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**NIXON PRESIDENTIAL LIBRARY AND MUSEUM**  
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Conversation No. 880-1

Date: March 15, 1973  
Time: 11:16 am-11:19 am  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Ronald L. Ziegler.

President's press conference  
-Preparations  
-Format  
-Start of press conference  
-Announcement of Dr. David K. Bruce's appointment US  
liaison office in People's Republic of China [PRC]  
-Background hand-outs  
-Briefing by President

Ziegler left at 11:19 am.

Conversation No. 880-2

Date: March 15, 1973  
Time: Unknown between 11:19 am and 11:21 am  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Ronald L. Ziegler.

President's press conference  
-Ziegler's introduction

The President and Ziegler left at 11:21 am.

Conversation No. 880-25

Date: March 15, 1973  
Time: Unknown between 11:22 am and 11:58 am  
Location: Oval Office

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Conversation No. 880-25 (cont'd)

Unknown people met.

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[Begin segment reviewed under deed of gift]

President's schedule  
-Press office

[End segment reviewed under deed of gift]

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The conversation was cut off at an unknown time before 11:58 am.

Conversation No. 880-3

Date: March 15, 1973  
Time: 11:58 am-12:05 pm  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Ronald L. Ziegler.

President's press conference  
-Watergate  
-Court tests  
-Ziegler's future comments  
-President's comments  
-Restrictions on White House commentary  
-Cooperation with Congress  
-Record of administration  
-Alger Hiss case  
-Press sensitivity  
-Unknown reporter's question  
-Ed Kempler  
-Press bias  
-Comparison to Pentagon Papers case  
-Issues of case

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Conversation No. 880-3 (cont'd)

- White House position with press
- Clark R. Mollenhoff
- President's handling of questions characterized
- Dr. David K. E. Bruce
- Stockpiling
- Food prices
  - Importance of story
- Aid to India and Pakistan
- Watergate
  - John W. Dean, III
    - Executive privilege
  - Committee to Reelect the President
    - Responsibility
  - Kemp's question
    - Hiss case
  - Cooperation with Congress
    - Hiss case
      - Issues
  - Press obsessions
    - Hostility to administration and presidency
    - Bias against President
      - Comparison to treatment of John F. Kennedy
    - Ziegler's response

Ziegler left at 12:05 pm.

Conversation No. 880-4

Date: March 15, 1973  
Time: Unknown between 12:05 pm and 12:11 pm  
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 37-117]

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Conversation No. 880-5

Date: March 15, 1973  
Time: Unknown between 12:05 pm and 12:11 pm  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman's schedule  
-Memorial service for George T. Bell  
-John D. Ehrlichman [?]

Bell  
-Christian Science religion  
-Illness  
-Cancer  
-Mrs. Bell  
-President's telephone call to Bell  
-Christian Science

Bull left at an unknown time before 12:11 pm.

Conversation No. 880-6

Date: March 15, 1973  
Time: 12:11 pm-12:25 pm  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Henry A. Kissinger.

President's press conference  
-Vietnam  
-Questions  
-President's handling

The President talked with Ralph H. Cake between 12:11 pm and 12:12 pm.

[Conversation No. 880-6A]

[See Conversation No. 37-118]

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Conversation No. 880-6 (cont'd)

[End of telephone conversation]

Ralph H. Cake

-Illness

President's Press conference

-Watergate

-Questions on Donald H. Segretti

-President's handling of questions

-Dwight L. Chapin

-President's demeanor

-Watergate

-Ed Kempler's question

-Press double standard

-Alger Hiss case

-Harry S Truman

-Hiss case

-President's involvement

-Reasons

-John N. Mitchell

-Committee to Re-elect the President

-Involvement

-Mitchell's involvement

-Kissinger's view

-H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman

-People's Republic of China [PRC] liaison office announcement

Ronald L. Ziegler entered at 12:15 pm.

Greetings

Press statements

-North Vietnam

-India

-Pakistan

India

-US aid

-Suspension

-Commitments

-Lyndon B. Johnson

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Conversation No. 880-6 (cont'd)

- Sales
- Policy
- State Department
- Tanks
  - Johnson
- Personnel carriers
  - Lethality
  - PRC
- Military expenditures
  - Indira Gandhi's comments to Daniel P. Moynihan [?]
  - Arms race
  - Poverty
- Comparison with Pakistan
- Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]
  - Arms production

President's trips

- Plans
  - Africa
  - Latin America
- Latin America
  - Value
- William P. Rogers
- Requests
  - Commitments
- Japan

Vietnam

Dr. David K. E. Bruce

- US liaison office to PRC
  - Lead story
    - Alfred L. Jenkins
    - John H. Holdridge

Kissinger left at 12:18 pm.

Press relations

- Vietnam
- Watergate

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Conversation No. 880-7 (cont'd)

Watergate

- L. Patrick Gray, III
- Testimony before committee
- News reports
  - John W. Dean, III's testimony
    - Restrictions
    - Executive privilege
      - Court challenge
      - Mitchell, Maurice H. Stans
      - News

An unknown person entered at an unknown time after 12:18 pm.

President's schedule

- President's meeting with James M. Collins
- John G. Tower

The unknown person left at an unknown time before 12:25 pm.

Watergate

- Press conference
  - Richard A. Moore's, Patrick J. Buchanan's and Dean's opinion
  - Moore's opinion
- Ziegler's comments
  - Ervin hearings
  - Federal Bureau of Investigation [FBI] raw files
    - White House viewing
    - Disclosure to Ervin Committee
  - Dealings with press
  - J. Edgar Hoover's practices
- Press
  - Frustrations

President's press conference

- Length
- Sarah McClendon
- Frances L. Lewine
  - Cut-off of press conference
- Clark R. Mollenhoff
- President's handling of questions
  - Martin K ("Ken") Worthy

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Conversation No. 880-7 (cont'd)

- [Unintelligible name]
- Timing
  - Advantages
  - Moore's view
- Press hostility
- Watergate
  - Comments
  - Future press conference responses
  - Tone
    - Kissinger

Watergate

- Executive privilege
  - President's experiences as congressman
  - Cooperation with committee of Congress
  - Administration's record

President's schedule

- Meeting with Debbie Ploch
  - "1973 Maid of Cotton"
- Photographer
  - Oliver F. ("Ollie") Atkins
- Distribution of photograph
  - Texas

Ziegler left at 12:25 pm.

Conversation No. 880-7

Date: March 15, 1973

Time: Unknown between 12:25 pm and 12:26 pm

Location: Oval Office

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

Delivery

President's schedule



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Sanchez left at 12:26 pm.

