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Conversation No. 878-1

Date: March 13, 1973 Time: Unknown between 8:14 am and 11:00 am Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown man.

Stephen B. Bull's schedule

The unknown man left at an unknown time before 11:00 am.

Conversation No. 878-2

Date: March 13, 1973 Time: Unknown between 8:14 am and 11:00 am Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown person.

Copy of a letter -Capt. Jeremiah A. Denton, Jr.

The unknown man left at an unknown time before 11:00 am.

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Date: March 13, 1973 Time: Unknown between 8:14 am and 11:00 am Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown man.

Speech and letter -Delivery

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Conversation No. 878-3 (cont'd)

The unknown man left at an unknown time before 11:00 am.

Conversation No. 878-4

Date: March 13, 1973 Time: Unknown between 8:14 am and 11:00 am Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull [?] and an unknown person.

Bull's schedule

Bull [?] and the unknown person left at an unknown time before 11:00 am.

Conversation No. 878-23

Date: March 13, 1973 Time: Unknown between 8:14 am and 11:00 am Location: Oval Office

Unknown people met.

Instruction [?]

Unknown people left at an unknown time before 11:00 am.

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Conversation No. 878-5

Date: March 13, 1973 Time: Unknown between 11:00 am and 11:05 am Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

[Begin segment reviewed under deed of gift]

President's schedule -George H. W. Bush

Golf clubs -Location -Burning Tree Country Club -Charity events -MacGregors

President's meeting with Bush -Arrival

[Begin segment reviewed under deed of gift]

Golf clubs -Location -Key Biscayne -San Clemente -Burning Tree Country Club -MacGregors -Arnold D. Palmer

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President's schedule -Meeting -Tax increase -Bryce N. Harlow -John Burns [?] -Allen Wallace [?] -Announcement -Meeting of Agriculture Department leadership -Foreign service wives -Thelma C. ("Pat") Nixon -Meeting with John J. McCloy

Bush entered and Bull left at 11:05 am.

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[Begin segment reviewed under deed of gift]
     Republican candidates
          -Illinois senate race
               -John Anderson
                    -President's commitment to Donald H. Rumsfeld
               -Rumsfeld
                    -Philip M. Crane
                    -Decision to run
                         -North Atlantic Treaty Organization [NATO]
                         -Poll
                         -Primary
               -President's conversation with Robert W. Galvin
                    -Stag dinner
               -Adlai E. Stevenson, III
                    -Vulnerability
               -Rumsfeld
                    -Work with White House
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-Capability

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-Galvin -Anderson -Bush's message -President's commitment to Rumsfeld -Abilities -Commitments -Rumsfeld -Need for decision -Primary -Anderson -Power in House of Representatives -Liberalism -Rumsfeld -Abilities

[End segment reviewed under deed of gift]

Republic candidates -New Jersey governor's race -William T. Cahill -Bush's conversation with John N. Mitchell -Internal Revenue Service [IRS] check by John D. Ehrlichman -Campaign contributions -Joseph McCrane -State treasurer -Son-in-law -Money laundering -Race track window -Charles Sandman -Justice Department -Publicity -Linwood Holton -Endorsement questions -Mitchell -Rumsfeld

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[Begin segment reviewed under deed of gift] -California senate race -President's endorsement in primary -Robert H. Finch -Governor -Rumsfeld -Finch -Anderson -Primary endorsements -New York mayor's race -Nelson A. Rockefeller -Talk with Alex Rose -[First name unknown] Wagner -John G. Schmitz -Rejoining Republican Party -"Bircher" -Attacks on President in 1972 campaign -John B. Connally -Image -Candidacy against incumbent Congress member -California -John Birch Society -President's opposition **Republican Party** -Committee to Reelect the President [CRP] -H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman's suggestions -Data -Funds -Bush's conversation with Maurice H. Stans -Republican National Committee [RNC] -Use -Future campaigns -Incumbents -Congressional campaign committees -Clarence J. ("Bud") Brown, Jr. -Dinner

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-Work with Bush -Robert C. ("Bob") Wilson -Meeting -Announcement -Gerald R. Ford -Robert Michel -Brown -Reorganization -Staff -Wilson -Meeting with President and Bush -Michel -William E. Brock, III -Work with incumbents -Candidate recruitment -Brown -Reorganization -Michel -Role of RNC staff -1972 election -Brown's analysis -Candidates' age -Women candidates -South Carolina -Candidate recruitment -Outside of Washington, DC -Local districts -Work with state chairmen -Quality of advice -Galvin, Leslie C. Arends -California -CRP funds -Demands -Plans for dispersal -New candidates for 1974 election -Emphasis on House of Representatives -Expense of Senate candidates -Candidate trust fund -President's approval

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-Haldeman

-RNC

-Importance of Bush's position -Contrasted with United Nations [UN] -Internal conflicts

Ambassadorial appointments -Financial contributors -Stans -Amounts -Haldeman's role -Germany -William P. Rogers conversation with Bush -Concerns -Stans -Jerry S. Jones -Robert L. Vesco

Bush's schedule -Speech

Gridiron dinner -Bush's attendance -George S. McGovern's performance -Quality -Democrats -Internal divisions -George Meany

Bush left at 11:16 am.

