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Conversation No. 857-1

Date: February 15, 1973

Time: 9:02 am - 9:12 am

Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

Pentagon visit

- Service secretaries
- Press representative
- Elliot L. Richardson
- Gen. Brent G. Scowcroft

Operation Homecoming

- Command center
- Coincidence with Pentagon visit
- Public relations [PR]

Cabinet meeting

- Deputy Secretaries
- Earl L. Butz
- Absence
- Staff attendance
- John D. Ehrlichman
- H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman
- Peter M. Flanigan
- William E. Timmons
- Kenneth R. Cole, Jr.
- Raymond K. Price, Jr.
- Scowcroft
- Gerald L. Warren [?]
- William L. Safire [?]
- Ziegler
- Timmons

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Briefing meeting

- Flanigan
- International monetary situation
- Length
- Scowcroft
- George H. W. Bush
- John A. Scali
- Ehrlichman
- Haldeman
- Roy L. Ash
- George P. Shultz

President's schedule

- Next week
- Ehrlichman

Sir Christopher Soames

- European community
- Meeting with President
 - Henry A. Kissinger's recommendation
- Cabinet meeting
- Official position of Soames
- Purpose of visit with President
 - European relations
 - Kissinger

Cabinet meeting

Haldeman

- Appeal

US-Cuba hijacking agreement

- Fidel Castro
- President's letter
- Delay

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- Haldeman's opinion
- Scowcroft's role
- Reply from President
- Ambassador to deliver message

Flowers to Prisoners of War [POWs] wives

- Response
- Timing
- Charles G. ("Bebe") Rebozo

Washington Star article

- News summary
- Washington Post, New York Times*
- Content
- Herblock

Command cantor

Dr. Walter R. Tkach

- Editorial
- London paper

Bull left at 9:12 am.

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Date: February 15, 1973

Time: Unknown between 9:12 am and 9:20 am

Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

President's schedule

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Conversation No. 857-2 (cont'd)

- Request for Ronald L. Ziegler
- Meeting with John D. Ehrlichman
- Executive Office Building [EOB] [?]

President's meetings

- White House staff departures
 - John A. Scali
 - Donald H. Rumsfeld
- Need for balance
- List
- Secretary of Transportation
- Woman supporter of President
 - 1972 campaign
 - H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman
- James M. Beggs
- Photographs, handshakes
- Arrangements
- Administration friends
- Ziegler

Bull left at an unknown time before 9:20 am.

Conversation No. 857-3

Date: February 15, 1973
Time: 9:20 am - 10:40 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Ronald L. Ziegler.

Press briefing

- Environment
- William D. Ruckleshaus

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- Meeting with President
- Pentagon visit by President

Photographs

- Ruckelshaus
- Gen. Andrew J. Goodpaster
- Meeting with President

[Begin segment reviewed under deed of gift]

- Donald W. Riegle, Jr.
- Switch to Democratic Party

Garry Brown [?]

Charlotte Reid

- Paul N. McCloskey, Jr.
- Party change
- “Fraud”

[End segment reviewed under deed of gift]

- Thelma C. (“Pat”) Nixon
- Reception
 - Volunteers
 - Ziegler's role
- Fundraiser

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-Washington, DC

-Photographs

-*Washington Star*

-*Washington Post*

-Publicity

Corsages to Prisoners of War [POWs] wives

-Press coverage

POW press coverage

-News summary

-Capt. Jeremiah A. Denton, Jr.

-News of "peace with honor"

-Effect on POWs

-Whistling "California here we come"

-Tom Jarriel's story

-Raising of flags

President's message on environment

-American Broadcasting Company [ABC]

-National Broadcasting Company [NBC]

-Columbia Broadcasting System [CBS]

-Reports

News stories about President

-Associated Press [AP]

-"New Nixon"

-President's isolation

-President's visit to Trader Vic's

-Effect

Pentagon visit

-Ziegler's attendance

-Freehan [?]