Conversation No. 880-8

Date: March 15, 1973  
Time: 12:26 pm-12:35 pm  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Debbie Ploch, James M. Collins and Max L. Friedersdorf. The White House photographer was present at the beginning of the meeting.

Introductions  
-Family

Photographs

Thelma C. ("Pat") Nixon

[Sirikit, Queen of Thailand] Queen Sirikit Kitiyakara  
-Attributors  
-Miss World contest  
-Ploch's trip to Southeast Asia

[Photograph session]

State visit by [Bhumibol, King of Thailand] Bhumibol Adulyadej  
-Visit to White House  
-Message for Queen Sirikit

Ploch's teaching career  
-English  
-Spanish

Cotton Bowl  
-Football game  
-Texas, Oklahoma

Gifts

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Conversation No. 880-8 (cont'd)

Oval Office

- Mrs. Nixon's input
- Curtains
  - Color television [TV]
- Painting of White House
  - Great Britain
- Portrait of George Washington

Rose Garden

- Tricia Nixon Cox's wedding
- Flowers

Ploch's plans

- Marriage
  - President's future grandchildren

Chinese vase

- Value
- Jade
- Age
- Inscription

Prisoners of war [POWs]

Ploch's trip to Far East

- Experiences
  - People
- Sale of cotton from US
  - Necessity

Crewelwork by Julie Nixon Eisenhower

President's daughters

- Middle names

Ploch's middle name

Ploch, et al., left at 12:35 pm.

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Conversation No. 880-9 (cont'd)

Conversation No. 880-9

Date: March 15, 1973  
Time: 12:35 pm-1:02 pm  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

President's schedule

- Donald E. Young
  - Telephone call
  - Alaska
  - Meeting with President
    - Max M. Fisher
- President's meeting with Lucy M. Ferguson
  - Arrangements

Alexander P. Butterfield

- Confirmation
  - Federal Aviation Administration [FAA]
- Photograph with President
- Swearing-in

President's schedule

- Meeting with Arlene Dahl
  - H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman
  - Actress
  - Photograph session
- Meeting with Theodore H. ("Teddy") White
  - Book
  - Ronald L. Ziegler, Haldeman
  - Length
- Herman Kahn
- Visit to dentist
- Ambassador William Warnock of Ireland
  - Meeting
    - Shamrock presentation
  - Length
- Visit to dentist
  - Openings
    - Shamrock presentation

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Conversation No. 880-9 (cont'd)

- Next week
  - Openings
- Meeting with White
- Labor Management Advisory Committee
  - Cost of Living Council
  - George P. Shultz
  - Herbert G. Stein and John T. Dunlop
  - Shultz's presence
    - Postponement
    - John D. Ehrlichman's opinion
- Organization of American States [OAS] reception
  - President's presence
  - White House reception
  - Latin America
  - Ambassadors
- William P. Rogers's dinner
  - Date
  - State Department
  - Ambassadors
- OAS reception
  - President's speech
  - Preparation
- Photograph sessions with President
  - Oliver F. ("Ollie") Atkins
  - Nixon Library, National Archives
    - Thomas hart
  - President at work
- Cabinet meeting
- Congressional leaders meeting
- Labor Management Advisory Committee
  - Shultz's attendance
- Congressional leaders meeting
- Cabinet meeting
- Shultz

Walter H. Annenberg

- Gift in the Executive Office Building [EOB] office
- Replica

President's schedule

- Haldeman

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Conversation No. 880-9 (cont'd)

- Congressional leaders meeting
  - Shultz
  - Size of meeting
- President's trip to California
- Cabinet meeting
- Congressional leaders meeting
- Maurice H. Stans
  - Fisher
- Daily meetings
  - Ehrlichman
  - Photograph sessions
  - Congress
- Congressional leaders meeting
- Cabinet meeting
- Rest of month
  - Open days

Henry A. Kissinger entered at 12:51 pm.

Bull left at 12:52 pm.

Mutual and Balanced Force Reduction [MBFR]

- Annual report
- Meeting

People's Republic of China [PRC]

- Ambassador to France
  - Seniority
  - Diplomatic service
  - Central committee
  - Intelligence
  - Visit to US

Washington press corps

- Questions on US-PRC relations
  - Lack of interest
- US-PRC relations
  - Dr. David K. E. Bruce
  - Historical significance

US-PRC relations

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Conversation No. 880-9 (cont'd)

- President's trip to PRC
  - Importance
- Bruce
  - Alfred L. Jenkins
  - John H. Holdridge
  - Ambassador to France [Huang Zhen]
  - Chief of Protocol Department
    - Rank
    - English language
  - Announcement of appointment
    - Ronald L. Ziegler
- News stories
  - Kissinger's trip to PRC
  - Handling by press corps

Press corps

- Bias
  - Executive privilege
    - Questions
    - Staff testimony to Congress
      - Walter W. Rostow
      - Ehrlichman
- PRC story
  - Historical significance
  - Patriotism
  - Bruce
  - Watergate

US-PRC relations

- Importance
- President's letter to Mao Tse-Tung and Chou En-lai
  - Composition
    - Treaty
- Common dangers
- Transcript

Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]

Nuclear treaty

- Announcement of policy objectives
  - Agreement on principle
    - Renouncing nuclear weapons

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Conversation No. 880-9 (cont'd)

- Removing danger of nuclear war
- Reactions from PRC and Europe
  - Bargaining
  - Draft treaty from USSR
- USSR
  - US responses to attacks
    - Hypothetical situations
      - Allies
      - Neutral
      - India
    - PRC
  - Reaction from PRC and Europe
  - Leonid I. Brezhnev

USSR

- Emigration of Soviet Jews
  - Question from press
  - President's response
  - Need for stable US-USSR relations
  - Rate
  - Reaction
  - Public exposure of question
    - Edward M. ("Teddy") Kennedy
      - John T. Downey release
      - Chou
      - PRC
  - US-USSR relations
- Private message
  - Republicans
  - Peace Corps

PRC

- Message
- Kissinger's meeting with President
  - Scheduling

US-Pakistan relations

- Commitments
  - Arms sales
  - Lyndon B. Johnson

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Conversation No. 880-9 (cont'd)

Kissinger left at 1:02 pm.

Conversation No. 880-10

Date: March 15, 1973  
Time: Unknown between 1:02 pm and 1:04 pm  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull [?].

Ronald L. Ziegler  
-Meeting with President

Bull [?] left at an unknown time before 1:04 pm.

Conversation No. 880-11

Date: March 15, 1973  
Time: 1:04 pm-1:16 pm  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Ronald L. Ziegler.

