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Tape Subject Log
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Conversation No. 378-1

Date: October 31, 1972
Time: Unknown between 8:34 am and 9:28 am
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with an unknown person.

Return telephone call from an unknown person

Conversation No. 378-2

Date: October 31, 1972
Time: 9:28 am - 9:50 am
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Henry A. Kissinger.

Greetings

Vietnam negotiations

- The President's letter to Nguyen Van Thieu
 - Ellsworth F. Bunker
- Terms of agreement
 - South Vietnam's seven points
 - News summary
- Criticism
 - Left compared to right
 - Concessions
 - William F. Buckley, Jr., Robert B. Semple, Jr., Colm [sp?] [First name unknown]
 - Settlement text
 - Publication
 - US foreign policy
 - Press coverage
 - Clayton Fritchey, Joseph W. Alsop, Rowland Evans, Thomas W. Braden

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- Time
 - Jerrold L. Schecter
 - Hugh S. Sidey
- US posture
- North Vietnamese position
 - October 30, 1972 message
 - Possible meaning
 - Break-off of talks
 - Resumption of talks
 - Future message
- Forthcoming North Vietnamese – US meeting
 - Expectations
 - US position
 - Kissinger's schedule
 - Timing of meeting
 - 1972 election
 - Terms of agreement
 - North Vietnamese troop removal from South Vietnam
 - Analogy to Soviet Union troops in Poland
- US strategy
 - Post-1972 election
 - Bombing
 - Hardline approach
 - Bombing
 - Demilitarized zone [DMZ]
 - B-52's
 - 19th parallel
 - 20th parallel
 - Hanoi reaction
 - Post-1972 election
 - Radio
- Thieu position
 - Effect of actions on 1972 election
 - Victory claim
- US public relations stance
 - Kissinger's possible briefing
 - Tone
 - Timing
 - Usefulness
 - The President compared with Kissinger's briefing
 - Difficulties
 - Kissinger briefing, October 26, 1972

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- Points
 - Coalition government
 - Reason for the US not signing
 - Quality of agreement
 - Compared to Laos, 1962
 - Reaction in US
 - Moral issue
 - Right
- Tone
- Stress on negatives rather than positives
 - News summary
 - Charles W. Colson's conversation with Louis P. Harris
- Harris
 - Political preference
- Liberals
- Support
 - Conservatives, hard hats
 - George S. McGovern
 - The President's agreement with Harris' analysis
- Kissinger's forthcoming meeting with Jay Lovestone
- Thieu
- Terms of agreement
 - Thieu
 - Coalition government
 - Aid to South Vietnam
 - Thailand
 - North Vietnam
 - Laos
 - Cambodia
- Joseph C. Kraft's, October 31, 1972 column
- Liberals
 - Kissinger's view
 - The President's view
 - Lovestone
- Alsop
- Buckley
- Reassurance to conservatives
- Media
- North Vietnamese options
 - Breakoff of talks
 - Timing
 - Bombing

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- Results
 - 1972 election
 - Administration's stance
 - Settlement
- Settlement
 - Press statement
 - Nelson A. Rockefeller's forthcoming appearance at National Press Club
 - “Peace with honor”
 - Details of agreement
- Thieu position
 - Bunker
 - Kissinger's view
- Strategy
 - Schedule
 - October 26, 1972 television [TV] speech
 - 1972 election
 - The President's letter to Thieu
 - Negotiation strategy
- US posture
 - Tone
- Congress
- US public relations stance
 - William P. Rogers statement
 - Melvin R. Laird statement
 - Vice President Spiro T. Agnew statement
 - Kissinger's and the President's role
 - Rogers
 - Strategy
 - 1972 election
 - New York
 - Far left and far right
 - Kissinger's recent statement
 - Agnew's recent statement
 - Kissinger's possible statement
 - The President's address to the nation, “Look to the future”, November 2, 1972
 - Raymond K. Price, Jr.
- Length
- Progress
- Settlement
- Coalition government
- “semi-backgrounder”

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- Timing of statements
- Wires services
- Network people
- Major commentators

Pierre E. Trudeau

- Recent Parliamentary election
 - Seat margins
 - Liberals
 - Conservatives
 - [New Democrats]
 - Reason for results
 - Robert L. Stanfield
 - Possible election
 - Stanfield
- The President's view

The President's schedule

- Rockefeller

Kissinger left at 9:50 am.

