Hunt, Watergate Burglar, Is Released From Prison

BOSTON, Feb. 23 (AP)—E. Howard Hunt, the convicted Watergate burglar and author of spy thrillers, flew to Boston today after slipping quietly away from a federal prison in Florida under cover of early morning darkness.

Hunt, 58, left the 475-man federal minimum security prison at Eglin Air Force Base after serving 32 months for his part in the June, 1972, break in at Democratic National Committee headquarters.

Sources at Logan International Airport said Hunt, the recruiter and lookout in the break-in, arrived in Boston about 11 a.m., a few hours after his release from the prison on Florida's Gulf Coast.

Hunt planned to talk to officials of the American Program Bureau in suburban Brookline. The agency, which is arranging a speaking tour, scheduled a news conference for Hunt for 10:30 a.m. Thursday.

Hunt, in the best cloak-and-dagger tradition, earlier evaded reporters who had camped outside the prison's main gate through the night.