-Purpose

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- POW jobs program
- Recognition for POWs
 - Adm. Thomas Moorer's suggestions
 - Medal for POWs
 - Ziegler's statement
 - Suggestion for recognition
 - Defense Department's recommendations
 - Congress
- North Atlantic Treaty Organization [NATO] policy
- Implementation of cease-fire
 - Withdrawal schedule
- Back pay to POWs
 - Sums
 - Congressional authorization
 - Korea
- Ceremonial protocols
 - Joint Chiefs of Staff [JCS]
 - Service secretaries
 - Cabinet

Cabinet meeting

- Ziegler's statement
- Purpose
 - Vice President Spiro T. Agnew's report on trip
 - George P. Shultz's report on trade

William P. Rogers's press conference

- Ziegler's role
- People's Republic of China [PRC]
 - Normalization of relations

Press relations

- Vietnam settlement
 - Telegrams from abroad
 - Public release

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- Distribution
- World reaction
- Environment
- John D. Ehrlichman
- POWs, veterans
 - Jobs
 - Difficulties
 - Jobs for veterans program
 - Recognition
 - Amnesty
 - Effect of administration efforts
- Press conference
 - Henry A. Kissinger's trip
 - Briefing
 - Barbara Walters's role
- President's statement
- Vietnam settlement
 - Aid to North Vietnam
 - Kissinger's abilities
- Kissinger's plans
 - Cable to Ziegler
 - H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman

Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 9:20 am.

President's meeting with Haldeman and Ehrlichman.

Bull left at an unknown time before 9:39 am.

- CBS news program
 - Problems
 - Communique
 - Dan Rather
 - Story on PRC
 - Walter Cronkite assessment

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Haldeman entered at 9:39 am.

Press relations

- Kissinger's cable to Ziegler
 - Press conference plans
 - Statement by President
 - North Vietnam aid
 - Kissinger's style
 - Pham Can Dong
 - Plans for press conference
 - President's role
 - Television [TV]
 - Joint communiqué
 - Kissinger's promise to North Vietnamese
- Kissinger's return to US
 - Date
 - Stop in Japan
- Background briefing
 - Press conference
 - Congress
 - Briefings
 - President
 - Cabinet
 - Congress

Pentagon visit

- Command center
 - Public relations [PR]
- Purpose
 - Jobs for veterans
 - Troop withdrawal, cease-fire
- Press conference
 - Informality
 - President's statements to press

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-Ziegler's role

Ziegler left at 9:45 am.

Kissinger

- Joint communiqué
 - President's knowledge
- Aid to North Vietnam
 - Kissinger's abilities
- Press conference
- Trip to Hanoi
 - POWs
 - Purpose

Bull entered at an unknown time after 9:45 am.

Request for Gen. Brent G. Scowcroft

Bull left at an unknown time before 9:49 am.

Press relations

- Kissinger
 - Press conference
 - New policy
- President's statement
 - Delay
- Public relations
 - George P. Shultz
 - International monetary policy
 - John B. Connally

Bull entered at an unknown time after 9:45 am.

William E. Timmons

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Bull left at an unknown time before 9:49 am.

Invitation to White House church service

Gen. Brent G. Scowcroft entered at 9:49 am.

POWs

- Pentagon visit
- Recognition
 - Congress
 - Medal of Honor
 - Presidential unit citation
 - Ribbon
 - Star for each year of captivity
- Jobs
 - Ehrlichman
 - Veterans
 - Statement
 - California
 - Cabinet meeting
 - Service
- National heroes
 - Let-down
- Physical and psychological
 - Sense of euphoria
 - Let-down
- Need for psychiatric help, let-down
 - Family problems
 - Children
 - Problems
 - Pornography
 - Television [TV]
 - Movie
 - Bad language
 - Children, women

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-Recognition

- Citation
- Missing in action [MIAs]
- Posthumous citation

MIAs

- Similar status of Killed in action [KIA]
 - Reasons
- Help for families
- Presidential letter
 - Content
 - Delicate language
 - Someone to write
 - Raymond K. Price, Jr.
 - Claudia A. (Taylor) ("Lady Bird") Johnson's role
- Accounting
- Correspondence
 - Specialists
 - Offer to Mrs. Johnson
 - State Department

Kissinger's proposed press conference

- Problems
- Ziegler's statement
- Need for salesmanship
- Aid to North Vietnam
 - Difficulty of issue
 - President's statement