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Conversation No. 878-6

Date: March 13, 1973 Time: Unknown between 11:16 am and 11:35 am Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

President's schedule -President's reception for Foreign Service wives -Thelma C. ("Pat") Nixon -Location -Timing -Meeting with John J. McCloy -Surprise by President -Press coverage -Mrs. Nixon

Bull left at an unknown time before 11:35 am.

Conversation No. 878-7

Date: March 13, 1973 Time: 11:35 am - 12:03 pm Location: Oval Office

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

President's schedule -Management awards -Camp David -Repetition -Cabinet member attendance -Overcrowding -Recommendation on scheduling -John D. Ehrlichman, George P. Shultz, Caspar W. ("Cap") Weinberger -Haldeman's work with Ehrlichman

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Conversation No. 878-7 (cont'd)

-Ehrlichman's views -Public impressions -Efficiency in government

President's performance -Press conference -President's performance -Frequency -President's schedule -Location -Camp David -Image -Social aspects -Dinners -Trade relations -Color stories Presidential approval rating -Polls -Decline -Robert Teeter, George H. Gallup -Telephone -Opinion Research Center [ORC] -President's popularity -Vietnam War -Reasons -Prisoners of war [POWs] -Public appearances -Value -Public opinion -Informing own people -Polls -Gallup -Teeter -Low ratings -ORC -Cost of polling -Results -Taxes compared with cost of government programs

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Conversation No. 878-7 (cont'd)

-President's vetoes -Impoundment -Congress's role -Support for President -Inflation -Albert E. Sindlinger -Teeter -Federal spending -Support for President -Effects on income taxes -Education -Senior citizens -Aid to North Vietnam -Compared with aid after World War II -Japan -Germany -Sources of funds -National security budget -Administration's strategy -Congressional relations President's public appearances -Visibility -Prime time -Television [TV] news coverage -Press conferences -Value -Effect on public opinion -President's daily activities -Visibility -Press coverage -Public reaction -One event per day President's schedule

-Management awards -Haldeman's responsibility -Poster child -Value

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Conversation No. 878-7 (cont'd)

-Reaction to blackmail -Meetings in previous years

Poll results

-Reaction to Watergate -Reasons for gains -Vietnam settlement -POW return -Future decline -Teeter poll -Past gains -Pre-election period -Post-election results -Gallup results -Louis P. Harris poll results

President's schedule -Meetings with departing staffers -Reasons -Frequency -John F. Kennedy -White House operators

State of the Union Address -Ehrlichman's prospectus -Preparation -Lee W. Huebner -Draft -Congressional relations -Type of speech -Government reform -Inspirational tone -Discussion of programs -Value -Substance of speech -Taxes -Vietnam settlement -Huebner -Domestic Council

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-Budget -Appeal to public -Congress's role -Letters to Congress members -Gimmick -Aid to Vietnam -Draft of speech -President's request -Congressional relations -Bryce N. Harlow -Respect -John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts -Delivery at night -Lack of concern for writing press

Polls

-Value -Governing -Attitudes toward Congress -Fluctuations

Press relations

-Patrick J. Buchanan's analysis -Alarmism -Obviousness -Positive issues for administration -Mood -Opportunities for administration

An unknown person entered at an unknown time after 11:35 am.

Taxes [?]

The unknown person left at an unknown time before 12:03 pm.

Press relations -News magazines -L[ouis] Patrick Gray, III

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Gray

-Media articles -Watergate -Richard G. Kleindienst -John N. Mitchell -Gordon C. Strachan -Confirmation hearings -Media articles -Problems -John W. Dean III -Wallace H. Johnson -James O. Eastland -Advice -Dean testimony -Subpoena

An unknown man entered at an unknown time after 11:35 am.

President's meeting with recipients of Management Improvement Award -Arrival -Format -Photographs -Roy L. Ash

The unknown man left at an unknown time before 12:03 pm.

-Group photograph -Value

Watergate

-President's meeting with Dean -Subjects of discussion -Gray -Maurice H. Stans -William C. Sullivan -Testimony about Federal Bureau of Investigation [FBI] -Timing of testimony -Gray

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Haldeman left at 12:03 pm.