Conversation No. 378-3

Date: October 31, 1972

Time: Unknown between 9:50 am and 9:55 am

Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with an unknown person.

The President's schedule

- Stephen B. Bull

Conversation No. 378-4

Date: October 31, 1972

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Time: 9:55 am - 11:00 am

Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Ronald L. Ziegler.

Vietnam settlement

- Ziegler's forthcoming press conference
 - Viet Cong [VC] statement
 - Henry A. Kissinger
 - Quality of settlement
 - Progress
 - Details of agreement
 - Importance
 - 1962 Laotian agreement
 - Kissinger
 - Quality of agreement
 - Importance
 - Condition set by the administration
 - Coalition government
 - Sine Qua Non* condition
 - Deadlines
 - October 31, 1972
 - November 7, 1972
 - Details of agreement
 - Laotian agreement in 1962
 - 1968 bombing halt
 - Coalition government election commission
 - De facto, de jure* status
 - Kissinger
 - Laotian agreement
 - Self determination
 - Election
 - Electoral commission
 - Communists
 - North Vietnamese
 - Negotiation progress
 - US statements
 - Consultation with Saigon
 - Kissinger
 - Partnership
 - Veto
 - Settlement timing

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- 1972 election
- Quality of agreement
- Sine Qua Non* condition
- Kissinger

H.R. ("Bob") Haldeman entered at 10:03 am.

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2
[Personal returnable]
[Duration: 14m 48s]

Ziegler left at 10:17 am.

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2

Ziegler entered at 10:19 am.

- Signing of final bill of 92nd Congress
 - Scheduling
 - Oval Office
 - The President's meeting with Nelson A. Rockefeller

- The President's schedule
 - Rockefeller
 - Photograph session

Ziegler left at 10:20 am.

- Campaign practices
 - Press coverage of the President's assistance to Congressional candidates
 - Endorsement letters
 - Photographs
 - Television [TV] spots
 - Candidate endorsements

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- Campaign contributions
 - Clark MacGregor
 - Transfer of funds
- MacGregor
- John N. Mitchell
- Kevin P. Phillips
- Films
- Buildup
- Radio
- U.S. News and World Report*
- Telephone calls
- Robert J. Dole
- Phillips
 - News summary
- News summary

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 3

[Personal returnable]

[Duration: 3m 33s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 3

Haldeman talked with an unknown person at an unknown time between 10:20 am and 10:50 am.

[Conversation No. 378-4A]

John B. Connally's schedule

[End of telephone conversation]

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[Personal returnable]

[Duration: 11m 36s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4

The President's schedule

- Chicago
 - Security considerations
 - Demonstrators
 - Comparisons to 1968 Democratic National Convention

Record of administration

- Public relations
- Amnesty
- US News and World Report*
 - 1972 election
- White paper
 - Distribution
 - Hugh Sidey
 - John D. Ehrlichman
 - Editors
- Buying broadcast time
 - Radio
 - Vice President Spiro T. Agnew
 - George S. McGovern

Watergate

- Possible libel suit
 - Charles W. Colson
 - Problems
 - Chapin
- Chapin

Federal Bureau of Investigation [FBI]

- Political use
 - Time* article
 - News summary
 - Ehrlichman's statement, October 30, 1972

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- Crime information in localities
- Justice Department
 - Inquiry from Domestic Council staff
- Property of inquiry
 - Handling by Justice Department
- The President's view
 - Analogy to bugging of Democratic National Committee
 - Domestic Council
 - Edwin L. Harper
- Domestic Council
 - Geoffrey C. Shepard
- Ehrlichman's statement
 - Analogy to inquiries made of Agriculture and Transportation [sic] Departments

Watergate

- Haldeman, Chapin, Colson
- Chapin
- Donald H. Segretti

Issues

- Vietnam, corruption
 - Administration polls
 - Democratic advertisements
 - Effect
 - Colson
- The President's forthcoming trip to Chicago
- Vietnam
 - Press relations
 - Hanoi
 - Thieu
 - Kissinger
 - Left and right
- Administration poll

Haldeman talked with an unknown person at an unknown time between 10:20 am and 10:50 am.

[Conversation No. 378-4B]

Request

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[End of telephone conversation]

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 5

[Personal returnable]

[Duration: 3m 29s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 5

Alexander P. Butterfield entered at 10:50 am.