Joint communiqué

- Copy to President
- Scowcroft's role

Aid to North Vietnam

- Sensitivity of issue

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- POWs
 - Horror stories
- Kissinger's perception
- POWs
 - JCS
- Reasons
 - Guarantee of peace
 - Reconstruction
 - Michael J. ("Mike") Mansfield
 - Leverage
- Timmon's comments
 - Bilateral compared to multilateral aid
 - Congressional reaction
 - Timmon's style
 - Positive line
 - Peace
- Multilateral approach
 - Lack of leverage

Foreign aid

- Congress
- Multilateral aid
 - Disadvantages
 - International Bank for Reconstruction and Development [World

Bank]

- Bilateral aid

Vietnam settlement

- Agnew's briefing of Cabinet
- Kissinger's return to US
- Cabinet meeting with Kissinger
 - President's opposition
- National Security Council [NSC] meeting
 - Control
 - Anne Armstrong

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- Pham Van Dong
- Cabinet
 - Complexity of issue of aid to North Vietnam
- Aid to North Vietnam
 - Ash
 - Sales pitch
 - Defense spending
 - 1974 budget
- Congressional relations
 - Kissinger's return
 - Budget
 - Aid to North Vietnam
 - Reparations
 - Domestic social programs
- Kissinger
 - Sales pitch
 - Aid to North Vietnam
- Kissinger
 - Portrayal of North Vietnam leaders
 - Experience in Hanoi
 - Chou En-Lai
- 1974 budget
 - Ash
 - Defense budget estimates
 - Vietnam
 - Laos
 - Optimism about aid appropriations
- Pentagon visit
 - Ziegler, Scowcroft
 - Dress
 - Ash
 - Purpose
 - Kissinger
 - POWs

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Scowcroft left at 10:09 am.

Bull entered at 10:09 am.

President's schedule
-Goodpaster [?]
-Ash
-Ehrlichman

Bull left at 10:09 am.

William E. Timmons entered at 10:09 am.

White House social events
-Evening at the White House
-Entertainment
-Army choir
-Quality
-Congress
-Scheduling
-Number attending
-Couples
-Number
-Church services
-Number attending
-Invitations
-Republican congress members
-Evening or church services, dinners
-State dinner
-Golda Meir
-Loyalists
-Freshmen
-Reception
-Republicans
-Democrats

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- Democrats
 - Opponents
- Number invited
 - Democrats
 - Morris K. Udall
 - Bella S. Abzug
 - George S. McGovern
- Donald W. Riegle
 - Party switch
- William B. Saxbe
- Church service
 - Saxbe
 - Invitation
 - Charles H. Percy
- Invitation
 - Rose Mary Woods
 - Lucy A. Winchester
 - Handling
 - Timmons's role
 - Woods's role
 - Social Office role

Timmons left at 10:16 am.

The President talked with Woods at an unknown time between 10:16 am and 10:40 am.

- Mailing
- Representatives, Senators
 - Number invited
- Financial contributors
 - Maurice H. Stans
 - Dinners
 - Number
- Church services
 - Number invited

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- Washington, DC
- Administration officials
- New Executive Branch employees
- Congress members
 - Winchester
 - Timmons
 - List
 - Mailing
 - Loyalists
 - Others
 - Republican
 - Richard S. Schweiker
 - Riegle
 - Party switch

[End of telephone conversation]

Woods

- William L. Duncan
 - Support
 - Edward L. Morgan
- Birthday party for Dr. Walter R. Tkach
 - San Clemente
 - Robert H. Taylor's presence
 - Demeanor
- Helen Thomas's story on Secret Service controversy
 - Time of release
- Conversation with Dwight L. Chapin
 - Haldeman's role
- Julie Nixon Eisenhower's note
 - Woods on airplane

Secret Service controversy

- Duncan and Taylor
 - Meeting with President

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- Woods
 - Delay of farewell letters
 - President's signing
- Farewell letters
 - Delay
- Woods
- Tkach
- Taylor story
 - Ziegler's role
- New York Times*
- Taylor
 - Meeting with Haldeman
 - Job change
- Administration's image
- Farewell letter
 - Memorandum
 - Bull
 - Delay

Bull entered at an unknown time after 10:16 am.

