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**Tape Subject Log**  
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Conversation No. 858-1

Date: February 16, 1973  
Time: Unknown before 8:50 am  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

The President's call to William F. ("Billy") Graham

Bull left at an unknown time before 8:50 am.

Conversation No. 858-2

Date: February 16, 1973  
Time: 8:50 am - 9:08 am  
Location: Oval Office

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

The President's schedule

- Trip to Florida
  - Julie Nixon Eisenhower
  - [Dwight] David Eisenhower, II
  - Stephen B. Bull
  - Julie Nixon Eisenhower

The President's call to Leslie T. ("Bob") Hope

- New York
  - Cavalcade
- Reaction to Vietnam settlement
  - Relations with soldiers
- Compared with Congressional reactions

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White House social events

- Church services
  - Florida trip
- Congress members and contributors
  - State dinners
  - Evening at the White House
  - Youth
    - Julie Nixon Eisenhower
    - William E. Timmons's views
    - Edward R. G. Heath and Gold Meir dinners

Prisoners of War [POWs]

- Col. Robinson Risner's statement
- Support for President and the country
- Conscientious objectors
  - William P. Rogers's statement
  - Risner

President's schedule

- Pentagon visit
- Peter J. Brennan
  - Stephen B. Bull
- Trip to Florida

George Meany

- George P. Shultz
  - Brennan
- President to attend meeting
  - Announcement

President's speech to South Carolina Legislature

- Harry S. Dent
- Timing
- President's reception

Unknown person entered at an unknown time after 8:50 am.

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Transmitter

-Location

Unknown person left at an unknown time before 9:08 am.

Frank L. Rizzo

-Political future

-Home

-Inquiry

Aid for Vietnam

-Hubert H. Humphrey

-Congressional relations

-Domestic programs

-President's role

-Henry A. Kissinger's role

POWs

Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 8:50 am.

-Statement

-Wives

-Corsages

-Calls to President

-Publicity

-Press relations

-Ronald L. Ziegler

President's schedule

-Brennan and Meany

-Florida trip

-Brennan

-American Federation of Labor-Congress of Industrial Organizations [AFL-CIO]

Council meeting

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- Announcement
- Ziegler
- L. Patrick Gray, John D. Ehrlichman
- Shultz
  - Cabinet meeting
  - Meany
  - Brennan
    - Taxation
- Brennan
  - Under secretary
  - Candidate

Haldeman and Bull left at 9:08 am.

Conversation No. 858-3

Date: February 16, 1973  
Time: 9:08 am - 9:36 am  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with John D. Ehrlichman and L. Patrick Gray.

[A transcript of the following conversation may be found in RG 460, pp. 1-26.]

[End of transcript]

- Gray's health
  - Operation
  - Gray's wife
  - Fitness

[A transcript of the following conversation may be found in RG 460, pp. 1-26.]

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[End of transcript.]

Ehrlichman and Gray left at 9:36 pm.

Conversation No. 858-4

Date: February 16, 1973  
Time: 9:46 am - 10:32 am  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with Sir Christopher Soames, Peter M. Flanigan, and Helmut ("Hal") Sonnefeldt. The White House photographers and members of the press were present at the beginning of this meeting.

Bill signing

- Congress
- Impeachment

Meeting with William P. Rogers

Photograph session

- Seating

US relations with Europe

- William Wagner [?]
- John Talbert [?]
- Prior discussions
  - Trade policy
  - Edward R. G. Heath
- Year of Europe
- People's Republic of China [PRC], Union of Soviet Socialist Republics [USSR]
  - Dialogues
- North Atlantic Treaty Organization [NATO]
  - Strategy

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- Evaluation
- European Parliament
  
- US Isolationism
  - Vietnam War
  - Domestic issues
    - Taxes
    - Prices
    - Prosperity
  - Old internationalists
    - Support of US, foreign aid
    - Marshall Plan
  - F. William Fulbright, Michael J. ("Mike") Mansfield
  - US trade policy
    - Europe's economy
  - Communist threat
  - Domestic priorities
    - Ghettos
  - Great Britain
  - Heath
    - Opposition
    - Old internationalists
    - Isolationists
  - France
    - Indochina, African colonies, Algeria
  - Isolationist attitude
  - Germany
    - Divided country
    - Economic successes
  - Italy
  - Scandinavia
  - US-European cooperation
  - Problems
    - General Andrew J. Goodpaster
    - NATO strength
    - Unilateral troop reductions

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- Trade
  - US labor and business
- New isolationism
- US isolationism
  - President's speech at the Pentagon
    - Heath
    - Commitments in Asia, Europe
  - Long term effects
    - Trade
    - Living in terror

President's role in world affairs

- PRC, USSR opening
  - Western military, economic strength and unity
  - Choen-Lai, Mao Tse-Tung, Leonid I. Brezhnev
  - Understanding
- National interests
- US idealism

Duke of Wellington [Arthur Wellesley]

- Remarks

European Economic Community [EEC]

