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Apr. 1 2 - Tuesday Lunch
(1st After announcement)
- Pause, etc

Apr. 1 3 - CABinet Meeting

Lunch - on Honor
Peace Move

CABinet Room with

Leaders of House &
Senate - Vietnam
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PRES- I Believe we should brief the House and Senate on the bombing restrictions. It may be we should brief the press.

C I have been on the phone all morning about it

K Mood on hill is terrible. I think you should say you are going up to the 20th parallel. We must do this - otherwise, we take Hanoi off the hook. 1st target selected was a bad one.

P I wouldn't amend the decision. I would clarify it

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Tell them where the line is
if necessary

Pres.- We stopped hitting 90% of
population and we have
nothing in return.

Did you tell Fulbright it was 20th
parallel.

C It was Saturday evening.
I told him it was the 20th
parallel.

Pres - I want the 4 of you
to meet with them on it.
Show them the Tass comments.
Momyer scared me about the
order we already had issued.
Said NON trucks were running
with lights on.

WR: Trucks are now running with lights on at night. They are getting a lot of them through.

Pres. I think they have 12 inches and they want 6.

CC Russell was concerned about us limiting ourselves at a time when men are coming through. He thought pause was a mistake.

Pres- What was theory of taking out 20th parallel?

K: Wanted to relate the pause functionally rather than geographically.

9.C.- The problem is that speech said we are stopping bombing in area of DMZ. This attack was 200 miles north of the DMZ.

C.- If we limit ourselves below 20th they will take advantage of it. It would be grave mistake to go below 20 parallel.

Odds are 100 to 1 Hanoi will turn us down.

Best thing we can do is to show a continuing effort. we have done that.

We told Dobrynin it was $20^{\pm 4}$ parallel. G

Pres - Military can say they intend to bomb right up to $20^{\pm 4}$ parallel.

Holmes - impression ^{of speech} was it was squeezed right to DMZ.

Clifford - might prepare clear statement of where we are - to give intent. Give statement to the press and the Congress.

Pres - statement won't stop it. Have to have briefings on Hill.

Clifford - I think everything we need to say can be put in a statement.

Katzenbach - can't you say concentration will be so. of Vien, with certain targets north.

Clifford - nothing wrong with that -

Bres: Read section ~~of Statement~~
from speech given Sunday night
(Insert)

Does that trouble any of you

Wheeler: Not I.

P. 1st call I got after speech
was Mrs M^cCarthy
Teddy Kennedy
Ernest Gruening
George M^cGovern

I knew something was
wrong when all of
them approved.

(Harry McPherson enters with text of remarks which was shown Fulbright and Mansfield.)

C - I do not think all of us should go up with ~~unpleasantly~~ a briefing, which

R: It is 180 degrees from DM2 to 20th parallel.

P: How far was this target from DM2

W: 205 nautical miles.

C: 90% of our sorties have been along DM2.
Only 10% up in the northern

The President's purpose was to take a unilateral step to reduce significantly the level of violence

Consequently, attacks have halted in the area of north Vietnam containing almost 90% of its population and this is approximately three-fourth ~~quarters~~ of the land area.

This is the area

The remaining ^{quarter of the DMZ} from the 20th Parallel just north of Thanh Hoa South -- where in the President's words "the movement of troops and supplies are a threat to all

forward positions, "attack are
Through ^{columns} ~~this area~~ passes
large supply

~~All of~~ This area - known
as the Panhandle - is the
funnel through which
troops & supplies must flow
directly to the battlefield.

Both directly south to the DMZ
& west to the Ho
Chi Minh trail.



P: Mansfield get impression
it was "just" north of
~~Winnemucca~~ D.M.Z.

This pause is only going
to aggravate the hawks
and won't please the doves.

WR: I thought Dobryn
took it seriously and
would report it so.

We took cities and main
population centers off.

Senate passed tax bill
53-35.

K: Situation in Middle East is miserable. Security Council isn't going to do much.

Pres: What about Pueblo.

