

# White House to Supply Nixon-Dean Talk Logs

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The White House provided a copy of the logs to the Senate staff of the Senate Judiciary Committee on Monday. The logs are being reviewed by the committee's staff and will be made available to the committee on Tuesday. The logs are being made available to the committee on Tuesday. The logs are being made available to the committee on Tuesday.

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Warren and the President and Dean discussed a variety of matters, including the Watergate inquiry, J. Patrick Gray's confirmation hearings to be FBI director and a White House staff member on executive privilege. Warren and Warran agreed yesterday that the White House had cooperated fully with the Senate committee in making arrangements for transfer of the logs. Warren said the White House will cooperate as fully as possible within constitutional powers.

Earlier in the day, Dash had indicated the committee would use its subpoena powers only as a last resort, but that this did not seem necessary.

Dash denied he had said a subpoena was being served on the White House, but reporters clearly heard him say late Tuesday that there would be a subpoena or subpoena for the logs. Special Watergate prosecutor CIA also had said he intended to let the papers.

The logs record the times and dates, but not the substance, of a series of telephone calls and meetings of Nixon with Dean, whom he fired as White House counsel on April 30.

Disclosure of the conversations was spurred by reports in the Washington Post and The New York Times that Dean had said he met at

least 35 times with the President during the first 100 months of the year to discuss a cover-up of the Watergate scandal.

At first, the White House said it would be constitutionally inappropriate to release the logs. Then on Tuesday, deputy press secretary Warren said he had misstated the White House position.

Warren said he meant to say earlier that the logs would not be turned over under a subpoena, but that the White House was seeking a way to provide them voluntarily.

Dash said yesterday the committee intended to obtain the logs and was working informally with Leonard Garment, Dean's successor as counsel to the President, to make necessary arrangements.

The White House issued the following statement through Gerald Warren, deputy White House press secretary, in response to the story above:

"This story and a similar story carried in the New York Times appear to be part of a careful coordinated strategy by an individual or individuals determined to prosecute a case against the President in the press using innuendo, distortion of fact and outright falsehood.

"This manipulation of the press involves an unprecedented assault on judicial and administrative due process. Its objective, stated in the simplest terms, is to destroy the President. We categorically deny the assertions and implications of this story.

On May 22, the President said in a written statement: "I took no part in nor was I aware of any subsequent efforts that may have been made to cover up Watergate. At no time did I authorize any offer of executive clemency for the Watergate defendants, nor did I know of any such offer."

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