- Letters to Duncan and Taylor
 - Drafts
 - Price
 - David R. Gergen
 - President's signature
 - Preparation

Bull left at an unknown time before 10:40 am.

- Woods
 - Problems
 - Chapin
 - Visit to office

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Bull entered at an unknown time after 10:16 am.

Ash's location
-Shultz

Woods
-Letters to Duncan and Taylor
-President's signature

Bull left at an unknown time before 10:40 am.

Woods
-Haldeman's role
-Ehrlichman's advice

Announcement
-Taylor
-Decision to stay
-Secret Service

Woods
-Internal fights
-Julie Nixon Eisenhower
-Thelma C. (Ryan) ("Pat") Nixon
-Taylor and Duncan
-Duncan
-Patricia R. Hitt
-Memo
-Ehrlichman's answer
-Robert H. Finch
-Conversation with Woods
- Conversation with Haldeman

Bull entered at an unknown time after 10:16 am.

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Letters to Taylor and Duncan
-Retirement

Bull left at an unknown time before 10:40 am.

Woods
-Conversation with Haldeman

Morgan

Taylor
-Plans to move
-Ehrlichman and Haldeman's roles
-Promotion
-Offer of promotions
 -Treasury Department
-Duncan
 -Directorship
 -Tkach
-Julie Nixon Eisenhower

Letters to Taylor and Duncan
-Signature
-Note
-Date

Taylor
-Retention
-Job changes
 -Court administrators
 -Leave of absence
-Job opportunities
 -Morgan's suggestion
-Treasury Department
 -Promotions

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Hitt

-Ehrlichman's responsibility

Bull entered at an unknown time after 10:16 am.

Arrival of Rogers C. B. Morton

Bull left at an unknown time before 10:40 am.

Hitt

- Meeting with Ehrlichman
- President's support
- Job
 - Finch's memorandum
 - Reorganization
 - Caspar W. ("Cap") Weinberger
 - Finch's memorandum
 - ACTION position
- Conversation with Ehrlichman
- Complaints
- President's reaction
- Woods's reaction
 - Conversation with Haldeman
 - John E. Nidecker
 - Herbert G. Klein
 - Chapin's departure
 - Motivation
 - Relations with Chapin

Woods's conversation

- Conversation with Charles G. ("Bebe") Rebozo
- Secret Service, Hitt
- Discussion with Helen Thomas
 - Airplane ride

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Conversation No. 857-3 (cont'd)

-Conversation with Haldeman
-Haldeman's approach

Haldeman left at 10:40 am.

Conversation No. 857-4

Date: February 15, 1973
Time: 10:40 am - 11:10 am
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Ronald Ziegler.

Pentagon visit
-Arrangements

Rogers C. B. Morton, J. Phil Campbell, Russell E. Train, William D. Ruckelshaus, John D. Ehrlichman, and Richard M. Fairbanks entered at an unknown time after 10:40 am. Members of the press were present at the beginning of the meeting.

Environmentalists

Photograph session
-Arrangements.

Sea life
-Ecosystem

Purpose of meeting
-Briefing statement
-Land use planning
-Mineral development
-Mining

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Conversation No. 857-4 (cont'd)

- Conservation guidance
 - Endangered species
 - Parks
- Interior Department
 - Land use planning
 - Mining
 - 1970 financial priorities
 - Water
 - Sewer plants
 - Change in priorities
 - Air quality
 - Legislative proposals
 - Criticism
 - Press, Congress
 - Cut-backs
 - Counterattack
 - New thrust
 - Land management
 - Power plants
- State responsibility
- Funds
 - New money
 - Land use bill
 - Mining
 - Power plants

Environment budget

- Programs
- Problems
 - Limitations
 - Debate over amounts
 - Answer to critics
 - Objectives
 - Need to act
- New funding

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Conversation No. 857-4 (cont'd)

- President's statement
 - California
- Effectiveness
 - Clean water
- Demand on budget
 - Diminishing returns
 - Congress
- Record of last four years
 - Reversal of environmental destruction
 - Results
- Crash programs
 - Manufacturing
 - Waste
- Esoteric programs
 - Land use
 - Beautification
 - Clean water
 - Clean air
 - Farmers
 - POWs
 - Emphasis on conservation