Think should be letter from you to Eschkol and Kursein.
Think you should send somebody to talk to Eschkol.

On Pueblo, it is on dead center.
We can have ready a white paper on the whole business.

P: Is there anything else we can do

K: No. We have gone as far as we can go.

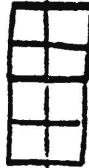
Say what ~~it~~ if you require
to get people out.

Lot of wives wanting those
men back.

K: There will be something
on Honolulu in Post tomorrow.

1) Refer troop level to
Pentagon.

2) No more troop levels
until I approve.



where they are used
against our men

Gov. SANDERS calling

Over 90% of sorbics
were within 50 mi of DMZ

In no event bombing
will not be north of
20th parallel.

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Cabinet Meeting ²⁸
April 3, 1968

Pres- Apc your dedication to
country, loyalty to me, and
your unselfishness. Many
of you came here and stayed on at my request.
faithful competent and
served country well.
Doubt anybody has
sacrificed more. Doubt
there has ever been a
more dedicated Cabinet.
All of you have been
interested in bettering
humanity. I will understand
if any of you have to
stand aside. I would
be happy for you to
stay until the last day.

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I will talk to each of you.

We have some indication from
Hanoi we are evaluating.

Sen. K came in this morning.
Spent an hour. Briefed him
on international developments.
He said he would try to
meet dangers that face country

- tax
- monetary
- city
- intl problem

Told him Rush Clifford - Fowler
and all would be available
to him and to all of
Candidates.

Told VP expect him to know anything

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I want to stay as close to position I outlined as possible. I do not want to be a henchman.

I was a trustee of the K-Johnson ~~group~~ partnership. I looked on my work as if JFK ~~would~~ was watching everything I did. I think he would give us an A+. I explained that to Sen K.

I am free man first  
American

Public Servant  
Democrat

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Said same thing to VP  
told Kennedy that VP has  
been A triple plus VP



12:37 - VP w/ moist eyes.

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I figured I was a B+VP  
and HHH was A+++ VP.

I did what I did because I  
thought I ought to do it.

Country is in damn serious danger.  
Danger in Vietnam - danger in  
Middle East. We have problem  
in L.A. Negroes are marching  
in cities. Needs of Civil Disorders Rep.  
Demands of Senate to cut  
\$6 billion.

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We must have a tax bill

Didn't see how I could do  
that running with my  
motives being questioned

I am going to try to stay  
as close to statement  
as I can.

Told Bobby I could  
announce tomorrow  
but I don't intend to.  
I am doing this because  
I want country to be  
better

Told K country, be made  
better. Told him anything  
in state would be told  
him by Kut + Rust  
to all

Goldberg - Because I am senior, I speak sentiment that we regret what you said the other evening. But you put country & unity of country before everything else. It has been a great honor to serve you. It will be a great administration in history.

Katzenbach - Hanoi came out with statement this morning. In reality we are not bombing above 20<sup>th</sup>.

This is further than Hanoi  
has ever gone. Treat it  
as a willingness to get  
together.

Clifford- The offer of Sunday  
night was a first step  
It seems clear this is  
their first step.

This appears to be a departure  
from previous position  
about unconditional  
cessation of bombing.

I would recommend a reciprocal  
step from Hanoi.



Briefing made 3 main points

① Calling up adsl reserves  
for support of 11,000  
emergency increment.

② Effort to turn fighting  
over to SUP move.

③ Unilateral cessation of  
bombing. ~~up~~ above  
20<sup>th</sup> Parallel  
where 90% of people  
~~live~~ live and  
75% of territory.

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Borenson said language in  
text was better than  
using 20<sup>th</sup> - less  
combative.



Sen Fulbright - Russell - Stennis  
were told about it. Looks as though  
Fulbright wanted to reject it before  
Hanoi.

Katzenbach - Purpose of  
speech was to explain why  
bombing would continue  
in DMZ and area north  
of it where supplies continued to  
flow.

Foreign governments knew  
20<sup>th</sup> parallel was line.

