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TELECON
Mr. Elkin/Secretary Kissinger
November 24, 1975
11:41 a. m.

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- E: Which story is it this week?
- K: They say Kissinger and his aides (reads paragraph) that the White House stood down on the coup plea. It is an absolute lie. There is a memorandum of conversation with the CIA which could hardly been designed by us in which they report to themselves that they stood it down on October 15. They claim they had no supportive documentation. Later they claimed they were asked to start it again.
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- E: Do me a favor. Have your secretary put a red circle around that section, tear out the page and send it to me and I will get an answer back to you. I will at least clear it with the morgue.
- K: What is it about Newsweek that week after week they have these sly innuendos in there.
- E: Henry, Henry, even a paranoid has enemies.
- K: I will show you the document.
- E: Bruce Van Voorst is involved. In your organization errors occur. Errors occur in mine.
- K: I don't know if you understood that the Chile report of the Church Committee is a nut house. We stood it down on the 15th. The CIA started it up on the 19th. I think they wanted to prove to Nixon what great guys they were and knew Nixon would be delighted if they succeeded, but that didn't come off. And then on the 22nd another group -- on no account had we anything to do with the kidnapping of Schneider. There was nobody who claimed we had anything to do with it. On the 19th it was definitely stood down.



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