President's press conference  
-Need to present the White House view  
-Victor Lasky  
-Administration dealings  
-Alger Hiss case  
    -Comparison with Watergate  
    -W. Bruce Weinrod  
        -Federal Bureau of Investigation [FBI]  
    -Kenneth W. Clawson  
    -Line for press  
    -National security issue  
-FBI files  
    -Use  
    -Disclosure to Congress



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Conversation No. 880-11 (cont'd)

- Use by White House staff
- Watergate
  - Executive privilege
- Mood at press conference
- People's Republic of China [PRC] diplomatic mission to US
  - Lack of press interest

PRC

- Diplomatic mission
  - Ambassador to France [Huang Zhen]
  - Chief of Protocol
    - Han Su [?]

Press corps

- Comments of old-timers
  - Squire Byrnes, Edgar Allen Poe, J. William Theis, Martin Hayden
  - Decline
- PRC story
  - Lack of interest
  - Significance
    - Opening of liaison office
    - Taiwan
    - Chou En-lai
    - India-Pakistan
    - Superficial lead
- Hostility to administration
  - Courtney Sheldon
  - Response of White House
  - Liberals

President's press conference

- Ziegler's evaluation
  - White House response
- Tone
  - Toughness
- Liberals
- Drug legislation
  - Administration position
    - Permissiveness
    - Press bias
    - Commission report [?]

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Conversation No. 880-11 (cont'd)

- John F. Kennedy, Lyndon B. Johnson
- Dwight D. Eisenhower
- President's appearances
  - Responses to questions
  - “No comment”

Watergate

- Executive privilege
- Senate actions
  - Possible court test
- Liberals
- Hiss case
  - Harry S Truman's order on executive privilege

Liberal establishment

- Hiss
- Berlin Wall
- Vietnam
- Presidency
- Attitude of country
- Support for George S. McGovern
- Education, social issues
- Joseph W. Alsop
  - McGovern
- Radical elements
- Crime
- McGovern
  - Democratic convention
  - Meeting with radicals
    - Loss of support in country
    - White House staff reaction
      - William P. Rogers
      - Raymond K. Price, Jr.
      - Leonard Garment

President's press conference

- Television [TV] broadcast
- Reports on TV
  - Public reactions

Ziegler left at 1:16 pm.

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Conversation No. 880-13 (cont'd)

Conversation No. 880-12

Date: March 15, 1973  
Time: Unknown between 2:53 pm and 2:55 pm  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown person.

Request  
-Ronald L. Ziegler [?]

The unknown person left at an unknown time before 2:55 pm.

Conversation No. 880-13

Date: March 15, 1973  
Time: Unknown between 2:55 pm and 2:59 pm  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Rose Mary Woods.

President's approval of item  
-President's meeting with Lucy Ferguson

Prisoners of war [POWs]  
-Reception

The President and Woods left at an unknown time before 2:59 pm.

Conversation No. 880-14

Date: March 15, 1973  
Time: Unknown between 2:55 pm and 3:55 pm  
Location: Oval Office

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The President met with Rose Mary Woods.

Arrangements for Prisoners of war [POWs] reception

Lucy Ferguson, John Ferguson, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Williams, Jeannette Williams, Mark Williams, Jonathan Williams, Diane Jordan, Shelby Jordan and Kim Jordan entered at 2:59 pm. The White House photographer was present at the beginning of the meeting.

Introductions

-Size of family

Lucy Ferguson's work with White House

-Retirement

-Thanks

-Thelma C. ("Pat") Nixon

Photographs

-Arrangements

-Children

-Dress

-Copies

-Oliver F. ("Ollie") Atkins

Lucy Ferguson's work

-Thanks

Salutations

Lucy Ferguson, et al., left at 3:03 pm. Woods remained.

Prisoners of war [POWs]

-Recognition

-Medal

-Certificate

-Commendation

-Gifts

-Presidential cufflinks

-Pins

-J. Willard ("Bill") Marriott, Jr. [?]

-Recognition

-Commendation

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- Pins
- Bracelets
- Medals
  - Design
    - Eagle
    - Marriott [?]
  - Production
- Commendations
  - Gen. Brent G. Scowcroft
- Inscription
- Presidential ashtrays

Max M. Fisher and Leonard Garment entered at 3:06 pm. The White House photographer was present at the beginning of the meeting.

Greetings

President's press conference

Woods left at 3:06 pm.

Photograph

- Seating arrangements

Fisher's activities

- Fisher's work with Jewish community
  - Foreign policy issues
    - Middle East
    - Soviet Jews
      - Most Favored Nation [MFN] status
      - Opposition of Jewish community
      - Non-Jews
- Fisher's help for president
  - Work with William P. Rogers
  - Joseph J. Sisco
  - Henry A. Kissinger [?]
  - George P. Shultz
    - Strategy

Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]

- President's meeting with Golda Meir

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- President's approach on Soviet Jews
  - Unnamed congressman
  - President's trip to People's Republic of China [PRC]
  - Release of John T. Downey

An unknown man entered at an unknown time after 3:06 pm.

Refreshment

The unknown man left at an unknown time before 3:55 pm.

USSR

- PRC trip by president
  - Lack of conditions
  - Relationship
  - Results of trip
    - Release of Downey
- Soviet Jewish emigration
  - MFN
  - US-USSR relations
  - Agitation
    - Dangers
      - Summit
      - Peace
    - American Jews
    - Congress
      - Pandering
  - Rate of emigration
    - Reasons
    - Relationship to MFN
      - Economic initiatives
  - American Jewish community
    - Agitation
      - Dangers to Soviet Jews
      - President's approach
- US relations with USSR
  - Goals
    - Peace
      - Relationship between superpowers
    - Handling of Soviet Jewish emigration
    - Arms limitations

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- Communists
- Blame
- Press conference
- Soviet Jewish emigration
  - Domestic issue
    - Speech
      - New York
      - Herschel Schacter
      - Heroics
      - Leonid I. Brezhnev
  - President's approach
    - Humanitarianism
    - Germany
    - Rider on MFN
    - Economic progress
      - Vietnam
      - Arms limitations
- USSR's leadership
  - Paranoia, jingoistic pride
  - Congressional action on MFN
    - American Jewish community
      - Responsibility
- Meir's and Yitzhak Rabin's attitude
  - Peace prospects
  - PRC
    - Release of Downey
    - Conditions
- Soviet Jewish emigration
  - USSR's goal
    - Respectability
  - President's approach
    - Public relations program
    - Conditions on trade
- Treatment of Soviet Jews
  - Insane asylums
  - NAZIs
    - Killing, torture
  - Cruelty
  - Handling of Soviet Jewish emigration
    - US influence
      - Rider on MFN