Conversation No. 878-8

Date: March 13, 1973 Time: Unknown between 12:03 pm and 12:16 pm Location: Oval Office

The President met with Harold R. Baker, Reginald E. Cole, Fred R. Boyett, Glenn R. Dickerson, Capt. William D. Harkins, Col. A. L. Schalbrack, John V. Vinciquerra, Mary Olmsted, Henry A. Carrington, B. N. McVay, Bernard E. Kelly, Reginald Johnson, Joseph Perry, Charles McMillan, Earl L. Butz, William P. Rogers, William E. Simon, Elliot L. Richardson, Dixy Lee Ray, Carl Kamp, Caspar W. ("Cap") Weinberger, Arthur F. Sampson, Roy L. Ash, Robert E. Hampton, Brian Usilaner, Norman Peterson, Gen. B. A. Schriever. H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman was present at the beginning of the meeting. The White House photographer was present for part of the meeting.

Doors

Greetings -Weather

Presentation -Arrangements

Presentation of awards

-Baker

-Agriculture Department -Photograph

-Cole

-Agriculture Department -Boyett and Dickerson

-Treasury Department

-Harkins

-US Navy -Defense Department -Department of Health, Education, and Welfare [HEW]

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-Schalbrack -Defense Supply Agency -Ogden, Utah -Vinciquerra -Atomic Energy Commission [AEC] -Olmsted -State Department -Ad Hoc Committee to Improve the Status of Women in the Foreign Affairs Agencies -Thelma C. ("Pat") Nixon reception for Foreign Service wives -Carrington -Federal Home Loan Bank Board -Regional Council, General Services Administration [GSA] County Services Working Groups -McVay GSA -Kelly -HEW -Johnson -Labor Department -Perry -Department of House and Urban development [HUD] -McMillan -Office of Economic Opportunity [OEO] Group photographs -Arrangement Awards -President's remarks -Government service -Financial awards -Intangible awards -[Arnold] Eric Severeid's comments on politics -Compared with private enterprise -Satisfaction

-Plaques

-Photographs -Oliver F. ("Ollie") Atkins

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Conversation No. 878-8 (cont'd)

Weather -Golf

Salutations

The award recipients left at 12:16 pm.

Conversation No. 878-9

Date: March 13, 1973 Time: 12:17 pm - 12:29 pm Location: Oval Office

The President met with Renee Vincent, Dr. and Mrs. Clarence Vincent, Dr. Philip Roos, Mrs. Curtis Knighton and James H. Cavanaugh. The White House photographer and members of the press were present at the beginning of the meeting.

Introductions National Association of Retarded Children [NARC] -Vincent's residence -Maryland

Artwork -Drawing -Talent

Location of NARC -Washington, DC -Arlington, Texas -Baseball team

Renee Vincent -Age -Poem

Julie Nixon Eisenhower

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Conversation No. 878-9 (cont'd)

-Crewel work -1968 election -Television [TV] -Age

Photographs

-Arrangements -Cameras -President's chair

Presidential seal in carpet -Crest -Eagle

[Photograph session]

Renee Vincent's gratitude

Mental retardation problems -President's brothers -Thelma C. ("Pat") Nixon -Tricia Nixon Cox -Teaching -Progress -Contributions -Therapy

President's flag

Michael J. Farrell -White House tour

Gifts

-Eagle -Pins -President's seal

Presentation of poster -President's library

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Conversation No. 878-9 (cont'd)

-Lyndon B. Johnson Library, Harry S. Truman Library -Remembrance -Location -California -Yosemite -Disneyland

White House tour

Salutations

Vincent, et al., left at 12:29 pm.

Conversation No. 878-10

Date: March 13, 1973 Time: Unknown between 12:29 pm and 12:42 pm Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown man.

President's meeting with John W. Dean, III

The unknown man left at an unknown time before 12:29 pm.

Conversation No. 878-11

Date: March 13, 1973 Time: Unknown between 12:29 pm and 12:42 pm Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown man.

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

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Conversation No. 878-10 (cont'd)

The unknown man left at an unknown time before 12:42 pm.

Conversation No. 878-12

Date: March 13, 1973 Time: Unknown between 12:29 pm and 12:42 pm Location: Oval Office

The President talked with John D. Ehrlichman.

Meeting with Cabinet officers -Attendance -Food prices -Stockpile group -US Navy

Conversation No. 878-13

Date: March 13, 1973 Time: Unknown before 12:29 pm and 12:42 pm Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

[Begin segment reviewed under deed of gift]

Sets of golf clubs -Donald McI. Kendall -Offer of set -Florida -California -Washington, DC

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-Burning Tree County Club -Number of sets -Kendall -Offer of set -Hole in one

Bull left at an unknown time before 12:42 pm.

