

Nixon Even More Secretive Since Peace Talk Breakdown

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The last time President Nixon held a Cabinet meeting was on Nov. 8, the day after his re-election victory, and the last time he held a meeting of the National Security Council was on May 8, the day he ordered the mining of North Vietnamese harbors.

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Since the cessation of the Paris talks and resumption Dec. 18 of the massive bombing attacks in the Hanoi-Haiphong area, Mr. Nixon has been almost totally isolated not only from the public but from most administration officials.

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What concessions may have been made by Hanoi or Washington are known here only to the President, Kissinger and two or three other officials. The majority of members of the NSC staff are uninformed as to what happened.

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