

Kissinger Calls Version of Nixon Talk 'Indecent'

WASHINGTON, March 29 (AP)—Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger said today that published accounts of his meeting with President Richard M. Nixon the night before Mr. Nixon resigned were distorted and inaccurate and "show an indecent lack of compassion."

Published excerpts from a new book, "The Final Days," depict a distraught President pounding the carpet in the Lincoln Sitting Room at the White House and asking Mr. Kissinger between sobs, "What have I done? What has happened?"

Robert Funseth, a State Department spokesman, confirmed that Mr. Kissinger had met with the book's authors, Robert Woodward and Carl Bernstein of The Washington Post, but he refused to say whether Mr. Kissinger was the source for the description of the meeting with Mr. Nixon.

Mr. Funseth said the Secretary of State had authorized him to say the following:

"Excerpts the Secretary has seen of the material from the book of which he has personal

knowledge contain too much gossip, too many inaccuracies, distortions and misrepresentations to be dealt with. In addition, the Secretary believes these excerpts show an indecent lack of compassion and lack of essential human understanding on the part of the authors."

Kissinger as having tried unsuccessfully to turn his conversation with Mr. Nixon to the foreign-policy accomplishments of his Administration. "Nixon wouldn't hear of it," the book says.