Conversation No. 878-14

Date: March 13, 1973 Time: 12:42 pm - 2:00 pm Location: Oval Office

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

[Begin segment reviewed under deed of gift]

William P. Rogers's call to Haldeman -Ambassadorial appointments -Thomas Vail -Qualifications -Paul Miller -Job search -Germany -Robert Ingersoll -[David] Kenneth Rush -Compared to Vail -Businessman -Vail -Offer of post -Indebtedness

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Conversation No. 878-14 (cont'd)

-Kenneth B. Keating -Age -Abilities -Nelson A. Rockefeller -Yitzhak Rabin -Mrs. Rabin -Israel -Professional diplomat -Vail -Intelligence -Henry A. Kissinger -Rogers's opinion -Geneva -Businessman -Importance of job -Vail -Personality -Rogers's motives -Rockefeller -Keating -Argentina -Haldeman's meeting with Kissinger -Appointments -Complications -Hold

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John B. Connally's switch to Republican Party -Haldeman's meeting with George Christian -Announcement -Houston, Texas -Profile -Advance notice

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-Welcoming statements from Republicans -Harry S. Dent -Christian -Other Democrats

John W. Dean, III entered at an unknown time before 12:42 pm.

Prisoners of war [POWs] dinner -Leslie T. ("Bob") Hope -Appearance at reception -Announcement -Press conference -Briefing for POWs by President -Format -State Department -Kissinger -Preference for President -Rogers -POWs as surrogates -Presence of press -Text -Presence of press -Capt. Jeremiah Denton, Jr. and Col. Robinson Risner -Emotional stress -Press presence -Wives -Press relations -Mingling -Private party -Exploitation of POWs -Restrictions -Justifications -Television [TV] coverage -Date -Announcement

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Importance of POW stories
-Control of publicity
-Gen. Brent G. Scowcroft
-Advice for POWs on dealing with press
-Requests for TV appearances
-Gridiron dinner
-Exploitation
-Prevention

President's schedule -Baseball game -Bowie K. Kuhn -Denton's appearance

POWSs

-Publicity -Importance -Asset -Appearance on TV shows -Dick Cavett -Barbara Walters -Assistance from White House -Defense Department -Appearances -Exploitation -Need for someone in charge of public relations -Scowcroft -Kissinger [?] -Ronald L. Ziegler -David N. Parker

[A transcript of a portion of the following conversation may be found in <u>RG 460</u>, Box 174, p. 1-76.]

Haldeman left at 12:55 pm.

Manolo Sanchez entered at an unknown time after 12:55 pm.

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 2:00 pm.

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Conversation No. 878-14 (cont'd)

[End of transcribed portion]

Paris

BEGIN WITHDRAWM ITEM NO. 1 [National security] [Duration: 1s]

US-FRANCE RELATIONS

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1

[Begin transcribed portion]

Sanchez entered at an unknown time after 12:55 pm.

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 12:55 pm.

[End transcribed portion]

Dean left at 2:00 pm.

Conversation No. 878-15

Date: March 13, 1973 Time: Unknown between 3:01 pm and 3:12 pm Location: Oval Office

The President met with Henry A. Kissinger.

Kissinger's meeting

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Conversation No. 878-15 (cont'd)

People's Republic of China [PRC] -Charles H. Percy's trip -Children -State Department -Note to Chou En-lai -Affront to President -Trip -Percy's presence -Effect -Senators and Congressmen -State Department channels -Invitations by PRC -Compared to nomination by Administration -Percy -Arrangements -Percy's wife -Harvard Club of Chicago -Music -Discussions with Kissinger -Chou -Invitations -Involvement of State Department -William P. Rogers -Administration's selection of Senate invitees -Senators and Congressmen -Percy -Administration supporters Prisoners of War [POWs] -President's talk with Col. Robinson Risner and Capt. Jeremiah A. Denton, Jr. -Reactions to bombing -North Vietnam -Kissinger's visit to Vietnam -US aid Aid to North Vietnam -Public reaction -Poll -H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman

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-Vietnam settlement -Violations

Cambodia

-US bombing -Emory C. Swank -Dismissal

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 1 [National security] [Duration: 2s]

CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

> -Richard M. Helms -Dr. James R. Schlesinger

Vietnam

-Ho Chi Minh Trail -Bombing -Infiltration -Kissinger's paper -Withdrawal of troops -Options -Risk management -President's unpredictability -North Vietnam's reactions -Cambodia -Cease-fire -Troop withdrawal -North Vietnam -Confusion -Khmer Rouge

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Conversation No. 878-15 (cont'd)

-Control -Laos -North Vietnam withdrawal -Deadline -Political conditions -New government -Aid to North Vietnam -Presence in Laos -Infiltration -North Vietnam -Troops in Cambodia -South Vietnam -Number -Infiltration -POWs -Bombing -1974 -Buildup

Kissinger left at 3:12 pm.