Pres. - We would endanger our  
forces to cut out all bombing.  
It was a 90% step in population  
and 75% step in territory

Fowler: Passed out statement  
a copy of communique March 17  
Statement by French Minister of Finance  
by Fowler  
Communique of March 29-30

It represents an opportunity  
in time to maintain &  
improve a system which  
was on verge of disintegration.

In 2 recent international  
meetings, never been more  
proud of any Cabinet officer  
as I was with Secretary  
Fowler.



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Pres - Financial experts say  
we were threatened with  
very disastrous monetary  
system. Senate voted  
\$6 billion cut in expenditures.

// Gonna to meet on Hanoi //  
thing 2:45

Ramsay Clark Dr. King  
said Negro is not ready for  
non-violence. It is  
delicate thing.

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Bill called back  
Asked for you  
you were out  
Got me  
Wants to go w/ Harriman  
Told him I would  
tell you

Don't think you should  
carry it any further though  
I'm not going to say  
anything about it  
Let him write himself  
to Polus or call.

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Ramsey:

One:

- ① Want all of you to coop w/ly  
Give highest priority
- ② We have done a lot for  
young & poor \* H-E-W \*

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3:07 P.m.

MEETING

- 1 Pres.
  - 2 Clifford
  - 3 Goldberg
  - 4 Wheeler
  - 5 Thompson
  - 6 Harviman
  - 7 Katzenbach
  - 8 Bundy
  - 9 Taylor
  - 10 Helms
  - 11 Christian
  - 12 Johnson
- Rostow

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WR - 1st item is what should we say this afternoon

Pres I have said we are studying it

WR We should add "we are consulting with our allies." That is a note we should strike

Pres I agree with Bill Bendi's points of this morning

Katy There are 2 points:

- 1) Must say consulting w/allies
- 2) You should make an affirmative response

We should not create public  
appearance of heritancy.

Harriman:

CC: Showed Pres. the  
language of their translation.

Pres: OK, Katzenbach,  
Clifford and Harriman  
go to treaty room and  
get Goldberg to go over it.  
We will issue it.



WR: Urgent cable to Saigon  
We have a draft cable

Helms: Effect of this on GVN  
will be terrific.

Pres: We must prevent  
everybody from getting  
hopes up. We must be  
aware of it.

Katy: Nobody disagrees  
with that

WR: We can improve the  
pace of the negotiations  
by military means

Pres: I would not change bombing order in north. If we have to go up to Route Package 4, let's look at it here first because newspapers + critics will make it appear we are not of a peaceful mind.

I don't believe any Pres. has followed his advisers more closely or backed them more with his support.

I have tried to be as restrained as I could

CC: The debate in Senate has been washed away by events. Hanoi responded in manner beyond further dreams.

Pres: It's easier to satisfy the  
Muck than it is Fulbright

CC: Let's keep mil. pressure on  
in SVN + along DMZ  
Also call up reserves  
That has a salutary effect  
on Hanoi.

Pres.: Look at Wisconsin.  
- most pacifist state in  
union. Nixon vote + Johnson  
vote + Reagan vote show  
support for our position  
vs. M. McCarthy.

CC: Timmy - when should  
it be released.

Taylor: we must get the  
GVN on board. Let's  
not rush into it.

Pres: We are not rushing  
Ought to do 2 things:  
① ought to go out to Benher  
② Get statement out

Goldberg: I agree

We cannot hesitate.

For first time they have  
been willing to meet to  
discuss circumstance  
for a complete pause.

WR: Isn't it to go into  
diplomatic ~~and~~ contact.  
saying Averill &  
Tommy are heading for  
Geneva.

Katz: Statement today has to be affirmative in view of past statements.

(Katz, Clifford, Goldberg retired to work on statement)

Bundy - have consultation messages ready to go.

Rostow - after this, have balanced statement to people urging unity, say exploring -

Pres - I don't know. Let's be awfully careful. Westmoreland didn't want me to get into Tet. People who will violate that will violate anything. Let's listen to old hands. That's why

I have Tommy + Averil +  
Max Taylor. Let's look +  
think + get collective  
wisdom. Let's look at  
it carefully.