Public attitudes

- Indifference to clean water and clean air
 - Cities
 - Florida
 - Los Angeles, New York, and Washington, DC
- Beauty of country
- Environmentalists
- Legacy
 - Parks
 - Quality of life
 - Beauty of countryside

Poll by conservationists

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Conversation No. 857-4 (cont'd)

- Land use
 - Top priority
 - Energy
- Administration's record
 - Clean air and clean water
 - Food
- Individual responsibility
 - Neighborhoods

Energy message

- Location of refineries, atomic generation
- Relation to environment
- Land use planning
- Free enterprise system
 - Development

Florida Everglades

- Mangrove swamps
 - Preservation
 - Bird sanctuaries
 - Golf course at Key Biscayne
 - Canal development

Manolo Sanchez entered at an unknown time after 10:40 am.

Mangrove trees

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 11:10 am.

Everglades

- Gulf fisheries
- Development and conservation
- Danger of excessive conservation
- Environmental beauty
 - Cities

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Conversation No. 857-4 (cont'd)

- Farms
- New York City

Environmental policy

- Positive thrust
- Spending
 - Adequacy
 - Military, schools
 - Land use
 - Energy
- Progress
 - Publicity
 - Turn-around in last four years
 - Restoration of environment

Alaska pipeline

- Necessity of choice
 - Conservation or energy
 - Environmental safeguards
 - Interior Department Studies
- Court case
 - Technicalities
 - Right of way
- Option
 - Legislation

Energy problem

- Columbia Broadcasting System [CBS] news story
 - Vietnam
- Scope
- Crisis
 - Reasons
 - Supply
 - Increase in demand worldwide
- Worldwide demand

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- President's Southeast Asia trip, 1953
 - US Ambassador in Saigon
 - Hong Kong water
- Compared to meat crisis
- Positive light
 - New sources
- Distribution
- Legacy of parks
- Public indifference
 - Power shortages
 - Fuel oil prices

Public attitude

- Concern for beauty of countryside
- Housing subdivisions
- Traffic jams

Energy message

- Congressional action
- Highway Trust Fund
 - Traffic jams
 - California, New York
 - Smog
 - Mass transit
- Freeway traffic
 - Single occupancy vehicles
 - President's experiences
 - California
 - Washington, DC traffic
 - President's experience
 - California
 - Key Biscayne, Florida
 - Highway 1
- Highway Trust Fund
 - Mass transit

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Washington Post article

Morton, et al., left at 11:10 am.

Conversation No. 857-5

Date: February 15, 1973
Time: 11:12 am - 12:02 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Gen. Andrew Goodpaster and Gen. Brent Scowcroft. Members of the press were present at the beginning of the meeting.

Prisoners of War [POWs]

Vietnam settlement
-President's accomplishment

Pentagon visit
-Goodpaster's attendance
-North Atlantic Treaty Organization [NATO]

The President talked with the White House operator at an unknown time after 11:12 am.

Request for Elliot L. Richardson or Adm. Thomas H. Moorer

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Pentagon visit

- Goodpaster's attendance
 - NATO
- Joint Chiefs of Staff [JCS]

[Photograph session]

Military

- Year of Europe
- South and Southeast Asia
- Latin America

Europe

- Importance
 - Economics and military
- Mutual and Balanced Force Reductions [MBFR]
 - Agenda
- Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe [CSCE]
 - Military implications

Scowcroft talked with Moorer between 11:14 am and 11:15 am. The President and Goodpaster can be heard in the background.

