

From the time the top CIAers started talking and more, from the time records were quoted, I've expected something <sup>like what</sup> Nixon pulled this ~~pram~~. What I did not expect and what should have been no less obvious, I just didn't think about his need to admit his private spy outfit. If I had stopped to think, I'd have realized he had to, to give it his own twist and makes the CIA ploy more credible. I'd started another chapter before the hearings began, to get some of these ideas on paper and the context fixed before I forgot and had planned to handle this as GL didn't and evening TV didn't. There was a Mexican connection, and what Helms said is either false or he was underinformed. I'll pick up the Ogarrio stuff. Remember, his denial is for Hunt's WH period only. No reporter I've read or heard remembered Hunt's Mexican spooking. Right now I guess it is just as good. Maybe more will come out this way and I have something new for Republicans Are Cannibals: Richard Nixon.

A 7 1/2 pp. WH statement is an exceptional thing and in <sup>HW 5/22/73</sup> this case I think it is an unintended signal from GL on his state of mind and personal estimate.

Much helicopter traffic today can indicate a Night at Camp David. What a night after today.