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- American Jewish community
  - Fisher's role
  - Rogers
  - Leadership meeting
    - Speech
    - Congress
    - Demagoguery
  - Henry A. Kissinger
  - Rider on MFN
    - Battle against Jews
    - Votes
- US relations with USSR
  - Arms limitations
  - Vietnam
    - North Vietnam's restraint
    - Influence with USSR
  - Communism
  - Alger Hiss case
    - Popularity of anticommunism
- American Jewish community
  - Fisher's work
    - Congress
      - Votes
    - Kissinger
    - Leadership
    - Strategy
  - Interests
    - Peace
    - Soviet Jews
- Soviet Jewish emigration
  - USSR's reaction
  - France, Great Britain
  - Brezhnev
    - Discussions with President
    - Possible announcement
    - Congress
    - Internal matter
  - Natural gas trade
  - Conditions in USSR
  - US reception
  - Israel



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Conversation No. 880-14 (cont'd)

- Immigrants to US
  - Parole waiver
  - Working class
  - Intellectuals
  - Nationalities
- President's influence
- Dangers of rider on MFN
  - Importance
    - Comparison with arms for Israel
      - Meir
      - Airplanes
- Humanitarian problem
- Foreign policy problem
- Henry M. ("Scoop") Jackson
  - Political ambition

American Jewish community

- Goodwill toward President
- Confidence in president
- Speech
- Herschel Schacter
- Leaders
  - Meetings
- House of representatives
- Foreign policy issues
  - Approach
    - Communicating President's sympathy
- Confidence in Rogers
  - Middle East
- Attitude toward Kissinger
- "Peace at home"
  - Administration's efforts
- Garment's role
- Fisher's approach
  - President's suggestions

Vietnam

- Status of cease-fire
  - Infiltration
  - Handling of North Vietnamese
    - Compared to handling of American Jewish community

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USSR

- Brezhnev's visit
  - Dinner
    - Republicans from Jewish community
    - Representation
- Fisher's work with Jewish community
  - New York
  - Strategy
  - Garment's role
  - Rogers's appearance on "face the nation"
    - Disclosure of strategy
  - Secrecy
  - President's sympathy
  - Brezhnev
  - Work with Congress,
    - Jacob K. Javits and Abraham A. Ribicoff
    - Political overtones
    - Partisanship
  - Strategy
- Approaches
  - Georgi Arbatov
    - Speech
      - Institute on American Relations with the Soviet Union
      - Fall-out
        - American Jewish community
- PRC
- Kissinger
- Fisher's work with American Jewish community
  - President's suggestions

Energy

- John D. Ehrlichman, Charles J. DiBona
- Fisher's advice
  - Knowledge of oil and Middle East
- Advisory group
  - Fisher's inclusion
  - John B. Connally
    - Oil companies
  - Fisher's patriotism
  - Ken Jameson's exclusion

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- Standard Oil of New Jersey
- Standard Oil of California
  - President's friend
- Standard Oil of Texas
  - Connally
- Charles J. DiBona
  - Intelligence
  - Knowledge of oil
  - System analysis
  - Meeting with Fisher
- Fisher's association with oil company
  - Discontinuation
    - Ehrlichman
    - President's trust
      - Connally
      - Natural gas investments
- Natural gas
  - Price
    - Need for action
  - Kerr-Mills Bill
    - Dwight D. Eisenhower's veto
      - Motivation
        - Francis case [?]
          - Campaign contribution scandal
          - California
            - Results
            - Garment's knowledge
            - Contributions
      - Natural gas company
        - Ruthlessness
    - Decontrol
      - Ehrlichman
      - Extent
        - Political fall-out
      - Ehrlichman
    - El Paso Gas Company
      - Antitrust case
  - Fisher's work
    - Support for President
      - Priorities
      - Trip overseas

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Conversation No. 880-14 (cont'd)

-Prestige

[First name unknown] Tyson [?]

- US Steel
- Geneva [?]
- Trade negotiations

Fisher's work for administration

- European Economic Community
  - Negotiations
- George P. Shultz, Peter M. Flanigan
- Business Council
  - Quality of advice
  - Selfishness
  - James M. Roche[?]
- Donald McI. Kendall
  - Informal business group
- Business Council
  - Connally
- Paul W. McCrackan

Food

- Prices
  - Fisher's advice
  - Production levels
  - Consumption levels
- POWs
  - Physical condition
  - Diet
  - Capt. Jeremiah A. Denton, Jr., Col. Robinson Risner
    - Solitary confinement
    - Character
  - Diet
    - Physical condition
  - Dental problems
  - Surgery
    - Civil War
  - Denton
    - Condition of teeth
      - Reasons
      - Diet

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Conversation No. 880-14 (cont'd)

- Diets
  - Concentration camp survivors
    - NAZIs
    - Condition of teeth
      - Reasons
      - Dentures
      - Compared to American diet
      - Smoking

POWs

- Captivity
- Communication in prison
  - Morse code
  - Sweeping
  - Writing paper
- Reading matter
  - Propaganda
- Solitary confinement
- Survivors
  - Quiet voices
    - Improvement in treatment
    - American elite
- Prison camps
  - World War II
    - Movie, *The Great Escape*
    - Survival
  - Treatment of POWs
    - Brutality
    - Adolph Hitler
- Retention of American values
  - Denton's letter to President

Fisher's wife

- Parties
- Appointment to position
  - Kennedy Center
  - National Commission on the Arts
  - New elite of the President's supporters
    - Sammy Davis, Jr.

Joseph J. Sisco

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Conversation No. 880-14 (cont'd)

- Trustworthiness
- Jewish community's support
- Middle East
- US ambassador to Israel
  - Kissinger
  - Replacement
    - Consequences
- Work with Kissinger
- Quality of work
- Assistant Secretary of State

Israel

- US ambassador
  - Appointment
    - Paul N. ("Pete") McCloskey, Jr.
    - Jewish community
    - Kenneth B. Keating
      - Nelson A. Rockefeller
      - Support for Israel
      - Assistant Secretary of State
      - Prestige
      - Work with Kissinger
  - Sisco
- Germany
  - Tom [last name unknown]
    - Qualifications
- American Jewish community
  - Support for Sisco
    - Garment's role
  - Reaction to Rogers's plan
    - Kissinger

Campaign contribution

Fisher and Garment left at 3:55 pm.

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Conversation No. 880-15 (cont'd)

Conversation No. 880-15

Date: March 15, 1973  
Time: 3:56 pm-4:17 pm  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Donald E. Young, Jack Coghill and Richard K. Cook. The White House photographer was present at the beginning of the meeting.