Meeting with the President and Goodpaster

[End of telephone conversation]

Meeting with Joint Chiefs of Staff [JCS]

- Goodpaster's attendance
- Defense Secretary
- Service Secretaries
- Report to Joint Chiefs
 - Return of POWs
 - Withdrawal
 - Cease-fire implementation

Relations with Europe

- Troop levels in NATO

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- CSCE
 - Discussions
 - Edward R. G. Heath
 - Economic considerations
 - Trade
- Security arrangements
- Vietnam
- Vietnam settlement
 - Demonstration of US will and credibility
 - US allies
 - Japan, Thailand
 - Mutual security
- Vietnam
 - Peace with honor
 - US goals
 - May 8, 1972 speech
 - Consequences of failure
 - Allies' loss of confidence
 - Encouragement of aggression
- Europeans' confidence
 - US commitment to NATO
 - Strengthening
 - President's statements about NATO
 - Negotiations
 - Position of strength and stability

Members of the press left at an unknown time before 12:02 pm.

President's statement

- European confidence

European negotiations with the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]

- President's commitment
- European confidence in Supreme Allied Commander, Europe [SACEUR]
 - Dwight D. Eisenhower

December 1972 bombing

- European reaction

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- Great Britain
- Greece
- Turkey
- European communist
 - Helmut H.W. Schmidt
- Australia
- New Zealand
- Japan
- Heath's support
- Schmidt
 - Socialists

President's policies on NATO

- European interests
 - Friendship
- US in Vietnam
 - Impact of early withdrawal
 - Thailand, Indonesia, Philippines
 - Aggression
 - USSR, People's Republic of China [PRC]
 - US allies' support
 - Canada

Canada

- Relations with US
- United Nations [UN] vote on Taiwan

US allies

- Reaction to US policies
- Criticism of December 1972 bombing
 - Canada
 - Pragmatic relationship
 - UN vote on Taiwan
 - Leftists, press, youth
- Heath
 - Luncheon with Goodpaster
 - Relations with US
- Behavior during December 1972 bombing

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Conversation No. 857-5 (cont'd)

NATO

- Nixon Doctrine
 - Application
- Mutual interests
 - National Security Council [NSC] study
 - Importance of Europe
 - MBFR
 - CSCE
 - Negotiations with USSR
 - Gen. Lauris Norstad
 - Status of forces
 - Stability
 - Problems
 - Psychological impact
 - Arbitrary deadlines

USSR

- Proposals
 - Common sea lanes
 - Principle of party
 - Mixed packages
 - Adjustments
 - Détente
- US view
- Negotiations
 - Phases
 - Results

MBFR

- Staff views
- Goals

Military Unity in Europe

- Rationalization of forces
 - European commitment
 - Economies
 - Flexibility

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Conversation No. 857-5 (cont'd)

-Unity

-US cutbacks

New Technologies

-Smart bombs

-Experience in Vietnam

-Anti-tank technology

-Helicopter

-Application

Force Restructuring

-Budgetary cuts

-Modernization

-New technology

Future

-Activate

-Relations with NATO and USSR

-NATO

-Consultation

-Sensitivities

-Effectiveness

-President's foreign policy

-Basis

-Personal relationship

-USSR

-PRC

-US interests

-Need for US-European relationship

-State visits

-Georges J. R. Pompidou, Willy Brandt

US-German relations

-December 1972 bombing

-Germany's regrets

-Germany's domestic politics

-Leftists

-Defense minister

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Conversation No. 857-5 (cont'd)

- Former labor leader
- Views regarding US
- Schmidt
- Political coalition

NATO

- Denmark
 - Cutbacks
 - US opposition
- Belgium
 - Cut in term of service for conscripts
- Germany
 - Restructuring of forces
 - German military's opposition

Congress

- Willingness to cut back
 - European criticism
 - Effect on Senate
 - Isolationism
- European cut-backs
 - Japan's view of cut-backs
 - Congressional response
 - Denmark's proposals
 - Effect

Tactical nuclear policy

- Goodpaster's opinion of Richardson
- Need for consensus on value and limitations
 - Unresolved questions
 - Studies
 - Modernization
 - New technology

France

- US relations
 - Gen. Charles A. J. M. De Gaulle
 - Areas of cooperation

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Conversation No. 857-5 (cont'd)

- Michael Debre
 - Role in US relations
- French military
 - Reaction to NATO
 - Cooperation with Goodpaster
- Improvements in relations

Spain

- Horatio Rivero, Jr.
 - Capabilities
- US-Spain relations
 - Richardson's support
 - Joint committee
 - Lopez-Rabule [?], Rivero, and Gen. Diaz-Allegria [?],

Virginal [?]

