

Tape Subject Log

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Conversation No. 184-1

Date: December 18, 1972

Time: Unknown between 10:25 am and 10:45 am

Location: Camp David Study Desk

The President talked with the Camp David operator.

Request for a call to Majorie P. Acker
-Acker's location
-Rose Mary Woods's office

Conversation No. 184-2

Date: December 18, 1972 Time: 10:45 am - 10:46 am

Location: Camp David Study Desk

The President talked with Marjorie P. Acker.

The President's schedule

-Dinner party

-Telephone calls

-Anne L. Armstrong

-Secretary

-Tobin Armstrong

-Number of attendees

-Adm. Thomas H. and Carrie Ellen (Foy) Moorer

-Anne Armstrong

Conversation No. 184-3

Date: December 18, 1972

Time: Unknown between 10:46 am and 10:48 am

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Conversation No. 184-3 (cont'd)

Location: Camp David Study Desk

The President talked with the Camp David operator.

Request for a call to Marjorie P. Acker

Conversation No. 184-4

Date: December 18, 1972

Time: Unknown between 10:46 am and 10:48 am

-Lucy A. Winchester

-Families

Location: Camp David Study Desk

The President talked with Marjorie P. Acker.

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The President's schedule
-Dinner party
-Invitations
-Acceptances
-Number
-Adm. Thomas H. and Carrie Ellen (Foy) Moorer
-Anne L. Armstrong
-Number of women and men
-Menu
-Food
-Fish
-Salad
-Fish
White House gifts
-Music boxes
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Conversation No. 184-5

Date: December 18, 1972

Time: Unknown between 10:46 am and 10:48 am

Location: Camp David Study Desk

The President talked with the Camp David operator.

Request for a call to Ronald L. Ziegler

Conversation No. 184-6

Date: December 18, 1972 Time: 10:48 am - 11:11 am

Location: Camp David Study Desk

The President talked with Ronald L. Ziegler.

Vietnam War

-Ziegler's press conference

- -US bombing and mining of North Vietnam
 - -William Beecher's New York Times article
 - -Henry A. Kissinger
 - -Washington Star
 - -Washington Post
 - -Source
 - -[National Security Council] [NSC]
 - -Kissinger's reaction
 - -The President's May 8, 1972 speech
 - -Purpose
 - -Settlement agreement
 - -Enemy buildup and offensive action
 - -Kissinger's press conference
 - -Negotiations
 - -Negotiations
 - -Enemy buildup and offensive action
 - -Invasion of South Vietnam
 - -Points to make

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Conversation No. 184-6 (cont'd)

- -Settlement agreement
 - -Prolongation of war and negotiations
 - -The President's memorandum
 - -October 1972 agreement
 - -Principles
 - -Kissinger
- -Negotiations
 - -Resumption
 - -Settlement agreement
 - -Nguyen Van Thieu
 - -Breakdown
 - -Thieu
- -Purpose
 - -Enemy buildup and offensive action

Press relations

- -Washington Post
 - -Alleged barring from White House
 - -Helen A. Thomas article
 - -Washington Post article in Style section
 - -Ziegler's possible call to Julie Nixon Eisenhower
 - -Julie Nixon Eisenhower's possible conversation with Thelma C. ("Pat") Nixon
 - -Ziegler's statement to United Press International [UPI]
 - -Tone
 - -Ziegler's statement to the Washington Star
 - -Invitations
 - -Washington Star
 - -Press pool
 - -New York Times
 - -Washington Star
 - -New York Times
 - -Selection process
 - -Wire services
 - -Washington Post articles
 - -Style section
 - -Dorothy McCardle
 - -Associated Press [AP] photographs
 - -Pool report
 - -White House access policy

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- -San Antonio Light
- -[Marianne Means] [?]
- -Wire services

-Mrs. Nixon, Julie Nixon Eisenhower

- -Ziegler's view
 - -Washington Post's attitude toward White House
- -Alleged barring from White House
 - -Discrimination claim
 - -Thomas article
 - -Unknown article
 - -White House access policy
 - -UPI

-Press pool

- -Criticism
- -Washington Star
- -New York Times
- -Local compared to national coverage
- -Ziegler's conversation with Kenneth W. Clawson
 - -Past access
- -Freedom of the press
- -Prerogative claim
- -Social events
 - -Open House
 - -Candlelight tour
- -Ziegler's conversation with David
 - -Washington Star
 - -Kraslow
 - -Sources
 - -Past practice
- -Washington, DC
 - -Influence of Washington Post and New York Times
- -Call to Julie Nixon Eisenhower
- -Washington Post
 - -Alleged barring from White House
 - -Ziegler's possible call to Julie Nixon Eisenhower
 - -The President's possible call to Julie Nixon Eisenhower
- -New York Times
 - -Contact with Kissinger
 - -H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman, Ziegler
 - -State Department

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Conversation No. 184-6 (cont'd)

-Haldeman, Ziegler

The President's schedule

- -Dinner party
 - -Announcement
 - -Timing
 - -Attendees
 - -Alice Roosevelt Longworth
 - -Howard K. Smith
 - -Richard L. Wilson
 - -Katherine Young (Macy) Wilson
 - -Anne L. Armstrong
 - -Adm. Thomas H. Moorer

Second term reorganization

- -Armstrong
 - -Announcement
 - -Timing
 - -Washington Star

Press relations

- -Washington Star
 - -White House social events
 - -Local compared to national coverage
 - -Kansas City Star
 - -Dallas Times Herald
 - -Washington Star
 - -Timing
 - -Wire services
 - -Ziegler's conversation with Patrick J. Buchanan

Vietnam War

- -Kissinger's press conference
 - -Negotiations
- -Ziegler's press conference
 - -US bombing and mining of North Vietnam
 - -Kissinger's advice to Ziegler
 - -Settlement agreement
 - -The President's May 8, 1972 speech
 - -Continuation

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Conversation No. 184-6 (cont'd)

-Settlement agreement

-Purpose

-Enemy buildup and offensive action

-The President's May 8, 1972 speech

- -Prisoners of War [POWs]
- -Cease-fire
- -Free elections in South Vietnam

Conversation No. 184-7

Date: December 18, 1972

Time: Unknown between 11:11 am and 11:14 am

Location: Camp David Study Desk

The President talked with the Camp David operator.