Introductions

Middle East

- Staying out
- Comparison with Alaska

Photographs

- Congratulations
- Arrangements

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[Begin segment reviewed under deed of gift]

1972 election

- Development of issues
- Young's campaign
  - Bush country
  - Percent of vote

[End segment reviewed under deed of gift]

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Manolo Sanchez entered at an unknown time after 3:56 pm.

Refreshment

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 4:17 pm.

1972 election issues

- Young's opponent

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Conversation No. 880-15 (cont'd)

- Emil Notti
- Opposition to President
- Young's campaign
  - Revenue-sharing
    - Bureaucrats
    - Community action program
      - Expenditures
      - Lyndon B. Johnson
      - Aid to poor
      - Administrative costs
      - “Trickle-down theory”

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[Begin segment reviewed under deed of gift]

- Young's campaign
  - Personal appearances
    - Rotary Clubs, Lyons Clubs, Chambers of Commerce
  - Radio talks
  - Television [TV] coverage
    - TV companies
      - Statewide network
      - Anchorage
    - Edward M. (“Ted”) Kennedy's advertisements
      - President's budget cuts
    - Walter J. Hickel's advertisements
      - Counterattacks
        - Notti
        - Gun control
        - Peggy Begich's reaction
          - Thomas Begich
          - Michael Gravel, Kennedy
  - Gravel
    - Re-election
    - Defeat

- Alaska politics
  - Ted Stevens
  - Appeal
- Gravel



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Conversation No. 880-15 (cont'd)

- Appeal
- Opinion of Senate colleagues
- Governor's office
- Young's campaign
  - Funding
    - Contributions
      - Republican national Committee [RNC]
      - Ed Terrell [?], Mary Ellen Miller, Chuck Bailey
      - Young's control
        - Robert C. ("Bob") Wilson
        - Anchorage
- Coghill's role
- Victory
  - Publicity
    - George H. W. Bush
    - Issues
- Special nomination
- Governor's race
- President's appearance
- Spiro T. Agnew's visit
  - Value
    - Fundraising
      - Anchorage
      - Committee to Re-elect the President
      - State Republican party
- Democrats
  - Splits
  - Notti
    - Primary
      - Senate, lieutenant governor
      - Divisions among democrats
        - George S. McGovern
        - Henry M. ('Scoop') Jackson
        - Visit to Alaska

[End segment reviewed under deed of gift]

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-Native land claims settlement

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Conversation No. 880-15 (cont'd)

- Use of power by Alaska natives
  - Pipeline
  - Wealth
- Pipeline
  - Necessity for country
  - Courts
  - Support in Alaska
  - Opposition
    - Federal employees
    - Support for environmental groups
    - Sierra Club
- 1972 election
  - Environmental issues
    - Danger of extremism
      - West
      - World War II
- Environment
  - Strip mines for coal
    - Joe Usabelli [?]
    - Seeds and revitalization
  - Initiative by private enterprise
  - Court rulings
- Pipeline
  - Domestic Council
  - Environmentalists in administration
  - Administration's legislation
    - Delays
    - Court situation
    - Pressure from Cook
- Young's congressional committee assignments
  - Gerald R. Ford
  - Interior
  - Merchant marine
  - Fisheries
  - Subcommittees
  - Armed services
- Congressional delegation
  - Rapport with White House
  - President's support for pipeline
    - Announcement to constituents
    - Importance of fight compared with achievement

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Conversation No. 880-15 (cont'd)

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[Begin segment reviewed under deed of gift]

Young's meeting with George H. W. Bush

- Young's schedule
  - Pan American Airlines
    - Polar route
    - Fairbanks
    - New York
- Republican programs

1972 election

- Young's victory
- Democrats
  - Washington Post*

1974 congressional election

- Illinois
  - Chicago
  - Jesse L. Jackson
  - George W. Collins
  - Lindy Boggs
  - Solid Democratic districts
  - Age of Congress members
    - Republicans
    - Craig Hosmer
      - Heart attack
    - Bob Price
    - Texas
  - Retirements
    - Republicans
    - Compared with Democrats
    - Age
- Candidacies
  - Young's victory
    - Nick Begich
    - Marginal seats

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Conversation No. 880-15 (cont'd)

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Youngs's children

Travel allowance

-Congress

-Young's residence

-Arctic Circle

Photographs

-Copies

Young, Coghill and Cook left at 4:17 pm.

Conversation No. 880-16

Date: March 15, 1973

Time: Unknown between 4:17 pm and 4:18 pm

Location: Oval Office

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

President's schedule

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 4:18 pm.

Conversation No. 880-17

Date: March 15, 1973

Time: Unknown between 4:17 pm and 4:18 pm

Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown man.

Ronald L. Ziegler's schedule

-Henry A. Kissinger

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Conversation No. 880-15 (cont'd)

-President's schedule

The unknown man left at an unknown time before 4:18 pm.

Conversation No. 880-18

Date: March 15, 1973  
Time: 4:18 pm-5:30 pm  
Location: Oval Office

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

George T. Bell

- Death
- Personality
- Wealth
- Cause of death
  - Cancer
- Religion
  - Christian Scientist
- Call to hospital
- Company
  - Sale
- Retirement
  - Work in 1968 campaign
    - Citizens for Nixon
  - Work in White House
    - Personnel office
    - Charles W. Colson

Ralph H. Cake

- President's call
  - Cake's response
- State of health

Telephone calls

- Death
- Comments
  - Preparation

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- Praise of staff
  - News summaries
  - Rose Mary Woods

President's press conference

- Announcement of People's Republic of China [PRC] liaison office
  - historic significance
- Question and answer session
- Press responses
- Donald H. Segretti case
- Watergate
- John W. Dean, III's testimony
- Eugene V. Risher's question
  - Dean's testimony
  - President's handling
- Ziegler's responses to questions
  - President's conversation
  - Previous mistake
    - Dwight L. Chapin
      - Recommendation of Segretti
      - Ziegler's denial of a story
      - Veracity
- Chapin
  - Relationship with Segretti
  - Ziegler's answers to questions

Ziegler entered at 4:19 pm.