- Military aid agreement
- Foreign exchange
 - Surplus
- Political interests
 - Gen. Francisco Franco
- Preparations

Goodpaster's meeting with Donald H. Rumsfeld

- Military matters

Cooperation with allies

- National interests

David M. Kennedy

- Meeting with Goodpaster
 - Cooperation

Rumsfeld

- Experience as NATO ambassador
- Future in politics
- Public appearances
 - Style
- Intelligence

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Conversation No. 857-5 (cont'd)

Mamie G. D. Eisenhower

- Appearance
- Strength
- Goodpaster's visit
 - Augusta, Georgia
 - Gettysburg, Pennsylvania
- Appearances in public
 - Public responses

Henry Fairlie's book

- The Kennedy Promise
- US foreign policy
 - President's conversation with Ronald W. Reagan
 - John F. Kennedy

An unknown person entered and left at an unknown time between 11:12 am and 12:02 pm.

- View on Cuba
- Kennedy's foreign policy
 - Criticism
- Assessment of Dwight D. Eisenhower's foreign policy

President's foreign policy

- Contrast with Kennedy's foreign policy
 - Crisis-orientation
 - Mistakes

Cuban Missile Crisis

- Kennedy's handling
 - Risks
 - Military advantage
 - Fidel Castro
 - Stable position
- Soviet missiles in Cuba
 - Eisenhower's responses
 - Cienfuegos

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Conversation No. 857-5 (cont'd)

- Bay of Pigs
 - Reasons for failure
- Guatemala
 - Eisenhower's action
- Middle East Crisis of 1956
 - John Foster Dulles

Vietnam settlement

- POWs
 - Heroes
 - Casualties
 - Congressional Medal of Honor
- Press
 - Praise for draft dodgers and deserters
 - Calls for amnesty
- POWs
 - Heroes to nation
 - National morale
- Critics of President
 - Campus protests
 - Amnesty

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Fairlie's book

- Value
 - Goodpaster
 - Rumsfeld

The unknown person left at an unknown time before 12:02 pm.

- Analysis of American public relations
- American presidency

POWs

- Support for bombing
 - Answer to critics
- Moorer's comment

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Conversation No. 857-5 (cont'd)

- December 26, 1972 bombing
 - President's Christmas vacation
 - Florida
 - Bombing halt
 - Number of B-52s
 - Effects
 - Attitudes of captors
 - Effects of POWs

South Vietnam

- Chance for survival

Bombing of North Vietnam

- POWs' responses
- Press relations
 - Television [TV]
 - Public statement
 - Reasons
- Impact on North Vietnam
 - Private negotiations
- Public support
- Press criticism
- Bombing in World War II
 - US infantry
 - German cities
 - Civilian areas
 - Compared to Normandy landing
 - Eisenhower
 - Seine river bridges
- Gen. Curtis Lemay
- Impact
 - Moorer's view
 - Duration
- White House staff
 - Concern over criticism
- Press
 - Criticism
 - Churches

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Conversation No. 857-5 (cont'd)

-Nitpicking

Flag flying at full staff

-Claudia A. (Taylor) ("Lady Bird") Johnson

-Patriotism

Mansfield-McGovern amendment

-Bugou

-POWs in exchange for withdrawal

-Loss of pride

Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 11:12 am.

Arrival of J[ames] Curtis Counts

Bull left at an unknown time before 12:02 pm.

Vietnam settlement

-Success

-Impact on US people

-Southeast Asia

-Self-reliance

-POWs

-Impact of return

-Statement by Denton

Goodpaster and Scowcroft left at 12:02 pm.

Conversation No. 857-6

Date: February 15, 1973

Time: Unknown between 12:02 pm and 12:05 pm

Location: Oval Office

The President met with unknown person.

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Conversation No. 857-6 (cont'd)

President's schedule [?]

Unknown person left at an unknown time before 12:05 pm.

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Conversation No. 857-7 (cont'd)

Conversation No. 857-7

Date: February 15, 1973
Time: 12:05 pm - 12:19 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with J. Curtis Counts. Members of the press were present at the beginning of the meeting.