Request for a call to H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman

Conversation No. 184-8

Date: December 18, 1972 Time: 11:14 am - 11:24 am

Location: Camp David Study Desk

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

The President's schedule

- -Meeting with Richard G. Kleindienst, John D. Ehrlichman
 - -Schedule change
 - -Timing
- -Meetings
 - -William D. Ruckelshaus
 - -Photograph session
 - -Retention
 - -Environmental policy
 - -Maurice H. Stans

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-Diplomatic credentials
-Surrogates reception
-Dr. W. Kenneth Riland
-December 20, 1972
-Thelma C. ("Pat") Nixon's schedule
-Volunteers Tea
-Departure for Florida
-Timing
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-Camp David

- -Christmas decorations
 - -William Hersch
 - -Tree, garland
- -Use by Cabinet and others
 - -Robert H. Finch
 - -John N. Mitchell
 - -Robert H. Dole
 - -Melvin R. Laird
 - -Stans
 - -Donald H. Rumsfeld
 - -Stans
 - -Kathleen (Carmody) Stans
 - -Invitations
 - -Mitchell and Martha (Beall) Mitchell
 - -Stans
 - -Invitations
 - -Robert J. Dole
 - -Clark MacGregor

Second term reorganization

-Dole

-Anne L. Armstrong

- -Announcement
 - -Associated Press [AP]
 - -Renunciation
 - -Leak

-Leaks

- -Rogers C. B. Morton
- -George H. W. Bush
- -Women appointees
 - -Armstrong

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-Patricia R. Hitt -Californians

-Transportation Department

Press relations

-The President's conversation with Ronald L. Ziegler

-New York Times

-Contact with Henry A. Kissinger

-[National Security Council]

-Vietnam War

-Reseeding mines

-William P. Rogers

-Washington Post

-Alleged discrimination

-Local compared to national coverage

-Washington Star

-New York Times

-Kansas City Star

-San Antonio Light

-Nashville Banner

-Pool reports

-Wire services

-United Press International [UPI]

-White House access policy

-Patrick J. Buchanan

-William L. Safire

-Ziegler's press conferences

-Performances

-Backgrounders

Conversation No. 184-9

Date: December 18, 1972

Time: Unknown between 11:24 am and 11:25 am

Location: Camp David Study Desk

The President talked with the Camp David operator.

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Conversation No. 184-9 (cont'd)

Request for a call to Henry A. Kissinger

Conversation No. 184-10

Date: December 18, 1972 Time: 11:25 am - 11:35 am

Location: Camp David Study Desk

The President talked with Henry A. Kissinger.

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The President's schedule
     -Dinner party
           -Richard L. Wilson
           -Joseph W. Alsop
           -Adm. Thomas H. and Carrie Ellen (Foy) Moorer
           -Announcement
                -Timing
Vietnam War
     -US bombing and mining of North Vietnam
           -Hanoi announcement
                -Timing
                -Attacks on radio stations
           -B-52s
                -Weather
                -Losses
                      -Expectations
                           -[Hanoi]
                                 -Surface to air missiles [SAMs]
                -Number
                -Schedule
                -SAMs
                -Losses
                      -Expectations
                -Purpose
           -Naval strikes
                -Tactical Air [TACAIR] strikes
                      -A-6s
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-Timing
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-A-6s, A-3s

-F-111s

-Airfields

-Timing

-William Beecher's New York Times article

-Source

-Accuracy

-Source

-Defense Department

-Melvin R. Laird

-[David] Kenneth Rush

-Hanoi announcement

-Tone

-Negotiations

-Resumption of negotiations

-US message to North Vietnam

-Expected reply

-Timing

-Settlement agreement

-Timing

-1973 Inauguration

-Purpose

-US credibility

-North Vietnam

-People's Republic of China [PRC], Soviet Union

-Hanoi announcement

-Apollo XVII Astronauts

-Public relations [PR]

-Handling

-Beecher's New York Times article

-Source

-Purpose

-Timing

-North Vietnam's response

-Ronald L. Ziegler, Alexander M. Haig, Jr.

-Attacks and radio stations

-Defense Department

-Laird

-Rush

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Conversation No. 184-10 (cont'd)

-William P. Rogers
-Unknown person
-Defense Department
-William J. Baroody, Jr.
-Laird
-Weather
-Support aircraft
-Number
-Airplane losses
-B-52s
-SAM
-Report
-Pilots
-Past experience
-Forthcoming report

Conversation No. 184-11

Date: December 18, 1972

Time: Unknown between 11:35 am and 12:28 pm

Location: Camp David Study Desk

The President talked with the Camp David operator.

Request for a call to Henry A. Kissinger

Conversation No. 184-12

Date: December 18, 1972 Time: 12:28 pm - 12:30 pm

Location: Camp David Study Desk

The President talked with Henry A. Kissinger.

Vietnam War
-US bombing of North Vietnam

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-Reports
-Timing
-Targeting
-Freeways
-Tactical Air [TACAIR] strikes
-B-52s
-Number
-Intensity
-Targets
-Damage
-Risks
-Populated areas
-Criticism
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-Intensity
-Alternative