Conversation No. 878-16

Date: March 13, 1973 Time: 3:13 pm Location: Oval Office

The President met with an unknown person.

President's schedule [?]

Briefing

The President and the unknown person left at 3:13 pm.

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Conversation No. 878-17

Date: March 13, 1973 Time: Unknown between 4:14 pm and 4:18 pm Location: Oval Office

The President met with Stephen B. Bull.

President's schedule

The President and Bull left at an unknown time before 4:18 pm.

Conversation No. 878-18

Date: March 13, 1973 Time: 4:42 pm – 5:19 pm Location: Oval Office

The President met with Henry A. Kissinger.

Charles H. Percy

An unknown person entered at an unknown time after 4:42 pm.

John C. McCloy's arrival

The unknown person left at an unknown time before 4:47 pm.

People's Republic of China trip [PRC] -Percy's presence in delegation -Paris -Endorsement -[Unintelligible name] -William P. Rogers

Vietnam -North Vietnamese in Laos and Cambodia -US disengagement -South Vietnam counterattacks

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-Prisoners of war [POWs] return -US attacks on North Vietnamese in Laos -US bombing of Ho Chi Minh Trail -Adm. Thomas H. Moorer -Targets -Use of B-52 -North Vietnam's fears -Warning -Display of President's reaction -Effect on future decisions -South Vietnam -POWs -Khe Sanh -Buildup -US support for forces -Vietnam settlement -Honorable peace -Preservation -Instability -North Vietnamese violations

Letters

-Bombing

An unknown person entered at an unknown time after 4:42 pm.

McCloy -Delay

The unknown person left at an unknown time before 4:47 pm.

Meeting with McCloy -Length

McCloy's background -PRC, Soviet Union

McCloy entered at 4:47 pm; the White House photographer was present at the beginning of the meeting.

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Greetings

Foreign Service -Wives -Ambassadorships

An unknown man entered at an unknown time after 4:47 pm.

Refreshments

The unknown man left at an unknown time before 5:19 pm.

McCloy's health

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 3 [Privacy] [Duration: 4s]

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 3

Arms control -Mccloy's work -Frustration -Arms Control Advisory Committee -J. William Fulbright -President's advisors -Thomas E. Dewey, Dean G. Acheson

McCloy's career -Advice on foreign policy -President's appreciation -North Atlantic Treaty Organizatin [NATO] -Soviet Union -Value -Past presidents

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Conversation No. 878-18 (cont'd)

-Franklin D. Roosevelt, Harry S. Truman, Dwight D.
Eisenhower, John F. Kennedy, Lyndon B. Johnson
-Resignation
-Work with Kennedy

-Establishment of Arms Control and Disarmament Agency [ACDA][?]
-Congressional relations

-Strategic Arms Limitation Talks II [SALT II]
-Current concerns

-Shifts in balance of power
-Western Europe
-Change in jobs

NATO

-Future -Shift in balance of power -Gaullist victory in France -Left-wing -Germany -Kissinger's concern

BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4 [National security] [Duration: 12s]

INTELLIGENCE REPORTS

END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO 4.

-European unity -Left-wing enemies -Socialists -US interests -Social Democratic Party [SPD] -Tone -East-West relations

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Conversation No. 878-18 (cont'd)

-Otto Von Bismark -Willy Brandt -New group -Pressure -European socialist state -Unification of Germany -East Germany -Relations with Soviet Union Arms Control Advisory Committee -Disarmament -Usefulness -Technical complexities -Sensitivity -Second place -Future -Composition -Fulbright -Effectiveness -McCloy's successor as Chairman -Reconstitution -Resignations -New members -William W. Scranton -David Packard -Abilities -William C. Foster -Effectiveness -Advocacy -Use of intelligence -Replacement by Gerald C. Smith -Abilities -Experience -Judgment -Selection of a member -Criteria -Establishment

-Complications

-[First name unknown] Patrick [?]