- China announcement
- Press questions
  - Watergate
    - Dean
    - Executive privilege
    - L[ouis] Patrick Gray, III
- Dr. David K. E. Bruce appointment
- Timing
- President's handling
  - Press response to President's appearance
  - Comparison with John F. Kennedy, Jr., Dwight D. Eisenhower and Lyndon B. Johnson

Prisoners of war [POWs]

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Conversation No. 880-18 (cont'd)

- Press coverage
  - Gen. John P. Flynn
  - Public reactions

Press relations

- North Vietnam
  - National Broadcasting Company [NBC]
    - Infiltration
    - US response
- Lead stories
- PRC initiative
  - Bruce
  - Significance
    - Lack of press interest
- Press conference
  - Questions on Watergate, Dean
    - Risher
      - PRC
      - Wire service
  - Clark R. Mollenhoff
    - Question on PRC liaison
    - Significance
- PRC liaison
  - Follow-up questions
  - John T. Downey
  - Bruce
  - Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]
  - Taiwan
  - Meeting with PRC
  - Ambassadorship

Press conferences

- Tone
  - Patrick J. Buchanan
  - Colson
  - Importance
- Nature of questions
  - New York Times* reporter
    - [First name unknown] Kenwick [?]
    - Question for President
    - President's answer

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Conversation No. 880-18 (cont'd)

- Next press conference
  - Scheduling
    - State of the Union Address
    - Television [TV] coverage
  - State of the Union Address
    - Timing
    - Nguyen Van Thieu's visit
    - Prime time TV coverage
- Watergate
- Aid to India and Pakistan
  - Questions
  - Responses
- Watergate
  - Ervin Hearings
  - Comments
  - Maurice H. Stans' civil suit
    - Comment
  - President's statements
    - Stans
    - Ervin hearings
    - Watergate
    - Dean
    - Segretti
  - Ziegler's responses
  - Democrats
- Food prices

United States Department of Agriculture [USDA] release

- Food prices
  - Virginia H. Knauer
  - Housewives
    - Bargain list
    - Influence on prices
    - Price controls
  - Boycott of meat
    - Limits on purchasing
  - Knauer
    - Potential press coverage
- POWs
  - Lack of meat
  - Health



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Conversation No. 880-18 (cont'd)

- Meat
  - Necessity
  - Protein

Press conference

- George P. Shultz
- Soviet Jews
  - Questions
- Shultz's trip
- Important issues
  - Lack of interest
- Tariffs
  - USDA
  - Congress
- Stockpiling
  - Question by Forrest Boyd
    - Importance
      - National security
  - Influence on pricing
    - Copper, tin stockpiles
    - Necessity
- Frequency
  - Variation of intervals
  - Staggered times
- Handling of press
  - Benefits for administration
  - TV coverage

Memorandum on Thelma C. ("Pat") Nixon to Ronald L. Ziegler

- Book
  - Copies to Julie Nixon Eisenhower and Tricia Nixon Cox
- Mrs. Nixon's activities and offices
  - Cancer Society
  - Developmentally disabled children
  - Chairmanships

Henry A. Kissinger entered at 4:45 pm.

Congressional relations

- Administration's record
- Information

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Conversation No. 880-18 (cont'd)

- Openness
- Dean
  - Appearance before Congress
- Lyndon B. Johnson
- Walter W. Jenkins
  - Private materials
    - Access
    - Republicans
    - Johnson's staff
      - Homosexuality
      - Blackmail
- Robert D. ("Bobby") Baker
- Publicity for administration's record
  - Positive stand

President's foreign travel

- Latin America
  - William P. Rogers
    - Visit
- Africa visits
  - "Police states"
- Brazil
  - Safety
    - Brasilia
    - Intelligence analysis
- Caracas, Venezuela
  - Guerrilla activity
  - Risk of another incident
- Brazil
  - Brasilia
- Jamaica
- Nicaragua
- Latin American summit
  - Brasilia
  - Mexican president
    - Cozumel
      - Yucatan Peninsula
      - Island
- Press statements
  - Trips under consideration
- Lee Kuan Yew's visit

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Conversation No. 880-18 (cont'd)

- Guilio Andreotti's visit
- Willy Brandt
  - Visit
    - Domestic situation
    - US-Europe relations
    - Personality
  - Record as Berlin mayor
    - John V. Lindsay
    - New York mayor

Georges J. R. Pompidou

- Kissinger's letter
- Election
  - President's response to results
  - Washington Post* reports
    - Gen. Charles A. J. M. deGaulle
    - Harry S. Truman
  - Leftist parties
    - Splits
      - Socialists
      - Communists
      - Separation of candidates
        - Plurality
        - Votes
- Majority in assembly

Press conference by Ziegler

- Watergate
- Mansfield amendment on European troop withdrawal
  - President's opposition
  - Statement for press
    - Mutual reductions
      - Compared with unilateral reductions
  - Influence on negotiations
  - Vietnam peace settlement
  - Democratic partisanship
    - Michael J. ("Mike") Mansfield

Ziegler left at 4:47 pm.

Joseph Simpson Farland

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Conversation No. 880-18 (cont'd)

- Appointment as ambassador
  - Health problems
    - Heart
    - Altitude
- Treatment
  - Iran
  - Greece

Ambassadors

- Pakistan
- Germany
  - Thomas Vail
  - Farland
    - Netherlands
    - Switzerland
    - Canada
  - [First name unknown] Safer [?]
    - Kissinger's opinion
    - Judiasm
- Farland
  - Canada
- Argentina
  - Safer [?]
- Mexico
  - [First name unknown] Reynolds
    - Columbia
- Farland
  - Canada
- Vail
  - Germany
  - Kissinger's telephone call
- Argentina
  - Importance
  - Peronists
  - Danger

Plot against Richard M. Helms

- Anatoliy F. Dobrynin's information
- Tehran
- Iraq

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[DURATION: 4S]

Iran

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 5

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Ambassadors

Arms control committee

- David Packard
- Appointment
- John J. McCloy

President's meeting with Max M. Fisher

- Garment
- Sisco
- Fisher's support for Middle East post
- Experience
- Rogers
- Work with Israel

Haldeman left at 5:05 pm.

Agreement on the Prevention of Nuclear War

- Mutual and Balanced Force Reduction [MBFR]
- Annual report on foreign policy
  - Kissinger's staff
  - Foreign service
    - Ambassadors
  - Circulation
    - Nixon Doctrine
    - President's role
    - Rogers
- Kissinger's draft
- Great Britain

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Conversation No. 880-18 (cont'd)

- Article 1
- Draft
  - Tediousness
  - Consultation
  - Reaction of USSR
    - Article 4
    - Article 5
  - Condominium
  - PRC
  - Reactions
    - Article 1
      - USSR
      - Great Britain

Manolo Sanchez entered at an unknown time after 5:05 pm.

Refusal [?]

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 5:30 pm.

