

President, After Hard Week, Moves to Reassert Leadership

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Then, last Sunday [19 Aug] while Mr. Nixon was trying to relax with Charles (Bebe) Rebozo in Key Biscayne, word came through chief of [staff] Alexander M. Haig, Jr. of an alleged assassination conspiracy in New Orleans, where the President was to address the Veterans of Foreign Wars the next day. Mr. Nixon was up long past midnight evaluating reports on the situation, and he was taut and distracted the next day when his motorcade was diverted from downtown New Orleans.

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