Time to keep your head in  
when everybody else loses  
theirs.

Thompson - What will  
objective of talk be.

Taylor. Should we put  
out agenda as soon as  
possible.

Bundy: Contacts are one thing.  
Substantive talks or another  
talks are whole different  
area of sensitivity.

Bundy:

Taylor: We can explore  
dimensions of problem

Thompson: The first  
thing is the San Antonio  
formula. Service They worry  
about "productivity"

Harriman: That has been  
stretched out

WR: Withdrawal of  
DRV from 2 northern  
provinces would be  
return for stopping  
bombing in parhandle



Wheller. To stop bombing  
you want something  
tangible. You can  
measure withdrawal —  
also artillery & rocket  
attack against DMZ.

I want to monitor  
what they are doing  
w/ recon. planes  
along DMZ.

Harriman: We must  
get to see what they  
will do.

Taylor: Under S. A. formula  
I don't see how you can.

Bundy: We said "attack across  
DMZ." Have not said any

Movement along DMZ would  
be violation.

Wheeler: They have no  
right in DMZ. Neither  
do we

Taylor: Talks should be  
Mutual de-escalation.

Harriman: There must  
be no danger to our men.  
The Pres. speech has  
supplanted S.A. speech.

Wheeler: I agree

Taylor: S.A. formula  
has been mentioned in  
Pres. Sunday speech

Bundy: There must be over-  
flights. No give on that.

W.R.: Critical element will  
be what fellows are doing  
on the ground. If we  
are chewing them up we  
are in much better negotia-  
tion stance.

Harriman: If we can gradually  
reduce military action  
that is good.

W.R.: Then get beefed-up  
ICC into DMZ.

Thompson: What about our  
own reinforcements

Bundy: The gut issue is  
what is normal rate of  
infiltration.

Soldberg. I think you should  
give the statement personally.

Changes.

made a statement  
which included the  
following paragraph

with respect to peace  
in Vietnam + Southeast  
Asia.

Copy of President's statement  
inserted.

Bundy: We will have trouble  
from allies

Harrison: You are only repeating  
what you have said all along  
They will be just as angry if we

Katzenbach. how about  
"as soon as we have consulted"  
will govt of SVN & other allies.

Taylor: I like Nick's  
formula

CC: Let's make it a  
clear & complete acceptance.

Pres: How will we establish  
contact

WR: Through Van Gue. (Vientiane)

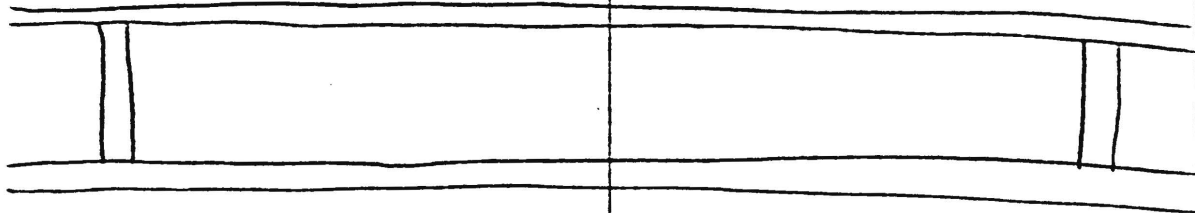
Pres.



WR: One thing that can  
wreck this is for allies to  
collapse under us.

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representative of RWN



Lev midnight tomorrow night -

Rush  
Wheeler  
Bundy  
Clifford

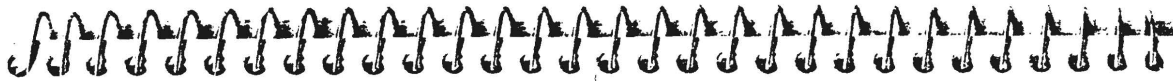
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> Archbishop airmay  
Dinner  
Overnight  
See 1/12  
Go to Honolulu -

Amel Brown - OK

Pick Sharp's success

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6:30

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Pres- Wanted to explain what  
all of you know - reason that we  
stopped the bombing of 90%  
of population and 75% of  
territory.

