nixon Eisenhower's meeting with Sam Steiger
 - Sanborn and Kemp of Whittier
 - Presentation
 - Credit
- Sandborn and Kemp of Whittier
 - Mrs. Nixon
 - Tour
 - Presentation of Seroll
- Mrs. Nixon's role
- Meeting with Robert Nisbet
 - Compared to meetings with mayors
- Leadership
- Schlesinger
 - CIA
- Keogh
- USIA

Second term reorganization

- Whitaker
- Ronald H. Walker
 - National Park Service [NPS]
 - Reaction
 - Qualifications

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- Rogers, C.B. Morton and Whitaker
- Robert Kennedy
- [George Hartzog]
- Leonard C. Meeker
 - The President's conversation with Kissinger
 - O'Neill, New York, *New York Daily News*
 - Kauffman of *Washington Star*
 - Haldeman's view
 - The President's trip to Romania
 - US-Romania relations
- Margaret G. Beam
- Jacob D. Beam
 - Departure
- Departures
 - Age
- U. Alexis Johnson
 - Ambassadorship to the Soviet Union
 - Kissinger's recommendation
 - Strategic Arms Limitation Talks [SALT]
 - Ambassadorship at large
 - Rogers
 - Meetings
- Shakespeare
 - Arms Control and Disarmament Agency [ACDA] advisory committee
 - [State Department]
 - Soviet Union
 - John J. McCloy
 - President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board [PFIAB]
 - USIA advisory commission
- The President's view
 - Rogers
 - Robert J. Dole
 - Conversation with the H.R. Haldeman
 - John A. Scali

Stephen B. Bull entered at unknown time after 5:24 pm.

The President's schedule

- Meeting with Alexander M. Haig, Jr.

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Bull left at an unknown time before 5:50 pm.

White House gifts

- Records [Mormon Tabernacle Choir, gift from Isaac M. Stewart]
 - Eugene Ormandy
 - Recipients
 - Congress
 - Diplomatic corps
 - Celebrities
 - 1972 campaign
 - Congress
 - Friends
 - Timmons
 - Woods
 - Recipients
 - Celebrities, friends

1973 Inauguration

- Swearing-in ceremony
 - Attire
 - Compared to 1969 Inauguration
 - Dave Harris

Haig entered at 5:50 pm.

The President's schedule

- Reception for 1972 election supporters
 - Timing

Haldeman left at unknown time before 6:10 pm.

The President's schedule

- Shower
- Reception for 1972 election supporters
 - Hand-shaking

Vietnam negotiations

- Kissinger's message
 - Haig's telephone call
 - Length

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- Kissinger's views
 - Nguyen Van Thieu
 - Military action
 - Public relations [PR]
- Press relations
 - Settlement agreement
 - Timing
- Settlement agreement
 - Intelligence reports
 - Post-October 6, 1972
 - North Vietnam
 - Instructions to cadres
 - Reorganization of forces in South Vietnam
 - Briefings
- North Vietnam
 - Perception of US
 - “Pre-Christmas anxiety”
- Kissinger's message
 - Record
 - Concessions
- Future
- December 13, 1972 meeting
 - The President's message to Kissinger
- Breakdown
 - Tone
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 - North Vietnam's reaction
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- Thieu's speech at National Assembly, December 12, 1972
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 - Congressional reconvention
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 - B-52s
 - Escorts
- Cease-fire
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- Thieu
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 - Soviet Union
 - PRC

The President's schedule

- Reception for 1972 election supporters
- Meeting with Haig

Vietnam negotiations

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- Settlement agreement
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An unknown person entered and the unknown person and Haig left at 6:10 pm.

Conversation No. 821-2

Date: December 12, 1972

Time: Unknown between 6:10 pm and 6:12 pm

Location: Oval Office

H.R. ("Bob") Haldeman [?] met with unknown people.

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[Begin segment reviewed under deed of gift]

Reception for 1972 election supporters [?]

- Preparations
- Cabinet meeting
- The President's schedule

[End segment reviewed under deed of gift]

Tape ends at an unknown time before 6:12 pm.