White House staff

-Size

-Ehrlichman's staff [Domestic Council]

-Speeches

-Work

-Meetings

The president's schedule

-Rockefeller meetings

-Connally

-Bill signing

-Chicago

-Possible delay

-Media reaction

Butterfield left at 10:52 am.

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 6

[Personal returnable]

[Duration: 7m 6s]

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END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 6

Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 10:52 am.

The President's schedule
-Rockefeller
-Connally
-Chicago
-Delay

Bull and Haldeman left at 11:00 am.

Conversation No. 378-5

Date: October 31, 1972
Time: Unknown between 11:00 am and 11:04 am
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

The President's schedule

Bull left at an unknown time before 11:04 am.

Conversation No. 378-6

Date: October 31, 1972
Time: Unknown between 11:54 am and 11:56 am
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

Instructions
-Request

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Sanchez left at an unknown time before 11:56 am.

Conversation No. 378-7

Date: October 31, 1972
Time: 11:56 am - 1:05 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with H.R. ("Bob") Haldeman at 11:56 am.

The President's conversation with Nelson A. Rockefeller, October 31, 1972

- Rockefeller's demands
- Vietnam negotiations
 - Hanoi's recent statement
 - Reaction
 - Henry A. Kissinger
 - Ronald L. Ziegler

Vietnam negotiations

- Henry A. Kissinger's October 26, 1972 press briefing
 - John A. Scali
 - Coverage of points
 - Use of phrase "peace is at hand"
 - The President's view
 - Scali
 - Progress

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[Personal returnable]
[Duration: 13m 31s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2

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Kissinger entered at 12:15 pm.

Vietnam negotiations

- Hanoi's recent statement
 - Analysis
 - Reaction
 - Tone
 - Progress
 - Right
 - Left
- Left
 - North Vietnamese request of US to sign settlement
- Hanoi's recent statement
 - Analysis
 - State Department
 - Hanoi's view
 - Anguish
 - Betrayal
 - Nguyen Van Thieu
- US position
 - Politics
 - Build-up and let-down
 - 1972 election
 - North Vietnamese troops in South Vietnam, coalition government
 - North Vietnamese troops in South Vietnam
 - Kissinger's proposal
 - Tran Van Lam
 - Public relations
 - Los Angeles, Orange County
 - Lam
 - Military Region [MR]
 - Analogy to Soviet Union troops in Poland
 - Enforcing settlement
 - Infiltration
 - Soviet Union
 - People's Republic of China [PRC]
 - Terms of agreement
 - Details
 - Intelligence reports

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- Rockefeller
- Coalition government
- Intelligence reports
 - Saigon
 - North Vietnamese
 - Seizure of territory
 - Timing
- [Unintelligible]
- Pull-out of North Vietnamese troops from South Vietnam
- US military action
 - Pull-out of North Vietnamese troops
- Kissinger's media and press relations
 - Possible backgrounder
 - Max Frankel
 - Unknown person's recent commentary
 - Frankel, [Arnold] Eric Sevareid
 - John Chancellor, Howard K. Smith
 - Howard K. Smith
 - Tone
 - 1972 election
 - Kissinger's recent meeting with Hugh S. Sidey
 - Television networks
 - New York Times*
 - Richard ("Dick") Wilson
 - Recent column
 - Possibility of earlier settlement
 - Possible backgrounder
 - Raymond K. Price, Jr.
 - Settlement
 - Timing
 - 1972 election
 - Politics
- Casualties

Kissinger left at 12:26 pm.

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4

[Personal returnable]

[Duration: 13m 29]

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END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4

Vietnam issue

- Poll results
 - The President's positions compared with to George S. McGovern's positions
 - Bombing halt
 - 1972 election
 - Announcement
 - McGovern's recent TV appearance
 - New York Daily News*
 - Bombing, mining
 - Political settlement
 - Post-war reconstruction
 - Withdrawal of military personal
 - South Vietnam
 - Bombing halt
 - Settlement
 - Timing
 - Corruption
 - Sabotage charge
- George H. Gallup
 - Corruption issue
 - Protestants, Catholics
 - McGovern strategy
 - Florida
 - Tallahassee
 - Irish-Americans, Polish-Americans
 - Colorado
 - McGovern support
 - Democrats
 - Vietnam issue
 - Post-1972 election effect
 - Negotiation status

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 5
[Personal returnable]
[Duration: 7m 11s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 5

Haldeman left at 1:05 pm.