- Agreement on the Prevention of Nuclear War
  - Draft language
    - Use of nuclear weapons
      - Press coverage
  - Article 4
    - Condominium
  - PRC
  - Reactions
    - Great Britain
    - North Atlantic Treaty Organization [NATO]
  - Meaning of treaty
    - Great Britain
    - Definitions
      - Counterproposal by USSR
    - Motives of USSR
      - Détente
      - Ban on nuclear weapons
  - Impact on American pacifists
    - Trident construction
    - Administration responses
  - Provisions of treaty

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Conversation No. 880-18 (cont'd)

- Effectiveness
  - Administration's statements
  - Elimination of threat
  - Article 2
  - Conditions

Haldeman's job

- Lack of complaint
- Importance
- Quality of work

Agreement on the Prevention of Nuclear War

- Détente
  - Cost
  - US efforts
  - Crisis
- Effects
  - Restraint
  - Middle East crisis
  - Vietnam settlement
  - Europe

Effects of détente

- Diplomatic setbacks for USSR
  - Leonid I. Brezhnev
  - Survival
  - Middle East
  - Troop withdrawal
  - Vietnam War
  - Bombing of North Vietnam
  - Europe
  - Settlement of Berlin
- Strategic Arms Limitation Talks [SALT]
  - Effects on weapon programs
- Intangible feeling of détente
  - Relationship to US interests
- SALT
  - Domestic support
  - President's opponents
- PRC-US relations
  - Military support

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Conversation No. 880-18 (cont'd)

- Détente with USSR
- USSR as aggressors
- Europe and Japan
  - Weakness
  - Japan
    - Dangers
    - PRC
- Aggression

PRC

- Ambassador to US
- Ally to President

President's press conference

- Press relations
  - Haldeman
  - Ziegler
- PRC liaison office
  - Press indifference
  - News reports
  - President's PRC policy
    - Compared to Watergate
    - Dean
    - Historical significance
- News reports
  - Watergate
  - Food prices
- President's comments
  - Personnel replacement in Vietnam
    - Need for correction
    - Issue of legality
    - Effect on strategic balance
    - Equipment
  - Journalists' calls to Kissinger
    - George Sherman, Robert C. Toth
    - North Vietnamese infiltration reports

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[NATIONAL SECURITY]



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[DURATION: 9S]

Communication

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Vietnam

- Infiltration
- US calculation of rates
- Laos
- Press conference responses

US relations with USSR

- Middle East
- Pressure
- Peace
- USSR-Egyptian relations
- US-Egyptian discussions
- Hafez Ismail
- Brezhnev
- Dobrynin
- Brezhnev's message

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 8

[NATIONAL SECURITY]

[DURATION: 15S]

Israeli intelligence

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President's press conference

- Warning to North Vietnam
- Ziegler
- Journalists' calls to Kissinger
- Sherman, Toth

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-President's credibility

Vietnam

- Adm. Thomas H. Moorer's plans
  - Air strikes, sorties
    - Number
      - B-52s
    - Ho Chi Minh Trail
  - Note to North Vietnam
    - Reply
  - Dobrynin
  - PRC
  - Prisoners of war [POWs] release
    - Alexander M. Haig, Jr.
  - Thieu's visit to US
    - Timing of bombing
  - Bombing resumption
    - Risk to peace
    - POWs
    - Warnings
  - US concerns
    - Replacement personnel
      - Effect on strategic balance
    - Cease-fire violations
    - Infiltration
    - President's responses at press conference

Kissinger's meeting with Dobrynin

- Subject of meeting
- Message from President
  - US public opinion

Detente

- Congressional action on military budget
  - US military strength
    - Possible provocations from USSR
    - Relaxation
    - President's image
      - “Old Cold Warrior”
- President's critics
  - Chemical weapons
  - SALT

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- PRC
- Lack of substance
  - Negotiations
- Future problems
  - Fragility of peace
  - Nature of Russian people
    - Overthrow of communism in USSR
    - History of Russian expansion
  - German people
    - Compared to Russians
    - Geographic position in Europe
    - Expansionism 1890-1940
    - Unification in 1871
      - Past disunity
        - Prussia
        - Saxony
      - Wars on German soil

Kissinger's meeting with Dobrynin

- Dobrynin's knowledge of US actions
- Brezhnev
  - Harry S. Truman and Franklin D. Roosevelt's relations with Josef V. Stalin
  - Desire for peace
    - Diplomacy
      - Reputation in history
  - Possible motives
    - Relaxation of tensions
      - Splitting Europe from US
    - Peace
      - Story of Brezhnev's father
        - World War I
        - World peace
        - Monument

Kissinger left at 5:30 pm.

Conversation No. 880-19

Date: March 15, 1973

Time: Unknown between 5:30 pm and 5:31 pm

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Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

President's schedule [?]  
-John D. Ehrlichman

Radio speech  
-Copy  
-Veterans speech  
-Role of government

Bull left at an unknown time before 5:31 pm.

Conversation No. 880-20

Date: March 15, 1973  
Time: Unknown between 5:30 pm and 5:31 pm  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

President's meeting with John W. Dean, III and Richard A. Moore

Bull left at an unknown time before 5:31 pm.

Conversation No. 880-21

Date: March 15, 1973  
Time: Unknown between 5:30 pm and 5:31 pm  
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 37-121]

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Conversation No. 880-22

Date: March 15, 1973  
Time: 5:31 pm-5:33 pm  
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with Rose Mary Woods.

[See Conversation No. 37-122]

Conversation No. 880-23

Date: March 15, 1973  
Time: Unknown between 5:33 pm and 5:34 pm  
Location: Oval Office

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 37-123]

Conversation No. 880-24

Date: March 15, 1973  
Time: 5:36 pm-6:24 pm  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with John W. Dean, III and Richard A. Moore.

President's press conference

- Previous discussion with H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman, Ronald L. Ziegler

- Announcement of Dr. David K. E. Bruce
  - People's Republic of China [PRC] liaison
  - Significance
    - Importance of PRC ambassador
    - Democrat

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Conversation No. 880-24 (cont'd)

- President's press conference
  - Watergate
    - Policy topics
    - Lack of press interest
    - Dean
  - Questions on Watergate
    - Press interest
    - Donald H. Segretti
    - Dean
  - Other questions
    - Cease-fire
    - Stockpiles
  - Past conferences
    - Dwight D. Eisenhower era
    - Previous consultation
  - President's handling of conference
  - Headlines
    - Dean
    - Washington Star*
    - Foreign policy
    - Associated press [AP]
    - Court test
  - Press
    - Future stories
    - Hostility to administration
    - Strategy in the future

An unknown man entered at an unknown time after 5:36 pm.

Refreshment

The unknown man left at an unknown time before 6:24 pm.

