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Also during this CBSWP meeting it was announced that the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) had held a number of top level meetings in recent weeks at which the current cutbacks in poverty project funds and its relationship to the war in Vietnam were discussed.

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