Greetings

Photograph session
-Arrangements

Counts's plans
-Construction industry
-Labor management problems

Manolo Sanchez entered at an unknown time after 12:05 pm.

Refreshments

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 12:19 pm.

Construction industry
-Importance
-Work with Peter J. Brennan, George P. Shultz
-Counts's new job

Counts's job offers
-Bechtel
-United Aircraft
-Salary

Private sector

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Conversation No. 857-7 (cont'd)

- Importance
- Consultant offers

Jay C. Counts

- Labor lawyer
 - Texas
- Labor management consultant
 - Sheehy Construction, Inc.

Labor management relations

- Management representatives
 - Problems
- Labor lawyers
 - Jews
 - Competence
- Negotiations
 - Arthur Goldberg
 - Steel
 - Competence
 - Management representatives
- Labor lawyers
 - Unions
 - Competence
 - Dave Freedmont
- Steel workers
 - Legal assistance
- United Auto Workers [UAW]
 - Leonard Woodcock
- Management representatives

Construction industry

- Negotiations
 - Fragmented industry
 - Automobile manufacturers
- Counts's new job
 - Problems

Jay Counts

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Conversation No. 857-7 (cont'd)

- Southern Methodists University [SMU]
 - Charlie Morris
 - Business and law school
 - California and Texas bar exams
- Opportunities
- Present job

Counts's job

- Government work
 - Lobbying
- Labor union reception
 - Rapport

California

- New house
 - Chevoit Hills
 - Janice O. Counts
 - McLean, Virginia
 - Traffic
 - Roosevelt Bridge
 - Maintenance

Virginia Counts

Prisoners of War [POWs]

- Reception
- George S. McGovern
- Return
 - Impact on public
- Support for bombing

Bombing of North Vietnam

- Necessity
 - McGovern
 - POWs' statements to Adm. Thomas H. Moorer

Young people

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Conversation No. 857-7 (cont'd)

Appreciation for job
-President's gift

Counts's children
-Married ones

Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 12:05 pm.

Ash trays

Bull left at an unknown time before 12:19 pm.

Gifts

Bull entered at an unknown time after 12:05 pm.

Counts's grandchildren
-Boys
-Girls
-Gifts

Bull left at an unknown time before 12:19 pm.

Counts's job
-Other opportunities
-Major corporation
-Salary
-Labor management relations

Counts left at 12:19 pm.

Conversation No. 857-8

Date: February 15, 1973

Time: Unknown between 12:19 pm and 12:47 pm

Location: Oval Office

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Conversation No. 857-8 (cont'd)

The President met with an unknown man.

Names on a list

-Titles

-Ambassador

-Circling of names

Letters

-Preparation

-First names

The unknown man left at an unknown time before 12:47 pm.

Conversation No. 857-9

Date: February 15, 1973

Time: Unknown between 12:19 pm and 12:47 pm

Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman [?]

-Message [?]

Photographs

-William L. Duncan [?]

-Robert H. Taylor [?]

Gen. Brent G. Scowcroft

-Pentagon visit

Ronald L. Ziegler

Bull left at an unknown time before 12:47 pm.

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Conversation No. 857-10

Date: February 15, 1973
Time: Unknown between 12:19 pm and 12:47 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown woman.

Letters to be sent out

The unknown woman left at an unknown time before 12:49 pm.

Conversation No. 857-11

Date: February 15, 1973
Time: Unknown between 12:19 pm - 12:47 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

Preparation for departure
-Top coat

The President and Sanchez left at 12:47 pm.

Conversation No. 857-12

Date: February 15, 1973
Time: Unknown between 12:47 pm and 2:55 pm
Location: Oval Office

Unknown Secret Service agents met.

President's location [?]

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

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Conversation No. 857-13

Date: February 15, 1973
Time: Unknown between 2:55 pm and 2:58 pm
Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown person.

President's schedule

The President and the unknown person left at 2:58 pm.

Conversation No. 857-14

Date: February 15, 1973
Time: Unknown after 2:58 pm
Location: Oval Office

Unknown Secret Service agents met.

President's location
-Someone's tardiness
-Executive Office Building

The unknown agents left at an unknown time after 2:58 pm.