

Dec 7

Cable at home - with papers

Called cables - re also have weather -

Will talk - re Budget - President - Don Regan
 + in the saying Budget cuts
 healthiest Defense - but they
 said

CIA Comm - in Com

Left 8:50 AM - 9:45 AM

Meeting with Calin Panetta & Rick Armstrong
 - re NSC Plan to let Saraceni join Danisman
 50. Hawks + 3300 Town in return for
 Saraceni - NSC will prevent in case
 means of helping groups that wants to
 overtake Govt - But the ~~same~~ assurance
 that any of this ~~will~~ - NSC plan will
 go to Danisman Army -

Meeting with Calin Panetta & Rick Armstrong - ~~re~~ re
 Their changes in office

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Cables at home - with papers

Called Cables - re Alabama weather -

Will Taft - re Budget presentation - Don Regan
+ Jim Miller Saying Budget Cuts
wouldn't hurt Defense - but they
will

CIA Courier in car

In office 8⁵⁰ Am - 9⁴⁵ Am

Met with Colin Powell, Rich Armitage
- re NSC Plan to let Israelis give Iranians
50 Hawks + 3300 TOWs in return for
5 hostages - NSC will present it as a
means of helping group that wants to
overthrow gov't. - But no ~~assu~~ assurance
that any of this ~~gees~~ - weapons will
go to Iranian Army -

Met with John Poindexter + Bud McFarlane - saying re
their change of offices

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John McMeekin

Met with President Shultz, Dan Rostenkowski, ~~the~~
10-11-77 Fordham, ^{John} ~~Frank~~ ~~Frank~~ - in
Winston's residence or court (end of
corridor sitting room) -

Re 752 Iran proposal -

President wants to free hostages.
Mintz & Hawks + others would
not go to "Protesto Elmer -
Gang" + would help overturn
Iranian Govt. Large strongly

That we have an embargo

That makes arms sale to Iran

Illegal & President's concern is water

it + that "washing" transaction

Then Israel would be more or less

Shultz, Dan Rostenkowski agreed.

President said he could answer

charges of illegality but he

couldn't answer charge that

"his story President Reagan placed up

"charge to free hostages".

Frank, President asked to do in more details

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Met with President, Shultz, Don Regan, John McMahon, Mc F-
Farlane, John Poindexter - in
10 - 11⁵⁵ a upstairs residence of WH (end of
corridor sitting room) -
re NSC Iran proposal -
President wants to free hostages -
Thinks a Hawks + TOWs would
only go to "Moderate Elements in
Army" + would help overthrow
Iranian gov't. I argued strongly
that we have an Embargo
that Makes Arms Sales to Iran
illegal + President couldn't violate
it + that "washing" transaction
thru Israel wouldn't make it legal -
Shultz, Don Regan agreed.
President sd. he could answer
charges of illegality but he
couldn't answer charge that
"big strong President Reagan passed up
a chance to free hostages".
~~Preside~~ President left to do his noon radio

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San Francisco Reg. - 1. 1. 1. - Dec 17/76

TV talk Resident in it
Called James Power - 11 by name
at office 12¹⁰ - 12²⁰

met with Paul & Bill Amstutz -
do brief on meeting - no tasks -

Drove to London

Here to Maxwell AFB in Montgomery, Ala.
12:45 Pub 1 - 1, 35 Per (C.F.)

Saw John Wright - UK Capt. on board

" Red Higgins - on board - Max
AFB - Spine cancelled
with him

Met Maxwell at Conrad - 12:45

Spoke at Dedication of Red Blount
Alabama Shelburne Point

- Gov. Wallace - Red Blount at
Dinner at Blount's home
Called me James in Washington he is Sandy
at London to ask President
decision that we will not ban

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Saw Don Regan + Shultz - Don will try
to talk President out of it

Called General Powell - re my <<answer>>

In Office 12¹⁰ - 12²⁰

Met with Colin Powell + Rich Armitage -
debrief on meeting - no tasks -

Driven to Andrews

Flew to Maxwell AFB in Montgomery, Ala.
12⁴⁵ pm (ET) 1 - 1³⁵ pm (C.T.)

Saw Oliver Wright - UK Amb. on board

" Rich Higgins - on board - Maxwell
AFB - speech cancelled - too
little time:

Met by Maxwell AF Commander - Lt G. -

Spoke at Dedication of Red Blount's
Alabama Shakespeare Theatre -
-Gov. Wallace - Red Blount, etc

Driven to Blount's home

Called McFarlane in Washington - he is going
to London to advise President's
decision that we will not ransom

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on hostages - he will discuss with UK
Possibility in the States
Have arms to negotiators.

Called Colin Powell in Washington DC

" Trip Report to President

" home - to see if Kil has OK

Attended reception, "Midwestern
Night's Dream" & banquet at
Red Blount's Theatre.

Dr. Bill Simon, Arthur Madson, Mary
or Montgomery, Arthur
Michael learned, etc.

Dec 7 (con't)

our hostages - he will discuss with UK
Possibility of their selling
some arms to negotiators.

Called Colin Powell in Washington - re above

" " " " " re my
trip report to President

" home - to see if Kiltie ok

Attended reception, "Midsummer's
Night's Dream" + bufffet at
Red Blount's theatre.

Saw Bill Simon, <<Adm Moreau>>, Mayor
of Montgomery, Actress
Michael Learned, etc