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-Abilities -Scranton -Abilities -Packard -Smith -Membership on committee -Chairmanship -Problems -Compared with Foster -Robert F. Ellsworth -NATO -Abilities -Chairmanship compared with membership -Henry Cabot Lodge -Requirements of job on committee -Complexities -Dealings with other committees and committee members -Massachusetts Institute of Technology [MIT] -[Unintelligible name] -Cambridge, Massachusetts -Knowledge of weapons -Leaks [?] Bay of Pigs invasion -Leaks -Allegations in book -Chester Bowles -Undersecretary of State -Opposition to operation -Leak to press -Daniel Ellsberg case testimony by McGeorge Bundy -Government servant -Obligations -Sabotage of operation Arms Control Advisory Committee -I[lorwith] W[ilbur] Abel

-Labor connections -John A. Wheeler

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-Princeton University -Scientist -Discretion [?] -Contribution -Gen. Lauris Norstad -Chairmanship -McCloy's service -Length McCloy's plans -Possible appointment -New York Foreign relations -President's 1972 PRC, Soviet Union trips -Arms control -Vietnam settlement reaction -Congress -Dangers -Difficulty -US successes -Safety -Strength -Soviet Union -Vietnam -Need for defense strength -Arms buildup -Europe -US military presence -SALT II, Mutual and Balanced Force Reductions [MBFR] -Europe -Government infrastructure -Leadership -Parochialism -Japan -Alliance -Soviet Union -PRC -Economic ties with US

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-US defense -Cutbacks -Budget -US troops in Europe -Role of US strength, respect -Vietnam settlement reaction -India -Council on Foreign Relations [?] -Soviet Union -Arms supplies -Economic aid -Latin America -US arms supplies -France -Military -Stabilizing force -Control -Indonesia -Dr. Achmed Sukarno -US arms program -Communists -Role of army -Council on Foreign Relations -Attitudes -Support for PRC trip -President's anticommunism -Chou En-lai -Diplomacy -Advantages -Compared to Soviet Union initiatives -World security -Soviet Union -Split -Opportunity for US role -Europe -US interest -Unity -Relations with US -Economy

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Conversation No. 878-18 (cont'd)

-Confrontation with US -NATO -Defense -Challenges to US -Relations with Western Europe -McCloy's preoccupation -International meeting -Amsterdam -New relationship with US -McCloy's contacts -Germany [?] -Great Britain -France -High-level group -East Germany -Soviet Union -Partnership -Jean Monnet -Background -Views -United Europe -Avoidance of partnership with US -US strength -Surcharges on US goods -Conflict with Gen. Charles A. J. M. de Gaulle -President's meeting with de Gaulle -President's meeting with Monnet -US foreign policy -New paradigm [?] -Shaping of events by US -World War II -European strength -European leaders -Edward R. G. Heath -Georges J. R. Pompidou -Brandt

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Conversation No. 878-18 (cont'd)

President's meeting with William J. B. Dorn

Bull left at an unknown time before 5:19 pm.

Flowers

Kissinger and McCloy left at 5:19 pm.

Conversation No. 878-19

Date: March 13, 1973 Time: 5:22 pm - 5:45 pm Location: Oval Office

The President met with William J. B. Dorn, Kenneth R. Cole, Jr. and Max L. Friedersdorf.

Greetings

Chairmanship of Veterans' Affairs Committee

Seating

Veterans

-Legislation

Manolo Sanchez entered at an unknown time before 5:45 pm.

Refreshments

Sanchez left at an unknown time before 5:45 pm.

Veterans

Defense budget -Attempted cuts -Republicans, Democrats -Southern Congress members

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Conversation No. 878-19 (cont'd)

-Impact on Strategic Arms Limitation Talks [SALT] -Soviet Union -Mutual and Balanced Force Reductions [MBFR] -Europe -US successes -US negotiations with Soviet Union -SS-9s -Effect of unilateral cuts -Mendel Rivers -Dorn's support for President -Volunteer army concept -Vietnam settlement -Tendency for disarmament after war -John J. McCloy -New York friends -US military strength -Effect on Soviet Union, People's Republic of China [PRC] -Peace -Disarmament -1933 horse cavalry units -High school principle -Dorn's recollection -Adolf Hitler -Panzer tanks -West Point -Dorn's brother -Gen. Billy Mitchell -Court martial -John E. Rankin -President's experience on House Un-American Activities Committee [HUAC] -Speeches -Gen. George S. Patton, Jr. -Meeting with Rankin -Dorn's military service -Slapping incident in Sicily -Drew Pearson's reporting of incident -Prolonging of war -Leadership qualities

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-Dwight D. Eisenhower, Gen. Omar N. Bradley -Army commander -Movement -Gen. Douglas MacArthur -President's wish to meet -Dorn's military service -Message runner -Breakthrough in 1944 -Bradley -Gas -Siegfried Line -Maginot Line [?] -Defense cuts -Congress -US position in 1940 -Cavalry -Germany -France -Impact on chances of peace -US strength -Vietnam settlement -Soviet Union -PRC -Opportunity for peace Vietnam settlement -December 1972 bombing -Effect -Lyndon B. Johnson's meeting with Dorn, Olin E. ("Tiger") Teague, Rivers -Bombing -Haiphong [?] -Duration of war -1968 election -Johnson's potential escalation of bombing -Eugene J. McCarthy