We met with Abrams,  
Agheson, Dean, Bundy,  
Fodge - some 15 of them -

This resulted in Sunday  
night speech.

We could not stop in  
area south of 20<sup>th</sup>  
parallel.

We made it clear to Hanoi  
& Soviet Union it was  
20<sup>th</sup> parallel.

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We think there are Americans  
who give Hanoi's line.

I agree with Mrs. Fulbright  
(shut up).

Foreign Relations Committee  
shouldn't be the foreign  
policy spokesman for our  
government.

93% of strikes are in Route  
package one

Wk: Gave briefing on  
areas hit.

Pres: We went out to allies  
& told them of this  
we have responded

Before Sunday night we  
consulted all we thought  
could be helpful — including  
the Soviet ambassador.

If they violated Tet true,  
they may violate this  
effort.

Going to Honolulu. Sec. Rust  
will come in Friday. Also  
Westmoreland and his  
replacement + new lead  
for CINCPAC.

Russell: Would have open  
hearings on Westmoreland.

Fowler - Meeting in Stockholm  
ended in agreement with  
everybody except France.



There has been an attack  
mounted on the dollar.  
We had to make concessions  
There is an act of faith  
involved in it.

Pres - We need a tax bill.  
All our advisers - Secretary  
Dillon - call me & say we  
must do what we can to  
remedy this situation. If  
there is anything I can do  
to get the Congress to vote  
on a tax bill I will do it



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Sec. Fowler  
Chrm Martin  
Manatos  
Sanders  
Zwick

Attending  
Speaker  
Sen Mansfield  
Sen Long  
Cong. Mills  
Cong. Boggs  
Cong. Ford  
Sen Byrd  
Cong. Mahon  
Sen Smathers  
Russell  
Kuchel

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I want reduction of \$4 billion.  
We can take that.

Pres - Want to give you a  
brief outline

- 1) Accept
- 2) Reject
- 3) Give alternative

We should listen to competent  
advice & issue statement.

No connection between  
Honolulu & peace talks

Baklin - Thompson - Harriman  
will follow peace item

Fowler: Back to tax bill  
We need a package deal.  
We need a formula -

- tax writing
- appropriations
- Leadership

Have splendid opportunity  
to strike while iron is  
hot.

There are two committees  
two houses  
two parties involved.

Albert: Passage of a tax bill  
is not an easy proposition  
in House. We have a very  
difficult problem.

Williams: If administration supports

Senate package?

Pres - No we would accept  
a package acceptable to both  
house.

I will go along w/ whatever  
the Congress will cut  
out.

Q is how much Congress  
really wants to cut.

Senate said \$6 billion cut

Mahon: we could get 4 or 5  
But got to have Speaker &  
Albert at my side.

Speaker: A small group  
has control of the situation.

Pres - If we don't we are playing  
with disaster. David  
Rockefeller said it is worst  
than 31

Boogey - At time of Korea, we  
passed bill in House - went  
to Senate - in week or two  
it became a tax increase bill.

Russell:

Albert: What will it do  
to us internationally?

Martin: For common  
market this is traumatic  
All European countries  
see us getting large deficit  
in period of prosperity. They  
see it will undermine  
currency.

This is worst financial  
crisis since 1931. Difference  
is this is period of inflation -  
not deflation.

Tourists overseas will not  
get exchange - only what  
black market will give them.  
U.S. not likely to hold budget so  
they get them not so hold  
U.S. securities & mortgages



They will go on spending indefinitely.  
We are right up against wall.  
Agreement we make here gives  
us a breathing space of 2-3  
months.

Bozyp - What if we pass Senate  
bill

Mortin - It would put us on  
road to stability.

Smather - All here ought  
to know how serious  
this is. It could destroy  
this country. Lenin  
said best way to destroy  
country is to debase  
its currency.