- President's press conference
  - Ronald L. Ziegler's role
  - Future comments
  - Transcripts
    - Senate responses
  - Ervin committee
    - Court test over executive privilege

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Conversation No. 880-24 (cont'd)

-President's response  
[PROCESSING NOTE: WITHDRAWAL NO. 2 HAS BEEN DECLASSIFIED IN FULL]

- Vietnam
  - North Vietnamese infiltration
    - President's response
- Watergate
  - Dwight L. Chapin and Herbert W. Kalmbach
  - President's handling of questions
  - Defensiveness
    - Ziegler's statements
  - Administration's cooperativeness
    - Alger Hiss case
      - Difference from Watergate
      - News story
        - Henry A. Kissinger
        - Harry S Truman's order
        - Federal Bureau of Investigation [FBI]
  - Dean report
    - Question
  - Peter Lisagor and Mary McGrory
    - Questions for Moore
    - Hiss and Watergate case
      - National security issues
  - Dan Rather's questions
    - Raw files
      - Disclosure to Congress in Hiss case
      - J. Edgar Hoover's policy
      - Lisagor
- Dean report
  - Questions
    - President's answers
  - Information for public
- Court test
  - President's answer
    - Effectiveness
- Press
  - Proper response
    - Answers to questions
    - Courtesy

Watergate

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Conversation No. 880-24 (cont'd)

- L. Patrick Gray, III
  - Conversation with Dean
    - Meeting with Samuel J. Ervin, Jr., and Howard H. Baker, Jr.
  - FBI reports
    - Disclosure
      - Hoover's policy
  - Raw files
    - Privacy
    - White House staff reports
    - Contents
      - Validity
      - Dangers of disclosure
      - President's policy on disclosure
  - FBI raw files
    - Hoover's policy
    - Gray
    - Hoover's policy
      - Instance of disclosure of raw data to congressional committee in 1948
        - Internal security investigation
        - Vote fraud case
          - Kansas City

Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 5:36 pm.

Delivery of letter to Robert C/ ("Bob") Wilson

Bull left at an unknown time before 6:24 pm.

Watergate

- FBI raw files
  - Disclosure
    - American Civil Liberties Union [ACLU]
    - Truman's order
      - Newspaper support with exception of *Chicago Tribune* and *New York Daily News*
- Hiss case
  - Opposition to President's committee
    - Press
    - President's cracking of case
- Administration's cooperation with committee



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Conversation No. 880-24 (cont'd)

- Press reaction
  - New York Times, Washington Post*
- Separation of powers
  - President's responsibility
- Executive privilege
  - Separation of powers
    - Statement
      - Constitutional responsibility
    - Truman's firing of Gen. Douglas A. MacArthur
    - Bombing of China
    - President's support
  - Justification of position
    - Ziegler's statement
- Gray
  - Position on raw files disclosure
  - Executive privilege
- Ervin Committee
  - White House staff testimony
- Court test on staff testimony
  - Chapin, Charles W. Colson
  - Chapin
    - Weak points
      - Kalmbach
      - Colson
      - Segretti
- Chapin
  - White House statement
    - Letter to President
      - Apology
      - Explanation
  - Activities in campaign
    - Richard ("Dick") Tuck
    - Segretti
    - Pranksterism
    - Culpability
    - Hiring of Segretti
  - Testimony
    - Pranks
    - Other duties
    - Administration's position
    - Haldeman

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- Duties
- Statement for Senate
  - Possibilities
- Ervin Committee
  - White House staff testimony
  - Television
    - Chapin
    - Haldeman
    - Colson
  - Edward M. ("Ted") Kennedy
- Colson
  - Testimony to Senate
    - Administration's position
  - Ties to E. Howard Hunt, Jr.
    - Chapin
- Court tests on testimony
  - Delays
    - Advantages to administration
    - Duration
  - Supreme Court
  - President's statement
  - Separation of powers issue
  - Advantages
  - Dean testimony
    - Court rulings
    - Dean's privilege as counsel to President
  - Congressional reluctance
    - Robert C. Byrd
    - Samuel J. Ervin, Jr.'s position
  - Congressional position
    - Decisions and options
  - Advantages to administration
- Ervin
  - Knowledge of Constitution
- Daniel K. Inouye
- White House statement
- Press
  - Treatment of Ziegler
  - Ziegler's handling
  - President's statements to Ervin
- Ervin committee

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- White House statements
- Compared to Hiss case
- Hearsay
- Guilt by association
- Senators' questions
  - Use of rules of court
    - Hearsay
- Ervin's conduct of committee
  - President's handling of Hiss case
    - Cooperation with FBI
      - L. B. Nichols
      - Hoover
    - Leaks
      - FBI
      - Hollywood Ten
    - Breaking of case
      - Robert Stripling
    - Editorials
      - Herblock cartoons
    - Whittaker Chambers
    - Potential for dramatization in television series
    - Stripling
      - Dislike of Drew Pearson and the Left
- White House staff
  - Stripling comparison with Chapin, Colson
  - Aggressiveness
- Hiss case
  - Cooperation with Stripling
  - President's age
  - Attacks on establishment, Congress, State Department
  - New York Times, Washington Post, St. Louis Post-Dispatch, Louisville Courier*
  - Impact
  - Alger Hiss
    - Background
      - Dean G. Acheson
      - Harvard
    - Defense fund
      - McGeorge Bundy
      - Contribution
  - Moore's view

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- July confrontation of Hiss and Chambers
- Testimony
- Chambers' dentist [Dr. Hitchcock]
- Perjury
- Automobile purchase transaction
- Intellectuals
  - Hunger for power
- Trial
- Pumpkin papers
- Moore
  - Work in President's campaign in 1950
- Hiss' background
  - Moore's visits to Georgetown in 1945
    - Stories of Hiss's communist leanings
    - Halperin [sp?] [first name unknown]
- President's committee in 1948
  - Staff
    - Stripling
  - Amount of work
- Work with FBI
  - Cooperation
    - National security concerns
  - Information
    - Disclosure
      - Espionage
      - Hoover
      - Raw files
- FBI report
  - Leak to President's committee
- Press
  - Lisagor
  - James B. ("Scotty") Reston
  - Hatred for President
- Ervin committee
  - Possible subpoenas
    - Chapin
  - Republicans
    - Statements
  - Administration's cooperation
    - Extent

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Conversation No. 880-24 (cont'd)

Dean and Moore left at 6:24 pm.

Conversation No. 880-26

Date: March 15 or 16, 1973

Time: Unknown between 6:24 pm, March 15 and 10:14 am, March 16

Location: Oval Office

Unknown people met.

Category [?]

-Number [?]

Lack of knowledge of something

Unknown people left at an unknown time before 10:14 am, March 16.