Budgetary problem

Veterans

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Conversation No. 878-19 (cont'd)

-Committee -President's bills -Avoidance of veto -Vietnam and disabled veterans -Separate legislation -Prisoners of war [POWS] return -Reminder of patriotism, veterans -Bills before Congress -Problems -Conference committee -Cooperation between Congress and President -Pressure from veteran organizations -Work with Dorn -Cost -Help for Vietnam and disabled veterans -Dependents' provisions -Veterans medical system -Vietnam veterans -Increased aid -POWS -President's talk with Col. Robinson Risner and Capt. Jeremiah A. Denton. Jr. -Years in solitary confinement -Meals -Disabled, jobless veterans -Dissension, discontent -Report recommendation -Disabled veterans' benefits cuts -Leak to press -Disloyalty -Embarrassment to President -Work of committee -Dorn contacts with Cole -News summary -President's support -Dorn's Republican counterpart -John P. Hammerschmidt -Veterans bill -Senate passage

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-Veto -Dependants of disabled veterans -Medical care -Provisions -Dependents of deceased Veterans -Cemeteries -Costs -Sponsors of legislation -Social Security increase -Allowable income -Partisanship on committee -Medical care provisions -Compromise -Separation from other bills -Budget busting -Veto -Office of Economic Opportunity [OEO] -Public support -Letters to committee -Constituents -Social Security increase -Bill in 1950s -House of Representatives -Senate additions -Cost -Hugh Scott and Gerald R. Ford -Irresponsibility -1950's Senate handling of legislation -Robert A. Taft, Harry F. Byrd, Jr., Walter George -House of Representatives Workings of Congress -Coordination -Election cycle -Senate -Problems

-Ken Waring

-Spending

-Southern Democrats

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-Teague -Nikita S. Khruschev -Spending

Veterans bill

-Cuts -Social Security Medical provisions of bill -Drug treatment programs -Vietnam veterans -Dishonorable discharge -Senate -Additions -Costs -Pensions [?] -Support for President

Photograph

Reception in Caucus Room -Invitation -Frederick B. Dent -South Carolina

Years in Congress -Work with President, Johnson, and John F. Kennedy -William E. Timmons

Dorn et al., left at 5:45 pm.

Conversation No. 878-20

Date: March 13, 1973 Time: 5:45 pm Location: Oval Office

The President talked with an unknown person.

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[Begin segment reviewed under deed of gift]

Request [?]

Conversation No. 878-21

Date: March 13, 1973 Time: 5:45 pm Location: Oval Office

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

John D. Ehrlichman -Meeting with President

Conversation No. 878-22

Date: March 13, 1973 Time: 5:45 pm – 6:29 pm Location: Oval Office

The President met with John D. Ehrlichman and H. R. ("Bob) Haldeman.

Flowers

President's schedule -William E. Timmons [?] -Ronald L. Ziegler

Problems of the day

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-Ehrlichman's meeting with Haldeman -Earl L. Butz [?]

Food

-Market -Transportation problems -Claude S. Brinegar's role -President's involvement -Usefulness -Brinegar's report at Cabinet meeting -Attitude -Stockpiles -Leaks to press -Impact on prices

Stockpiles

-Aluminum -Amount -John D. Harper -Decline of prices -Automobiles -Tin -Cobalt, manganese -Canned goods

Transportation -Brinegar's role -Grain shipments -Coal cars -Effect on prices -Work with Peter J. Brennan and Paul Hall and Frank E. Fitzsimmons -Seafarers union -International Brotherhood of Teamsters

Ziegler entered at 5:49 pm.

Briefing -Gerald L. Warren

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Conversation No. 878-22 (cont'd)

Henry A. Kissinger entered at 5:50 pm.

Personnel appointments -William P. Rogers -John L. Jenkins -Candidates -Dr. David K. E. Bruce -Seniority -Counterpart in US -Jenkins, John H. Holdridge -Announcement -Reaction -Candidate -Age -Democratic affiliation -Symbolism -Jenkins, Holdridge -Rank -Lying -Meeting with John J.McCloy -McCloy's paper on Europe -Arms Control Advisory Committee -William W. Scranton -Chairmanship -[Unintelligible name] -Lawrence Livermore Laboratory -Los Alamos Laboratory -Kissinger's telephone call -Delegation -Experts -Seniority

Kissinger left at 5:55 pm.