We have labored long  
not to embarrass House.  
but no action for 18 mos.  
We had stopping of  
public works project  
we had Repleghen &  
Democrats voting for us.

we have opportunity to  
pass a bill now.

Russell - I said I  
would not pass a  
bill without substantial  
reductions. I voted  
for this bill. I urged  
all to vote for it.

Defense establishment is  
in poor condition. Mil eq  
costs have gone up so much

We have shortages in arms—  
particularly helicopters.

Instinct of placing value on  
gold is as old as the human  
family.

Martin - I agree. The way to  
do this is to preserve the  
economy at home.

Smathers - Need to defer pay me 6 mos

Russell - I urged that.

Smathers - Need leadership  
to support that type of  
program.

Ford - In pay me. do  
you initiate request.

Fowler. It's in law now.

Pres - We need a formula  
you can agree on.

Ford - Would you live w/ \$66

Pres - No, we could get

Mitts - I agree w/ Joe &  
Bill Martin about problem

If it does come, world trade  
will be severely jolted  
on exports & imports.

Mills - Senat bill gives you  
another 12-months shot.

I am suggesting is to quit  
talking of 1 fiscal year  
Take some of this stuff out of  
pipeline.

You are talking about a  
1/2-month redative

You put it ~~off~~ 12 months.

You have no right to take  
Pres. prerogatives.

This does not repeal anything.

You put off a problem 12 months.  
Smulter - How long will you wait  
Mills - ~~Smulter~~ - I will not be forced  
into something by Senate.

Russell - You + Mahon get  
together.

~~Wait~~ Mills - You  
say this.

Pres - You got an emergency  
on your hands - I  
do not want another  
month or 3 months.

Zwiel - I would rather  
cut out 146 in new budget  
authority & not put us in  
a strait-jacket for fiscal 69.

Smalhes - If you can't  
get anything in next 6 months,  
isn't it better than nothing

Zwiel - Don't want to come

Boyer - Let's pass this bill  
& then get to work on  
what Milli says.



Mills - Prob is this  
I might w/ Jerry's  
help aforay w/ Jerry -  
Spevher - Albert  
get higher percent  
than in Senate.

Mansfield, Ball has been  
thrown to House.

Ford - I think  
we should take  
obligational cut  
+ spending cut.  
I think st. is worst  
today than before - but  
I hope sympathy will  
win.



Fowler- The Senate will  
insist on limitation on  
expenditures (Bow amendment)  
We do have provision which  
would reserve the \$4  
billion from \$201 in  
budget now.

This shows a further receipt  
Try with that going through  
the house.

Will be easier to pass  
bill on obligations all about  
from scratch rather  
than change purchase

Russell: Will say that  
is mustard plaster on  
cancer.

Smuthers - Why can't you  
(Mills) get moving  
on more far-reaching step.

Mahon - If House of Senate  
would agree on this  
bill then bring a bill  
reducing obligatory  
authority for the fiscal  
year.

Albert: This would  
give you time to do other

Pres - If Webb - Gorge - Bow-  
Speakers don't get together  
now we will go from better  
to worst.

Smathers - Williams bill did  
pass. You better take it while  
you got it.

Williams - I agree we shouldn't  
get in President's prerogative.

Ford -

Mills - we talked about a  
combination. Two  
titles

① Reduction in speech  
limit is 69

② Tax bill in this title

My thought was this. Members  
of committee on taxes.

Dirk - Geary Committee

Conf. Committee on expenses

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Smathers - Let's not bring  
out any appropriation  
bills.

William - Do we have time  
to start a new bill?

Ans. -

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Morry them together in one bill.

Mahon - Last year we cut \$6 billion. You just can't get House to cut as much. Ways & Means Committee.

