

Dec 7

Cable at home - with papers

Called cables - re also have Vietnam -

Will talk - re Budget - President - Don Regan  
 + in the saying Budget cuts  
 healthiest Defense - last Day  
 in it

CIA - Con - in Con

Left 8:50 AM - 9:45 AM

Meeting with Calin Panu & Rick Carmona  
 - re NSC Plan to let Saraceni join American  
 50 - Hawks + 3300 Town in return for  
 50000 - NSC will prevent in case  
 Means of helping groups that wants to  
 overtake Govt - Don Regan ~~some~~ assurance  
 that any of this ~~will~~ - NSC will  
 go to Saraceni Army -

Meeting with Sara Bondetta & Rick Carmona - ~~re~~ re  
 Their changes of 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 8<sup>50</sup> Am - 9<sup>45</sup> 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 Ragan, <sup>Mc</sup> ~~Mc~~ <sup>7</sup>  
10-11-73 Ford, <sup>John</sup> ~~John~~ <sup>McMeekin</sup> - in  
Wagon's residence or court (end of  
corridor sitting room) -

Re 752 Iran proposal -

President wants to free hostages.

Prime & Hawks - to us would

not go to "Produce Element -

any" & would help overturn

Iranian Sanit. Large strongly

think we have an embargo

that makes arms sale to Iran

illegal & President's concern is water

it. + that "washing" branch

than Israel would be more in legal

stand, Dan Ragan agreed.

President said he could answer

charges of illegality but he

couldn't answer charge that

"his story President Ragan placed up

"charge to free hostages".

France President looks to do in more detail

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Met with President, Shultz, Don Regan, John McMahon, Mc F-  
Farlane, John Poindexter - in  
10 - 11<sup>55</sup> 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

Dec 1967

Saw Paul Regan, Stutz - Dec 10 in try  
TV talk Resistant in it  
Called James Power - 11 by name  
of Office 12<sup>10</sup> - 12<sup>20</sup>

met with Paul & Bill Amato -  
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 Gen. on board  
" Red Higgins - on board - Maxwell  
AFB - Spine can cancel to  
little time

Maxwell AFB Command - etc.

Spoke at Dedication of Red Blount's  
Alabama Shelburne Protein

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

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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 12<sup>10</sup> - 12<sup>20</sup>

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

Driven to Andrews

Flew to Maxwell AFB in Montgomery, Ala.  
12<sup>45</sup> pm (ET) 1 - 1<sup>35</sup> 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 of P. S. C. S. C.  
 Above arms to negotiators.

Called Colin Powell in Washington DC

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 Trip reports President

... home - to see if Kil has OK

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

Dr. Bill Simon, Artie 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  
(2)

" " " " " 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