

Date: December 21, 1971  
Time: 6:07 pm - 6:59 pm  
Location: Oval Office

The President met with John N. Mitchell.

- President's schedule
  - Meeting in Bermuda
    - Weather
    - Cooperation
      - France, West Germany
  - Public reaction
  - Edward R.G. Heath
  - Work involved
  - Willy Brandt
- President's past Christmas plans
  - Eisaku Sato

H. R. ("Bob") Haldeman and John D. Ehrlichman entered at 6:09 pm.

[General conversation]

- President's schedule
  - Swearing-in of Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist
    - Timing
    - Wallace H. Johnson

- Unknown person
  - American Broadcasting Company [ABC]

President's schedule

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- President's schedule
  - Willy Brandt

Jack N. Anderson columns

- Use of classified documents
  - Central Intelligence Agency [CIA] reports
  - India-Pakistan
  - Washington Special Actions Group [WSAG]
  - Egil G. (“Bud”) Krogh, Jr.
  - David R. Young, Jr.
    - Henry A. Kissinger
    - Maturity
  - Leak
  - Source
    - Joint Chiefs of Staff [JCS]
    - National Security Council [NSC]
    - Yeoman Charles E. Radford
      - Relationship with Anderson
      - Gen. Alexander M. Haig, Jr.
      - Experiences in Vietnam
    - Polygraph
  - Adm. Robert O. Welander
    - JCS
  - Unknown person
  - Radford
    - Experience
    - Polygraph
      - Question on stolen documents
      - Administrator
    - R[embrandt] C. (“Hugh”) Robinson
    - Welander
    - Kissinger
    - Haig
    - NSC
    - JCS
      - Length of activity
    - Kissinger
    - Haig
  - Young
    - Report
      - Interrogator
      - Excision
        - Department of Defense [DOD]
  - Haig
    - Knowledge
  - Source
    - Activities
      - JCS liaison officer
  - Types
    - Studies
  - Young
    - DOD interrogation
    - Conversation with Mitchell
  - Anderson

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- Radford
  - Knowledge
    - Kissinger and North Vietnamese negotiations
    - Possible court martial
  - Administration strategy

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 4

[National Security]

[Duration: 50s]

INDIA

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- Richard M. Helms
- Haig
  - Call to Ehrlichman
- Kissinger
  - Informed by Ehrlichman
- Radford
  - Access
    - WSAG meetings
    - The Pentagon and NSC
    - Methods used
  - Phone tap
  - Possible arrest
- JCS liaison office
  - Location
  - Executive Office Building [EOB]
- NSC
- Robinson
- Young
  - DOD
- JCS
- Prosecution
- Strategy proposed
  - JCS liaison officer
    - Proposed relocation
  - Need for security officer
- Kissinger
- JCS
  - Transfer of Welander

- Transfer of Radford
- Adm. Thomas H. Moorer
  - Possible discussions with Mitchell
  - Melvin R. Laird
- Discipline of Welander, Robinson
  - Necessity for discipline
  - Robinson
  - Cambodia briefing
- [Unintelligible]
- JCS
- Story
  - US Naval action in Straits of Malacca, Bay of Bengal
- Radford's relationship with Anderson
  - Welander
  - Robinson
    - Previous knowledge
- Radford's experience
  - India
  - Anderson
- Anderson
  - Possible prosecution
    - Possession of documents
    - Welander
    - JCS
- Haig
  - Knowledge
    - Tour of Vietnam with Radford
  - Polygraph of Radford
- Anderson
  - Normandy
  - Parents
- Radford
  - Age
    - Religious faith
    - Moorer
  - Possible transfer
    - JCS
- Kissinger
- Anderson columns
  - Examination
  - Young
- Robinson
  - Relationship with Radford

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- Radford
  - Call to Moorer
- Haig
  - Involvement
    - People's Republic of China [PRC]
  - JCS
  - Kissinger's briefcase
- NSC staff
  - Helmut ("Hal") Sonnenfeldt
  - Kissinger
    - Secretaries
  - Haig
  - John Negroponte
  - Richard Smyser
  - Col. Richard T. Kennedy
  - Jack D'Arcy [sp?]
  - [Forename unknown] Murphy
  - Kennedy
- Strategy
  - Laird
    - Ehrlichman's telephone conversation
      - John Glenn [?]
  - Gen. [Forename unknown] Percy [?]
  - Radford
    - JCS
    - Possible view of India
  - Maj. Gen. James D. ("Don") Hughes's knowledge
  - Haig

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 5

[National Security]

[Duration: 26s]

INTELLIGENCE

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- Adm. Elmo R. Zumwalt, Jr.
  - Involvement
- Radford
- Moorer
- Zumwalt
- Mitchell's forthcoming meeting with Moorer
  - Mitchell's view
  - President's presence
- Documents from Kissinger's briefcase
  - JCS
  - Robinson
  - EOB
  - Welander
- Moorer
- Radford
  - Possession of documents
  - Interrogation
  - Results
- Welander
  - Kissinger
  - Haig
  - Kissinger
  - Leak
- Candidate for NSC Security Officer
  - Charles Sither
  - Ability

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[Privacy]

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BEGIN WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 7

[Privacy]

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END WITHDRAWN ITEM NO. 7

- Location
  - Certification
  - Hughes
- Haig
- Kissinger
- Radford
  - Tap
  - Surveillance
- NSC
  - Welander
  - Robinson
    - Possible action taken
  - Moorer
  - Strategy
- Kissinger
  - Security
  - Office
- Interrogation
  - Anderson
  - Welander
  - Laird
    - Election
- JCS
  - Security
  - Interrogation
    - Welander knowledge
      - Haig and Kissinger
    - Robinson
    - Involvement
- Laird
- Meeting with Moorer
- Welander
  - Transfer from EOB
    - Kissinger's briefcase
    - Radford
  - Relationship with JCS
- JCS
  - Other possible activities
    - Moorer
    - Lyndon B. Johnson Administration
- Recommendations to Mitchell
  - Strategy
    - Kissinger
      - Welander
        - Possible interrogation
      - Anderson
      - Haig

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- Security officer
  - Unknown activities
- John B. Martin [?]
- Welander
  - Interrogation
- Alger Hiss case
  - Compared to Radford interrogation
  - Knowledge
- Welander interrogation
  - JCS
  - Relationship to Kissinger
  - Strategy
- Moorer
- Haig
- Kissinger

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The President, Mitchell, Haldeman, and Ehrlichman left at 6:59 pm.