Ford - You would have 2. file bill

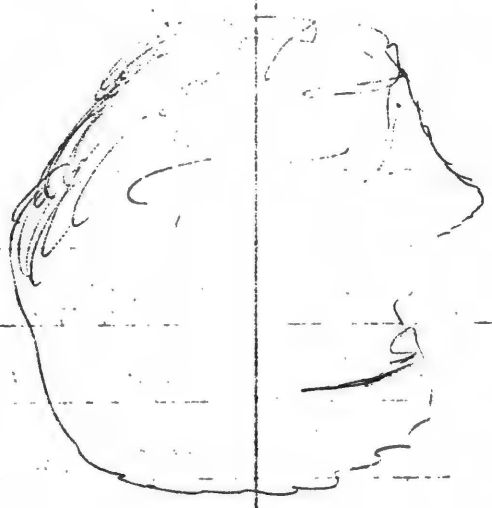
- 1 - Tax bill
- 2 - Ceiling on expenditure & obligations authority in fiscal 69.

Mills - As I see it whatever limitation you fix, you would work out specifics out in authorization bills.

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Pres - Can't start over  
anew. All pressure groups  
will get together, but  
you want get it.

Smathers:

Pres: Sen Russell hit  
the nail on head. They  
added to only bill this year \$200 mm.

Mansfield - We must get  
all of us to face up to  
responsibility. All  
the Pres can do is to propose.  
It's up to you  
We hope you folks will do  
something soon



Mill Amount of simulation  
69 would be whole  
difference would be.

Speaker - Let's get together  
+ get moving w/ Dr. J  
BOB.

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Bob Anderson sent in a very  
dramatic telegram.

- (1) Must have tax bill
- (2) Appoint commission  
on balance of payments

Mills - You cannot have  
a deficit of this type.  
I think Congress could if  
they understood.

Pres. Have a veto conference  
report. Vote up this bill.

Mills = I will be willing  
to have speaker appoint  
another representative

Milton (Tony) We need a package deal.

Ford - Why don't we do what Wilbur suggested. sit down & get some action on what Wilbur proposed.

Bow - We need a package. I'll cosponsor w/ Mel Marston - Byrnes & Bow. I'll fight to pass it as a bi-partisan bill. I'll give 100% support.

Ford : I like Frank's suggestion. will you endorse it publicly

Pues. Yes - if bill is OK.

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I am going to explain this  
to American people.

Mills - If you want a  
tax bill, you can get  
it on floor. There are  
some things I am  
not going to do.  
I have made commitment

Smathers - You are making  
a decision where it is  
murky.

Mills -

Smathers - Everything you  
say you want is in a measure  
in your bill.

Let out over 6 billion  
Give us a tax bill.

we last billion in gold  
market.

Lent 13,000 to M

Let's suspend politics  
May even speak for  
Abolitions this  
year - May even be  
necessary.  
//

I am going to have  
breakfast with  
Mrs Eisenhower  
Friday morning.

Mansfield - Can  
you come up with  
a title

Mills - I have got to  
be for something unless  
I have satisfied my  
own conscience.

Lony - Can you approach  
this as you & George  
talked about

Mills - There is a need  
to do something.

Carl - Could you have heard

Mills - I don't have to have  
hearings.

Mills - That makes sense.

Bres - Let me read you  
something from Jan 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Read - Anderson  
memo.

Bres - Need to get it solved  
+ solve it quick. Distasteful  
as it is, it helped us  
temporarily. We must get  
the ore flowing while some  
burns.

You are leaders. Need  
to get it. Needed it for 3  
years.

Went to 300 businessmen  
Asked for it in State of Union



Mahon - I am ready to call appropriations committee together. I think we have a real crisis. My point is I called Appropriations Committee - we can get something done. Can't cut much.

Long - Don't know how you see it. Had to vote for tax ~~to save country~~ to save country.

Ford - Senate took action. I never thought they would. If we do not agree to Senate bill, conditions are worst.

Smalley - I will take it if you can get it.

Williams - If we cancel §15 b. in  
obligational authority, would  
it be worse.

Zwih: No sir

Ford - Mills is proposing  
a limit on new obligational  
authority.

Zwih - You don't rescind it.

Williams - Does have some effect.

Smaller - We have in conference  
this bill. We moved when we  
got desperate. Keep in  
conference for 30 days while  
you initiate it - hold this  
as umbrella to be certain  
something happens