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WASHINGTON (AP) — Special prosecutor Archibald Cox Monday asked the Senate Watergate committee to suspend its televised hearings. But a majority of the panel said no.

Four of the committee's seven senators immediately rejected the bid by Cox, who warned that continuing the hearings, scheduled to resume Tuesday, will impede investigations of the scandal and increase the risk that guilty parties will go free.

A three months delay, Cox said, "seems reasonable but I would be grateful for any

significant period."

Sen. Sam J. Ervin, D-N.C., said his committee cannot afford a delay because it is vital "for the people to learn the truth.

He was joined by Sen. Herman E. Talmadge, D-Ga., who called Cox presumptuous in making the request and added: "It seems to me that Mr. Cox would be well advised to carry out his responsibilities without advising the Senate how to carry out theirs."

Sen. Joseph S. Montoya, D-N.M. and Lowell and Weicker, R-Conn., also supported the rejection.

Two Republicans, Sens. Howard Baker of Tennessee and Edward J. Gurney of Florida, said they will wait until the matter is discussed at an executive committee meeting Tuesday. The hearings, which recessed May 24, are scheduled to resume later Tuesday.

"I do not accept the suggestion of the prosecution that the Senate investigation will impede the search for truth," said Ervin, a former North Carolina supreme court justice. "On the contrary, the preparation for the investigation on the part of the committee has greatly accelerated the revelation of the truth."

He said a postponement would "for all practical intentions and purposes put the

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committee out of business" and added: "We cannot afford the delay incident to awaiting further action by the Department of Justice."

Cox's warning was contained in letters delivered to the members of the Watergate committee and to the Senate Judiciary Committee.

Meanwhile, the White House said it will not furnish investigators with logs of conversations that President Nixon had about the Watergate scandal this year with ousted counsel John W. Dean III.

"The President's logs are not subject to subpoena," said deputy press secretary Gerald L. Warren. Supplying the materials, he said, would be "constitutionally inappropriate."

Dean, fired as White House lawyer April 30, was quoted in published reports as saying he discussed aspects of the Watergate coverup with the President or in Nixon's presence 30-40 times between January and April.

The Washington Post, quoting unnamed sources, said Dean plans to allege the President was deeply involved in the coverup.

The White House at first called the reports "part of a careful coordinated strategy...to prosecute a case against the President in the press using innuendo, distortion of fact and outright falsehood."

On Monday, Warren acknowledged the President had conferred with Dean and said the topics included Nixon's own Watergate investigation, administration policy on citing executive privilege and hearings on the unsuccessful nomination of L. Patrick Gray to be director of the FBI.