

List Of GOP Contributors Kept By Nixon's Secretary

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WASHINGTON (AP) — A secret list of so-far unnamed contributors to President Nixon's re-election campaign, reportedly destroyed after the Watergate break-in, has been at the White House all along.

The White House confirmed Thursday that the list has been in the possession of Rose Mary Woods, Nixon's long-time personal secretary, but said it was "never shown to the President."

It had been learned from other sources that a full accounting of major contributors who gave to the campaign prior to the April 7, 1972, exists despite sworn testimony by Watergate figures that all copies had been either lost or destroyed. The new federal campaign finance law went into effect April 7.

The sources said the list contains details of contributions of more than \$19 million donated before April 7, including more than \$14 million apparently raised in less than a month before that date.

Also contained on the list are coded entries indicating which contributions were made in cash. The total is more than \$1 million.

Various cash funds, drawn from these currency contributions and checks converted to cash, have been identified as the source of financing for espionage and sabotage in last year's presidential campaign, including the burglary and bugging of Watergate's Democratic party headquarters.

Chief Nixon campaign fundraiser Maurice H. Stans was

asked at the Senate Watergate hearings Wednesday if he could identify the pre-April 7 cash contributions. He replied he recalled some and was reconstructing a list of the remainder from various sources.

Sen. Sam J. Ervin Jr., D-N.C., committee chairman, asked Stans why there was no

complete record that could give the information.

"Well, at one time, Mr. Chairman, some of the records were removed from the committee's files and destroyed," the former commerce secretary answered.

The list pinpoints the sources of the money by names of individuals and groups.