

Date: November 16, 1993

Processing Note

Re: Telephone Conversations between the President and others
from 4:30 p.m. to 7:40 or 8:10 p.m., 11/23/93

When processing the transcripts, the archives staff arranged and
numbered the conversations in the following order:

Transcript 22 [Governor John Reynolds] [time not shown]
Although this is identified in the corner by a
handwritten notation, "Governor John Reynolds, Gov.
Romney," most of the remarks appear to be taken from a
conversation with Carl Robard later in the day. See
transcript 27.

Transcript 23 Gov. John Reynolds, 4:30 p.m.

Transcript 24 McGeorge Bundy, 5:52 p.m.

Transcript 25 David Dubinsky, 7:32 p.m.

Transcript 26 Senator Ted Kennedy, 7:40
Although the information filed with the dictabelt
indicated that the conversation was at 7:40 p.m., the
Diary indicates the conversation took place at 8:10
p.m., and the White House Telephone Operators' Logs
indicate that the conversation took place at 8:05 p.m.

Transcript 27 Carl Robard [time not shown]

Transcript 28 Patrick Lucey [time not shown]

All of the conversations were recorded on one IBM dictabelt, and
when the archives staff played it, they found that the
conversations took place in the following order:

Governor John Reynolds, 4:30 p.m.
Patrick Lucey/Carl Robard [same call], [time not shown]
McGeorge Bundy, 5:52 p.m.
David Dubinsky, 7:32 p.m.
Senator Ted Kennedy, 7:40 [time shown on transcript]

Claudia Anderson
Archivist

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TELEPHONE CALL

McGEORGE BUNDY TO THE PRESIDENT

MB: ..it occurs to me ..it's a little difficult, but I need your own personal guidance on it. ..is that there will be DeGualle, Erhardt, Debassion, super category of the Creyon, if you were to say that you needed Tuesday morning to restate in brief meetings the basic position of the United States and to pick up threads of your own personal acquaintance of these men, that would explain half of this day and I think it may be a worthwhile thing to do..I put it a little tentatively because I don't ...expect...it would be a good thing to ...in fact to have them come and go and not meet with them would be equally foolish.

LBJ: Why dont you talk to State Department...and get me a memo in the morning...and tell me what you want me to do...

MB: I'll talk to them ..I think if you just announced... Wednesday.. the reason I ask you now is that the present background is best if they background first and if we're going to say this to Pierre we probably should say this tonight.

LBJ: All right. You get back to me and....

MB: All right.

PRESIDENT JOHNSON'S NOTES ON CONVERSATION WITH
MCGEORGE BUNDY NOVEMBER 23, 1963

Bundy said that he thought that it would a good idea to meet briefly with DeGaulle, Erhardt, etc. because it would not be a good thing for them to come and go and the President not see them.

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me George Bundy? 24-6

- B It is a little difficult but it is one that occurs to me, but I think in your own personal guidance on it is there will be DeGalle, Erhart, Douglas Hume, separate category, Mikoyan, if you were to say that you need Tuesday morning for to re-state in brief ? meetings the ?? position of the United States and to pick up the threads of your own personal acquaintance of these men that would explain ??? of this day and I think it may be a worthwhile thing to do. I'd put it a little tentatively because I know it's going to be awful difficult to pick and choose. Yeah, I think to have them come and go and not meet with ??? would be equally foolish.
- A Why don't you talk to the State Department and get me a memo on it in the morning? And tell me what you want me to do.
- B All right. And I think if you just announce Wednesday and the reason I ask you now is that the press background best if they're background first and if we're going to say this to Pierre we probably should say it tonight. I will talk to you
- A Report back to me.
- B All right sir. Goodbye.
- A Bye.