Conversation No. 378-8

Date: October 31, 1972
Time: Unknown between 1:05 pm and 1:13 pm.
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1
[Personal returnable]
[Duration: 26s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 1:13 pm.

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Conversation No. 378-9

Date: October 31, 1972
Time: Unknown between 1:05 pm and 1:13 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 32-94]

Conversation No. 378-10

Date: October 31, 1972
Time: Unknown between 1:05 pm and 1:13 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Manolo Sanchez.

The President's schedule
-Return to Oval Office

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 1:13 pm.

Conversation No. 378-16

Date: October 31, 1972
Time: Unknown between 1:05 pm and 1:13 pm.
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with the White House operator.

[See Conversation No. 32-95]

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Conversation No. 378-11

Date: October 31, 1972
Time: 1:13 pm - 1:14 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with Thelma C. ("Pat") Nixon.

[See Conversation No. 32-96; one item has been withdrawn]

Conversation No. 378-12

Date: October 31, 1972
Time: 1:15 pm - 1:16 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with Stephen B. Bull.

[See Conversation No. 32-97]

Conversation No. 378-13

Date: October 31, 1972
Time: Unknown between 1:16 pm and 2:38 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

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

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

[Personal returnable]

[Duration: 5m 36s]

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Conversation No. 378-14

Date: October 31, 1972
Time: 4:10 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President talked with an unknown person.

- The President's schedule
 - Halloween party
 - Promotion
 - Richard A. Moore, Ronald L. Ziegler
 - Tricia Nixon Cox

Conversation No. 378-15/376-1

Date: October 31, 1972
Time: 4:10 pm - 5:34 pm
Location: Executive Office Building

The President met with Charles W. Colson.

- Effect of Vietnam on negotiations
 - Polls
 - Stock market
 - George H. Gallup
 - Louis P. Harris
 - Hanoi's recent statement
 - The President's conversation with Henry A. Kissinger
 - Public relations
 - Ronald L. Ziegler's recent press conference

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- Tone
- Nelson A. Rockefeller's recent statement
- Tone
- Proper kind of peace
- Deadline
 - Compared to 1968
- South Vietnamese self-determination
- Public perception
 - Possible disappointment, cynicism
- The president's forthcoming statements
 - Address to the nation, "Look to the Future",
November 2, 1972
- Campaign visits
- Nature of peace settlement
- Timing of agreement
 - 1972 election
- Ronald Ziegler's briefing
- Rockefeller's press conference
 - Watergate
 - Question and answer [Q&A] session
 - George S. McGovern
 - Democratic National Committee [DNC]
 - Statement on renegotiation of settlement

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

[Personal returnable]

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Post-1972 election strategy for dealing with the press

- Treatment of *Washington Post*
- Washington Post* attacks on the President
 - Nature of attacks
 - Comparison with the *New York Times*

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- Retractions
 - Anthony Lewis column
 - John B. Connally
- Washington Post* activities
 - Anti-bugging sweep
 - Investigating firm
 - Reasons
 - Katharine L. Graham
 - Investigating firm
 - Benjamin C. Bradlee
 - Colson's view
 - Speech on freedom of the press

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2

[Personal returnable]

[Duration: 3m 5s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 2

Polls

- Issues
 - Albert E. Sindlinger's view
 - Corruption
 - Vietnam
 - Effect
 - Democrats
 - McGovern position
 - Voter's preference
 - Sindlinger's view
 - Colson's recent conversation with Sindlinger
 - Landslide
 - National referendum
 - The President's schedule
 - Consensus of opinion
 - Corruption, Vietnam

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- Publication
- Reason for results
- Corruption

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 3

[Personal returnable]

[Duration: 7m 39s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 3

Polls

- Issues
 - Corruption
 - Richard M. Scammon's analysis
 - Strategy
 - McGovern
 - Food prices
 - Big business
 - Washington, DC interest
- Voter's preference
 - Sindlinger's view
 - Connally
 - Forthcoming appearance on *Today Show*
 - Vice President Spiro T. Agnew
 - Clark MacGregor
 - Robert J. Dole
 - Voter's meaning

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4

[Personal returnable]

[Duration: 2m 55s]

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END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4

[This recording was cut off at an unknown time after 4:10 pm.]

[An unknown portion of this conversation was not recorded while the tape was being changed]