Congressional leadership meeting -Hugh Scott, Gerald R. Ford -Pete V. Domenici -Columnists -President's knowledge and participation

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Conversation No. 878-22 (cont'd)

-Compared with Dwight D. Eisenhower administration -Freshman's impression -Rowland Evans and Robert D. Novack -Nicholas P. Timmesch

Watergate

-Questions -Stories on John W. Dean, III -Testimony -John O. Pastore [?] -Meeting with Richard A. Moore, Dean -Ouestions from press -Ziegler's answer -President's cooperation with Federal Bureau of Investigation [FBI] and grand jury -Cooperation in giving information -Executive Privilege -Written questions -Peter M. Flanigan -Testimony -Emphasis on complete cooperation -Alger Hiss case -Hiss case -Harry S Truman's order of noncooperation -Raw files -J. Edgar Hoover -Justice Department -Precedent -Cooperation -Sworn statements -Answer to questions -Guidelines -Executive privilege -Extent -Comparison with John F. Kennedy, Sherman Adams case -Sworn written statements -Ziegler's statement -President's press conference -Reference to Ziegler

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Conversation No. 878-22 (cont'd)

-President's meeting with Dean -Donald H. Segretti case -White House involvement -President's press conference -Patrick J. Buchanan's view -Extent of comments -Ehrlichman's appearance on television [TV] talk show -Question on Watergate -Producer's criticism of Thomas E. Jarriel, Herbert E. Kaplow -Fay Weedon [?] -Failure to ask questions on Watergate -Longevity as an issue -President's press conference -Press concerns -Value -Types of questions -L[ouis] Patrick Gray, III -Segretti -FBI file -President's comments -Ervin Committee concerns -President's comments

Gridiron speeches -Spiro T. Agnew -Ziegler's comments -George S. McGovern -Speechwriter -1972 campaign -Massachusetts -Performance -Robert S. Strauss President's press conference -Speech -Delivery -Timing -Problems

-Vietnam War period

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-1972 campaign -National security purposes -Topics -Inflation -Congress -Watergate -Discussion -Display of concern about Watergate Watergate -White House staff -Jeb Stuart Magruder -Handling -Problems -Break-in -Robert L. Vesco case -Hiring of lawyers -Washington, DC -Charles W. Colson -George A. Smathers -\$100,000 -New York President's schedule -Utility of recent activities -Crime speech -Meetings -Congress -Governors -Mayors -Contributors -Accomplishments -Public impact -Visit to Trader Vics -Seattle -Governors' meeting -Public appearances -Forum -Speech

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-Tulsa, Oklahoma -Prime time TV -Radio, TV -Impact -Size of audiences -News programs -Repetition of stories President's speech on crime -Capital punishment -Ramsey Clark -McGovern -Opposition -Drugs -Religious scruples -Public reactions -Polls -Amnesty -Public opposition -Legislation Henry E. Peterson -Abilities -Richard G. Kleindienst -Private practice -Compared with government -Criminal law Joseph T. Sneed -President's impression -Scholar Donald E. Santarelli -President's impression

James T. Lynn -Abilities -Compared with Maurice H. Stans

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George W. Romney -Compared with Lynn and Stans -Urban Coalition -Rejection -Sol Linowitz -Retirement

Veterans

-Speech by President -Vietnam veterans -Kenneth R. Cole, Jr. -Appropriations -Legislation -Problems -Totally disabled veterans -Dependents care -Hospitalization -Service connected disabilities -Ehrlichman's draft bill for Congress -Stephen B. Bull -Spending, budget -Compassion -Responsibility for costs

President's programs -Divestiture of power -Columbia Broadcasting Service [CBS] program on President and Congress -Congressional resistance -"Pet" spending projects -Divestiture issue -White House power -Avoiding lawsuits

Veterans

-Taxes

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President's speeches

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Conversation No. 878-22 (cont'd)

-Ehrlichman's State of the Union speech draft -Veterans' speech draft

The unknown man left at an unknown time before 6:29 pm.

-Radio speech -Draft -Content -Function of government -Speech before Congress -Previous speeches -Focus on spending -Protection of jobs, taxes, prices -Effectiveness -Press coverage -Address to country -Impact on public -Press reaction -Enemies -Public support -Influence on Congress -Jennings Randolph -New York Times -Prisoners of war [POWs] -Editing

Bull entered at an unknown time after 5:55 pm.

Briefcase -Manolo Sanchez

Bull left at an unknown time before 6:29 pm.

Speech draft for President -Appeal to public -Congress -Press conference -Previous speeches -Budget

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-Government reorganization -Compassion -Robert Teeter poll -Taxes -Level of concern -Inflation, prices -Level of concern -Homeowners -Mortgage deduction -Questions -Liberal bias -Marijuana -Legalization -Congressional attitudes -Raymond P. Shaffer [?]

Ehrlichman, Ziegler, and Haldeman left at 6:29 pm.