- Great Britain's application
  - Heath
  - Soames's past career
    - Minister of Agriculture
    - House of Commons
- European commission
  - Soames's role
  - Significance for Great Britain
    - Europe's forum for discussion
      - Monetary and political regime
      - Authority over European trade matters
      - Treaty of Rome
    - Enlarging the EEC

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US relations with Europe

- Problems
  - Monetary policies
- Trade balance
  - US economy
    - Budget
    - Farm prices
    - Inflation
- Japan
  - US trade deficit
  - Europe's role
- Trade negotiations
  - Advantages, disadvantages
    - Tariffs
    - Japan
    - Political effects
  - General Agreement on Trades and Tariffs [GATT]
  - European Free Trade Association [EFTA] countries
    - Free trade areas status
    - Effects on trade
  - Multilateral trade negotiations
    - Deficit reduction
  - Article 24-6
    - Canada, Australia
- GATT
  - Great Britain's role
    - Austria, Switzerland, Norway
    - Free trade
    - US State Department
  - Article 24-6
- Trade negotiations
  - US exports to Europe
    - European tariffs
  - Protectionist legislation
  - Smithsonian agreement



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- Soames's report to EEC ministers
  - Balanced negotiating position
- Political problems
  - Trade deficits
  - Aircraft
  - Agricultural products
  - Japan
- Great Britain's trade
  - Deficits
  - Currency reserves
    - Devaluation
  - Reliance on exports
- US image
  - Market expansion
- Political importance
  - Tariffs
- Soames's schedule
  - Heath
  - George J. R. Pompidou
  - Willy Brandt
- Great Britain's entry into EEC
  - Pompidou
  - Brussels
- Agricultural states' influence
  - President's talk with Heath
  - Trade bill
    - Votes
    - Senate
      - Compared with Europe
        - Agricultural lobby
          - British Parliament
          - Germany
          - Pompidou
- Byrd-Hartke bill
  - Support from labor, business
- Public opinion about international economy

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- Japan
- Multinational corporations
- Small businesses
- Fear of European common market
- US support for Great Britain's entry into the EEC

Stephen B. Bull entered at an unknown time after 9:46 am.

- Political significance
- Pompidou, Brandt, Giulio Andreotti
- Wall Street
- Economic foresight
- US crisis orientation
- Henry Fairlie's "The Kennedy Promise"

Vice President Spiro T. Agnew's location

Bull left at an unknown time before 10:32 am.

Trade negotiations

- Wall Street people
- Education
- Stock Market
- Agriculture
- Soybeans, bananas, oranges
- Political considerations
- US relations with Europe
- Confrontation
- EEC
- Japan
- Export domination
- Domestic market
- Access
- Third World markets
- Exclusive economic spheres
- Japan

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- Western competition
- Japan's exports to Europe
  - Compared to US experience
  - Increase
  - Market dominance
    - Germany
      - Zeiss
    - Denmark
  - Earth-moving equipment

Energy

- Competition for resources
  - Japan
- Sources of oil
  - Iran
    - North Sea
  - Saudi Arabia
    - Political situation
    - Mohammed Mossadegh
    - Iran
      - Political situation
  - Great Britain's oil imports

Great Britain's system of economic preference

- Two categories
  - Under developed Commonwealth nations
    - Commonwealth sugar agreement
  - Mediterranean
    - Ties to Europe
    - Talking paper
    - heath

Latin America

- US interests
  - Economic preferences
- Mediterranean

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- Heath
- Africa

Ties to former colonies

- Stability in Europe
- Great Britain, France, Netherlands, Belgium
- Diminished role of US in Africa
  - Congo, Ghana

Black Africa

- Former colonies of Great Britain and France
- US interests
- State Department's plans
  - Upper Volta mission
  - Aid for Chad, Kenya
  - Political backlash

New isolationism

- Europe, US
- Need for leadership
- Heath
- Fight for markets
- Politics

President's report to cabinet

- Protectionism
- Secretaries of Labor and Commerce
- US-Europe dialogue

Soames, et al., left at 10:32 am.

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Conversation No. 858-5

Date: February 16, 1973

Time: Unknown between 11:59 am and 12:07 pm

Location: Oval Office

John D. Ehrlichman met with George P. Shultz. This recording began at an unknown time while the conversation was in progress.

Farm prices

Someone's trip

Sir Christopher Soames

Cabinet meeting

- International perspectives
- Department responsibilities
- Peter J. Brennan

The President entered at an unknown time after 11:59 am.

Meeting with Brennan

- Travel plans
- Ehrlichman

Labor Department personnel

- Shultz's previous meeting with Brennan
- Brennan's management
- Understanding
- George Meany [?]
- Under Secretary

Meany's note

- Congressional relations
- President's authority

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- Bill
  - Labor support
  - Shultz's conversation with William L. Timmons [?]
- Tax reform
  - Meany
    - Revenue
    - Tax equity
  - Ehrlichman's role

Shultz's schedule

Aid to North Vietnam

- Domestic spending
- Congressional responsibility
- Lyndon B. Johnson
- William P. Rogers's role
- Domestic programs
- Post-war aid to Japan and Germany
  - Peace
  - Trade

The President, Shultz, and Ehrlichman left at 12:07 pm.